



WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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We support Presbyterian Church (USA) mission co-workers,
Rev. Dustin and Sherri Ellington, in Lusaka, Zambia, Africa.

Please silence your cell phones.

**All who are able may stand.*

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

The Baptism of the Lord

January 12, 2020

11:00 A.M.

The congregation is asked to remain silent during the prelude as a time of prayer and meditation.

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

(During this time the friendship pads are passed to be signed.)

Minute for Mission

Sanctuary Flowers

Joyce Ange

Choral Call to Worship **"You Are My Strength"** Dennis Jernigan, 1990

*You are my strength when I am weak; you are the treasure that I seek; You are my all in all.
When I fall down, you pick me up; when I am dry, you fill my cup; You are my all in all.
Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name! Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name!*

Opening Sentences

Elder Fred Burroughs

Leader: We have been claimed by the God who calls us children.

All: We, the redeemed, have been called by name.

Leader: As with the Israelites, God promises to pass with us through the water.

All: We will not fear, for God is with us!

Leader: The rivers shall not overwhelm us for God is our guide and our protector.

All: Through God's saving grace, the waters that tested us are now the waters that wash us and nourish us.

Leader: Great is the Fount of Every Blessing, ever flowing, ever redeeming, ever claiming us as God's children.

All: Come, let us worship the God who washes us in grace.

*At this festival of the Christian year, we not only remember Jesus' baptism, but we celebrate our own: the baptism we share with Christ.
Presbyterian Mission*

*Hymn #482

"Baptized in Water"

BUNESSAN

*In the waters of baptism we are buried with Christ, cleansed of our sins, and raised to share in his resurrection. The Spirit is given to us and we are declared the children of God.
Presbyterian Mission*



*Unison Prayer of Confession

Sovereign God, in baptism you called us to turn from sin and to turn to Jesus Christ; but we stray from his ways and do not heed your call. In baptism you joined us to Christ in his death that we might be raised with Christ in new life; but we cherish old ways and fail to embrace the risen life of righteousness, justice, and love. In baptism you united us with all the baptized who confess your name; but we foster division in the church. We refuse to live as one people, and so fail to witness to your reconciling love before the world. In baptism you call us to ministry in all realms of life, but we refuse the struggle to know your will; we do not nurture the ways of peace; we allow enmity to grow among us, setting neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation. We abuse the earth you entrust to our care, and live in discord with all you have made. In baptism you sent us to serve with compassion all for whom Christ died; but we ignore the suffering of the oppressed and the plight of the poor. We take bread from the hungry, and stop our ears to cries for justice. In baptism you gave us the Holy Spirit to teach and guide us but we rely on ourselves and refuse to trust your direction. We spurn your eternal wisdom, preferring, instead, the luring ways of the world. Lord, have mercy on us. Remember the promises you made to us in baptism, forgive our sinful ways and heal our brokenness. Set us free from all that enslaves us, and raise us to new life in Jesus Christ, that we may be your faithful servants, showing forth your healing love to the world, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

*Responsive Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Hear the good news: Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ lives in power for us, Christ prays for us.

All: Anyone who is in Christ is of the New Creation. The old life is finished, gone. Behold, new life has begun.

Leader: Brothers and Sisters, believe the good news:

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*Gloria Patri

Glory Be to the Father

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Children's Sermon

“As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus.”
Galatians 3:27-28

Baptism joins us to Christ and his church, and with all of the baptized we are called to share in Jesus’ ministry.
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Anthem **“Raise Your Hands”** Heather Sorenson, 2011
*Raise your hands when you’re high upon the mountain, and you know that you’ve been blessed.
Raise your hands when you start your day with nothing, and you end with even less.
Raise your hands to the One who give us everything, yet He shines in emptiness.
Raise your hands when you’re offering up the sacrifice that you want to claim as yours.
Raise your hands, reaching up to heaven, when your heart’s bowed to the floor.
Raise your hands, trusting in the grace of God that has carried you before.
I will lift my hands to You, and bless Your name forever.
I will lift my hands to you, and bless Your holy name.
Raise your hands when your heart is full of worship, and your songs are filled with praise.
Raise your hands when the battle ends in victory, and God’s glory is ablaze.
Raise your hands. Let the earth shout, “Hallelujah!” and the people shout, “Amen!”
Raise your hands, and the hands that have been emptied, God will fill them once again.
Raise your hands.*

Prayer for Illumination

Creator Spirit, who hovered over the waters at creation’s birth, who descended in the form of a dove at Jesus’ baptism, who was poured out under the signs of fire and wind at Pentecost: Come to us, open our hearts and minds, so that we may hear the Word of life and be renewed by your power, for you live and reign with God and Christ now and forevermore. Amen.

