



WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

205 West Main Street • Wallace, North Carolina 28466

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY *Second Sunday of Easter*

April 27, 2025

11:00 A.M

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Welcome

Elder Royal Johnson

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

Prelude

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

arr. John Carter

*Come, all who hear; now to his temple draw near,
join me in glad adoration.*

Announcements

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

Praise the Lord! Praise God in his sanctuary;

Praise him in his mighty firmament!

Praise him for his mighty deeds;

Praise him according to his surpassing greatness!

Praise him with trumpet sound;

Praise him with lute and harp!

Praise him with tambourine and dance;

Praise him with strings and pipe!

Praise him with clanging cymbals;

Praise him with loud clashing cymbals!

Let everything that breathes praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord!

*Hymn #35

“Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty”

LOBE DEN HERREN

*Prayer of Confession

Rev. Dr. Bob Thompson

O Lord God, we confess that we are a perplexing mix of faith and doubt. We believe you created all things, but express doubt that you're doing a good job running our chaotic world. We believe Christ died for our sins, but show doubt with our unresolved guilt and shame. We believe the Holy Spirit guides us, but we demonstrate doubt when we go our own way. Our hearts agree with the one who said to Jesus, “I believe. Help my unbelief.” Amen.

*Responsive Assurance of Pardon

God the Father knows you fully and loves you unconditionally. Jesus Christ his Son died and rose again for your salvation. The Spirit assures you that you belong to God. Baptized child of God, rest in the knowledge that he does not condemn you. Then go and sin no more. Thanks be to God! Amen.

*Gloria Patri

“Glory Be to the Father”

Hymn #581

PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD

Children’s Sermon

*Hymn #233

“The Day of Resurrection!”

LANCASHIRE

Unison Prayer for Illumination

Elder Royal Johnson

Merciful God, Easter Sunday is in our past, but Easter life continues today and forever. The glow and joy from one week ago has already begun to fade. Renew us now through your Word. Amen.

First Lesson

John 20:19-31

Anthem

“You Are My All in All”

arranged by Lloyd Larson

*You are my strength when I am weak, You are the treasure that I seek;
You are my all in all.
Seeking You as a precious jewel, Lord, to give up, I’d be a fool;
You are my all in all.
Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name!
Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name!
Taking my sin, my cross, my shame, rising again I bless Your name,
You are my all in all.
When I fall down, You pick me up; when I am dry, You fill my cup;
You are my all in all.
Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name!
Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name!*

Second Lesson

Revelation 1:4-8

Sermon

“How to Doubt”

Rev. Dr. Bob Thompson

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

“10,000 Reasons”
*Bless the Lord oh my soul, oh my soul
Worship his holy name.
Sing like never before, oh my soul
I'll worship Your holy name.*

arr. Mark Hayes

*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 #686

“God of Our Life”

SANDON

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction

“Amen”
Amen. Amen.

Dresden

*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

Rev. Robert (Robb) Lapp
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Treasurer

Wayne Casteen

Clerk of Session

Hone Turnbull

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





APRIL



04/27: Debbie Price & Joyce Ange
05/04: Sara Matthews & Kelli Norris

Curt Simpson, Head
Royal Johnson James Whitfield
Harvey Knowles

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

OPENING CHURCH BUILDING

04/27: Mary Laine Rouse
05/04: Tonya & Emory Landon Patram

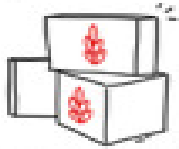
April 16-30: Blake Wallace
May 1-15: Jim Simpson

RISE AGAINST HUNGER



Help package
10,000 meals
to fight global hunger!

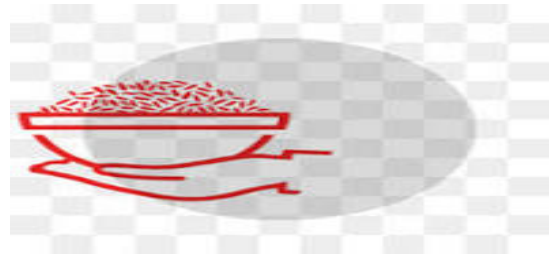
Wallace Presbyterian Church
Saturday, May 17th
1 - 3 PM



Register & donate!



events.riseagainsthunger.org/wallacepresbyterian



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.



SAVE THE DATE

KIRKWOOD CREATION
CAMP

JUNE 1ST THRU 5TH, 2025
2015 CAMP KIRKWOOD RD
WATHA, NC 28478

Kirkwood Creation Camp June 1-5

Registration ends today. Contact Debbie Price duprice525@gmail.com.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

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| Sunday, April 27 | SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER |
| | 9:00 am Choir Practice |
| | 9:45 am Youth Group Handbell Practice |
| | Adult Sunday School Class |
| | 10:00 am Sunday School Classes |
| | 10:30 am Fellowship Time |
| | 11:00 am Worship/Rev. Dr. Bob Thompson, Guest Preacher/ Feed Our Hungry Children Backpack Offering |
| | 5:00 pm Cub Scouts-Pack 35 |
| Wednesday, April 30 | 10:00 am Bible Study, Room 304 |
| | 7:00 pm PNC, Room 304 |

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

• **Guest Preacher:** Rev. Dr. Bob Thompson retired to Leland November 2023 after 30 years as Senior Pastor of Corinth Reformed Church, a United Church of Christ congregation in Hickory, North Carolina. Bob's wife Linda served with him on Corinth's staff for 25 years, first as Director of Christian Education and later as Director of Adult Ministries. The Thompsons met at Columbia International University in Columbia, SC, where both earned degrees in Bible. Bob later earned the Master of Divinity at the same school and a Doctor of Ministry at Gordon Conwell Theological Seminary in Charlotte. The Thompsons have three adult children and four grandchildren ranging in age from 7 to 1.

• **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, April 30, 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: John 21:1-19.

• **Food Pantry Needs for the month of April: Toothpaste, tooth brushes, and soap.** Also, if you have any empty egg cartons. We can use them! Thank you!

• **SAVE THE DATE!** Kirkwood Creation Camp: June 1-5, 2025, 2015 Camp Kirkwood Road, Watha, NC 28474. Creation Camp registration deadline is today, April 27.

• **SAVE THE DATE!** "Dance for Life" featuring The River Bandits, May 9, 6:00 pm, Celtic Court, Mad Boar. Tickets are \$60, which include dinner, dancing and great music! Tickets go on sale April 1, 2025. See Barbara Swetis for more information. All proceeds go to The Helping Hands Food Pantry and Life Line Sampson. See announcement in Newsletter for more info.

• **Christian love and sympathy** is extended to LuAnn Rivenbark and family on the death of Arthur Carroll (A.C.) Rivenbark on April 9, 2025.



The flower arrangement in the sanctuary today is given in loving memory of Shirley Carlton (February 7, 1935–April 29, 2023), and in honor of the women of the Wallace Presbyterian church by her family.