



# NEWSLETTER

WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Dr. Philip K. Gladden, Minister

APRIL 2016

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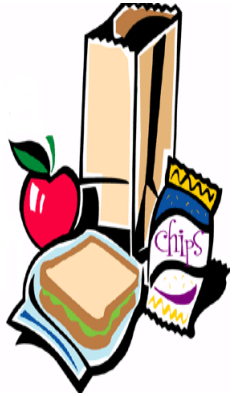
## Spring **BBQ** Supper

with Live Entertainment by  
The Presbyterian Pickers

The Congregational Care Ministry Team has scheduled a Spring Barbecue Supper for Friday, April 8, at 6:00 p.m. The cost will be \$12.00 per person and tickets can be purchased from any member of our team: Ann Carter, Brenda Long, Dottie Obenour, Rick Batchelor, Gerri Hanson, Sandy Cobb, Lois Edgerton, Debbie Thomas, Cindy Barrow and Mary Carone. Please join us for a delicious supper provided by Rose Hill Restaurant and live entertainment will be provided by The Presbyterian Pickers. We know you will enjoy the fellowship, food and music!



The Presbyterian Pickers



Come Join us at  
Rockfish Presbyterian Church

“Meet and Eat at Noon”

Wednesday, April 6, 2016

12:00 Noon

Carla Roberts  
Founder & Director of  
Yahweh Children’s Center  
Castle Hayne, NC

will be our guest speaker

Bring a sandwich  
Drink & Dessert will be provided



### April Birthdays



- 1- Terry Tate
- Gregory Miller
- 8- Kristin Cottle
- 9- Brian Burroughs
- Kelli Norris
- Mary Laine Rouse
- 10- Rachel Cadovius
- John Bullard
- 11- Mary Kellan Creech

- 19- Joey Fussell
- 21- Mickey Wells
- 25- Elizabeth Wells Merritt
- 27- Myree Bland
- 28- Sara Cooper
- 29- Vann Blake
- 30- Eduardo Moreno
- Sam Rose



Dear Friends,

Happy Easter!

Yes, Easter Sunday was last month, but the Easter season lasts for seven weeks, until the Day of Pentecost on Sunday, May 15.

In the weeks following his resurrection, our risen Lord appeared to his disciples and other followers in many different and unexpected places. He met Mary Magdalene by the tomb (she thought he was the gardener) and called her by name. He walked along the Emmaus Road with two followers who did not recognize him. He taught them about the scriptures and their eyes were opened when he broke bread with them at their table. He appeared to the disciples in a locked room and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit." A week later he appeared again and invited Thomas to put his fingers in his wounds. He fixed a breakfast of fish and bread on the beach and asked Peter three times, "Do you love me?"

The risen Jesus also gave his followers some instructions and work to do. He told them to wait

on the promised gift of the Holy Spirit. He told Peter three times, "Feed my lambs. Tend my sheep. Feed my sheep." He gathered his disciples on the mountain and commissioned them to make disciples of all nations, to baptize, and to teach. He promised them (and us), "And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Do you think the disciples didn't recognize Jesus because they weren't 100% sure about the message, "He is risen," and because they met him in unexpected places? What about us this Easter season? Do we not recognize Jesus among us because he continually surprises us with his presence, his demands, and his promises?

Yes, it is Easter. . . and Easter means that Jesus is alive and present with us by the power of God's Holy Spirit. Jesus calls us by name, shows up in unexpected places, and asks us to do things we're not sure we can do, or even want to do. But remember, the risen Jesus Christ is with us always, and he still says, "Follow me."

Will we?

In Christ,

*Phil*



## ACTIONS OF THE SESSION

At the Tuesday, March 22, 2016 stated meeting of the session, the elders and minister:

- Were led in an opening prayer by Rev. Philip Gladden;
- Conducted the meeting as a worship service
- Studied God's Word in John 5:1-18 and discussed a reading, "Churches in decline should follow simple command";
- Approved the minutes from the February 16, 2016 stated session meeting;
- Received a thank you note from Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries for financial contributions;
- Approved a request from the Alternative Sunday School Class to approve two study books for the spring: "The Church and Social Issues" and "Grace and Gratitude";
- Heard a report on the March 5, 2016 meeting of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina from Elder George Francis and Rev. Philip Gladden;
- Referred to the Building & Grounds Ministry Team a request for signage for the Presbyterian Counseling Center housed in our facility;
- Referred to the Stewardship & Finance Ministry Team a report and recommendation from the Sound Retreat planning committee for consideration in the 2017 budget;
- Called a meeting of the session for Sunday, April 3, 2016 at 10:45 a.m. in Room 304 to receive new members Connie and Michelle Teetz;
- Prayed for members of the congregation and community;
- Were led in a closing prayer by Elder Nick Baker.



