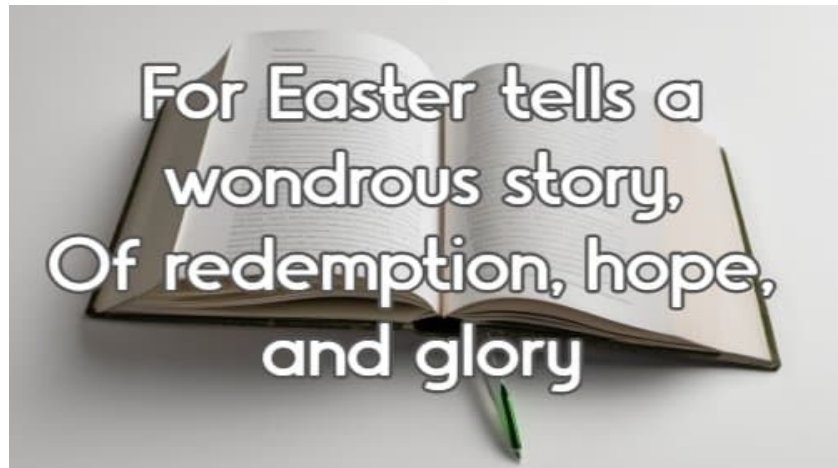




ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING Easter Sunday, April 3

Around the world, millions of people lack access to sustainable food sources, clean water, sanitation, education, and opportunity. The work done in support of the causes supported by One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) — disaster, hunger, poverty, climate change, and immigration/migration and refugees — serves individuals and communities in need. This work provides people with safety, sustenance, and hope. This Offering helps to improve the lives of people in these challenging situations and will be received on Easter Sunday, April 5.



Birthdays In April

Happy Birthday to You!



- 6- Cooper Hall
- 8- Kristin Robison Cottle
- 9- Kelli Norris
- Mary Laine Rouse
- 10- John Bullard
- 17- Callie Jane Cottle
- Emily Ludlum

- 19- Joey Fussell
- 24- Harper Ludlum
- 25- Elizabeth Wells Merritt
- 26- Ginger Black
- 30- Eduardo Moreno
- Sam Rose



NEWSLETTER

WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Rev. Robert H. Lapp, Interim Pastor

APRIL 2026

Cheryl Brinkley, Editor



Holy Week & Easter Services At Wallace Presbyterian Church



Friday, April 3
7:00 p.m.

Joint Good Friday Service with
Beulaville Presbyterian Church
A Living Last Supper



Sunday, April 5
11:00 a.m.

Easter Sunday
Special Music, Floral Cross, and
One Great Hour of Sharing Offering





ACTIONS OF THE SESSION

Tuesday, March 17, 2026 stated session meeting

Beloved,

Please accept this as a personal word to each one of you from Vickie and me. We have greatly appreciated the 32 months that we have had the pleasure of worshiping and serving with you. You are a special congregation. Thank you especially for the love and care that you gave us following Vickie's injuries sustained in a fall last May.

Pastor Joe Washburn's first Sunday will be May 17. Please welcome Joe and Angela with the same warm welcome that you have given to Vicke and me and be open and supportive of his ministry with you. They will serve you well.

As our pastoral relationship draws to a close, I look forward to the weeks we have remaining, and I hope that I have a chance to say good-bye to as many of you as I can. However the finitude of time and the inadequacy of words won't allow me to fully express all the love I have for you. May this time afford us the opportunity to savor the essence of the life and ministry we have shared together. I have loved loving and serving Jesus with you!

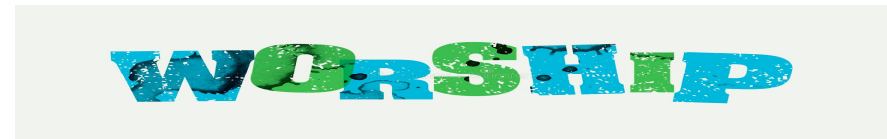
A lasting bond has been forged by all that we have shared together: laughter and tears, good times and bad, joys and sorrows, rejoicing and mourning. We will remember you all with deep gratitude and appreciation. You will always have a special place in our hearts, as we trust we will have in yours. Thank you for our time together and we look forward to hearing about the good work that God will continue to do in and through you as God equips you for the future that has been prepared for you.

