

Come Join us at  
 Rockfish Presbyterian Church  
 “Meet and Eat at Noon”  
 Wednesday, November 2, 2016  
 12:00 Noon  
 “Storytime”  
 by various speakers  
 Bring a sandwich  
 Drink & Dessert will be provided



### Happy Birthday to you!!



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- 1- Steven Wells  
Parks Blair
- 2- Dottie Obenour
- 3- Wayne Casteen
- 5- Art Raymond  
Cameron Blue
- 8- Pat Barrow  
Scott Robinson
- 9- Haylee Parks  
Hayden Parks
- 10- Matt Maready  
Rich Phaneuf
- 11- Reese Blue
- 12- Ginny Blackney

- 15- Georgia Longest
- 21- Gary Zibelin  
Alex Henderson  
Robert Cooper
- 24- Pat Simpson
- 25- Ryan Sloan
- 26- Lou Brinkley
- 28- Steve Wells  
Eva McLaughlin
- 29- Fran Kohne  
Michael Sloan  
Bill Butler  
David Long



# NEWSLETTER

## WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Dr. Philip K. Gladden, Minister

NOVEMBER 2016

Cheryl Brinkley, Editor

## WORSHIP, GROW, GO

November is a big month for our Stewardship program! The stewardship sermon series continues through the month. An informational packet containing a narrative budget, a new pamphlet summarizing our mission and ministries, a pledge card, and a stewardship letter will be distributed to each family. There will be a very brief congregational meeting after the worship service on the 13<sup>th</sup>, to answer any last budget questions, and to approve changes in the terms of call for Phil in 2017. Pledges will be presented/dedicated at the worship service on the 20<sup>th</sup>.

Keep in mind that if you want offering envelopes for 2017, you must indicate that on your pledge form. Other than plate offering, we now have several ways to contribute, **including on-line through our WPC web site.**

The new budget for 2017 has an increase of slightly over 13% mostly to fund restoration of our benevolence giving to previous levels, and for funding of our planned revitalized youth program, including a part time youth director. If you want details beyond what is presented in the narrative budget, you can contact the church office for a copy of the line item budget that backs up the narrative budget.

And back, by popular demand, we will again be discussing Henry Nouwen’s book, **Spirituality of Fund Raising**. Our earlier discussion, led by Dr Phil, was interesting and stimulating, but due to schedule conflicts, many who wished to participate were unable to do so. We have scheduled another discussion after church on the 20<sup>th</sup> of November. And as an added attraction, the youth’s fund raising sandwich lunch coincides. So come, buy a sandwich, and join us for the discussion of a very helpful and thought provoking book.





Dear Friends,

Last year the session adopted the motto "Worship. Grow. Go." to describe our vision of what is most important in the life of our congregation. This phrase is particularly appropriate for a Presbyterian congregation. Presbyterians have always emphasized the importance of regular worship and thanksgiving to God. We have also highly valued Christian nurture and growth in our knowledge of God's Word and our own spiritual lives. Finally, we hold fast to the idea that "truth is in order to goodness." In other words, what we believe leads us to what we do, in response to God's grace and in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

"Worship. Grow. Go." is an invitation from our session to all of us to share the vision that God has given us in Jesus Christ and to join in God's work in this place, at this time. In his book, A Spirituality of Fundraising, Henri Nouwen writes, "Asking people for money is giving them the opportunity to put their resources at the disposal of the kingdom. To raise funds is to offer people the chance to invest what they have in the work of God. God's kingdom is the place of abundance where every generous

act overflows its original bounds and becomes part of the unbounded grace of God at work in the world."

Thanks to the diligent and faithful work and guidance of the Stewardship and Finance Ministry Team, the session is offering all of us "the opportunity to put our resources at the disposal of the kingdom." On behalf of the session, I thank you for your faithful generosity and encourage you to give prayerful consideration to your financial commitment to and your involvement in God's work in and through our church.

When the apostle Paul wrote to the Corinthian Christians about contributing money to help needy Christians in Jerusalem, he said, "You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God."

(2 Cor. 9:11-12)

Happy Thanksgiving!

In Christ,

Phil



### ACTIONS OF THE SESSION

At the Tuesday, October 18, 2016 stated session meeting, the elders and minister:

- \* were led in an opening prayer by Dr. Philip Gladden;
- \* conducted the meeting as a worship service;
- \* studied God's Word in 2 Corinthians 9:6-15 and discussed this question: "How is inviting people to participate with us in our vision and mission different from asking for money to meet a budget?";
- \* approved minutes from the September 11, 2016 congregational meeting and the September 20, 2016 stated session meeting;
- \* invited Rev. Clay Macaulay, alumni director at Union Presbyterian Seminary in Richmond, VA, to preach on Sunday, November 27, 2016;
- \* received a letter from the Sessional Records Committee of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina approving the 2015 session minutes;
- \* received a thank-you letter from Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries for a contribution of \$1420 in September for the Feed Our Hungry Children/Backpack Ministry;
- \* approved the 2017 budget;
- \* finalized Stewardship education plans for the month of November;
- \* heard a report from the Technology and Communications Ministry Team concerning online giving through tithe.ly.com;
- \* approved asking the congregation to contribute items for flood clean-up kits and/or money for Hurricane Matthew relief efforts;
- \* prayed for members of the congregation and community;
- \* prayed the Lord's Prayer together.



