



WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Rev. Dustin and Sherri Ellington, in Lusaka, Zambia, Africa.

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 25, 2021

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 **“Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”** *setting by Joel Raney*
*Savior, like a shepherd lead us, much we need Thy tender care;
In Thy pleasant pastures feed us, for our use Thy folds prepare:
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Thou hast bought us, Thine we are.*

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Sentences (*Lectionary Liturgies by Rev. Thom Shuman*) Elder Dan Robinson
Leader: We gather in the presence of our God:

People: where grieving people have their tears wiped away.

Leader: We gather as the little children of God:

People: to worship the One who provides what we need, not what we want.

Leader: We gather around the Table of God:

**People: to taste the goodness of God, to drink deeply from God's mercy.
Let us worship God.**

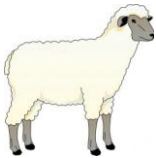
*Hymn #187 (verses 1,2,4) **“Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us”** BRADBURY

Unison Prayer of Confession (*Glory to God Hymnal p4*)

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our failure to be what you created us to be. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. By your loving mercy, help us to live in your light and abide in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

(A time for silent prayers of confession . . .)

*The Lord is my
shepherd, I shall
not want.
Psalm 23:1*



*All we like sheep
have gone astray;
we have all
turned to our
own way.
Isaiah 53:6a*

For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

1 Peter 2:25

He will feed his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms, and carry them in his bosom, and gently lead the mother sheep.
Isaiah 40:11



For thus says the Lord God: "I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among the scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep."
Ezekiel 34:11-12

Responsive Assurance of Pardon

Leader: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.

People: I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

Gloria Patri

Glory Be to the Father

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

Elder Carol Steen

Prayer for Illumination

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

Gospel Lesson

John 10:11-18

Elder Dan Robinson

Sermon

"Following the Shepherd"

Rev. Jerrod Lowry

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

"Jesus Loves Me"

arranged by Joel Raney

*Jesus loves me still today, walking with me on my way,
Wanting as a friend to give light and love to all who live.
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.*



***Doxology and Prayer of Dedication**

*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: (Confession of 1967 9.32 & 9.33)

Leader: "The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the church's mission."

People: We believe "Christ's human life involves the church in the common life of all people. His service to men and women commits the church to work for every form of human well-being. His suffering makes the church sensitive to all human suffering so that it sees the face of Christ in the faces of persons in every kind of need.

Leader: Christ's crucifixion discloses to the church God's judgment on the inhumanity that marks human relations, and the awful consequences of the church's own complicity in injustice."

People: We believe "in the power of the risen Christ and the hope of his coming, the church sees the promise of God's renewal of human life in society and of God's victory over all wrong. The church follows this pattern in the form of its life and in the method of its action. So to live and serve is to confess Christ as Lord."

*Now may the
God of peace,
who brought
back from the
dead our Lord
Jesus, the great
shepherd of the
sheep . . . make
you complete in
everything . . .
through Jesus
Christ, to whom
be the glory
forever and ever.*

***Hymn #803**

"My Shepherd Will Supply My Need"

RESIGNATION

Benediction

Postlude

**All who are able may stand.*

*Amen.
Hebrews
13:
20-21*



WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, April 25	10:00 am	Living Stones Children's Zoom Sunday School Class
	11:00 am	Worship — In Person and Live Stream. Rev. Jerrod Lowry, preaching. Feed Our Hungry Children/Backpack Ministry Offering
Wednesday, April 28	10:00-11:00 am	Zoom Bible Study
Thursday, April 29	9:00 am-1:00 pm	COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic, Fellowship Hall



NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

* **We welcome Rev. Jerrod Lowry** as our preacher today. Rev. Lowry serves as the General Presbyterian/Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina. Prior to beginning that call in October 2018, he was pastor of the Community of Grace (PCUSA) in Sandy, Utah for eight years. He was ordained in 2006 in the Presbytery of New Hope and is a graduate of Johnson C. Smith Theological Seminary in Atlanta. Rev. Lowry is married to Molly. They have three children and live in Wilmington.

* **Philip Gladden** will be back at the church from vacation on Tuesday, April 27. In an emergency, please contact Cheryl Brinkley in the church office (285-2808) or Clerk of Session Hope Turnbull (910-284-2813).

* **Please join** the minister for a Zoom Bible study on Wednesday April 28 from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. We will talk about Acts 15:1-18. Did you know that the Bible describes a presbytery meeting? Join us and find out! Check your email on Tuesday for the Zoom invitation.

* **Our Helping Hands Food Pantry** recently received an \$1800 grant from the Hunger Program of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina. The Hunger Program is supported by offerings from different congregations, such as our quarterly P.A.T.H. (Presbyterian Answer to Hunger) Offering. This grant will enable food pantry workers to purchase needed supplies.

* **Memorial Service** for Ben Jessup will be on Saturday, May 1, 2021, at 11:00 am at First Baptist Church of Wallace.



**FEED OUR HUNGRY CHILDREN/
BACKPACK MINISTRY OFFERING
TODAY!**



As public school students returned to class mid-March, this monthly offering becomes even more important to provide much needed food for students whose families are experiencing economic hardship. Thank you for your generous support.