## WORSHIP LEADERSHIP FOR APRIL

SUNDAY	WORSHIP LEADER	PREACHER
April 3	Mary Lila Blackburn	Philip Gladden
April 10	Anna Grace Carr	Philip Gladden
April 17	Lydia Thompson	Philip Gladden
April 24	Elder Dottie Obenour	Philip Gladden



## NEWCOMER'S CORNER

**Connie and Michelle Teetz** transferred their membership from Living Savior Lutheran Church in Northern Virginia. They moved to River Landing 8 years ago. Connie graduated from the Air Force Academy in 1966 and served 20 years as a pilot in the Air Force. He then worked for Northrup Grumman in IT Services for 23 years, and retired 6 years ago. Michelle was raised in a military family. Her father served in the Air Force and she lived in several places in the states and overseas.

Michelle and Connie have been married for 49 years. They met in Texas where Connie was doing his pilot training. They have two children, Susan and Robert and are blessed with four grandchildren, all who live in Northern Virginia.

They recently traveled to New Zealand and Australia with River Landing friends on a 30 day adventure. Beside traveling, they enjoy golf and jigsaw puzzles. Michelle enjoys Mah Jongg, and plays Bridge and Euchre.

They have lived in Ohio, Okinawa, Japan, Alabama, Texas, Arkansas and Florida but Virginia was their favorite. They like the people and the small town feel here in Wallace. The friendliness of Wallace Presbyterian Church, the music and Dr. Phil are what attracted them to become members of our church. Their address is: 130 Willow Oaks Drive, Wallace, NC 28466 and can be reached at (910) 285-2958. Welcome New Members!



**NURSERY WORKERS**

**FEBRUARY**



**Freddy Hall, Leader**

**Wayne Casteen     Harvey Knowles  
J Parker**

**04/03: Susan & Ellie Carone**

**04/10: Danielle & Jim Sills**

**04/17: Mary Laine & Jason Rouse**

**04/24: Pat & Jim Simpson**

**05/01: Madelyn Coombs & Hope Turnbull**

**05/08: Ann Carter & Gerri Hanson**

**05/15: Lindsay & Stanley Skidmore**

**05/22: Joell & J Parker**

**05/29: Nate & Georgia Farrior**



## GREETERS

**04/03: Cindy Barrow & Glenda Mobley**

**04/10: Joey & Rita Brinkley**

**04/17: Dotsie Caproni & Dana Myrick**

**04/24: Charley & Harriet Farrior**

## YOUTH WORSHIP LEADERS

**04/03: Sara Pearl Farrior & Hill Lanier**

**04/10: Lydia & Kennedy Thompson**

**04/17: Elizabeth & James Sills**

**04/24: Cameron & Reese Blue**

## OPENING CHURCH BUILDING

**April 1-15: Bill Carone**

**April 16-30: Jack Blackney**

## CHURCH NEWS . . . For Your Information

- + **We will celebrate the sacrament of the Lord's Supper** during worship on Sunday, April 3. All who profess faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and have been baptized in his name are welcome at the table.
- + **The Presbytery of Coastal Carolina** will host a Board of Pensions luncheon and information meeting for clerks of sessions, treasurers, and personnel committee members of Presbyterian congregations in our Fellowship Hall on Tuesday, April 5 from 12:15 – 2:00 p.m.
- + **Presbyterian Men** will meet on Tuesday, April 5 at 6:30 p.m. at the Rockfish Presbyterian Church in Wallace.
- + **The Congregational Care Ministry Team** will host a BBQ Supper on Friday, April 8 at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$12 and may be purchased from Ministry Team members. The Presbyterian Pickers will provide entertainment after supper.
- + **The session** will meet on Tuesday, April 19 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 304. If you have any concerns or business for the session to consider, please speak to one of the elders or the minister.
- + **We will highlight our P.E.P. (Presbyterian Enrichment Program)** during worship on Sunday, April 24. A special offering to benefit P.E.P. will be taken.