### WORSHIP LEADERSHIP IN NOVEMBER

SUNDAY	ELDER	PREACHER
November 6	Harriet Farrior	Philip Gladden
November 13	To be announced	Philip Gladden
November 20	Nick Baker	Philip Gladden
November 27	Joell Parker	Philip Gladden



**GUEST PREACHER**  
 Rev. Clay Macaulay  
 Sunday, November 27

Alumni director at Union Presbyterian Seminary in Richmond, VA  
 Clay is a graduate of Davidson College and Union Presbyterian Seminary and has served as a pastor for more than thirty years in Williamsburg, VA, Hillsboro, WV, Peoria,



**PLEDGE SUNDAY**  
 November 20

Bring your pledge card to worship on November 20 so you can offer your commitment to the Lord's work during 2017.



**Congregational Meeting**  
**Sunday, November 13**  
 Immediately following worship

Purpose:

1. To answer questions about the 2017 budget
2. To act on recommended changes in the minister's terms of call



**NOVEMBER YOUTH SCHEDULE**

**November 6: 5pm** Praise and Worship with Dr. Joell  
**November 13:** Glow in the Dark Putt-Putt Time TBA  
**November 19 & 20:** High School Youth Retreat at Kirkwood  
**November 20:** Bagged Lunch Fundraiser immediately after church



**NURSERY WORKERS**

**NOVEMBER**



**11/06:** Danielle & Jim Sills  
**11/13:** Gloria & Dave Wells  
**11/20:** Madelyn Coombs & Hope Turnbull  
**11/27:** Ann Carter & Gerri Hanson

**Charley Fariior, Leader**  
**Rick Batchelor**      **Jonathan Fussell**  
**Bill Carone**         **Curt Simpson**

**12/04:** Lindsey & Stanley Skidmore  
**12/11:** Mary Laine & Jason Rouse  
**12/18:** Joell & J Parker  
**12/25:** Fred Burroughs & Lydia Woodard



**GREETERS**

**11/06:** Jim & Sharon Robison  
**11/13:** Freddy & Rhonda Hall  
**11/20:** Greg & Geneva Maready  
**11/27:** Gary & Joyce Ange

**YOUTH WORSHIP LEADERS**

**11/06:** Garret Bullard & Ellie Carone  
**11/13:** Sarah Pearl Fariior & Hill Lanier  
**11/20:** Lydia & Kennedy Thompson  
**11/27:** Elizabeth & James Sills

**OPENING CHURCH BUILDING**

**November 1-15:** Jim Simpson  
**November 16-30:** Art Raymond

**CHURCH NEWS . . . For Your Information**

- \* **Presbyterian Men** will meet on Tuesday, November 1, at 6:30 p.m. at the Rockfish Presbyterian Church for supper and Bible study.
- \* **Our second annual Shrimp-a-Roo** will be Friday, November 4, at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.
- \* **The session** will meet on Tuesday, November 15, at 6:00 p.m. in Room 304. If you have any business or concerns for the session to discuss, please speak to one of the elders or the minister.
- \* **We will receive** a special offering for The Presbyterian Homes of North Carolina during worship on Sunday, November 20.
- \* **Dr. Philip Gladden** will be on vacation Tuesday - Sunday, November 22-27. Please contact Elder George Francis, clerk of session, or the church office in an emergency.
- \* **The church office** will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 24-25, in observance of Thanksgiving.
- \* **Rev. Clay Macaulay**, alumni director at Union Presbyterian Seminary in Richmond, VA, will be our preacher on Sunday, November 27.



**Hospital & at home:** **Judy Robinson (home)**      **Cathy Wells (Fayetteville)**  
**George Walker (Rosemary)**



**Second Sunday**  
**November 13**  
**5:00 to 7:00 p.m.**





**ANNUAL SOUND RETREAT!!**  
**“Hearing and Speaking the Psalms”**

**SAVE THE DATE:** February 10-12, 2017, at the beautiful Trinity Center, on Bogue Sound, Outer Banks, N.C. Great Leaders, Delicious food, Rest & Relaxation, Spiritual renewal, Fellowship & Fun, Worship, All ages welcome!

