



WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

205 West Main Street • Wallace, North Carolina 28466

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

August 3, 2025

11:00 A.M

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Welcome

Elder Karla Casteen

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

Prelude

"I Must Tell Jesus"

arr. Mark Hayes

*I must tell Jesus all of my trials, I cannot bear these burdens alone;
In my distress He kindly will help me. He ever loves and cares for His own.*

Announcements

Choral Call to Worship

"Holy Ground"

Geron Davis

*We are standing on holy ground,
And I know that there are angels all around;
Let us praise Jesus now;
We are standing in His presence on holy ground.*

Opening Sentences *(based on Psalm 107)*

O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good,

For God's steadfast love endures forever.

Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, those God redeemed from trouble;

They cried to the Lord in their trouble, and God delivered them from their distress.

Let us thank the Lord for His steadfast love,

For God satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things.

*Hymn #385

"All People That on Earth Do Dwell"

OLD HUNDREDTH

*Prayer of Confession

Rev. Robert H. Lapp

Lord God, you broke the power of sin and evil. Yet we still live in the tombs of anxiety and fear. When we are tempted by the sparkle of the world around us, draw us back to the glow of your heavenly realm. When we create divisions, lead us to share your steadfast love with those we are separated from. When we fixate on how to get ahead, move us to share your bounty with our neighbors. Draw us back to you, O God, and forgive us that we might be made well. Amen.

*Responsive Assurance of Pardon

The steadfast love of God radiates within our spirits.

God's grace fills our hearts with hope, as we rejoice in God's redeeming presence.

The mercy of the Lord is sure. In Christ, we are forgiven and set free from all that binds us.

Thanks be to God!

*Gloria Patri

"Glory Be to the Father"

Hymn #581

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Children's Sermon

*Hymn #716

"God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"

BEACH SPRING

Unison Prayer for Illumination

Elder Karla Casteen

O God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us so that the scripture we are about to hear will become God's Word for us today. Open our hearts and minds to what the Spirit is saying to the church. Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Hosea 11:1-11

Gospel Reading

Luke 12:13-21

Sermon

"Wise Up!"

Rev. Robert H. Lapp

A Time for Silent Reflection

Prayers of the People 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 **“God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending”** arr. Mark Hayes
*Open wide our hands in sharing, as we heed Christ’s ageless call,
Healing, teaching, and reclaiming, serving you by loving all.*

*Doxology **“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”** Hymn #606

*Prayer of Dedication

*Affirmation of Faith: *(from A 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 #707 **“Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord”** HALL

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction **“Amen”** Danish Amen
Amen. Amen. Amen.

*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

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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





AUGUST



08/03: Mary Laine & Jason Rouse
08/10: Ellie & Michael Newton

Kevin Johnson, Head
Henry Stevens Debbie Price
Ray Cobb

OPENING CHURCH BUILDING

August 1-15: Nate Farrior
August 16-31: Clay Blue



*Thank
You*

Dear Church Family, Kindness is a small gesture that makes a big difference. I am overwhelmed with sincere gratitude and warmest thanks for all your prayers and thoughtfulness. A special thanks for all of you who took me to Wilmington for Lymphedema treatments. Your acts of kindness will never be forgotten. God Bless you all!

Lou Brinkley



The beautiful flowers in the sanctuary today are given by Donna Pigford in loving memory of her parents Bob & Leora Powell.

Celebrating

TWENTY YEARS

Of Success

Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries

Please join us

Sunday, August 3, 2025

2:00 – 4:00 pm

Presentation at 3:00 pm

514 S. Norwood Street

Wallace, NC

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, August 3		EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
	9:45 am	Adult Sunday School Class
	10:00 am	Sunday School Classes
	10:30 am	Fellowship Time
	11:00 am	Worship
	2:00-4:00 pm	Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries 25 Years Celebration (see announcement)
Wednesday, August 6	10:00 am	Bible Study, Room 304
	6:00 pm	PNC, Room 304
Thursday, August 7	12:30-2:00 pm	Presbytery of Coastal Carolina East Community COM Meeting, Room 304

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Pastor Led Bible Study** on Wednesday, August 6, 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: Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16.
- **Youth Mission Weekend, August 22-24**, at Eden Village, a tiny home community in Wilmington for those who are homeless and disabled. Permission forms and \$25 are due on August 4. If you have questions, please contact Debbie Price or Robb Lapp.
- **Summer Children's Sunday School Teachers** - There are still openings to teach on **Sundays August 17 and 31**. Please sign-up on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall. Thank you to those who served this summer. It's greatly appreciated!
- **Presbyterian Women's Fall Gathering** will be held on **Sunday, August 24, at 5:00 pm**, in the Currie Building. Elder Jim Sills will introduce the 2025-2026 Study Book. Refreshments will be served. All women are invited. See you there!
- **Annual Rally Day Covered Dish Breakfast & Open House - Sunday, September 6, 10:00 am**. Bring a breakfast dish to share. Sunday School teachers will be commissioned in worship and Bibles presented to our 4th grade students.
- **The Congregational Care Ministry Team** is hosting a Back to School Family Fun Cookout on Sunday, August 17 from 4-6. Everyone, please join us for an afternoon of fun, games and fellowship! Please sign up by contacting Cheryl via email, calling the church, or filling out bulletin form below and dropping in offering plate. We will need a head count by Sunday, August 10.
- **Food Pantry Needs for the month of August: Chunky Soups, Condensed Soups**. Also, if you have any empty egg cartons, we can use them! Thank you!



Congregational Care Ministry Team Back to School Family Fun Cookout Sunday, 8-17, 2-4 pm. Fill out and drop in offering plate.

Name _____

How many _____