



# WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

205 West Main Street • Wallace, North Carolina 28466

## THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY *Third Sunday after Epiphany*

January 25, 2026

11:00 A.M

### GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Welcome

Elder Kevin Johnson

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

Prelude

**“Blest Are They”**

*arranged by* Mark Hayes

*Blest are they, who seek peace. They are the children of God.*

*Blest are they who suffer in faith. The glory of God is theirs.*

*Rejoice and be glad! Blessed are you, holy are you.*

*Rejoice and be glad! Yours is the kingdom of God.*

Announcements

Choral Call to Worship

**“Create in Me a Clean Heart”**

James Capers

*Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.*

*Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.*

*Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.*

*Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.*

Opening Sentences (*Psalm 27*)

*The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?*

**The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?**

*One thing I asked of the Lord; this I seek:*

**To live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.**

*Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord!*

\*Hymn #721

**“Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore”**

PESCADOR DE HOMBRES

\*Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Rev. Robert H. Lapp

**Jesus, you come into our lives as light shining in our darkness, and you call us to follow you. That's our heartfelt desire, but sometimes we don't hear or heed your call. Yet, we have seen your great light. We have heard your appeal to come together with one mind and purpose. Help us to step away from our darkness, conflicts, and devotion to our set ways so that we may respond to your call, for your kingdom draws near. Amen.**

\*Responsive Assurance of Pardon

*Jesus said, "I am the light of the world." Whoever follows the Christ will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.*

**He has come as light into the world, that whoever believes in him may not remain in darkness.**

*Come now to that light, for in Christ we are restored and forgiven.*

**Thanks be to God.**

\*Gloria Patri

**"Glory Be to the Father"**

Hymn #581

### **PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD**

Children's Sermon

\*Hymn #749

**"Come! Live in the Light!"**

WE ARE CALLED

Unison Prayer for Illumination

Elder Kevin Johnson

**God of light, you reveal yourself to us in diverse and numerous ways. Free us the distractions that turn our focus away from you and your Word. Open us to the truth you reveal to us today. Amen.**

Old Testament Lesson

*Jeremiah 1:4-10*

Gospel Lesson

*Matthew 4:12-23*

Sermon

**"Guess Where You're Going?"**

Rev. Robert H. Lapp

A Time for Silent Reflection

Pastoral Prayer with the Lord's Prayer

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## GIVING THANKS TO GOD

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

**“Amazing Grace”**

*arranged by Joel Raney*

*Through many dangers, toils and snares I have already come;  
‘Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.*

\*Doxology

**“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”**

Hymn #606

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles’ Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;**

**who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,**

**born of the Virgin Mary,**

**suffered under Pontius Pilate,**

**was crucified, dead, and buried;**

**he descended into hell;**

**the third day he rose again from the dead;**

**he ascended into heaven,**

**and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;**

**from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost;**

**the holy catholic Church;**

**the communion of saints;**

**the forgiveness of sins;**

**the resurrection of the body;**

**and the life everlasting. Amen.**

\*Hymn #724

**“O Jesus, I Have Promised”**

ANGEL’S STORY

\*Benediction

\*Choral Benediction

**“Amen”**

Franz Schubert

*Amen, amen, amen. Amen, amen.*

\* Postlude

*\*All who are able may stand.*



**JANUARY**



**01/25: Parker & Courtenay Thompson**  
**02/01: Mary Laine & Jason Rouse**

**Fred Burroughs, Head**  
**Bill & Susan Walters Jan Peterson**

### **CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

**01/25: Jennifer Johnson**  
**02/01: Tonya Patram**

### **OPENING CHURCH BUILDING**

**January 16-31: Curt Simpson**  
**February 1-15: Nate Farrior**



**Class 2** - Sunday, February 8, 12:00 - 2:00 in fellowship hall (lunch provided)  
**Scout makeup** - Sunday, February 15, 12:00 - 2:00 in fellowship hall (lunch provided)  
**Class 3** - Sunday, February 22, 12:00 - 2:00 in fellowship hall (lunch provided)  
**Class 4** - Sunday, March 8, 12:00 - 2:00 in fellowship hall (lunch provided)  
**Mission Project** - Saturday, March 21, 1:00 - 3:00 in fellowship hall (Rise Against Hunger)  
**Class 5** - Sunday, March 22, 12:00 - 2:00 in fellowship hall (lunch provided)  
**Class 6** - Sunday, April 19, 12:00 - 2:00 in fellowship hall (lunch provided)  
**Lock In** - Friday night, May 1 - Saturday morning, May 2 (details to be announced)  
**Confirmation Sunday**, May 3, 9:45 breakfast meeting with the session to be received into membership; 11:00 welcome into membership in the worship service.

#### **Leaders:**

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**FEED OUR HUNGRY CHILDREN  
BACKPACK MINISTRY OFFERING  
TODAY, JANUARY 25**



We will receive our monthly Feed Our Hungry Children/Backpack Ministry Offering today, January 25. This offering provides school lunches and weekend food for students in Duplin County Public Schools. Thank you for your generous and faithful support.

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, January 25

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

9:45 am Adult Sunday School Class  
10:00 am Sunday School Classes  
10:30 am Fellowship Time  
11:00 am Worship/Feed Our Hungry Children Backpack Ministry  
5:00 pm Cub Scout Pack 35  
Wednesday, January 28 10:00 am Bible Study, Room 304  
6:00 pm Handbells

## NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

• **Pastor Led Bible Study** meets on Wednesday's, at 10 am in room 304. Together we will examine the lectionary text for the following Sunday's sermon. We look forward to you joining us. The scripture for January 28: Matthew 5:1-12

• **The Men's Retreat at YMCA Camp Kirkwood is January 30-31 Kick back** on Friday with dinner, a great keynote from Command Sergeant Major (Retired) Rick Stidley, and some quality cabin downtime with a solid group of guys who appreciate a weekend in the woods. Then on Saturday, **give back** to the place that's given us so many great memories. Reserve your spot today: <https://www.ymcasenc.org/events/2026/01/30/ymca-camp-kirkwood/men-s-retreat-2026/>

• **Rise Against Hunger-Save the Date!** Wallace Presbyterian Church is once again partnering with Rise Against Hunger in the global movement to end hunger. Join us on **Saturday, March 21, 1:00 - 3:00 pm** in packaging over 10,000 meals to support nutrition, education and health for children and families facing hunger right now around the world. We have currently received \$1,109.77 towards our goal of \$4,200 and 10 people have already registered towards our goal of 50. Register using the link below for this fun, high-impact event and consider a donation towards our event goal!  
<https://riseagainsthunger.org/register/?id=701Pj00000covF8IAI>

• **Ash Wednesday**, February 18, from 12 noon - 1:00 pm, the sanctuary will be open for quiet meditation and to receive the imposition of ashes. A resource with scriptures and prayers will be provided. You're welcome to come and go during that hour as your schedule permits. Also, our friends at the Wallace Methodist Church will host a service that evening at 6:00 pm.

### • Upcoming Events:

February 8 - Scout Sunday and Souper Bowl of Caring Offering

May 3 - Confirmation Sunday

May 17 - Youth Sunday

June 7-11 - Creation Camp @ Camp Kirkwood (kindergarten - fifth grade)

July 19 -24 - CROSS MISSIONS (middle & high school youth)

**Stewardship** – In response to the gospel of Jesus Christ, we offer our gifts to God. Thank you for your generosity to the mission and ministry of WPC.

