



# WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

205 West Main Street • Wallace, North Carolina 28466

## THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY *Confirmation Sunday/Youth Sunday*

May 3, 2026

11:00 A.M

### GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Welcome

Emory Landen Patram

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

Prelude

**"The Church's One Foundation"**

WPC Youth Handbells

Announcements

Choral Call to Worship

**"If I Were a Butterfly"**

WPC Children

*If I were a butterfly, I'd thank you God for giving me wings.  
If I were a robin in the tree, I'd thank you God that I could sing.  
And if I were a fish in the sea, I'd wiggle my tail and I'd giggle with glee.  
But I just thank you Father for making me me.  
Cause you gave me a heart and you gave me a smile.  
You gave me Jesus and you made me your child.  
And I just thank you Father for making me me.*

Opening Sentences *(based on Jeremiah 29:11)*

Hollis Skidmore

*God the Father has a plan.*

**He has a plan for me.**

*A plan that prospers and doesn't harm.*

**His plan is better than mine.**

*A plan that gives you a future.*

**His plan holds a light to guide our paths. Thanks be to God.**

\*Hymn #611

**"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"**

HYMN TO JOY

\*Prayer of Confession

Adlyn Jo Casteen

**Dear God, we know You love us so much. We are sorry for the times we didn't do our best today. Sometimes we thought mean things, said words that hurt, or did things we knew were wrong. We are also sorry for the times we could have been helpful but chose not to be. We haven't loved You with our whole hearts, and we haven't always been kind to our friends and family. Please forgive us and help us start fresh. Help us grow to be more like You and show us how to make good choices. We want to follow Your way and make You happy by how we live. Amen.**

\*Responsive Assurance of Pardon (2 Corinthians 5:17)  
*When you belong to Jesus, you become a whole new person!*  
**The old stuff is gone, and a brand-new life begins!**  
*Trust this good news with all your heart!*  
**Because of Jesus, we are forgiven and get a new start!**

Adlyn Jo Casteen

\*Gloria Patri

**“Glory Be to the Father”**

Hymn #581

**PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD**

Children’s Sermon Isla Blanton, Harper Ludlum, Savannah Stevens, Elle Thompson  
*(Youth Sunday-No Children’s Church today)*

\*Hymn #630

**“Fairest Lord Jesus”**

CRUSADERS’ HYMN

Unison Prayer for Illumination

Kate Hall

**Dear God, Thank You for bringing us together today to worship You. As we hear Your Word, open our hearts and minds so we can understand what You want to teach us. Help us listen carefully, learn something new, and grow closer to You. Show us how to live with kindness, courage, and faith each day. May Your truth guide us, Your love surround us, and Your Spirit lead us. In Jesus’ name we pray, Amen.**

Old Testament Lesson

*Jeremiah 1:4-10*

Kate Hall

Anthem

**“God Is Here”**

Green and Raney

*God is here! As we your people meet to offer praise and prayer,  
May we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share.  
Here, as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts  
Wait the coming of the Spirit into open minds and hearts.  
God is here in the songs we sing, God is here in the love we bring,  
In the stillness, in the silence, God is here, God is here!  
Here our children find a welcome in the Shepherd’s flock and fold;  
Here as bread and wine are taken Christ sustains us as of old.  
Here the servants of the Servant seek in worship to explore  
What it is in daily living to believe and to adore.  
God is here in the morning light, God is here in the dark of night,  
In the stillness, in the silence, God is here, God is here!  
Here, in this day’s dedication, all we have to give, receive;  
We, who cannot live without you, we adore you! We believe!  
God is here! God is here!*

New Testament Lessons

*1 Timothy 4:11-12, 2 Timothy 1:5-7*

Henry Stevens

Reception of Confirmation Class

Rev. Robert Lapp, Debbie Price, Christy Johnson,  
Kristin Cottle

Presentation

Profession of Faith

Unison Affirmation of Faith

John-Ward Farris

**I believe in God, the one true Creator, who created all things and made us in His image, providing our lives with meaning and purpose. I believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God and the Messiah, who came to teach, heal, and redeem us through His death on the cross and His resurrection from the grave. I believe in the Holy Spirit, God’s presence with us and within us, who provides guidance and support. Along with the Father and the Son, the Holy Spirit makes up the Holy Trinity. I believe the church is a sacred community dedicated to the worship of God. Beyond the building, the church represents a family of believers committed to following the teachings of Jesus. I believe that faith is a personal relationship with God, nurtured through prayer and the study of Scripture. It serves as the way we connect with God and grow in our relationship with Him.**

