

# WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

205 West Main Street • Wallace, North Carolina 28466

## THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

*Third Sunday of Easter*

April 14, 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

**“O Worship the King”**

arr. Lloyd Larson

*O worship the King, all glorious above. O gratefully sing His wonderful love.  
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,  
Pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.*

Welcome and Announcements

Elder Curt Simpson

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

Choral Call to Worship

**“Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks”**

Donald Fishel

*Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.*

*Spread the good news o'er all the earth: Jesus has died and has risen.*

Opening Sentences *(inspired by Psalm 4)*

*Leader: The Lord hears us when we call:*

**People: Come, let us put our trust in God.**

*Leader: The Lord fills our hearts with gladness:*

**People: Come, let us sing God's praises with shouts of joy!**

*Leader: The Lord grants peace to our weary souls:*

**People: Come, let us rest by the quiet waters of God's grace.**

\*Hymn #233

**“The Day of Resurrection!”**

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\*Prayer of Confession

**Risen Christ, we are often troubled by our doubts but you do not require perfect understanding. Instead, you reveal yourself to us again and again that we might come to know you and love you. Forgive us when fear prevents us from loving all creation as you call us to do. Help us to accept the peace you so graciously offer to us. Have mercy on us when we fail to share it with others. Renew us and make us whole that we may be bearers of your peace. In resurrection hope we pray, Amen.**

\*Responsive Assurance of Pardon

*Leader: "See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God;*

**People: and that is what we are."**

*People: Children of God, we are claimed by God, forgiven of our sins, and set free for love.*

**Thanks be to God!**

\*Gloria Patri

Hymn #581

**PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD**

Children's Sermon

\*Hymn #247

**"Now the Green Blade Rises"**

NOEL NOUVELET

Prayer for Illumination (*Unison*)

Elder Curt Simpson

**Redeeming God, as we hear your Word spoken to us, open our eyes to see the risen Christ, open our ears to hear the good news of his salvation for all the world, and open our minds to understand the mysteries of your love. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.**

Epistle Reading

*1 John 3:1-7*

Anthem

**"At the Cross"**

*setting by Mary McDonald*

*Alas, and did my Savior bleed, and did my Sovereign die?  
Would he devote that sacred head for such a sinner as I?  
Was it for crimes that I have done, he groaned upon the tree?  
Amazing pity, grace unknown, and love beyond degree!  
Well might the sun in darkness hide, and shut his glories in,  
When Christ, the mighty Maker died, died for human creatures' sin.  
At the cross, at the cross where I first saw the light,  
It was there by faith I received my sight, at the cross.  
But drops of grief can ne'er repay the debt of love I owe;  
Here, Lord, I give myself away, 'tis all that I can do.  
Well might the sun in darkness hide, and shut his glories in,  
When Christ, the mighty Maker died for human creatures' sin.*

Gospel Reading

*Luke 24:36b-48*

Sermon

**"Can I Get a Witness?"**

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

**“Go to the World!”**

*arr.* John Purifoy

*Go to the world! Go into all the earth.  
Go preach the cross where Christ renews life's worth,  
Baptizing as the sign of our rebirth. Alleluia!*

\*Doxology

Hymn #606

\*The Affirmation of Faith: *(Romans 8, selected verses)*

**We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; for we know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God's purpose. We are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

\*Hymn #295

**“Go to the World!”**

SINE NOMINE

\*Benediction

\*Choral Benediction

**“Go to the World!”**

Ralph Vaughan Williams

*When all the hosts of glory cry “Amen!”  
Alleluia. Alleluia.*

\*Postlude

*\*All who are able may stand.*

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, April 14		Third Sunday of Easter
	10:00 am	Sunday School Classes
	10:30 am	Fellowship Time
	11:00 am	Worship
	1:00-5:00 pm	YMCA Camp Kirkwood Spring Family Day
Tuesday, April 16	7:00 pm	Session Meeting, Room 304
Wednesday, April 17	10:00 am	Bible Study, Room 304
	6:00 pm	Handbells
	7:00 pm	Choir practice
	7:00 pm	Transitional Ministry Team Meeting, Blue Room

## NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Pastor Led Bible Study** is Wednesday, April 17, at 10 am in room 304. The scriptures for this week are John 10:11-18 and Psalm 23.
- **RIP Medical Debt Relief** - The East Community of our Presbytery's goal is to raise \$20,000 which will eliminate \$2,000,000 of medical debt in the counties we serve. Our Session has committed to match every dollar given by our congregation up to \$1,000.00. The campaign ends on April 28.
- **Congregational Assessment Tool (CAT)** - Today you will receive an email with a link to an online survey. This information will be valuable in helping us plan for our future. Paper copies will be available. The survey will be open from April 14 - May 4.
- **SAVE THE DATE: Rise Against Hunger-May 18, 2024-1:00-3:00 pm.** In WPC's Fellowship Hall. You can register on the church website.
- **Camp Kirkwood Creation Camp**- Creation Camp is June 2– June 6. Registrations are due by April 28. Forms are available in the Fellowship Hall and on line. Debbie Price will be glad to answer any questions you may have. She can be reached at 757-408-0964 or [duprice525@gmail.com](mailto:duprice525@gmail.com).
- **Presbyterian Women Spring Gathering** - Tuesday, May 14, 6pm at Rose Hill Restaurant.



*The flowers in the sanctuary today are given in loving memory of Mary Glyn Johnson by her family. Happy Birthday Cookie! We all love you.*

### NURSERY

### APRIL



04/14: Danielle Sills & Hope Turnbull  
 04/21: Christy Johnson & Payton Westbrook

Curt Simpson, Head  
 Royal Johnson James Whitfield  
 Stan Skidmore

### CHILDREN'S CHURCH

### OPENING CHURCH BUILDING

04/14: Debbie Price  
 04/21: Miller & Emily Ludlum

April 1-15: Stan Skidmore