With much love and appreciation,

Pastor Robb

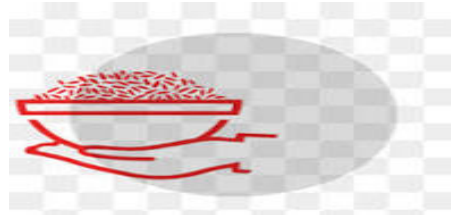


- Karla Casteen offered the opening devotional.
- Cameron Blue and Cody Whaley were married at WPC on Saturday, March 7.
- Susan Carone shared a report from the March 7 meeting of the Presbytery at Highland Presbyterian Church in Fayetteville, which included an inspirational sermon by the Rev. Shelvis Smith-Mather. For nearly two decades, Shelvis and his wife, Nancy have served alongside faith-based organizations in East Africa, equipping grassroots leaders with conflict resolution, trauma healing, and community development skills. Working with courageous South Sudanese colleagues, they remained present through a brutal civil war (2013), the world's fastest-growing refugee crisis (2016–2018), and a decade marked by the highest global aid worker death toll (2011–2022).
- An ad hoc committee consisting of Kristin Cottle (chairperson), Devan Riley, Debbie Price, Curt Simpson, and Susie Gaus was elected to write a job description for a part-time Director of Christian Education/Program Director position.
- Voted to call a session meeting on Sunday, May 3, at 9:45 am to receive the confirmation class into membership.
- Discussed ways we could help ensure that our new pastor's transition to WPC goes well.
- Approved the Parks Scholarship Committee's use of our facility on Saturday, March 28 and the Burgaw Presbyterian Church's session's use on Friday, April 17.
- Preliminary plans and cost projections for the Columbarium project are being drawn up.
- Joys and concerns were shared and the meeting was adjourned with prayer.



APRIL WORSHIP LEADERS

DATE	ELDER	PREACHER
April 5 (Easter)	Susan Carone	Robb Lapp
April 12	Devan Riley	Guest Preacher, Lt. Andrew "Drew" Stockstill
April 19	John-Ward Farrisior	Robb Lapp
April 26	Kevin Johnson	Robb Lapp



A big thanks goes out to all who made our fourth annual Rise Against Hunger Packing Event such a success. In just 2 hours on Saturday, March 21, members of all ages from our church and community worked diligently to pack 10,000 meals and had fun doing it. Rise Against Hunger helps underserved people worldwide achieve food security and resilience through nutrition, education and economic empowerment, fueled by a global movement of volunteers and partners.



**Guest Minister on Sunday, April 12
Lieutenant Andrew “Drew” Stockstill**

Chaplain Stockstill is a native of Thomasville, GA. In 2004, he attended Presbyterian College and majored in Philosophy and Theatre Arts. He is a 2012 graduate of Columbia Theological Seminary with a Master of Divinity and completed one unit of Clinical Pastoral Education at Grady Hospital in Atlanta, GA. He was ordained in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) in 2012. In 2019, he was commissioned as a Chaplain in the United States Navy Reserve. In July 2020, Chaplain Stockstill attended Officer Development School in Newport, RI. In August 2021, he attended

the Basic Leadership Course at the Naval Chaplaincy School and Center in Newport, RI. In October 2021, he reported to Marine Wing Support Squadron 472 at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, NJ, where he was the Squadron Chaplain. July 2023, Chaplain Stockstill was commissioned as an Active Duty Officer. In August 2023, he reported to USS PORTER (DDG 78) in Norfolk, VA, where he was Command Chaplain. In August 2025, he reported to 2d Reconnaissance Battalion in Camp Lejeune, NC to assume duties as Battalion Chaplain.

In his civilian ministry career, Chaplain Stockstill served as Associate Pastor of Morningside Presbyterian Church in Atlanta, GA, from 2012 – 2016, and was Presbyterian Campus Minister at Emory University and Agnes Scott College. He was Pastor and Executive Director of Health Ministries at Christ Lutheran Church in Harrisburg, PA, from 2016 – 2023.

Chaplain Stockstill is married to Dr. Ellen J. Stockstill. They have three daughters: Lydia Grace (10), River (7), and Julia, born June 2025.

