

# Happy Father's Day June 16



## Birthdays in June



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| 1- Kathy Walker       | 18- Gerri Hanson     |
| Elizabeth Hatch       | 19- Zach Casteen     |
| 2- Sandy Miller       | Connie Stamm         |
| 3- June Blalock       | Joyce Ange           |
| Gina Farrior          | 20- Emily Wells      |
| Cole Farrior          | 21- Tanya Robinson   |
| 5- Don Thomas         | Lydia Woodard        |
| 7- Geneva Maready     | Lawrence Parks       |
| 8- John Lettieri      | Burroughs Strickland |
| James Sills           | 24- Jim Robison      |
| 9- Deanna Parks       | 25- Leon Wells       |
| 10- Cheryl Raymond    | 26- Sharon Robison   |
| 11- Lydia Thompson    | 29- Jack Blackney    |
| 13- Brenda Long       | Jim Simpson          |
| 15- Burke Saunders    | 30- Hayes Skidmore   |
| 16- Margaret Toothman |                      |
| 17- Wells Wallace     |                      |



# NEWSLETTER

WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Dr. Philip K. Gladden, Minister

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**DAY OF  
PENTECOST  
Sunday  
June 9**



Everyone is encouraged to wear **red** to worship!  
From the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Mission Agency:

“On the Day of Pentecost we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit descending in a mighty rush of wind and flame to inspire the church’s proclamation of Christ’s rising and to empower its mission and ministry to the world. On the Day of Pentecost, we celebrate God’s gift of Holy Spirit which draws us together as one people, helps us to comprehend what God is doing in the world, and empowers us to proclaim, in word and in deed, God’s plan of reconciling all people in the name of Christ (Ephesians 1:10).

Without the gift of the Spirit, Christ’s church dries up and withers away, and we are left with only our broken selves. With the gift of the Spirit, all things are possible. A spirit-filled community of faith opens eyes to needs in the world and sees its missing as God’s new people. The Day of Pentecost is the climax of the Great Fifty Days of Easter, celebrating as it does the gift of the Spirit to the body of Christ — the church.”

The red flames in the logo of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) remind us of the gift of God’s Holy Spirit at Pentecost and our calling to be the church.





Dear Friends,

*During the month of May I took an online course called “Writing Together in Creative Community” through Columbia Presbyterian Theological Seminary in Decatur, GA. Each day the instructors posted a writing prompt for our use. Each week I read a presentation on some aspect of writing and posted a piece for other participants to read and critique.*

*Our assignment for Week 4 was to “write about a place that matters to you — real or mythical. Use some of the elements of literary mapmaking to draw the woods and create our path through the woods” (this metaphor was taken from a poem we read in the weekly presentation).*

*I wrote a piece called “The Map,” about a retreat center I discovered several years ago. It has become a sacred place to me and Nancy, especially the little house we stay in called The Heron’s Nest. I wanted to share “The Map” with all of you.*

#### *The Map*

*You’ll never find the special place if you don’t know where to look. Oh, I can tell you how to get there. That’s no problem. But once you arrive, your journey will be in the company of God’s Holy Spirit. Who knows where you’ll go?*

*Hang a left on Rocky Ford Road and then a right onto Epsom Rocky Ford Road. Now look for the small green road sign on your right, not far from your last turn. If you were just out for a drive and rode past the gravel lane, you’d never think to stop and take a look. Turn right onto Cedar Cross Way, next to the blue double-wide, and you’re only half a mile from a spiritual journey you will long remember. I guarantee you’ll never forget the way back.*

*In your eagerness to leave the everyday cares behind, you will be anxious to get to your destination and settle in. Slow down! One of the most enjoyable parts of the trip is riding underneath the canopy of trees and letting the path guide you. You may see the lush green of spring or the blazing reds and oranges of fall or the bare trees of winter covered in snow. No matter the season, the track is beautiful and holds the promise of an even more wonderful journey ahead.*

*Find your way to The Heron’s Nest and settle in. Enjoy the sensation of living in the treetops as you look down on Spirit Pond. If you’re adventurous, lace up your shoes and strike out on any one of a number of trails: Oak and Holly, 3 Bridge, Ridge, Middle, Bluets, Moss, Loop, or North Loop. Don’t worry, you’ll always end up where you need to be, but you might be a different person. No matter where you hike, you’ll see the beauty of God’s creation at Creekside, Beaver’s Marsh, East Meadows, Gazinga, Young Hardwoods, Holly Bend, Fernbrook, Boomer’s Slope, and North Pond Hillside.*

