

WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

205 West Main Street • Wallace, North Carolina 28466

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY *Sixth Sunday after Epiphany*



February 16, 2025

11:00 A.M

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Welcome

Elder Devan Riley

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

Prelude

“When Morning Gilds the Skies”

arr. Lloyd Larson

*Be this, while life is mine, my canticle divine, may Jesus Christ be praised!
Be this the eternal song through all the ages long, may Jesus Christ be praised!*

Announcements

Minute for Mission

Pastor Nominating Committee

Choral Call to Worship

“Rain Down”

Jaime Cortez

*Rain down; rain down; rain down your love on your people.
Rain down; rain down; rain down your love, God of life.*

Opening Sentences

Happy are those who delight in God's ways,

who set their hearts and minds on the laws of God's love.

In the presence of the Holy, they are like trees planted by the waters of life.

They are fed by enduring streams, with roots that reach into the depths of the soul.

They are nourished in times of drought and bring forth fruit in seasons of famine.

Life shall spring forth as they walk each day in the way of peace.

*Hymn #667

“When Morning Gilds the Skies”

LAUDES DOMINI

*Prayer of Confession

Rev. Robert Lapp

God of Mercy, whose presence is ever-near, lay your path clearly before us, for we are easily confused and distracted. In the arid places of our lives where our souls are parched and dry, lead us to your living waters and the refreshment of your ever-flowing streams. Nourish us with your mercy, that we might soak up your grace and touch the fullness of your life, this day and all of our days. Amen.

*Responsive Assurance of Pardon

Blessed are those who trust the Lord. When heat comes, our leaves will stay green.

In a year of drought, we will not cease to bear fruit.

Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

*Gloria Patri

“Glory Be to the Father”

Hymn #581

PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD

Children’s Sermon

*Hymn #250

“In the Bulb There Is a Flower”

PROMISE

Unison Prayer for Illumination

Elder Devan Riley

The Lord tests the mind and searches the heart. In this moment of proclamation, O God, may our hearts and minds be receptive to you and your way. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson

Psalm 1

Anthem

“Shout to the North”

Martin Smith, 1995

*Men of faith, rise up and sing of the great and glorious King.
You are strong when you feel weak; in your brokenness, complete.
Shout to the north and the south; sing to the east and the west.
Jesus is Savior to all, Lord of heaven and earth.
Rise up, women of the truth. Stand and sing to broken hearts
Who can know the healing power of our awesome King of love.
We’ve been through fire; we’ve been through rain;
We’ve been refined by the power of your name.
We’ve fallen deeper in love with you. You’ve burned this truth on our lips.
Rise up, church, with broken wings; fill this place with songs again
Of our God who reigns on high; by God’s grace again we’ll fly.
He is Lord of heaven and earth.*

Gospel Lesson

Luke 6:17-2

Sermon

“What’s Real?”

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

“Just a Closer Walk with Thee”

arr. Lloyd Larson

*Just a closer walk with Thee, grant it, Jesus, is my plea,
Daily walking close to Thee, let it be, dear Lord, let it be.*

*Doxology

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Hymn #606

*Prayer of Dedication

*Affirmation of Faith: *A Brief Statement of Faith*

We trust in Jesus Christ,

Fully human, fully God.

Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:

preaching good news to the poor

and release to the captives,

teaching by word and deed

and blessing the children,

healing the sick

and binding up the brokenhearted,

eating with outcasts,

forgiving sinners,

and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,

Jesus was crucified,

suffering the depths of human pain

and giving his life for the sins of the world.

God raised Jesus from the dead,

vindicating his sinless life,

breaking the power of sin and evil,

delivering us from death to life eternal.

*Hymn #182

“I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say”

KINGSFOLD

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction

“Amen”

African American

Amen, amen. Amen, amen, amen.

*Postlude

**All who are able may stand.*

THE SESSION

Class of 2025

Sandy Cobb
Debbie Price
Blake Wallace

Class of 2026

Kevin Johnson
Royal Johnson
Nell Sloan

Class of 2027

Karla Casteen
Geneva Maready
Devan Riley

CHURCH LEADERSHIP

Interim Pastor

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Vision

At Wallace Presbyterian Church, we envision a community where faith, friendship, and service intertwine to embody God's love and grace. We strive to create a nurturing environment and develop ministries where individuals of all ages can grow spiritually, form meaningful relationships, and actively participate in acts of compassion and service, both locally and beyond.

Mission

To carry on Christ's mission today by enriching the lives of our church and community, nurturing the faith of children and youth, fostering meaningful relationships across all ages, and serving through dedicated outreach and support.

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

Birth-Kindergarten.....Melony Henderson, Ellie Newton, Kelli Norris, Sara Matthews
First-Third Grade.....Jennifer Johnson & Bailey Riley
Fourth-Sixth Grade.....Kristin Cottle & Casey Hall
Seventh-Ninth Grade.....Mary Laine Rouse & Lindsay Skidmore
The Adult Class.....Glenn Price & Curt Simpson



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Sandy Cobb, Moderator
Christy Johnson, Vice-Moderator
Carol Steen, Treasurer
Joyce Ange, Secretary
Harriet Farrior, Debbie Price, Sanctuary Flowers





FEBRUARY



02/16: Harriet & Windsor Farrisior
02/23: Debbie Price & Joyce Ange

Kevin Johnson, Head
Debbie Price Henry Stevens
Ray Cobb

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

OPENING CHURCH BUILDING

02/16: Ellie Newton
02/23: Windsor & Georgia Farrisior

February 16-28: Clay Blue



LENT

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 5. On that day from 12 noon - 1:00 pm, the sanctuary will be open for quiet meditation and to receive the imposition of ashes, if you'd like. A resource with scriptures and prayers will be provided. You're welcome to come and go during that hour as your schedule permits. The ashes remind us of the consequences of our sin which is death. During Lent we remember and respond to the atoning death of Christ. Lent offers the opportunity to respond to the death of Christ so that we may rise with Him. Thus, it is appropriate to give up something for Lent (dying) and to take on an opportunity to serve (rising).



WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, February 16

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

9:00 am Choir Practice

9:45 am Youth Group Handbell Practice

9:45 am Adult Sunday School Class

10:00 am Sunday School Classes

10:30 am Fellowship Time

11:00 am Worship

5:00 pm Cub Scouts-Pack 35

6:00 pm Session Meeting, Room 304

Tuesday, February 18

10:00 am Bible Study, Room 304

Wednesday, February 19

6:00 pm Handbells

7:00 pm PNC, Room 304

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **The session** will meet on Tuesday, February 18 at 6:00 pm 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.
- **Pastor Led Bible Study** on Wednesday, February 19, 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. Scripture: Luke 6:27-38.
- **Food Pantry Needs for the month of February:** Spaghetti Sauce Thank you!
- **Offering Envelopes** are available to be picked up in the Fellowship Hall.



The beautiful flowers in the sanctuary today are given in celebration of Mary Carone's 80th Birthday by the Bill & Susan Carone family. Happy Birthday Mary!



**FEED OUR HUNGRY CHILDREN/
BACKPACK MINISTRY OFFERING
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23**



We will receive our monthly (school year) Feed Our Hungry Children/Backpack Ministry Offering during worship on Sunday, February 23. 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.