## IN MEMORIAM

We extend our Christian love and sympathy to the families of:

Dr. Jack Robinson who died March 4, 2016 and

Thomas Edgerton who died March 12, 2016.

*Blessed are the dead who from now on die in the Lord.*

*"Yes," says the Spirit, "they will rest from their labors, for their deeds follow them."*

*Revelation 14:13*



**Hospital & at home:** **Avalee Bowman (The Oaks at Mayview, Raleigh, NC)**  
**Myree Bland (home)     Cathy Wells (Fayetteville)**  
**Judy Robinson (home)     Kelsea Webster (home)**



## Group leaders needed for Camp Kirkwood Vacation Bible School Camp, June 13-16

This summer, Vacation Bible School returns to Camp Kirkwood with many other Presbyterian churches from our area. Last summer's camp was a huge success, and this year we expect it to be even bigger.

One of our needs is for adults who can commit to being a Group Leader for the week. This job entails making sure your group of campers makes it from station to station during the day. Activities, such as Bible Stories, Music, Crafts and Games, will be headed up by other individuals. Your main job will be to make sure that everyone in your group stays safe and is where they need to be.

Each day will begin at 9 a.m., and end at 3 p.m., Monday thru Thursday, June 13-16.

To help, please see Curt Simpson, or call him at [\(910\) 290-2194](tel:9102902194), or email him at [curt.simpson@gmail.com](mailto:curt.simpson@gmail.com).

More details on registration for campers (K-5th grade) and all helpers will be coming soon. Let's help make this the best VBS ever!



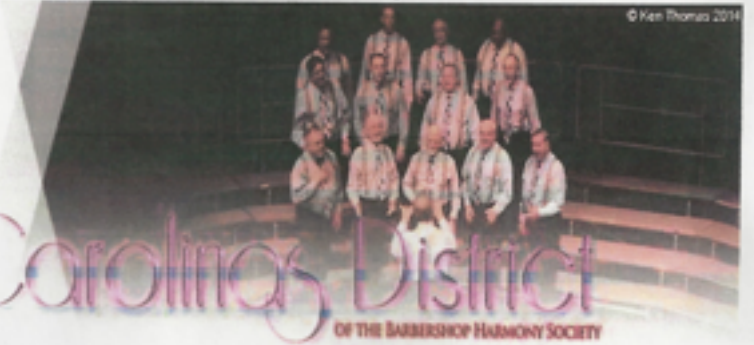
## NEW RIVER HARMONY BARBERSHOP

from Jacksonville, NC

Timeless Entertainment, Past, Present, and Future



Carolinas District  
OF THE BARBERSHOP HARMONY SOCIETY



**New River Harmony is a part of the international organization, Barbershop Harmony Society. We share in the same Vision and Mission**

New River Harmony is part of the rich history of the Barbershop singing style. Though our history may be a long one, it does not, in any way, mean that Barbershop is about "old" music. Quite the opposite actually. There are thousands of Barbershop songs in publication, some going back as far as the early 1900's. And there are several hundred new songs added to that list every year. There is something for every singer in Barbershop.

**Please join us for an evening of song, food and fellowship!!!**

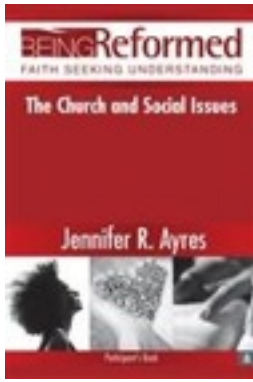
**APRIL 9, 2016**

**5:30 CONCERT**

**COVER DISH DINNER**

**WALLACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
INQUIRIES MAY CALL - Melodee Wynne, Director of Music  
910-284-1289**