*Once you find yourself walking north on Running Cedar Trail, keep going until you arrive at the Way of Jesus. Take your time at any or all of the fourteen stations as you accompany Jesus on the pilgrimage of his life. You will be tempted to hurry along*

## ACTIONS OF THE SESSION

At the Tuesday, May 21, 2019 meeting of the session, the elders and minister:

- \* were led in a devotion and opening prayer by Elder Christy Johnson;
- \* conducted the meeting as a worship service;
- \* read and discussed God’s Word in Acts 2:1-11 and Galatians 5:22-26 and a reading, “The God-Powered Church”;
- \* met with Youth Ministry Leader Zach Casteen and accepted his resignation letter, effective May 31, 2019;
- \* approved the minutes of the April 16, 2019 stated session meeting;
- \* approved a request to transfer the membership of Elizabeth Wells Merritt, Jonah Grey Merritt, and Olive Elizabeth Merritt to the First Presbyterian Church, Raleigh, NC;
- \* approved a request from the Steering Team of the East Community of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina to use our Fellowship Hall on Friday, June 14 to host a dinner with Rev. Joan Gray, keynote speaker at the next day’s presbytery meeting in Southport, NC;
- \* approved a request from Philip Gladden to use Continuing Education leave and funds to attend the 2019 East Community Pastors’ Retreat August 11-13 at The Trinity Center;
- \* approved a request from Philip Gladden for vacation time June 24-27 and July 1-4. He will preach June 30 and July 7;
- \* received a report from Philip Gladden concerning his Continuing Education activities year-to-date in 2019;
- \* approved an application to the Hunger Committee of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina for a grant for the Helping Hands Food Pantry, and approved future applications;
- \* contributed \$500 to Hampton and Taylor Hall for their upcoming mission trip to Southeast Asia with the Austin Life Church, their church in Austin, TX;
- \* prayed for members of the congregation, friends, families, and neighbors;
- \* were led in a closing prayer by Elder Christy Johnson.



We extend our Christian love and sympathy to Sandy Ward and her family on the death of her father on Friday, May 10.



## ANNUAL FATHER'S DAY OFFERING FOR THE PRESBYTERIAN HOMES OF NORTH CAROLINA Sunday, June 16

The mission of The Presbyterian Homes is to honor God by enriching the lives and touching the hearts of those we serve. PHI provides independent living, assisted living, Memory Care and skilled nursing within a community of friendship with others of similar age and diverse interests. Facilities are located at Glenaire in Cary, River Landing in Colfax, and Scotia Village in Laurinburg. Read more about The Presbyterian Homes of North Carolina at [www.presbyhomesinc.org](http://www.presbyhomesinc.org).

## **Preaching Schedule** PREACHING SCHEDULE FOR JUNE

These scripture lessons/sermon texts for June are provided so you can read, pray, and prepare yourself for hearing God's Word in worship during the month of June.

DATE	FIRST READING	SERMON TEXT	THEME/STORY
June 2	Isaiah 42:1-9	Acts 16:16-34	Paul & Silas in Prison
June 9	Romans 8:1-17	John 14:8-17, 25-27	The Day of Pentecost
June 16	Psalms 8	Romans 5:1-11	Justified by Grace
June 23	Psalms 42 & 43	Luke 8:26-39	Gerasene Demoniac Healed
June 30	Exodus 5:1-9	Galatians 5:13-24	Freedom in Christ

so you can explore the rest of the grounds, but be still. You may think you're ready to move ahead to the next station, but you just might experience a presence that urges you to "Stay, don't go yet! Sit and be still."

You may meet some fellow travelers during your stay. Then again, you may think you are alone, but you really aren't, even if there are no other cars in the parking lot. Watch, listen, pay attention, and open yourself to God's presence with you. As you explore, enjoy when the new becomes familiar and the familiar continues to surprise you.