Our spiritual leader for the adult program will be Reverend Bill Goodnight, Retired Pastor of the Lillington Presbyterian Church. Reverend Goodnight is serving as the stated supply Pastor at the Oak Plain & Potts Memorial Presbyterian Churches. We will also have an exciting youth program for our school age kids, led by Rachel Whaley Doll, Director of Christian Education, Winter Park Presbyterian Church in Wilmington, NC. It will be a stimulating and exciting time!  
 Watch the church’s bulletin board and website <http://wallacepresbyterian.com> for more information on our Sound Retreat!

Louis DiDomenico  
 Sound Retreat Chairperson



**THANKSGIVING OFFERING FOR THE  
 PRESBYTERIAN HOMES OF NORTH CAROLINA  
 Sunday, November 20**

The mission of The Presbyterian Homes, Inc., and its communities is to provide senior adults with caring and high quality services in support of their physical, intellectual, social and spiritual well-being.

For more than sixty years, The Presbyterian Homes, Inc. has offered multiple communities with amenities that create a place senior adults can make their own. PHI provides independent living, assisted living, Memory Care and skilled nursing within a community of friendship with others of similar age and diverse interests. The communities offer a culture of exploration, challenge and relaxation through informative tours, cultural events, conferences, wellness/fitness programs, study and other activities.

For more information, visit [www.presbyhomesinc.org](http://www.presbyhomesinc.org).

**PREACHING IN NOVEMBER**  
**The Stewardship of *All* of Life**



**Sunday Worship: November 6**

Old Testament Lesson: Psalm 104 Gospel Lesson: Matthew 14:13-21

Feeding the 5000. Especially Jesus' command to the disciples, "You give them something to eat" in the face of their comment "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." How can we do what the Lord calls us to do? We don't have enough!

**Sunday Worship: November 13**

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 65:14-25 Epistle Lesson: Philippians 1:1-11

Paul's prayer for the Philippians in which he thanks God for the Philippians "sharing the gospel from the first day until now." Paul also states firmly, "I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ." Paul ends this section talking about "having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God."

**Sunday Worship: November 20**

Gospel Lesson: Luke 17:11-19 Epistle Lesson: 2 Corinthians 9:6-15

Paul's instructions/encouragement to the Corinthian Christians to make good on their pledge of support for the offering for the suffering saints in Jerusalem. He lines out some "stewardship principles" and includes this thought (which seemed appropriate at the conclusion of the sermon series), "for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God."



**Wednesdays**

**10:00 - 11:00 a.m. Church Office Building**  
**7:15 - 8:15 p.m. Room 304**

**The Stewardship of *All* of Life**

**November 2**  
**November 9**  
**November 16**

**Matthew 14:13-21**  
**Philippians 1:1-11**  
**2 Corinthians 9:6-15**

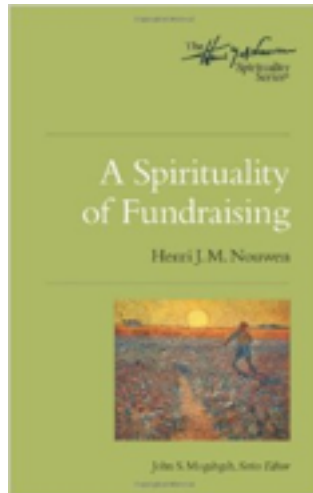


## SEASON OF ADVENT BEGINS ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27

### HOPE

In the ancient world, various peoples lit fires to mark the turning of the light into winter's season and to pray for the return of the light. The church has Christianized that practice in the lighting of the Advent wreath. To us, these candles are signs of the growing light of Christ who is coming again in all fullness into the darkness of our world. Until the dawning of that Great Day, we watch and wait in Holy Spirit for Christ's coming into the darkness of our world, lighting candles of hope, peace, joy, and love; and remembering the promises of God with prayer.

Watch and wait for Christ's coming! Light candles of hope, peace, joy, and love, remembering the promises of God with prayer.



Join us for a discussion of a spirituality of fundraising on Sunday, November 20 at 12:15 p.m.

Order a bag lunch from our youth, enjoy fellowship at the table, and join in an interesting discussion of how faithful stewardship is an important Christian discipline in our faith journey.

It is not necessary to have read Henri Nouwen's book before joining the discussion. However, copies are available in the church office if you would like to read this interesting book.

