

WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

205 West Main Street • Wallace, North Carolina 28466

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 12, 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 "Morning Has Broken" arr. Kevin McChesney
Praise with elation, praise every morning, God's recreation of the new day.

Welcome and Announcements Elder Debbie Price
(During this time the friendship pads are passed to be signed.)

Choral Call to Worship "Sanctuary" Thompon & Scruggs
*Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true.
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.*

Opening Sentences
*Leader: We've come to worship God, who, like a mother, loved us before we were yet born,
People: who knows us even better than we know ourselves,
Leader: who knows us intimately and loves us unconditionally,
People: who teaches us the way we should go and comforts us in times of need,
Leader: whose presence never leaves us, and whose love for us never ceases.*

*Hymn #267 "Come, Christians, Join to Sing" DIADEMATA

*Prayer of Confession Rev. Robert H. Lapp
Gracious God, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the desires of our own hearts. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. Lord, in your mercy, forgive us and help us to walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

*Responsive Assurance of Pardon

Leader: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

People: May the God of mercy, who forgives us all our sins, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.

*Gloria Patri

“Glory Be to the Father”

Hymn #581

PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD

Children’s Sermon

*Hymn #465

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

CONVERSE

Prayer for Illumination (*Unison*)

Elder Debbie Price

Open us, Holy One, to your Word and your Way. Clear our minds of daily distractions. Fill our hearts with the humility we need to hear and receive the message you intend for us today. Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Psalm 1

Anthem

“The Promise of Grace”

Aspinall & McDonald

Sleepless nights and sorrow, my hope a broken song.

Weary of the struggle; the road that takes too long.

Longing for his mercy to set me free, and then I heard his whispered promise:

“You will never thirst again!”

Come, see a man who knows all that we have done.

Is he not the Christ, the Chosen One?

His name is Jesus, look upon his face. This is the promise of amazing grace!

I’ll worship him in spirit, his living water mine.

I’ll worship him in truth, God incarnate, love divine!

Come and see this Jesus who set us free, and then reminds us of his promise:

“You will never thirst again!”

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!

I once was lost but now am found, was blind but now I see!

Amazing grace! God’s amazing grace!

Gospel Reading

John 17:6-19

Sermon

“What in The World?”

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

“Morning Has Broken”

arr. Linda Lamb

*Praise for the singing, praise for the morning.
Praise for them springing fresh from the word.*

*Doxology

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Hymn #606

*Prayer of Dedication

*The Affirmation of Faith: *(from the Brief Statement of Faith)*

We trust in God,

whom Jesus called Abba, Father.

In sovereign love God created the world good

and makes everyone equally in God’s image,

male and female, of every race and people,

to live as one community.

But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator.

Ignoring God’s commandments,

we violate the image of God in others and ourselves,

accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature,

and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care.

We deserve God’s condemnation.

Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation.

In everlasting love,

the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people

to bless all families of the earth.

Hearing their cry,

God delivered the children of Israel

from the house of bondage.

Loving us still,

God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant.

Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child,

like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home,

God is faithful still.

*Hymn #269

“Lead On, O king Eternal!”

LANCASHIRE

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction

“Amen”

Danish

Amen. Amen. Amen.

*Postlude

**All who are able may stand.*

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, May 12	SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER-HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY! 9:45 am Adult Sunday School Class 10:00 am Sunday School Classes 10:30 am Fellowship Time 11:00 am Worship
Tuesday, May 14	6:00 pm Spring Gathering-Rose Hill Restaurant
Wednesday, May 15	No Morning Bible Study 6:00 pm Handbells 7:00 pm Choir practice 7:00 pm Transitional Ministry Team Meeting, Blue Room
Saturday, May 18	1:00-3:00 pm Rise Against Hunger-Fellowship Hal

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **There will be no morning Bible Study on Wednesday, May 15.** If you would like to join the Wednesday morning Bible study by Zoom, please let Robert Lapp know and we will be glad to include you.
- **Presbyterian Women Spring Gathering:** Please join the Presbyterian Women at the Spring Gathering! Fellowship & Dinner-Tuesday, May 14 at 6:00 pm at Rose Hill Restaurant. Five dollars (\$5) will reserve your space for dinner. See your Circle Chair for details & to reserve your space.
- **Camp Kirkwood Creation Camp-** Creation Camp is June 2– June 6. Debbie Price will be glad to answer any questions you may have. She can be reached at 757-408-0964 or duprice525@gmail.com.
- **We will receive our final** Feed Our Hungry Children/Backpack Ministry Offering of the 2023-2024 school year during worship on Sunday, May 26. This ministry is an extension of Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries and provides weekend food for students in Duplin County Schools. Thank you for your continued and faithful support of this ministry.



The beautiful flowers in the sanctuary this Mother's Day are given in loving memory of Lillie Annette Boney Williams; Lewellyn Williams Robinson; Jean Beal Hawkins, and Louise Brinson by Dan & Tanya Robinson.

NURSERY

MAY



05/05: Joyce Ange & Kelli Norris
05/12: Courtenay Thompson & Sara Matthews

Dan Robinson, Head
Freddy Hall Tom Whitfield
Kelli Norris

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

OPENING CHURCH BUILDING

05/12: Mary Laine Rouse
05/19: Courtenay Thompson

May 1-15: Jim Simpson
May 16-31: Glenn Price



HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