When it's time to leave the special place, you'll go out the way you came in. Well, that may be true when you drive west on the route out. But you're farther along the way than when you drove in. You will have a different perspective on the sunlight filtering through the trees and the moss covered rocks by the side of the road, and not just because you're headed in a different physical direction. If you happen to meet another car on the narrow passage out, back up and enjoy some more time.

The next time you make the trip to Cedar Cross, you'll know how to get there. Once you arrive, however, you never know where your journey might take you.

In Christ,



*Phil*

## **Worship Schedule** WORSHIP LEADERS IN JUNE

DATE	ELDER	PREACHER
June 2	Clay Blue	Philip Gladden
June 9	Curt Simpson	Philip Gladden
June 16	Lindsay Skidmore	Philip Gladden
June 23	Jason Rouse	Philip Gladden
June 30	Geneva Maready	Philip Gladden





CONGRATULATIONS  
ON YOUR  
Wedding

Congratulations and best wishes to Katie Robison and Matt McCourtie who will be married on Saturday, June 29 at First Presbyterian Church, Wilmington, NC.



Congratulations to Jason & Shelley Fussell on the birth of their daughter, Parker Lucille on May 16. She weighed in at 5 lbs. 6 oz., and 18 1/4 inches long. Proud grandparents are Jay and Joey Fussell.



June



06/02: Danielle & Elizabeth Sills  
06/09: Georgia & Nate Farrior  
06/16: Lindsay & Stanley Skidmore  
06/23: Susan & Ellie Carone  
06/30: Ellie Newton & Gloria Wells

07/07: Emily & Hayes Ludlum  
07/14: Christy & Payton Johnson  
07/21: Jennifer & Royal Johnson  
07/28: Noel, Cameron & Reese Blue

#### YOUTH WORSHIP LEADERS

06/02: Miller Ludlum & Windsor Farrior  
06/09: Elizabeth & James Sills  
06/16: JJ Rouse & Hayes Skidmore  
06/23: Cameron & Reese Blue  
06/30: Henry & Piper Moore

Freddy Hall, Leader

Wayne Casteen  
Roger Coombs

Clay Blue  
Dave Wells



#### GREETERS

06/02: Art & Cheryl Raymond  
06/09: Ann Carter & Bobby Ives  
06/16: Joe Tillman & Mary Carone  
06/23: Emily Saunders & Georgia Longest  
06/30: Leon & Jewel Wells

#### OPENING CHURCH BUILDING

June 1-15: Roger Coombs  
June 16-30: Dave Long

#### CHURCH NEWS . . . For Your Information

\* **We will receive** these offerings during the month of June: June 2 – P.A.T.H. (Presbyterian Answer to Hunger) Offering; June 16 — The Presbyterian Homes of North Carolina; June 30 – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Building Offering.

\* **The Commission on Ministry of the East Community of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina** will meet at our church on Thursday, June 6 from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. They will use Rooms 304 & 307 and the Music Room.

\* **The East Community of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina** will meet on Saturday, June 15 at the Southport Presbyterian Church, Southport, NC.

\* **The session** will meet on Tuesday, June 18 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 304. If you have any business or concerns for the session to consider, please speak to one of the elders or the minister.

\* **There will be no** morning Bible study on Wednesday, June 19 or Wednesday, June 26.