Epistle Lesson *Romans 6:1-11* Elder Fred Burroughs
+Page 917

*Hymn #480 **"Take Me to the Water"** TAKE ME TO THE WATER

Gospel Lesson *Matthew 3:1-17* +Pages 784, 785

Sermon **“Something In Common with Jesus”** Dr. Philip K, Gladden

A Time for Silent Reflection

Pastoral Prayer with the Lord’s Prayer

GIVING THANKS TO GOD

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

The Affirmation of Faith: From "A Declaration of Faith" of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

Jesus was dead and buried, but God raised him from the dead. The risen Lord appeared to his followers. They recognized him as their Master who had been crucified. Before Jesus left them, he commissioned them to proclaim to all people the good news of his victory over death, and promised to be with them always. We are certain that Jesus lives. He lives as God with us, touching all of human life with the presence of God. He lives as one of us with God. Because he shares our humanity and has bound us to himself in love, we have an advocate in the innermost life of God. We declare that Jesus is Lord. His resurrection is a decisive victory over the powers that deform and destroy human life. His lordship is hidden. The world appears to be dominated by people and systems that do not acknowledge his rule. But his lordship is real. It demands our loyalty and sets us free from the fear of all lesser lords who threaten us. We maintain that ultimate sovereignty now belongs to Jesus Christ in every sphere of life. Jesus is Lord. He has been Lord from the beginning. He will be Lord at the end. Even now he is Lord.

*"There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all."
Ephesians 4:4-6*

*Hymn #485

"We Know That Christ Is Raised"

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*Benediction

*Choral Benediction

"Amen"

Franz Schubert, 1827

Amen, amen, amen, amen, amen.

*Postlude

**All who are able may stand.*

+The page number in the pew Bible.



FEED OUR HUNGRY CHILDREN/ BACKPACK MINISTRY OFFERING SUNDAY, JANUARY 26

An extension of the Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries
Contributions from individuals, twenty plus churches,
foundations, and other

organizations provide lunches and weekend food to schoolchildren.

Thanks for your contributions!



WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, January 12	BAPTISM OF THE LORD SUNDAY 9:40 am Opening Assembly 10:00 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship
Wednesday, January 15	10:00-11:00 am Bible Study, Room 304 7:00 pm Choir Practice
Saturday, January 18	9:00 am-2:00 pm Session Retreat, Room 30

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

* **Please join** the minister for a Bible study on John 1:29-51 on Wednesday, January 15 from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. in Room 304 (across from the Music Room). This scripture lesson will be the sermon text on Sunday, January 19.

* **Presbyterian Women Coordinating Team Meeting** will be Monday, January 27, 5:15 pm, in the Blue Room



2020 Session Retreat Saturday, January 18 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

The session will have its annual retreat on Saturday, January 18 at the church from 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. This is a time of worship, prayer, fellowship, and discernment as the elders and minister continue to seek God's will and direction for the Wallace Presbyterian Church.

Please keep the elders and minister in your prayers as they lead us as a community of faith in 2020.

Class of 2020: Clay Blue, Christy Johnson, Dan Robinson, Michael Teachey

Class of 2021: Wayne Casteen, Sam Rose, Lindsay Skidmore

Class of 2022: Fred Burroughs, Patsy Ludlum, Darleen Weller



01/12: Danielle & Elizabeth Sills
 01/19: Georgia & Windsor Farrior

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THIS IS OUR MONTH

Fred Burroughs, Leader
 Greg Maready Bill Walters
 Blake Wallace Susan Walters



YOUTH WORSHIP LEADERS

01/12: Elizabeth & James Sills
 01/19: JJ Rouse & Hayes Skidmore



GREETERS

01/12: Jim & Pat Simpson
 01/19: Catherine Blanchard & Hope Turnbull

Opening Church Building

January 1-15: Charley Farrior



Andrea Casteen (cancer treatments), **Jeff Cavanaugh** (stage 4 lung cancer), **Andrew DeNatale** (Mary Carone's brother), **Joe Dormagen** (Verlie Wells' son-in-law), **Shella Farrior** (recovering from surgery), **George Hatch** (cancer treatments), **Karen Howard**, (pancreatic cancer, wife of David White-friends of Curt Simpson), **Candace Knowles** (recovering from hip surgery), **Hill Lanier**, **Frank Lettieri**, (cancer treatments), **Amy Moss** (breast cancer, sister of Debbie Thomas), **Jennifer Raynor** (Postural Orthostatic Tachycardia Syndrome), **Judy Robinson**, **Rodney Rogerson** (Kidney Transplant, friend of Nell Sloan), **Joe Tillman**, (chemotherapy treatments), **Leah Wallace & family** (on the death of her mother on 12/30), **Ronnie Watson** (non-Hodgkins Lymphoma, stem cell transplant), **Andy Wells** (Headmaster at HCA-Neuromyelitis Optica), **Verlie Wells-Rosemary**, **Lee Woodard family**, **Members and friends in the armed services: Jason Payne. William Krupitzer**-(Linda Burroughs nephew). (When you request a name to be put on the prayer list, please notify the church office when you wish it to be taken off).



**THE EAST COMMUNITY OF THE PRESBYTERY OF
 COASTAL CAROLINA
 COMMUNITY GATHERING**

Saturday, January 25, 2020
 Faison Presbyterian Church

A Ruling Elder and Dr. Phil will attend from our congregation.

Please keep the ministers, elders, and staff in your prayers.