

## Prayer for Students as They Go Back to School.....

Father, I pray for each and every child of every age that will be heading away from home to attend school this year. I pray that you cover them in your full armor so they may repel the enemy's tactics. I pray for their health and safety and that school administrators are able to prepare a healthy and safe environment for them to learn in.

I pray that each child is able to put aside their fear and worry so they may fully enjoy the resources in learning that they'll be provided. I pray for the parents who may be home worrying. I pray they trust that you will be watching and protecting their children during this time away from home. And I pray that you will destroy any tactic the enemy wishes to use to do harm or cause temptation to these young, innocent souls.

And I pray that each day, each and every child will come home, safe and full of joy, ready to share in the excitement of everything they learned. Amen.



### Birthdays in August

Happy Birthday to You!



1. Jeffrey Stevens	10. Leah Wallace
2. Sarah Pearl Farrior	Tammy Callihan
3. Harvey Knowles	11. Jeremy Stevens
Gary Ange	14. Grayson Casteen
Jason Rouse	17. A.C. Rivenbark
4. HaLee Knowles	19. Rita Brinkley
Noel Blue	22. Shella Farrior
Rowan Casteen	24. Jay Fussell
5. Lindsey Blackmon	26. Payton Westbrook
Joel Coleman	27. Elizabeth Sills
6. Hank Frey	30. Austin Brinkley
10. Jill Johnson	31. Barbara Lyon



Dr. Philip K. Gladden, Minister

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Cheryl Brinkley, Editor

## Donate Blood In Memory of *Jack Holley*



**Blood Drive @**  
**Wallace Presbyterian Church**  
**205 W. Main Street, Wallace, NC**

***Friday, August 5<sup>th</sup>***  
***2:00 pm – 7:00 pm***

**\*In the Fellowship Hall\***

**To schedule an appointment visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) and use the Sponsor Code:**

**Jack Holley**  
American Red Cross  
[redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) 1-800-RED CROSS 1-800-733-2767

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Dear Friends,

In Psalm 46:1-3 we read, "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea; though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult." It sounds as if the psalmist could have been living in Southeastern North Carolina during hurricane season when he wrote these words! The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) has predicted above-average hurricane activity this season for the seventh year in a row. With 70% confidence, the administration predicts between 14-21 named storms, of which 6-10 could become hurricanes, with 3-6 forming into major hurricanes.

We are quickly approaching the fourth anniversary of Hurricane Florence and the twenty-third anniversary of Hurricane Floyd. Both storms wreaked havoc in our county, communities, and congregation. While we hope and pray that all storms will stay offshore this season, we know we might well experience the waters roaring and foaming, the winds howling and blowing, and the rains pounding and drenching.

U.S. Secretary of Commerce Gina M. Raimondo has said, "Early preparation and understanding your risk is key to being hurricane resilient and climate-ready." In the aftermath of Hurricane Florence, concerned citizens formed the Disaster Recovery Group of Duplin County, a long term recovery group that is incorporated with the State of North Carolina and established with the Internal Revenue Service as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. This LTRG continues to assist citizens of Duplin County whose houses sustained devastating damage during Hurricane Florence. Thanks to the unwavering and generous support of many organizations, many outside of Duplin County, the LTRG has been able to develop a wide network of relief and support services in the aftermath of any and all disasters.

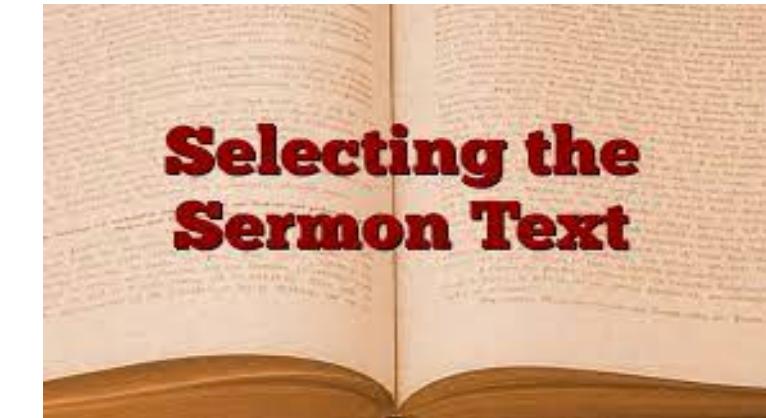
On Saturday, August 13, the Disaster Recovery Group of Duplin County will host a Disaster Preparedness Expo at The Campbell Center on Railroad Street in Wallace. The event will run from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Almost twenty organizations (ranging from the North Carolina Insurance Commission to Pet Friends of Duplin County) have registered to have booths set up and to share preparedness and recovery materials. The Salvation Army is providing a hot dog lunch.