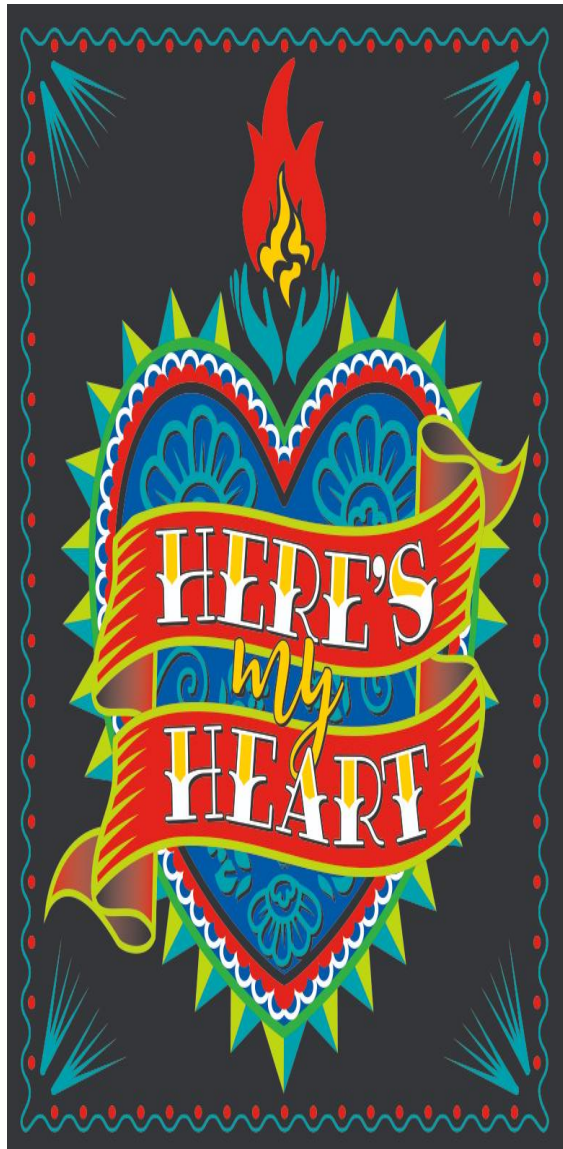
\* **Philip Gladden** will be on vacation June 24 - 28 and July 1 - 4. He will preach on June 30 and July 7. Please contact Elder Susan Walters, Clerk of Session, or the church office in an emergency.



Hospital & at home:  
Cathy Wells (Fayetteville)  
Judy Robinson (home)  
Bruce Lyon (Rosemary)

Verlie Wells (Rosemary)  
June Blalock (Rosemary)  
Dan & Eva McLaughlin (Rosemary)





# PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH TRIENNIUM 2019

July 16-20, 2019  
Purdue University

Madelyn Coombs, Elizabeth Sills,  
and Zach Casteen  
will attend with the group from  
the Presbytery of Coastal  
Carolina.



JUNE  
15



## ENRICHING SOULS: RAISING SAILS

**Southport Presbyterian Church**  
1025 E. Moore St. Southport, NC 28461

Join us as the East Community gathers for a day of enriching our souls. Registration will begin at 9 am. Our keynote speaker is Joan Gray, author of *Sailboat Church* and *Spiritual Leadership for Church Officers*. Workshop offerings include music and worship, small groups, personal faith journey, church finances, spiritual leadership, photography as Sabbath, intergenerational recreation, and biblical storytelling.

*We look forward to gathering, worshipping and being enriched!*

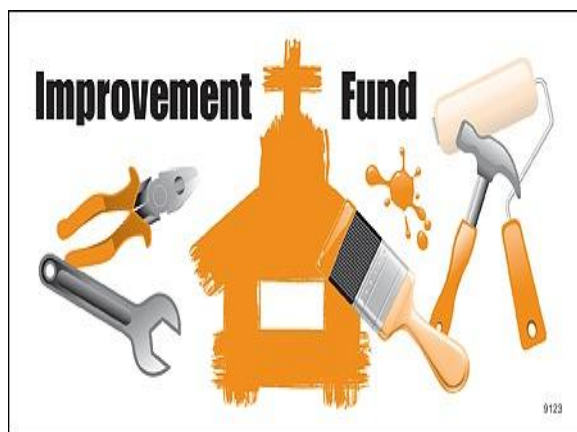
\*Please look for more information to come as well as registration information.





### **P.A.T.H. (Presbyterian Answer to Hunger) Offering Sunday , June 2**

This offering supports the Hunger Program of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina which, in turn, funds feeding programs for children in Haiti and Malawi. The Hunger Program also provides funds for congregational food ministries such as our Helping Hands Food Pantry.



### **5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Building Offering June 30, 2019**

We will receive our 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Building Offering during worship on Sunday, June 30. This offering is used to maintain our church physical plant so we can provide mission and ministry programs for our congregation and community.



Dear Congregation,

I'm writing this letter to inform you that I will be officially resigning from the youth position at church effective May 31. After much thought, discussion, and prayer, I've decided to focus my attention on my growing woodworking business.

