WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

205 West Main Street • Wallace, North Carolina 28466

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

January 28, 2024 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 "Praise Him! Praise Him"

arr. Mark Hayes

Praise Him! Praise Him! Jesus, our blessed Redeemer! Sing, O Earthy, His wonderful love proclaim!

Welcome and Announcements

Elder Joyce Ange

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

Choral Call to Worship "What Does the Lord Require of You?"

Jim Strathdee

What does the Lord require of you? To seek justice and love kindness and walk humbly with your God.

Opening Sentences (from Psalm 111)

Leader: Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart.

People: Great are your works, O Lord, pondered by all who delight in them. Leader: Majesty and splendor mark your deeds, and your righteousness endures forever. People: You cause your wonders to be remembered; you are gracious and full of compassion.

or compassion.

*Hymn #394 "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation" ALTERNATE TUNE: REGENT SQUARE

*Prayer of Confession

Creator God, we see your awesome power active in the world, yet we sometimes wonder if it applies to our own lives. We hear that you are faithful, that you remember your promises, yet there are times when you feel so distant from us. At times we wonder if you have forgotten us, especially in the places that hurt. Forgive us and help us trust your promised grace, for we long to be made whole. Amen.

*Responsive Assurance of Pardon

Leader: God holds true to his promises and sends redemption to all creation.

People: Let us rejoice in the God who remembers and redeems.

Leader: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God!

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

*Hymn #299 "You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim"

HANOVER

Prayer for Illumination

Elder Joyce Ange

Gracious God, illumine these words by your Spirit that we might hear what you would have us hear and be who you would us be, for the sake of Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

Anthem

"Lamb of God"

arr. Lloyd Larson

Your only Son, no sin to hide, but you have sent him from your side
To walk upon this guilty sod, and to become the Lamb of God.
Your gift of love they crucified, they laughed and scorned him as he died,
The humble King they named a fraud, and sacrificed the Lamb of God.
O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God; I love the holy Lamb of God.
O wash me in his precious blood. My Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.
I was so lost I should have died, but you have brought me to your side
To be led by your staff and rod, and to be called a lamb of God.
O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God; I love the holy Lamb of God.
O wash me in his precious blood, till I a just a lamb of God

Gospel Reading

Mark 1:21-28

Sermon

"The Church Shaken"

Rev. Robert 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

"A Gaelic Blessing"

John Rutter

Deep peace of the running wave to you, Deep peace of the flowing air to you,
Deep peace of the quiet earth to you, Deep peace of the shining stars to you,
Deep peace of the gentle night to you, Moon and starts pour their healing light on you,
Deep peace of Christ, the light of the world to you.

*Doxology

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 Colossians 1:15-20)

Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible. All things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. Jesus Christ is head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn of the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. Amen.

*Hymn #722

"Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak"

CANONBURY

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction

"Amen"

Franz Schubert

Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen.

*Postlude

*All who are able may stand.

^{*}Prayer of Dedication

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, January 28 9:45 am Adult Sunday School Class, Curt Simpson & Glenn Price

10:00 am Sunday School Classes

11:00 am Worship/Feed Our Hungry Children Backpack Ministry

Offering

Wednesday, January 31 10:00 am Bible Study, Room 304

6:00 pm Handbells 7:30 pm Choir Practice

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Pastor Led Bible Study** is Wednesday, January 31, 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 this week is Mark 1:29-39.
- We will receive our monthly Feed Our Hungry Children/Backpack Ministry Offering today, January 28, during worship. This offering provides school lunches and weekend food for students in Duplin County Public Schools. Thank you for your generous and faithful support.
- Congregational Meeting on Sunday, February 11 following the worship service for the purpose of electing the Nominating Committee. This committee is **not** the Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC). However, they will put before the congregation a slate of nominees to be elected to serve on the PNC as well as elder nominees to serve on the session. The candidates for the nominating committee are: Curt Simpson, chairperson, Hayes Ludlum, Linda Burroughs, Mary Lane Rouse, Ann Carter, Bailey Riley, Windsor Farrior, and Miller Ludlum.
- **Souper Bowl of Caring** On Super Bowl Sunday, February 11, our youth will help us "tackle hunger" by receiving a special offering that will go to our Helping Hands Food Pantry.



The beautiful flowers in the sanctuary today are given in loving memory of Julienne Carone Diers as you celebrate your birthday in heaven, by the Carone and Diers family.

NURSERY

JANUARY

USF ERS

01/28: Christy & Kevin Johnson 02/04: Mary Laine & Jason Rouse

Fred Burroughs, Head Bill & Susan Walters Greg Maready

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

01/28: Debbie Price

02/04: Windsor & Georgia Farrior

OPENING CHURCH BUILDING

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