

WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

205 West Main Street • Wallace, North Carolina 28466

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 13, 2023

11:00 A.M.

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude

“My Shepherd Will Supply My Need”

arr. Mark Hayes

Welcome and Announcements

Choral Call to Worship

“Celebrate”

Carol Saylor, 1980

Celebrate, come celebrate.

Join in as God's people in worship and singing.

Celebrate, come celebrate.

Rejoice as we witness His love. As we follow the path of life,

May His strength be shown.

Celebrate, come celebrate

His loving us as His own.

Opening Sentences

Elder Joyce Ange

Leader: Come into the presence of God to be fed. Come to call on God, who is eager to answer.

People: We gather to seek God's face. Let our eyes see all that is right and true.

Leader: Incline your ears to hear all that God would teach. Seek to experience God's steadfast love.

People: We are here to receive God's blessing. God is our refuge in a frightening world.

Leader: God is near to all who call and seek. Come to praise God and receive a blessing.

People: Open all our senses to pay close attention, O God. We want to renew our covenant with the living God.

*Hymn #41

“O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!”

LYON

*Unison Prayer of Confession

God of justice and righteousness, whose compassion for humankind was expressed so vividly in Jesus of Nazareth, we bring to you our sorrow and anguish that we have not followed faithfully in the footsteps of Christ. Unkindness and deceit are all around us, and we have sometimes joined in their destructive ways. We waste resources you have entrusted to us. We cause others to stumble and fall. Take away our wickedness, O God, and restore your covenant among us, we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

*Responsive Assurance of Pardon

Leader: God is merciful, patient, kind and loving. All creation is subject to God's care and concern.

People: God attends to our cries and frees our lips from deceit.

Leader: In Christ, our brokenness finds healing and our relationships are renewed and restored.

People: Praise be to God, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

*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

*Hymn #803

"My Shepherd Will Supply My Need"

RESIGNATION

*Prayer for Illumination (Unison)

God, whose law is perfect and whose covenant of love is sure, teach us today as Jesus taught the crowds long ago. May we hear the voice of compassion and sense the healing touch which we need as they did then. Illumine your Word in our hearts and minds, so that we are renewed, refreshed and strengthened in it, Amen.

Old Testament Lesson:

Psalm 145: 8-9, 14-21

Elder Joyce Ange

Gospel Lesson:

Matthew 14:13-21

Sermon

"Compassion-God's Calling"

Rev. Barbara Hager

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

“The Lord’s My Shepherd”

arr. Lloyd Larson

*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: 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 #623

“I’ve Got Peace like a River”

PEACE LIKE A RIVER

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction

“Amen”
Amen. Amen. Amen.

Danish

*Postlude

**All who are able may stand.*

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, August 13	9:45 am	Adult Sunday School Class, Curt Simpson & Glenn Price
	10:00 am	Sunday School Classes
	10:30 am	Choir Practice
	11:00 am	Worship, in person & livestream/Rev. Barbara Hager, Preacher
Tuesday, August 15	7:00 pm	Session Meeting, Room 304

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

• **We welcome** to the pulpit today Rev. Barbara Hager. Rev. Hager was ordained to ministry in the PCUSA in 1982 after graduating from Princeton Theological Seminary (M. Div.) and Allegheny College (B.A.). She has served as solo pastor, head of staff and interim pastor in churches in Minnesota, Pennsylvania, Connecticut and North Carolina. She also was a practicing attorney in Connecticut for many years. She has substantive experience on presbytery Permanent Judicial Commission and Nominating Committee. She currently serves on the Bills and Overtures Committee of the Coastal Carolina Presbytery. She lives in the Myrtle Grove area of Wilmington North Carolina with her cat, Max. She enjoys reading, art galleries, and travel.

• **The session** will meet Tuesday, August 15, at 7:00 p.m. in Room 304. If you have any business or concerns for the session to consider, please speak to one of the elders.

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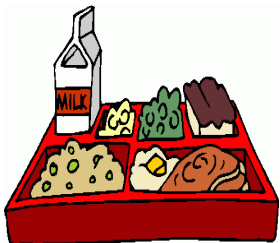


08/06: Mary Laine & Jason Rouse
08/13: Ellie & Michael Newton

Devan Riley, Leader
Clay Blue
Ray Cobb
Kevin Johnson
Debbie Price

OPENING CHURCH BUILDING

August 1-15: Nate Farrior



FEED OUR HUNGRY CHILDREN/BACKPACK MINISTRY OFFERING RESUMES

August 27



As school begins this month, we resume our monthly Feed Our Hungry Children/Backpack Ministry Offering on Sunday, August 27. This offering provides school lunches and weekend food for students in Duplin County Public Schools. Thank you for your generous and faithful support.