Gifts for the Journey  
Prayer and Laying on of Hands  
Charge to the Confirmation Class

Rev. Dr. Philip Gladden

Pastoral Prayer with the Lord’s Prayer

Bear Thompson

**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

Will Phillips

Offertory

**“Fairest Lord Jesus” with  
Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring”**

Linda McKechnie

\*Doxology

**“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”**

Hymn #606

\*Prayer of Dedication

Will Phillips

\*Hymn #1

**“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!”**

NICAEA

\*Charge

Savannah Stevens

\*Benediction

Henry Stevens

\*Choral Benediction

**“Go Now in Peace”**

Besig and Price

*Go now in peace. Never be afraid.  
God will go with you each hour of every day.  
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.  
Know He will guide you in all you do.  
Go now in love, and show you believe.  
Reach out to others so all the world can see.  
God will be there watching from above.  
Amen. Amen. Amen.*

\*Postlude

*\*All who are able may stand.*

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, May 3



CONFIRMATION/YOUTH SUNDAY

9:00 am Choir Practice  
 9:45 am Adult Sunday School Class  
 9:45 am Confirmation Class Reception  
 10:00 am Sunday School Classes  
 10:30 am Fellowship Time  
 11:00 am Worship/ Confirmation Class 2026/Youth Sunday  
 5:00 pm Cub Scouts, Pack 35  
 10:30 am Morning Circle, Fellowship Hall  
 6:00 pm Evening Circle, Fellowship Hall  
 6:00 pm Handbells  
 12:30 pm East Community COM Meeting, Room 304

Tuesday, May 5

Wednesday, May 6

Thursday, May 7

## NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

• **Confirmation Sunday** - Today the Confirmation Class will be welcomed into membership and will lead us in worship service. *Isla Blanton, Adlyn Jo Casteen, John-Ward Farrior, Kate L. Hall, Harper Ludlum, Emory Landen Patram, R. Pearson Johnson IV, Will Phillips, Hollis S. Skidmore, Henry L. Stevens V, Savannah Stevens, Bear Thompson, and Elle Thompson.*

• **Meet Pastor Joe and Angela:** The Congregational Care Committee has planned a "Meet and Greet" for Pastor Joe and his wife, Angela on May 17 at 10:00 am in the Currie Building. Please join us in welcoming Pastor Joe & Angela to Wallace Presbyterian Church!

• **Upcoming Events:**

**May 10-** Guest Minister, Linda Becken; Special Music - Attie Carlton Bell Choir and Doug Becken

**May 17 –** Pastor Joe's First Sunday; Meet and Greet at 10:00 am

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

**July 5-** Communion

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

*We are most grateful for the love, encouragement, and support you expressed to us last Sunday. Our hearts are filled and overflowing with gratitude. Thank you for the delicious meal, the kind words, and the generous and thoughtful gifts. We will always remember lovingly our time shared with you. Thank you!*

*Robb and Vickie Lapp*



*The floral arrangement in the sanctuary today is given by the Farrior Family to the Glory of God and in honor of The Confirmation Class of 2026 and dedicated leaders, Robb Lapp, Debbie Price, Christy Johnson, and Kristin Cottle.*

*Thank you!*

*Dear Friends, Thank you so much for your many prayers, cards, texts, and acts of kindness following my recent shoulder surgery. My recovery is going well, helped along by your usual love and concern. Many thanks and blessings,*

*Dr. Phil*



MAY



05/03: Sara Matthews & Kelli Norris  
05/10: Harley & Isla Blanton

Dan Robinson, Head  
Freddy Hall Tom Whitfield  
Kelli Norris

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

05/03: Youth Sunday-No Children's Church  
05/10: Courtenay & Parker Thompson

**OPENING CHURCH BUILDING**

May 1-15: Dave Wells  
May 16-31: Glenn Price

**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.



**Guest Preacher and Musician on  
Sunday, May 10**

Linda and Doug Becken moved to Oak Island, NC from Minnesota. While in Minnesota Doug taught art at Minnesota State University. He later transitioned to teaching guitar while playing in two bands. Linda served for 7 years as a Certified Ruling Elder (CRE) of First Presbyterian Church of Mountain Lake, MN. She also worked for 16 years at Health Minister at the First Presbyterian Churches in St. James and Madelia, MN.



**Presbyterian Women Spring Gathering**

**Thursday, May 14, 2026**

**5:30 pm**

**at Rose Hill Restaurant**

**Ten dollars (\$10) will reserve your space for dinner.  
See your Circle Chair for details & to reserve your space.**

**Our speaker will be Tammy Weeks**

## 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**

Cheryl Brinkley  
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### **Treasurer**

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