



**Birthdays in July** GTI Happy Birthday to You!



- 2- Karla Casteen **Charles McNamara** Lara Creech
- 4- Freddy Hall **Nancy Gladden**
- 5- Ben Roberts **Danielle Sills**
- 8- Riley Tate **Bobby Ives**
- 9- Bill Carone **Joyce Rau**
- 12- David Johnson Lee Woodard

- **17- Charley Farrior**
- 18- Linda Burroughs **Ellie Carone**
- 19- Ann Carter
- 21- Nell Sloan
- 23- Bill Walters
- Jenny Blair 24-
- Joe Wallace 25-
- 26- Todd Minchew
- **Kevin Johnson** 29-
- **Bill Buckley** 31-





Dr. Philip K. Gladden, Minister

**JULY 2018** 

**Cheryl Brinkley, Editor** 



# 2018 Montreat Youth Conference July 29 - August 4 Lift Every Voice

Madelyn Coombs, Elizabeth Sills, Garrett Bullard, Zoe Adermann, and Youth Ministry Leader Zach Casteen, will join other Senior High Youth and adults from the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina at the 2018 Montreat Youth Conference July 29-August 4. Youth and adults from across the United States will be united in worship, fellowship, small group discussions, Bible study, and fun for a week in the North Carolina mountains.





Dear Wallace Presbyterian Friends.

Cheryl said it was time to write something for the July Newsletter. And I've been pondering what to say. This week the text in worship is from Mark 4, Jesus and the disciples in the storm. I was playing with the image of fear, the fear of the disciples fighting the storm, until; I read this morning's blog post from our outgoing Co-Moderator of the General Assembly of the PCUSA, Jan Edmiston. Phil's words that he uses at the end of his emails also came to mind. "Ask yourself this question: Where is God already at work in this situation?" And, the Session asked what I knew of the happenings at General Assembly. So, I decided to share with you what Jan said because in the midst of all the storm and turmoil of this current time, it is a word of Good News, the Good News. God is at work through us and sometimes in spite of us.

From Jan:

"I love words. Beautiful words artfully placed together by the likes of Toni Morrison and Mary Oliver and Lin Manuel Miranda can change lives. But sometimes there are too many words and this post is written after a week of reading overtures, manuals, articles, liturgies, indices, and guite a few tweets. These are my end-of-the-week thoughts about words in Church World.

1. No wonder the average person thinks Church is irrelevant when we spend more time in committees discussing the use of upper case vs lower case letters than having conversations with the people around us. 2. Boxed factoids are a guick read and they spark interest:

a) Did you know that Presbyterians in St. Louis bailed out over 3 dozen poor, nonviolent offenders who could not pay their cash bail for minor offenses during General Assembly last week? b) Did you know that there's an Arabic speaking Presbyterian Church in Des

Moines, Iowa led by a clergywoman from South Sudan?

c) Did you know that members of the PCUSA have donated over 1.5 million dollars in grants to Puerto Rico since Hurricane Maria hit the island in 2016? d) Did you know that the Presbyterian Church has 220 congregations and 22 schools serving 6000 students in Pakistan?

3. Long form articles go unread much/most of the time. (Are we still printing church newsletters with "musing from the pastor"?) [uh oh]

4. We clergy like to hear our own voices. Invite Ruling Elders to talk more.

It's been a long week of words but - the great news - is that many of those words moved people: the words of a young man who felt safe enough to come out in a room full of siblings in Christ, the words of the second Arabic-speaking woman ordained in the National Evangelical Synod of Syria and Lebanon, the words of children asking questions at the communion table, the words of installation to new Co-Moderators of the General Assembly.

But let's use our words wisely and sparingly. We have a lot of listening to do."

Amen,

Cynthia



### **ACTIONS OF THE SESSION**

At the June 19, 2018 stated session meeting, the elders and stated supply pastor:

- were led in an opening devotion and prayer by Elder Susan Walters;
- conducted the meeting as a worship service;
- session offered praise through song, reading and discussion, and an affirmation • of faith.
- will approve the minutes from the May 16, 2018 stated session meeting at next meeting in August due to the session didn't receive them prior to meeting;
- communion will be served on July 1. Rev. Williams will serve homebound communion in the afternoon of July 1, two elders will accompany her;
- discussion from several of the ministry teams was heard and will have more details at the August meeting;
- volunteers were asked to stay after meeting so Bill Butler could train them to use the A/V equipment in the absence of he or Lee Woodard.
- prayed for members of the congregation and community;
- were led in a closing prayer by Elder Nick Baker.



# WORSHIP LEADERS FOR JULY

#### ELDER

#### Curt Simpson

Dean Hanson Jason Rouse Clay Blue Michael Teachev

PREACHER **Cynthia Williams** Cynthia Williams Cynthia Williams Cynthia Williams **Cynthia Williams** 



These elders are available to assist Rev. Cynthia Williams with hospital and home visitations.



# Sanctuary Flowers

# Dear WPC Family,

**Each week** sanctuary flowers are provided for our Sunday morning worship. Members and friends of the church take this opportunity to remember a birthday, anniversary or recognize/honor someone special. Acknowledgement of the flowers is in the church bulletin.

There are Sundays available, and we ask that you consider taking a date to provide the flowers. Please contact Joyce Ange or Gloria Wells. The church guidelines are:

- Flowers need to be in the sanctuary before assembly.
- Flowers need to be removed after the service.
- No bows or ribbons
- Family is to pay the florist directly.
- Flowers do not have to be from a florist. You can create your own arrangement.
- The use of silk or artificial flowers and plants is discouraged.