There's an old joke about a man stranded during a flood who refused any and all offers of aid with the refrain, "The Lord will provide!" When he finally succumbed to the floodwaters and met his Maker, he asked, "Lord, why didn't you provide?" to which God asked in return, "Who do you think sent the rescue squad, the boats, and the helicopter?" On a more serious note, that is really the spirit behind the Disaster Recovery Group of Duplin County. While we trust that

# COME Worship WITH US

## Worship Leaders for August

Sunday	Elder	Preacher
August 7	Greg Maready	Philip Gladden
August 14	Fred Burroughs	Philip Gladden
August 21	Curt Simpson	Philip Gladden
August 28	Fred Burroughs	Philip Gladden



## Sermon Texts for August

These sermon texts are provided ahead of time so you can read them and pray for our congregation and minister as we ready, hear, and proclaim God's Word during the month of August.

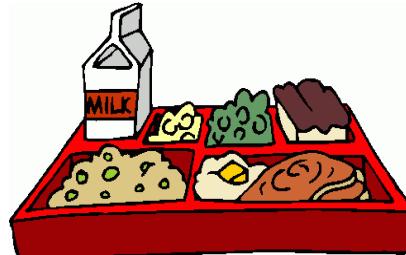
Sunday	Sermon Text
August 7	Colossians 3:12-17
August 14	Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16
August 21	Hebrews 11:29 - 12:2
August 28	Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16



## MINISTER ON CONTINUING EDUCATION LEAVE

Monday, August 22 - Wednesday, August 24

Philip Gladden will attend the 2022 East Community Pastors Retreat at The Trinity Center August 22 - 24. The retreat leader will be Dr. Roger J. Gench, retired pastor of New York Avenue Presbyterian Church in Washington, D.C. and currently Theologian in Residence at Second Presbyterian Church in Richmond, VA. Dr. Gench's topic will be "Is the Cross Relevant for Today's Church? New Perspectives on the Book of Galatians."



## FEED OUR HUNGRY CHILDREN/BACKPACK MINISTRY OFFERING RESUMES

Sunday, August 28

As school begins this month, we resume our monthly Feed Our Hungry Children/Backpack Ministry Offering on Sunday, August 28. This offering provides school lunches and weekend food for students in Duplin County Public Schools. Thank you for your generous and faithful support.

*God is our refuge and strength, we also believe that God equips us with what we need to work together to respond in times of disaster to help our neighbors, especially those folks who are most at risk and with the greatest need.*

*Why not come by The Campbell Center on Saturday, August 13 between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. and see what's going on? Here's hoping we'll have a quiet August, September, and October this hurricane season, but it never hurts to be prepared!*

*In Christ,*

*Blil*



## AUGUST



Kevin Johnson      Clay Blue  
Devan Riley

## OPENING CHURCH BUILDING

August 1-15: Nate Farror  
August 16-31: Clay Blue

## CHURCH NEWS . . . For Your Information

\* **The Commission on Ministry of the East Community of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina** will meet in Room 304 on Thursday, August 4. This commission is responsible for overseeing the relationships between pastors and churches and helping congregations in their ministries. Philip Gladden is a member of this commission.

\* **The Annual Jack Holley Memorial Blood Drive** will be held in the Fellowship Hall on Friday, August 5 from 2:00 - 7:00 p.m. See the front page of the newsletter for more details and information about how to register to donate.

\* **The session** will meet on Tuesday, August 16 at 7:00 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.

\* **Philip Gladden** will be on Continuing Education leave Monday - Wednesday, August 22-24 to attend the presbytery's East Community Pastor Retreat at The Trinity Center. Please contact Cheryl Brinkley in the church office (285-2808) or Clerk of Session Hope Turnbull (910-284-2813) in an emergency.

\* **There will be no Monday night Zoom Bible Study** on August 22 or Wednesday Morning Bible Study on August 24.

\* **We will receive** our initial Feed Our Hungry Children/Backpack Ministry Offering of the 2022-2023 school year on Sunday, August 28. See the article elsewhere in this newsletter for information about the ministry.



