



WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

205 West Main Street • Wallace, North Carolina 28466

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 22, 2026

11:00 A.M

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Welcome

Isla Blanton

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

Prelude

"Hymn of Promise"

arranged by Lloyd Larson

*In the cold and snow of winter there's a spring that waits to be
Unrevealed until its season something God alone can see.*

Announcements

Choral Call to Worship

"Stay with Me"

Jacques Berthier

Stay with me; remain here with me; watch and pray.

Opening Sentences (*Psalm 130*)

Out of the depths we call to you, O Lord.

Let your ears hear our supplication.

We wait for you, O God. In your word is our hope.

We wait for you, O Lord, for with you there is mercy.

*Hymn #819

"Be Still, My Soul"

FINLANDIA

*Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Rev. Robert H. Lapp

We cry to you, O God. It is so easy to be overwhelmed with all that is going on. It is so hard to see any hope. Everywhere we look, we see struggles and loss. We feel we have failed. But where we see death, you breathe new life. Where we see failure, your forgiving love changes everything. You alone, O God, have the power to bring forth new life, new hope, and new beginnings. Be with us as we wait for you. Teach us to place our trust in your faithful love. Amen.

*Responsive Assurance of Pardon

Jesus promises, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever trusts in me will live."

We trust in God's promise of new life.

God promises forgiveness.

We wait in hope, placing our trust in God's word.

*Gloria Patri

“Glory Be to the Father”

Hymn #581

PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD

Children’s Sermon

(Children 2nd grade and younger may be dismissed to Children's Church)

*Hymn #250

“In the Bulb There Is a Flower”

PROMISE

Hymn of Promise

Unison Prayer for Illumination

Isla Blanton

Gracious God, we come before you now to worship you and listen to your Word. Open our ears to hear. May we understand your Word more fully and follow the path you have set before us. Amen.

First Reading

John 11:1-16

Anthem

“Blest Are They”

David Haas, 1986

*Blest are they, the poor in spirit, theirs is the kingdom of God.
Blest are they, full of sorrow, they shall be consoled.
Rejoice! And be glad! Blessed are you, holy are you,
Rejoice! And be glad! Yours is the kingdom of God!
Blest are they, the lowly ones, they shall inherit the earth.
Blest are they who hunger and thirst; they shall have their fill.
Blest are they who show mercy, mercy shall be theirs.
Blest are they, the pure of heart, they shall see God!
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.
Blest are you who suffer hate, all because of me.
Rejoice and be glad, yours is the kingdom; shine for all to see.
Rejoice! And be glad! Blessed are you, holy are you,
Rejoice! And be glad! Yours is the kingdom of God!*

Second Reading

John 11:17-45

Sermon

“In God’s Good Time”

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

Feed Our Hungry Children Backpack Offering

Offertory

“Abide With Me”

arranged by John Purifoy

*Hold though they cross before my closing eyes
Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies.
Heaven’s morning breaks, and earth’s vain shadows flee
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.*

*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 #836

“Abide with Me”

EVENTIDE

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction

“Amen”

Pavlechko

Amen. Amen. Amen.

* Postlude

**All who are able may stand.*

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, March 22	FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT	
	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 Offering
	12:00-2:00 pm	Confirmation Class, Lunch Provided
	5:00 pm	Cub Scout Pack 35
Wednesday, March 25	10:00 am	Bible Study, Room 304
	6:00 pm	Handbells
Thursday, March 26	12:00 pm	Lenten Service & Lunch, Wallace Methodist Church

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

• **This morning** we receive our monthly (school year) Feed Our Hungry Children/ Backpack Ministry offering. This ministry is an extension of the Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries in Wallace and provides weekend food for students in the Duplin County Education system. Numerous organizations and individuals support this ministry. Thank you for your generosity!

• **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 March 25: Matthew 21:1-11.

• Upcoming Events:

March 26 - 12 noon Thursday Community Lenten Services and Lunches @ Wallace Methodist Church

March 29 - Palm Sunday (The Lord's Supper)

April 3 - Good Friday Service (A Living Last Supper) @ Beulaville Presbyterian Church, 7:00 pm

April 5 - Easter Sunday (Floral Cross and Special Music)

April 17 - Dance for Life @ the Mad Boar - 6:00 pm

May 3 - Confirmation Sunday

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

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

• **A Living Last Supper at 7:00 pm on Good Friday, April 3, at the Beulaville Presbyterian Church** - What if you could hear the thoughts of the disciples on the night of the Last Supper? In A Living Last Supper, each disciple will share their doubts and fears, loyalty and love as the combined choirs of the Wallace and Beulaville Presbyterian Churches enrich this dramatic presentation with music from Handel's Messiah.

• **Dance for Life** - The Knights of Columbus are once again sponsoring "Dance for Life" on Friday, April 17th at the Mad Boar. Doors open at 6:00 pm. This year the dance is dedicated in memory of Dan Kusnierz, a faithful knight and friend who supported our pantry and the community in so many ways. Proceeds from the dance will benefit both Lifeline Sampson and The Helping Hands Food Pantry.



FEED OUR HUNGRY CHILDREN/ BACKPACK MINISTRY OFFERING TODAY, MARCH 22



MARCH



03/22: Lindsay & Hayes Skidmore
03/29: Emily & Hayes Ludlum

Jason Rouse, Head
Sam Rose Dave Wells
Michael Patram

OPENING CHURCH BUILDING

March 16-31: Glenn Price

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

03/22: Kelli Norris
03/29: Casey Hall

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.



Calling All Knitters and Crocheters! Our Prayer Shawl Ministry Team's vision is to combine the care and love of knitting and crocheting into a prayerful ministry that reaches out to those in need of comfort and solace. We are in need of knitters and crocheters. If you're interested in knitting or crocheting for our Prayer Shawl Ministry Team, please contact Cheryl Brinkley at cheryl@wallacepresbyterian.com or at 910-285-2808; Nell Sloan at sloannell@hotmail.com or 910-271-0396; or Geneva Maready at gcmaready@gmail.com or 910-284-2162. Thank you!



WALLACE METHODIST CHURCH

301 South College Street
Wallace, NC 28466
12:00 Noon

Worship & Lunch: Sanctuary

Thursday, March 26, 2026

Speaker Chuck Linn

Please join us for lunch after the Lenten Service in our fellowship hall.



Welcome Pastor Joe and Angela Washburn - Last Sunday the congregation elected the Rev. Dr. Joseph D. Washburn to serve as the next installed pastor of WPC! Joe brings a wealth of experience and gifts to our church. Over his career he has served as a Director of Christian Education and as a Pastor/Head of Staff of six churches throughout the Carolinas. Joe earned a BA in Music from the University of South Carolina, an MA from the Presbyterian School of Christian Education, and an MDiv and DMin from Columbia Seminary. Pastor Joe's first Sunday will be on May 17.

THE SESSION

Class of 2026

Kevin Johnson
Royal Johnson
Nell Sloan

Class of 2027

Karla Casteen
Geneva Maready
Devan Riley

Class of 2028

Susan Carone
Kristin Cottle
Dwight Hall

CHURCH LEADERSHIP

Interim Pastor

Rev. Robert (Robb) Lapp
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Secretary

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Wayne Casteen

Clerk of Session

Hope Turnbull

Music Director

Karla Casteen

Organist

Vera Simpson

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.....Ellie Newton, Kelli Norris, Danielle Sills, 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
Brenda Long, Advent



Harriet Farris, Debbie Price, Sanctuary Flowers, Susan Walters,
Ann Carter, Candace Knowles, Bereavement