Two local florists have keys to the church and will deliver the flowers on Saturday. Stallings Florist – (910) 285-3896 Olive Branch Gardens – (910) 285-4957 Let us hear from you, please.

Joyce Ange – 910-599-5156, <u>iwange53@gmail.com</u> Gloria Wells – 910-296-4093, <u>gbwells5@gmail.com</u>

Wallace Presbyterian Women Co-Chairs for Sanctuary Flowers





# JULY

07/01: Mary Laine and Jason Rouse

- 07/08: Georgia & Nate Farrior 07/15: Hope Turnbull & Madelyn Coombs
- 07/22: Lindsay & Stanley Skidmore
- 07/29: Susan and Ellie Carone

08/05: Ellie Newton & Mary Stewart Blackwell 08/12: Casey Hall & Emily Ludlum 08/19: Georgette & Kennedy Thompson 08/26: Noel, Cameron & Reese Blue

#### YOUTH WORSHIP LEADERS

07/01: JJ Rouse & Hayes Skidmore 07/10: Sarah Pearl Farrior & Ellie Carone 07/17: Cameron & Reese Blue 07/24: Henry & Piper Moore 07/29: Ayden & Camyrn Fussell Charley Farrior, Leader Curt Simpson Bill Carone Rick Batchelor Jonathan Fussell

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# GREETERS

07/01: Catherine Blanchard & Hope Turnbull
07/08: Jim & Sharon Robinson
07/15: Freddy & Rhonda Hall
07/22: Greg & Geneva Maready

07/29: Gary & Joyce Ange

# **OPENING CHURCH BUILDING**

July 1-15:Charley FarriorJuly 16-31:Curt Simpson

# CHURCH NEWS . . . For Your Information

\* We will celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper during worship on Sunday, July 1.

\* **The church office** will be closed on Wednesday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day.

- **Cheryl Brinkley,** church secretary, will be on vacation July 2-6.
- \* The session will not meet in July.

\* **The East Community Sessional Record Review** will meet on Saturday, July 21, 9:30 am --12:00 noon, in the Fellowship Hall.

\* **We will receive** our 5th Sunday Building Offering during worship on Sunday, July 29.





Fifth Sunday Building Offering July 29

This offering helps underwrite the costs of maintaining the physical plant that provides needed space for many ministries of our congregation. Thank you for your support!

"Like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ." 1 Peter 2:5



We will celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion during worship on Sunday, July 1.

"For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes." 1 Corinthians 11:26



In case of an emergency or for pastoral care needs, call Clerk of Session Elder Susan Walters at (home) 910-665-1248 or (cell) 910-308-1587 or Church Secretary Cheryl Brinkley at 910-285-2808. (Cheryl will be on vacation July 2-6, if you can't reach Susan, call Dottie Obenour at 285-6464). Susan, Cheryl or Dottie will then contact Rev. Cynthia Williams.



Go to our church website, <u>www.wallacepresbyterian.com.</u> Click on "Click Here to Give" in the upper right hand corner. Sign up to create a secure account or log in to your existing account. Follow the directions for easy, secure, general or program specific giving.

Thank you for your faithful support of the mission and ministry of the Wallace Presbyterian Church.



#### CENTERPOINT

Do you notice people using the phrase "*it is what it is*!" usually followed by a sigh? Clients may relate a difficult situation that seems hopeless and then look up and shrug, "*it is what it is*." In other words, I take what they are saying as, "there's no answer. I just have to put up with it." That's certainly a negative thought!

As negative thoughts creep into our minds, we may notice irritability also starts to creep in. Auto-pilot takes over, leading us into deeper negativity. Soon it's a swirling downward spiral of disrupting feelings that crashes in hopelessness with the words, *"it is what it is."* 

I suggest adding another piece: "*it is what it is, while it is.*" Adding those three words can pop us out of the auto-pilot corkscrew by reminding us what we are feeling is not permanent. If you remind yourself it is temporary, you give yourself a moment of space. That space is a chance to unravel from the knot of negativity. Freedom from the knot, even for a moment, can let you care more about yourself.

Experiment! Next time you shrug at something that feels hopeless, tell yourself, "*it is what it is, while it is.*" See if it breaks up an automatic reaction just long enough for you to discover that you can be kind and compassionate toward yourself.

Call the Center at 910-452-7370. Visit at www.wantcounseling.com "Like" the Community Counseling Center on Facebook.

Jonathan R. Kelley



Greetings from the Youth!

June was a wonderful month! Kirkwood Creation Camp VBS saw participation from nearly 100 young people for a week. We had several youth campers and youth leaders take part in the Camp. The youth would like to express how thankful they are to Dean Hanson, and Jim Garrison for coming out and helping them build a gaga ball court at the church. They, along with 7 of our youth spent all day in the hot sun building the court, and we look forward to many years of play!

July will be another exciting month for our youth! On July 15, four youth along with Mr. Zach will be commissioned for the Montreat Youth Conference set for the end of the month. They will leave with a larger group from the Presbytery for Montreat on July 28<sup>th</sup>.

Wednesday nights starting in July, the youth will be able to enjoy game night at the church. We plan to include water sports, gaga, basketball, and other fun games! Here is a schedule for the month of July.

### **PYT Schedule**

Sunday, July 8 Wednesday, July 11 Sunday, July 15 Wednesday, July 18 Thursday, July 19 Wednesday, July 25 July 28 – August 4 Youth Group @ Church 5-7pm Game Night @ Church 5-7pm Montreat Commissioning in Worship 11am Game Night @ Church 5-7pm Newsboys Concert @ PC3 – Time TBD Game Night @ Church 5-7pm Montreat Youth Conference

Yours in Christ, Zachary Casteen

# July 2018

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WPC Calendar

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