



# NEWSLETTER

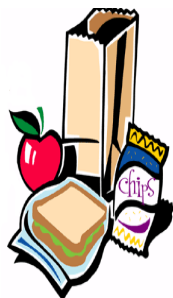


WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Dr. Philip K. Gladden, Minister

MARCH 2015

Cheryl Brinkley, Editor



Come Join us at  
Rockfish Presbyterian Church

“Meet and Eat at Noon”

Wednesday, March 4, 2015

12:00 Noon

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Wallace Chief of Police

will be our guest speaker

Bring a sandwich

Drink & Dessert will be provided



## Birthdays In March

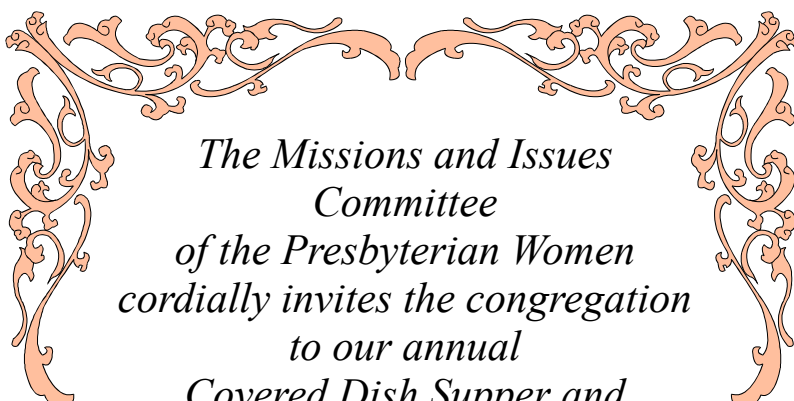


Happy Birthday to you!!



- 1- Pat Alexander
- 3- Michael Cooper
- 4- Dana Myrick
- 5- Marie McGowen
- Battle Holley
- Sylvia Bowman
- Natalie Gladden
- 6- Earleene Southerland
- George Hatch
- 8- Cecelia Blair
- Tracey Graybar

- 12- Ryan Graybar
- 16- Mary Kate White
- 19- Nettie Batchelor
- 21- Emily Saunders
- Bryant Henderson
- Susan Carone
- Amanda Shea
- 25- Dotsie Caproni
- Bron Thompson
- 26- Whit Newkirk
- 28- Susie Bullard



*The Missions and Issues  
Committee  
of the Presbyterian Women  
cordially invites the congregation*

*to our annual  
Covered Dish Supper and  
Mission Program*

*Sunday, March 8, 2015  
following worship  
at 12:15 pm*

*Guest Speaker will be  
Dr. Nancy Gladden  
Mission Coordinator for  
the East Community*

*Please plan  
to attend. Program is  
immediately following the meal.*





Dear Friends,

On Saturday, March 7 ruling and teaching elders representing 190 congregations will gather for the 104th stated meeting of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina at the Elizabethtown Presbyterian Church. Worship with the Lord's Supper will be led by Dr. Heath Rada, Moderator of the 221st General Assembly. The business agenda includes reports from thirteen committees. A candidate for ordination will be examined and three ministers will be received into membership. A seminary student will be examined upon recommendation to become a candidate for ordination as a teaching elder. Many other items of business and interest for the ministry of our member congregations will be considered.

The elder and minister commissioners will also vote on seven proposed amendments to our Book of Order and one amendment to our Book of Confessions. These amendments were sent to the 173 presbyteries nationwide by the 221st General Assembly that met in Detroit in June 2014. During the twelve-month period beginning in June 2014, the presbyteries are voting on these proposed amendments. The amendments to the Book of Order require a majority of the 173 presbyteries to be approved or disapproved.

The amendment to the Book of Confessions, which would add the Confession of Belhar (from South Africa), requires a 2/3 majority for approval and inclusion in the book.

The commissioners will also vote on a proposed amendment to the Book of Order regarding same-gender marriage. On Sunday, February 22, more than 100 people from congregations in the east community of our presbytery gathered in our sanctuary to listen to a "Holy Conversation" about this important topic. If you were not able to be at that gathering, you may watch and listen to the presentation on our church website, [www.wallacepresbyterian.com](http://www.wallacepresbyterian.com). Find "Watch our Services" in the upper right hand corner and click on "Past Services."

Please join me and the elders as we pray about the meeting, the debate, and the voting in our presbytery on all of the proposed amendments on March 7. For 226 years, Presbyterians in the United States have sent elders and ministers to presbytery meetings and General Assemblies to pray, worship, discuss, and try to discern God's will for the church about important and timely issues. Our presbytery meeting on March 7 is part of that long-standing way that we govern ourselves as Presbyterians.