Sponsored by the Stewardship & Finance Ministry Team



## FEED OUR HUNGRY CHILDREN/BACKPACK MINISTRY OFFERING

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27



An extension of the Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries

From July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016:

Contributions Received: \$25,470

Backpack Food Expense: \$36,826

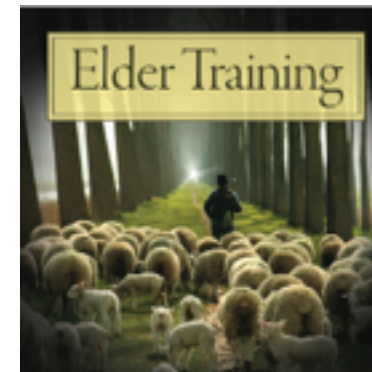
Student Lunches Paid For: \$775

Bank Balance: \$6,425

Food packs given to students 7,530 (15,060 meals)

Schools served: Wallace-Rose Hill High; Rose Hill-Magnolia Elementary; Charity Middle; Wallace Elementary; Chinquapin Elementary; Beulaville Elementary; B.F. Grady Elementary; Warsaw Elementary; Warsaw Middle.

Contributions received from individuals, churches, foundations, and other organizations.



Members of the Session's Class of 2019 will engage in Elder Training during the month of November, as they prepare for their ordination and installation as Ruling Elders in our congregation. Please pray for Dean Hanson, Geneva Maready, Linda Burroughs, Jason Rouse, and Curt Simpson as they prepare to be our spiritual leaders.

**Sunday, November 6** 12:15 - 4:00 p.m.

**Saturday, November 12** 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Warsaw Presbyterian Church

**Sunday, November 13** 12:15 - 4:00 p.m.



**RESCHEDULED DATE**  
**SECOND ANNUAL SHRIMP-A-ROO**  
**Friday, November 4, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.**  
Tickets are \$15.00 per person  
The Congregational Care Ministry Team will have tickets available to purchase

# November 2016

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 <b>Kirkwood Sunday</b> ■ 10:00 AM Refreshments & Fellowship ■ 12:00 PM Lunch with Afternoon Recreation, Fellowship & Relaxation ■ 11:00 PM Worship in Vesper Area/ Sacrament of the Lord's Supper	31 <b>Halloween</b> ■ ... Worship in Vesper Area/Sacrament of the Lord's Supper	1 ■ 6:30 PM Presbyterian Men, Rockfish PC	2 ■ 10:00 AM Bible Study, Church Office Building ■ 6:00 PM Handbells ■ 7:15 PM Bible Study, Room 304 ■ 7:30 PM Choir Practice	3	4 ■ 6:00 PM Shrimp-A-Roo, Fellowship Hall	5
6 <b>Daylight Saving Time ends</b> ■ 9:40 AM Opening Assembly ■ 10:00 AM Sunday School ■ 11:00 AM Worship ■ 12:15 PM Elder Training ■ 5:00 PM Youth Fellowship	7 ■ 10:30 AM Circle #1: Meet at Church	8 <b>Election Day-VOTE!</b> <b>Election Day</b> ■ 10:30 AM Circle #3: Bobbi Ives ■ 7:00 PM Circle #4: Susan Walters	9 ■ 10:00 AM Bible Study, Church Office Building ■ 6:00 PM Handbells ■ 7:15 PM Bible Study, Room 304 ■ 7:30 PM Choir Practice	10	11 <b>Veterans Day</b>	12 ■ 9:00 AM Elder Training, Warsaw PC
13 ■ 9:40 AM Opening Assembly ■ 10:00 AM Sunday School ■ 11:00 AM Worship ■ 12:00 PM Congregational Meeting ■ 12:15 PM Elder Training ■ 5:00 PM Youth Fellowship ■ 5:00 PM Second Sunday	14	15 ■ 6:00 PM Session Meeting, Room 304	16 ■ 10:00 AM Bible Study, Church Office Building ■ 6:00 PM Handbells ■ 7:15 PM Bible Study, Room 304 ■ 7:30 PM Choir Practice	17	18	19 <b>Youth Retreat at Kirkwood</b>
20 <b>Youth Retreat at Kirkwood</b> <b>Pledge Sunday</b> ■ 9:40 AM Opening Assembly ■ 10:00 AM Sunday School ■ 11:00 AM Worship ■ 12:15 PM Youth Fellowship Bag Lunch & Stewardship Discussion Group	21 ■ 6:15 PM Presbyterians Dining Together	22 <b>Minister on Vacation</b>	23 ■ 10:00 AM No Morning Bible Study ■ 7:15 PM No Evening Bible Study	24 <b>Thanksgiving Day</b> <b>Church Office Closed</b> <b>Happy Thanksgiving!</b>	25 <b>Church Office Closed</b>	26
27 <b>Minister on Vacation</b> <b>First Sunday of Advent: HOPE</b> ■ 9:40 AM Opening Assembly ■ 10:00 AM Sunday School ■ 11:00 AM Worship/Feed Our Hungry Children/Backpack Ministry Offering/Rev. Clay Macaulay, ■ 5:00 PM Youth Fellowship	28	29	30 ■ 10:00 AM Bible Study, Church Office Building ■ 6:00 PM Handbells ■ 7:15 PM Bible Study, Room 304 ■ 7:30 PM Choir Practice	1	2	3