



WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

205 West Main Street • Wallace, North Carolina 28466

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Third Sunday of Lent

March 23, 2025

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

“You Are Mine”

arr. Lloyd Larson

*Do not be afraid, I am with you. I have called you each by name
Come and follow Me, I will bring you home.
I love you and you are mine.*

Announcements

Choral Call to Worship

“Stay with Me”

Taize Community

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

Opening Sentences

The table is set. The banquet is laid.

Our souls hunger and thirst for God.

Our gracious host welcomes us here.

God's steadfast love is better than life.

Sing for joy in the shadow of God's wings.

We have come to praise the living God.

*Hymn #187

“Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us”

BRADBURY

*Prayer of Confession

Rev. Robert Lapp

Merciful God, we confess that we have been quick to judge others and slow to make changes in our own lives. We confess that we have focused on others' shortcomings instead of reforming our own. Turn us, O Lord, from these ways that lead to perishing. Lead us, O Lord, in your ways that lead to abundant life. Amen.

*Responsive Assurance of Pardon

God speaks through the prophet Isaiah: my thoughts are not your thoughts nor are your ways my ways.

For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways.

Let us find peace in God's mercy and grace knowing that we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Gloria Patri

“Glory Be to the Father”

Hymn #581

PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD

Children’s Sermon: Youth Handbells

*Hymn #177

“I Will Come to You”

YOU ARE MINE

Unison Prayer for Illumination

Elder Kevin Johnson

God of all times and places, be with us here and now. As we read from and reflect on Scripture, may your Holy Spirit move among us that we might hear your Word. In Jesus’ name, Amen.

Old Testament Lesson

Psalm 63:1-8

Special Music

“I Come to the Cross”

arr. Lloyd Larson

*I come to the cross seeking mercy and grace,
I come to the cross where You died in my place.
Out of my weakness and into Your strength; humbly I come to the cross.
Your arms are open, You call me by name,
You welcome this child that was lost.
You paid the price for my guilt and my shame, Jesus I come to the cross.
Jesus, keep me near the cross, there a precious fountain,
Free to all, a healing stream flows from Calvary’s mountain.
In the cross, in the cross be my glory ever,
Till my raptured soul shall find rest beyond the river.
Near the cross! O Lamb of God, bring its scenes before me;
Help me walk from day to day with its shadows o’er me.
Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come to the cross.*

Gospel Lesson

Luke 13:1-9

Sermon

“There’s Still 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 Ministry Offering

Offertory

“Have Thine Own Way Lord”

arr. Schrotenboer

Have thine own way Lord, Have thine own way

Hold over my being absolute sway

Filled with Thy spirit till all I can see Christ only always living in 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 #649

“Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound”

AMAZING GRACE

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction

“Christ Has Died; Christ Is Risen”

American Folk Melody

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

*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





MARCH



03/23: Emily & Hayes Ludlum
03/30: Lindsay & Hayes Skidmore

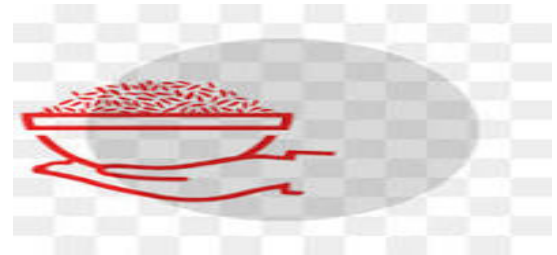
Jason Rouse, Head
Sam Rose Dave Wells
Michael Patram

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

03/23: Danielle Sills
03/30: Bailey Riley

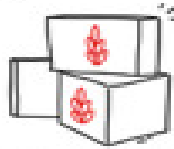
OPENING CHURCH BUILDING

March 16-31: Greg Maready



Through this event, we will package meals to be distributed through global partners that administer school feeding programs, orphanages, health clinics, vocational training or respond to crises. Please scan the code or go to the church website to register for this event.

Wallace Presbyterian Church
Saturday, May 17th
1 - 3 PM



events.riseagainsthunger.org/wallacepresbyterian



(Creation Camp registration begins March 16 and closes on April 27.)

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, March 23		THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
	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/Feed Our Hungry Children Backpack Ministry Offering
Wednesday, March 26	5:00 pm	Cub Scouts-Pack 35
	10:00 am	Bible Study, Room 304
	6:00 pm	Handbells
	7:00 pm	PNC, Room 304
Thursday, March 27	12:00 pm	Community Lenten Service, Wallace Methodist

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** on Wednesday, March 26, 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 15:1-3, 11b-32
- **We will receive** the 5th Sunday Building Offering on Sunday, March 30. This offering helps us provide and maintain our church physical plant so our worship, education, and outreach ministries can continue. Thank you for your generous support!
- **The Wallace Methodist Church** will host Community Lenten Services and Luncheons beginning Thursday, March 27 at 12 noon. Rev. Matthew Pope will be the speaker and Jimmy Dunn and Dean Butts will provide the music.
- **Food Pantry Needs for the month of March: Jam & Jelly**-The Food Pantry can also use some plastic grocery bags. If you have an abundance of grocery bags, bring them to the church! We can use them! Thank you!



The floral arrangement in the sanctuary this morning is given by The Farrior Family to the glory of God and in honor of The Youth Handbell Choir and their leaders. Congratulations to them as they perform today for the very first time.



SAVE THE DATE!
Friday, April 18, 2025
7:00 pm
Good Friday Joint Service
with
Beulaville Presbyterian Church
at
Wallace Presbyterian Church