May God bless you during this Lenten season as we make our way toward Holy Week and Easter and as we contemplate the meaning of the cross of Jesus Christ for our lives, for our congregation, and for our ministry as a church.

In Christ,



## COMMUNITY LENTEN OBSERVANCES Wallace United Methodist Church

**Wallace United Methodist Church:**

**Thursdays February 26, March 5, 12, 19, and 26:**

**Lenten Service & Lunches: 12:05-12:30 pm:**

The community is invited to a brief worship service in Worsley Chapel five Thursdays in Lent followed by a light lunch. (*Donation only. Net surplus to DCOM*) in our fellowship hall. Speakers & Musicians will be from various community churches.

**Thursday, April 2, 6:00 pm: Holy Thursday:** "Christ in the Passover" in the Fellowship Hall with open communion. Free.

**Friday, April 3, 12:00 Noon: Good Friday Procession** Beginning at Wallace UMC: You are invited to join fellow-Christians of Wallace to symbolically retrace the "Via Dolorosa" (Way of Sorrows) on the day Jesus went to the cross for all of us. There will be a brief scripture, meditation and prayer at each of fourteen stops at local churches.

**Wallace Presbyterian Church:**

**Friday, April 3, 2015, 7:30 pm: Good Friday Communion Service & Cantata:** "The Passion and The Promise" By Lloyd Larson and Mark Hayes.

**First Baptist Church:**

**Sunday, April 5, 7:00 am: Community Early Easter Service**



# BACKPACK Ministry

## FEED OUR HUNGRY CHILDREN & BACKPACK MINISTRY OFFERING

Sunday, March 22

We collect this offering on the fourth Sunday of each month during the school year. Our offering is combined with donations from other area churches, businesses, and individuals to provide school lunches and backpacks of food for the weekends for public school children whose families are experiencing financial difficulties. Thanks for your contributions!



**Presbytery of Coastal Carolina  
Middle School Retreat  
March 14-15, Camp Kirkwood**

Members of Confirmation 2015 will join their fellow Middle Schoolers from across the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina for a weekend of worship, fellowship, fun, and food at Camp Kirkwood March 14-15. The retreat theme is "Are We the Frozen Chosen?" The retreat leader will be Rachel Whaley Doll, Director of Christian Education at the Winter Park Presbyterian Church in Wilmington.

*Thank You...*

*Dear Church Family, I would like to thank you all for the cards, phone calls, prayers, visits, and each act of kindness shown to me during my hospital stay and my return home. The love you bestowed upon me will never be forgotten. God Bless you all.*

*In Christ,  
Mary Ayres*



### NURSERY WORKERS

### MARCH



03/01: Curt & Regina Simpson  
03/08: Leon & Jewell Wells  
03/15: Charley & Harriet Farrow  
03/22: Dave & Gloria Wells  
03/29: Fred Burroughs & Nell Sloan

04/05: Nettie Batchelor & Leah Fussell  
04/12: Andrea Casteen & Lydia Woodard  
04/19: Watts & Tracey Carr  
04/26: Clay & Noel Blue

### YOUTH WORSHIP LEADERS

03/01: Joe Wallace & Kendrick Minchew  
03/08: Raechel Woodard & Cameron Blue  
03/15: Madison & Garrett Bullard  
03/22: Ellie Carone & Anna Grace Carr  
03/29: Madelyn Coombs & Mary Kellan Creech

Dan Robinson, Leader

Tim Peppe      Chuck Farrow  
R.J. Peppe      Kevin Johnson  
Joyce Ange



### GREETERS

03/01: Gary & Joyce Anges  
03/08: Graham & Sandra Phillips  
03/15: George & Elizabeth Hatch  
03/22: Dan & Tanya Robinson  
03/29: Art & Cheryl Raymond

### OPENING CHURCH BUILDING

March 1-15: Chuck Farrow  
March 16-31: Dave Wells

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

- \* **Presbyterian Men** will meet on Tuesday, March 3 at 7:00 p.m. at the Rockfish Presbyterian Church for supper and Bible study.
- \* **The Presbytery of Coastal Carolina** will meet on Saturday, March 7 at the Elizabethtown Presbyterian Church.
- \* **Philip Gladden** will be on a day retreat at the Avila Retreat Center near Durham on Monday, March 9 as part of The Pastor as Spiritual Guide Program.
- \* **The session** will meet on Tuesday, March 17 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.