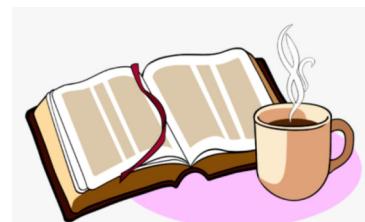
## Monday Evening and Wednesday Morning

You are invited to join the minister for a weekly Bible Study on either Monday night from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. or Wednesday morning from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. The Monday night study is via Zoom. The Wednesday morning study is in person in Room 304 and via Zoom. The Zoom invitations/links are emailed on Monday of each week.

Join us for good fellowship and study of God's Word as we read and discuss the sermon text for the following Sunday.

### AUGUST BIBLE STUDY SCHEDULE

Monday, August 1 & Wednesday, August 3	Colossians 3:12-17
Monday, August 8 & Wednesday, August 10	Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16
Monday, August 15 & Wednesday, August 17	Hebrews 11:29 - 12:2
Monday, August 22 & Wednesday, August 24	No Bible Study
Monday, August 29 & Wednesday, August 31	TBA



### DISASTER PREPAREDNESS EXPO

Sponsored by the Disaster Recovery Group of Duplin County  
Saturday, August 13  
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
The Campbell Center  
513 SE Railroad Street, Wallace

The Disaster Recovery Group of Duplin County will host the 2022 Disaster Preparedness Expo on Saturday, August 13 from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at the Campbell Center in Wallace. Numerous relief and aid organizations will be present to provide timely information and resources to use in the event of a disaster in our area. The Salvation Army will provide hot dogs and drinks. All are welcome!

These aid organizations will be present:

Duplin County Department of Social Services  
The Salvation Army  
Catholic Charities  
Cape Fear Habitat for Humanity  
NC Department of Insurance  
Duplin County Animal Services  
Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries  
NC VOAD  
National Weather Service

American Red Cross  
Duplin County Emergency Management  
ECU Health Duplin Hospital  
WARM, Inc.  
Legal Aid of NC  
Pet Friends of Duplin County  
Duplin County Department of Health  
Disaster Recovery Group of Duplin County  
Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries

Shared joy is a  
double joy. Shared  
sorrow is half  
a sorrow.



## NEW MEMBER WELCOME

We welcome Melony Henderson as a member of our congregation by transfer of membership from the Wallace United Methodist Church.  
Welcome, Coach Mel!

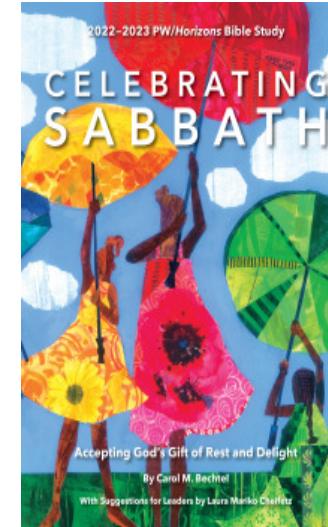


We extend our Christian love and sympathy to the family of Cathy Wells on her death on July 2, 2022.

We extend our Christian love and sympathy to Dr. Dan Robinson and his family on the death of his step-father, Byron Hawkins, on Friday, July 22.



Hospital & at home:  
Judy Robinson (home)  
Bruce Lyon (Dayspring)      Dan & Eva McLaughlin (The Gardens)



## 2022-2023 Horizons Bible Study

***Celebrating Sabbath***  
***Accepting God's Gift of  
Rest and Delight***

By  
**Carol M. Bechtel**



Welcome to the 2022–2023 Presbyterian Women/**Horizons** Bible study,  
**Celebrating Sabbath: Accepting God's Gift of Rest and Delight**.

In the nine lessons of this Bible study—with passages from Genesis, Exodus, Deuteronomy, Isaiah, Matthew, Luke, and Acts—we'll consider Sabbath

- as a celebration, not a day of dreary formality
- as God's intent for all of creation that includes busy women too
- as one day of the week, perhaps a Sunday
- as a time to surrender unhealthy striving and frantic busyness, and instead trust that God will provide
- as a reminder that life is precious and working too much is against God's plans for our precious lives
- as a day devoted to community and justice and not exclusively to self-care.

Ultimately, Sabbath reminds us to honor God who honors us by giving us a day each week to reset our pace, our priorities, and our lives.

Presbyterian Women are still working on plans for the Fall Gathering. Watch the bulletins for announcements for date and time of Fall Gathering.



# August 2022

■■■ Holidays in United States

■■■ WPC Calendar

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