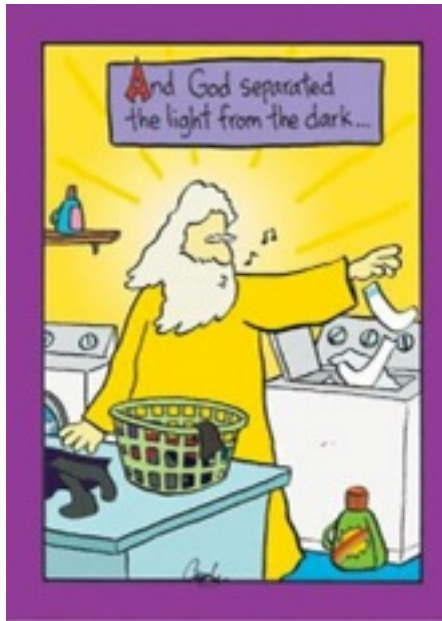




**THE ALTERNATIVE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS**  
INVITES YOU TO JOIN THEM IN A NEW STUDY  
BEGINNING SUNDAY, APRIL 3  
10:00 A.M. in Room 304

**The Church and Social Issues**

The Reformed and Presbyterian traditions-as expressed by theologians and confessional documents-strongly emphasize the church's position in promoting social righteousness. This study considers the church's role of advocating social issues in the public sphere and encourages readers to actively participate in God's work of transforming the world.



**Holy Humor Sunday**  
**Bright Sunday**  
**April 3 Morning Worship**

For centuries, in Catholic, Orthodox, and Protestant countries, Easter Monday and “Bright Sunday” (the Sunday after Easter) were observed by the faithful as “days of joy and laughter” with parties and picnics to celebrate Jesus’ resurrection. Parishioners and pastors played practical jokes on each other, drenched each other with water, sang, and danced. It was a time for clergy and people to tell jokes and to have fun. The custom of Easter Monday and Bright Sunday celebrations were rooted in the musings of early church theologians (like Augustine, Gregory of Nyssa, and John Chrysostom) that God

played a practical joke on the devil by raising Jesus from the dead. Easter was “God’s supreme joke played on death.” “Risus paschalis” – the Easter laugh, the early theologians called it. During worship on April 3, we will sing joyful songs and celebrate the good news of Jesus’ resurrection from the dead as we enjoy some Holy Humor. Join us!



Spring has sprung with longer days, warm sunshine, and flowers springing up! If your yard is empty though, you can remedy that AND help PEP by purchasing your flowers at Johnson Nursery on Saturday, April 2 from 8 - 11 am. We would love to have you choose some beautiful plants with the profits going to PEP’s program expenses.

On Sunday, April 24, you will get the opportunity to hear our PEP preschoolers sing at the beginning of the worship service. The children have been learning a song each month that helps to remind them of the verse we are focusing on that month. We will be sharing a few of those songs with the congregation that morning. You won’t want to miss this chance to see these adorable faces and hear them sing.

So you have 2 opportunities to support us this month - buying plants on April 2 and attending the worship service on April 24. I hope we will see you both times!

*Dee Thompson*  
P.E.P. Director



**We will celebrate the**  
**Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper**  
**During worship on**  
**Sunday, April 3.**

**All who put their trust in Jesus Christ**  
**as Lord and have been baptized in his**  
**name are welcome at the table.**

# April 2016

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## WPC Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27 <b>Happy Easter</b> 7:00 AM Early Easter Service with Breakfast 9:40 AM Opening Assembly 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship/One Great Hour of Sharing Offering	28	29 7:00 AM No SonRise Worship	30 10:00 AM No Bible Study 6:00 PM Handbell Rehearsal 7:30 PM Choir Practice	31	1	2
3 9:40 AM Opening Assembly 10:00 AM Sunday School 10:40 AM Called Session Meeting 11:00 AM Worship/Communion/ Reception New Members 5:00 PM Youth Fellowship	4 10:30 AM Circle #1: Office Building	5 6:30 AM Coffee in Room 304 7:00 AM SonRise Worship 10:30 AM Circle #3 Nettie Batchelor 12:15 PM Board of Pensions Luncheon, Fellowship Hall 6:30 PM Presbyterian Men, Rockfish PC 7:00 PM Circle #4 Cindy Barrow	6 10:00 AM Bible Study, Church Office Bldg. 6:00 PM Handbell Rehearsal 7:30 PM Choir Practice	7	8 6:30 PM Spring BBQ Supper/Presbyterian Pickers	9
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24 <b>PEP Sunday</b> 9:40 AM Opening Assembly 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship/PEP Special Offering 5:00 PM Youth Fellowship	25	26 6:30 AM Coffee in Room 304 7:00 AM SonRise Worship	27 10:00 AM Bible Study, Church Office Bldg. 6:00 PM Handbell Rehearsal 7:00 PM Choir Practice	28	29	30