Chaplain Stockstill earned his Surface Chaplain Officer qualification in 2024. His personal awards include the Navy Marine Corps Commendation Medal and Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (two awards). Please give Lieutenant Andrew Stockstill and family a warm WPC welcome!



APRIL 2026

Date	Scripture
April 5	John 20:1-18
April 12	Guest Preacher, Lt. Andrew "Drew" Stockstill
April 19	Luke 24:13-35
April 26	John 10:1-10

The sermon texts are provided so you can read them and pray about them before worship. Please keep our congregation and pastor in your prayers as we read and hear God’s Word during the month of April.



Weekly Bible Study

Wednesday morning, 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. in Room 304

April 1:	John 20:1-18
April 8:	No Bible Study
April 15:	Luke 24:13-35
April 22:	John 10:1-10
April 29:	John 14:1-14

You are invited to join our weekly Bible Study as we read and discuss the sermon text for the following Sunday. Everyone is welcome.



**FEED OUR HUNGRY CHILDREN/
BACKPACK MINISTRY
OFFERING
SUNDAY, April 26**



We will receive our monthly (school year) Feed Our Hungry Children/Backpack Ministry Offering during worship on Sunday, April 26. This offering is an extension of Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries and provides lunches and weekend food for students in Duplin County Schools. You may contribute to the offering in worship, by mailing a check to the church at P.O. Box 717, Wallace, NC 28466, by dropping your contribution through the mail slot of the front door of the church office building, or by giving online at www.wallacepresbyterian.com.

CHURCH NEWS . . . For Your Information

- * **A Living Last Supper** at 7:00 pm on Good Friday, April 3, a joint service with Beulaville Presbyterian at the Beulaville Presbyterian Church
- * **The church office** will be closed on Monday, April 6 in observance of Easter.
- * **The session** will meet on Tuesday, April 21 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 pastor.
- * **We will receive** our monthly (school year) Feed Our Hungry Children/Backpack Ministry offering during worship on Sunday, April 26.
- * **There will be a Congregational Luncheon** on Sunday, April 26, right after worship for Rev. Robb Lapp. (See article for more information).



April



- 04/05: Tonya & Emory Landen Patram
- 04/12: Danielle Sills & Hope Turnbull
- 04/19: Christy Johnson & Payton Westbrook
- 04/26: Baily Riley & Joyce Ange

- Curt Simpson, Head
- Royal Johnson James Whitfield
- Harvey Knowles

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

- 04/05: No Children's Church-Easter
- 04/12: Georgia & Windsor Farrior
- 04/19: Mary Laine Rouse
- 04/26: Christina, Will & Walt Phillips

OPENING CHURCH BUILDING

- April 1-15: Stan Skidmore
- April 16-30: Blake Wallace



**DAN KUSNIERZ MEMORIAL
DANCE FOR LIFE**
Benefiting Helping Hands Food Pantry
& Lifeline Sampson



DATE:
April 17, 2026

LOCATION:
The Celtic Court at Mad Boar

DOORS OPEN: 6:00 PM
(Open Cash Bar & Dinner)

MUSIC BY:
The band TIME MACHINE
(7:00 PM - 10:00 PM)

ADMISSION: \$75 per person
TABLE OF 10: \$700

FOR TICKETS CONTACT:
Diane Orłowski (256) 486-8658
Mark Hopkins (910) 305-1396
Mike Vandiver (910) 271-4444





The Congregational Care Ministry Team and the Session invite you to a Congregational luncheon on Sunday, April 26, right after worship to celebrate Rev. Robb Lapp.

We want to thank him for his commitment and service to our congregation for the almost three years he has served as our Interim Pastor! Meats will be provided. We are asking the congregation to bring sides and desserts. We look forward to this special time to show how much we love and appreciate Robb's dedication and time spent with us here at Wallace Presbyterian.



We extend our Christian love and sympathy to Patsy Ludlum and her family on the death of John "Garrett" Ludlum on Monday, March 16, 2026.



SAVE THE DATE!

Kirkwood Creation Camp

**GET READY FOR AN
UNFORGETTABLE WEEK OF
FAITH, FRIENDS, AND FUN!**

JUNE 7TH THRU 11TH, 2026

**2015 CAMP KIRKWOOD RD
WATHA, NC 28478**



JOIN US FOR FUN!

April 2026



MARCH 2026

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