When I accepted the position as youth leader of Wallace Presbyterian Church, Andrea had just started her radiation and chemo treatments. As a part time youth leader, the relaxed hours and time clock with the church allowed me the freedom to focus on my family, and still be able to bring in a salary. As time has passed, Andrea's treatments are easier, and my family's schedule is relatively back to normal. My salary from church allowed us to cover our bills financially but did not allow much wiggle room for savings; especially with the added cost of growing hospital bills.

Over the last several months, I've had numerous customers request woodwork from me, but my time restraints with my hours at church did not allow me to complete the work requested. I'm also still playing catch up with orders over the last year or so. I've recently been given the opportunity to move my shop to a larger facility, for free!

Ecclesiastes 3:1 reads "There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heaven." I've always trusted God's timing and tried to pay close attention to the signs and signals he sends all of us. I believe that the reasons I've stated above is God steering me toward a new chapter in my life, and I can't let this opportunity pass.

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to work with your children over these last 2 years. It's been a pleasure and an honor to watch our church's young people grow.

Yours through Christ,

Zach Casteen

## 5th ANNUAL KIRKWOOD CREATION CAMP

### *Gather at the Table*



June 16	2:00 - 6:00 p.m.	Registration, swim test, supper, vespers
June 17 - 19	9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Creation Camp Activities
June 18	2:00 - 7:30 p.m.	Creation Camp Activities, supper, closing worship

The 5th annual Kirkwood Creation Camp, sponsored by Friends of Kirkwood, will be June 16-20. Children, youth, and adults from several Presbyterian congregations in the East Community of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina will enjoy a week of outdoor activities, Bible study, crafts, singing, and worship. This year's theme is "Gather at the Table."

Our congregation supports Kirkwood Creation Camp with a \$500 contribution, campers and youth/adult volunteers, and the Thursday night hot dog supper.



The mission of the Disaster Recovery Group of Duplin County is to provide long-term services to those affected by major disasters in Duplin County. Services will be provided regardless of race, creed, color, gender, disability, or religious preference. The goal of the Disaster Recovery Group of Duplin County is to educate and assist residents in being safe, sanitary, secure, and resilient, while cultivating community involvement.



## WPC Children's Church

### Summer 2019

### Ages: 3- Kindergarten

The Worship/Music Ministry Team recognize the importance of the role of the church in providing for the spiritual and physical needs of our children. We want to make time spent in Sunday morning worship a meaningful and positive experience for all children under our care. It is our hope that we can help our younger members grow as children of God. It is our mission to express the love of Christ while implementing the best of care and age appropriate spiritual formation.

On June 9, we will begin a new program for children ages 3 years old-Kindergarten during our 11:00 worship service. These children will be invited to attend our children's church, following the children's sermon during worship. It will be held in the PEP Room in the new wing of our church.

Our summer curriculum will focus on Bible Heroes.

June:	Noah, Joseph, Esther, Ruth
July:	David, Samuel, Miriam, Daniel
August:	Heroes of Babylon, Martha, The Good Samaritan, Jesus

We look forward to providing a safe, loving environment where each child will grow and learn about our awesome God.





# June 2019

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 Minister on Vacation 9:40 AM Opening Assembly 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship/Feed Hungry Children Backpack 1:30 PM Youth-Movie in Wilmington	27	28	29 10:00 AM Bible Study, Room 304 6:00 PM Handbells 7:30 PM Choir Practice	30	31	1
2 9:40 AM Opening Assembly 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship/P.A.T.H. Offering	3 6:00 PM Meeting of Disaster Recovery Group of Duplin County	4	5 10:00 AM Bible Study, Room 304	6 9:00 AM Commission on Ministry of the East Community	7	8
9 Day of Pentecost 9:40 AM Opening Assembly 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship-Everyone wear red!	10	11	12 10:00 AM Bible Study, Room 304	13	14	15 9:30 AM Spring Gathering of the East Community of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina
16 Trinity Sunday/Father's Day 9:40 AM Opening Assembly 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship/Offering for the Presbyterian Homes	17 9:00 AM Kirkwood Creation Camp, Camp Kirkwood	18 ... Kirkwood Creation Camp, Camp Kirkwood 6:00 PM Session Meeting, Room 304	19 ... Kirkwood Creation Camp, Camp Kirkwood 10:00 AM No Bible Study	20 2:00 PM Kirkwood Creation Camp	21	22
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