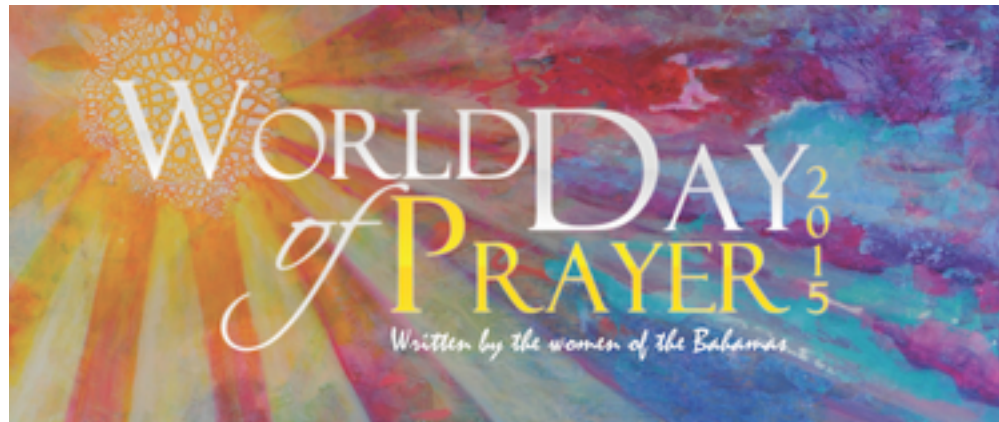
### Hospital & at home:

Avalee Bowman (The Oaks at Mayview, Raleigh, NC)	Frank Toothman (Brian Center)
Sonny Blalock, ( Autumn Care, Wilmington, NC)	Judy Robinson (home)
Kelsea Webster (home)	Cathy Wells (Fayetteville)
Myree Bland (home)	



The Presbytery of Coastal Carolina will hold the 104th stated meeting on Saturday, March 7 at the Elizabethtown Presbyterian Church. Elder Vera Coombs and Rev. Philip Gladden will represent our congregation. Agenda items include voting on proposed amendments to the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) which includes the *Book of Order* and the *Book of Confessions*, the reception of ministers, and the approval/admission of person as a candidate for ordination as a minister of Word and Sacrament. Please keep the elder and minister commissioners and the presbytery staff in your prayers.

To find out what is happening in our Presbytery of Coastal Carolina, visit [www.presbycc.org](http://www.presbycc.org).



**Friday, March 6, 2015**  
**Wallace United Methodist Church**  
**10:00 AM**  
**Rockfish Presbyterian**  
**will present the program**  
**All are welcome**



## **5th Sunday Building Offering** **Sunday, March 29**

This offering helps fund the ongoing maintenance and upkeep of our church's physical plant. Our sanctuary dates from the early 20th century. The Currie Building was constructed in the 1930's. Thank you for your ongoing support!



Congratulations to Brenda Long who was elected to be a ruling elder in the session's Class of 2017. Brenda was born in Pennsylvania and raised in the Lutheran Church. She joined the Presbyterian Church when her family moved to Poughkeepsie, NY. Brenda and her husband, Dave, moved to Wallace in 2011 and joined our church in March 2013. She is involved in the Alternative Sunday School Class and the outreach ministries of our church.



During the months of March - May, members of Confirmation 2015 will be worship leaders on Sunday mornings. Our young people will lead us in the Opening Sentences and read the first scripture lesson. Please keep our young people in your prayers as they lead us in the worship of God.



**Minister on Continuing Education Leave,  
Tuesday - Thursday,  
March 24 - 26  
Union Presbyterian Seminary in Virginia**

Philip Gladden will participate in a Continuing Education event at Union Presbyterian Seminary in Richmond, VA Tuesday - Thursday, March 24-26. The event, "Staying Fresh in a Long Small Church Pastorate," will explore ways to stay fresh in a long term pastorate by taking Sabbath time and staying active in one's denomination. The importance of continuing education and understanding healthy boundaries also play a significant role in a long pastorate as trust develops and opens doors for change. Participants will be given opportunities to share their experiences and to dialogue with Chris Stewart, who has pastored a two-church parish for thirty-five years.



**We extend our Christian love and sympathy to the family of  
Bettisue Tillman  
who died on February 5, 2015.**

**We extend our Christian love and sympathy to the family of  
Jay Fussell on the death of his mother, Ann Fussell on  
February 11, 2015.**

## THE CROSSES OF

# LENT

During the season of Lent, the sermons will focus on "The Crosses of Lent" as we hear stories about Jesus' approaching death and the meaning of the cross for his life and ours. Please keep the minister and our congregation in your prayers as we prepare to hear God's Word.

### Sunday

March 1 (Lent 2)  
March 8 (Lent 3)  
March 15 (Lent 4)  
March 22 (Lent 5)  
March 29 (Palm Sunday)

### Scripture Text

1 Corinthians 1:18 - 2:5  
Romans 6:1-14  
TBA, Elder Jim Sills, preacher  
Matthew 27:15-26  
Matthew 21:1-17



Daylight Saving Time (United States) 2015  
begins at 2:00 AM on

## Sunday, March 8

# Wallace Presbyterian Planning Calendar

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

<p><b>1 2nd Sunday in Lent</b>            9:40 am: Open Assembly            10:00 am: S School            11:00 am: Worship/P.A.T.H. Offering            4-6:30 pm: Confirmation            2015, Fellowship Hall</p>	<p><b>2</b>            10:30 am: Circle #1: Room 304</p>	<p><b>3</b>            6:30 am: Coffee in Rm. 304            7:00 am: SonRise Worship Room 304            10:30 am: Circle #3: Brenda Long            7:00 pm: Circle #4: Georgia Longest            7:00 pm: Presbyterian Men, Rockfish PC</p>	<p><b>4</b>            10:00 am: Bible Study, Living Room in Office Bldg.            4:30 -7:30 pm: LOGOS! School Spirit Night            6:00 pm: Handbell Practice            7:30 pm: Choir Practice</p>	<p><b>5</b>            12:05: Lenten Worship &amp; Luncheon, Wallace United Methodist Church            6:00 pm: Vacation Bible School Meeting</p>	<p><b>6</b></p>	<p><b>7</b>            9:45 am-4:00 pm: Meeting of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina, Elizabethtown PC</p>
<p><b>8 3rd Sunday in Lent</b>            Daylight Savings Time Begins            9:40 am: Open Assembly            10:00 am: S School            11:00 am: Worship            12:15 pm: Missions Covered Dish Luncheon            4-6:30 pm: Confirmation            2015, Fellowship Hall</p>	<p><b>9</b>            Minister on day retreat at Avila Retreat Center, Durham</p>	<p><b>10</b>            6:30 am: Coffee in Rm. 304            7:00 am: SonRise Worship Room 304</p>	<p><b>11</b>            10:00 am: Bible study, Living Room in Office Bldg.            4:30-7:30 pm: LOGOS! Tacky Night            6:00 pm: Handbell Practice            7:30 pm: Choir Practice</p>	<p><b>12</b>            12:05: Lenten Worship &amp; Luncheon, Wallace United Methodist Church</p>	<p><b>13</b></p>	<p><b>14</b>            Presbytery Middle School Retreat, Camp Kirkwood</p>
<p><b>15 4th Sunday in Lent</b>            9:40 am: Open Assembly            10:00 am: S School            11:00 am: Worship            PresbyterY Middle School Retreat, Camp Kirkwood</p>	<p><b>16</b>            6:15 pm: Presbyterians Dining Together-Western Sizzlin'</p>	<p><b>17</b>            6:30 am: Coffee in Rm. 304            7:00 am: SonRise Worship Room 304</p>	<p><b>18</b>            10:00 am: Bible study, Living Room in Office Bldg.            4:30 -7:30 pm: LOGOS! Down on the Farm            6:00 pm: Handbell Practice            7:30 pm: Choir Practice</p>	<p><b>19</b>            12:05: Lenten Worship &amp; Luncheon, Wallace United Methodist Church</p>	<p><b>20</b></p>	<p><b>21</b></p>
<p><b>22 5th Sunday in Lent</b>            9:40 am: Open Assembly            10:00 am: S School            11:00 am: Worship/Feed Our Hungry Children &amp; Backpack Ministry Offering            4-6:30 pm: Confirmation            2015, Fellowship Hall</p>	<p><b>23</b></p>	<p><b>24</b>            No SonRise Service            Minister on Continuing Education Leave, Union Presbyterian Seminary, Richmond, VA</p>	<p><b>25</b>            No Bible Study            4:30-7:30 pm: LOGOS! Viva LOGOS!            6:00 pm: Handbell Practice            7:30 pm: Choir Practice</p>	<p><b>26</b>            12:05: Lenten Worship &amp; Luncheon, Wallace United Methodist Church</p>	<p><b>27</b></p>	<p><b>28</b>            8:00 am-12:00 noon: Confirmation 2015, Bikes for Zambia Service Project</p>
<p><b>29 Palm Sunday</b>            9:40 am: Open Assembly            10:00 am: S School            11:00 am: Worship/5th Sunday Building Offering            4-6:30 pm: Confirmation            2015, Fellowship Hall</p>	<p><b>30</b></p>	<p><b>31</b>            6:30 am: Coffee in Rm. 304            7:00 am: SonRise Worship Room 304</p>	<h2>MARCH 2015</h2>			



I want to thank Mrs. Smith and the drama team for that rousing presentation, and Stan, that laser show was wonderful! Now, turn with me in your Bible for a brief word from our Sponsor.

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"Yes, the disciples followed Jesus... but not on Twitter."



