



WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

205 West Main Street • Wallace, North Carolina 28466

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 17, 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

“Be Thou My Vision”

arr. Joel Raney

*Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.*

Announcements

Choral Call to Worship

“I Love You, Lord”

Laurie Klein

I love you, Lord, and I lift my voice to worship you; O my soul, rejoice.

*Take joy, my King, in what you hear;
May it be a sweet, sweet sound in your ear.*

Opening Sentences (*Psalm 80*)

Give ear, God of all people.

Stir up your strength and deliver us!

Once you rescued your children from bondage.

Now, set your people free.

Look down from heaven, God of hosts.

Turn to us anew and see us in our need.

Restore us, God of Creation.

Let your face shine upon us.

May our suffering cease.

May all your children be saved.

*Hymn #450

“Be Thou My Vision”

SLANE

*Prayer of Confession

Rev. Robert H. Lapp

O God, we confess that we do not always trust your ways. You call us to step forward in faith, but we cling to what is familiar and comfortable. You are eternally at work in the world, but we struggle to discern your presence in the signs of the times. Forgive us, O God. By your grace, give us courage to stand for what is right and good and to risk love and justice even when it is unpopular. Teach us faithfulness and perseverance for the journey ahead. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

*Responsive Assurance of Pardon

The grace we receive in baptism washes away our shame and brokenness and unites us with God and one another in bonds of love and kinship. Let us proclaim the good news together:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

*Gloria Patri

“Glory Be to the Father”

Hymn #581

PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD

Children’s Sermon

*Hymn #718

“Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said”

BOURBON

*Unison Prayer for Illumination

Elder Royal Johnson

Lord Jesus, who brought the fire of the Holy Spirit, may that fire burn within our hearts as we read the Scriptures today. Teach us to choose your Way. In Jesus’ name we pray, Amen.

Epistle Reading

Hebrews 11:29-12:2

Anthem

“Give Peace to Your People”

Johnson & Fettke

*Lord, we are yearning for peace in this valley,
Surrounded by mountains we fear to explore.
Grant us the courage to follow your footsteps,
Discovering the wonders that You have in store.
Give peace to Your people, we who are struggling,
Laden with petty disputes, and despair.
Give peace to Your people, we who are calling,
Knowing You’ll answer, knowing You care.
Lord, we are burdened by fear and resentment,
Defeated by things we cannot understand.
Show us the pathway to peace and contentment,
That we may rest safely forever in Your hand.
Lord, grant us peace.*

Gospel Reading

Luke 12:49-56

Sermon

“Disturbing the Peace”

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

“Be Thou My Vision”

John Rutter

*Heart of my heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.*

*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 #724

“O Jesus, I Have Promised”

ANGEL’S STORY

*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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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

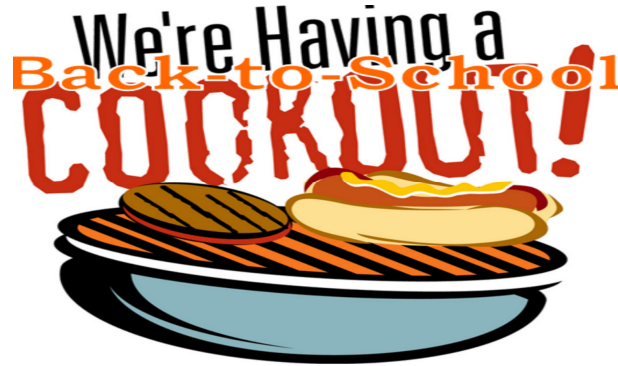


08/17: Harriet & Windsor Farrior
08/24: Debbie Price & Joyce Ange

Kevin Johnson, Head
Henry Stevens Debbie Price
Ray Cobb

OPENING CHURCH BUILDING

August 16-31: Clay Blue
September 1-15: Jason Rouse



This Afternoon from 4:00-6:00 pm



FEED OUR HUNGRY CHILDREN
BACKPACK MINISTRY OFFERING
RESUMES
Sunday, August 24



As school begins this month, we resume our monthly Feed Our Hungry Children/Backpack Ministry Offering on Sunday, August 24. This offering is an extension of Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries and provides lunches and weekend food for students in Duplin County Schools. During the 2024-2025 school year, the following schools were served: Beulaville Elementary, Chinquapin Elementary, Rose Hill-Magnolia Elementary, Wallace Elementary, and Wallace-Rose Hill High School. A total of 6,186 backpacks of food were provided over the weekends, 900 backpacks were provided over the summer, totaling 7,086 backpacks!

You may contribute to the offering in worship, by mailing a check to the church at P.O. Box 717, Wallace, NC 28466, by dropping your contribution through the mail slot of the front door of the church office building, or by giving online at www.wallacepresbyterian.com.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, August 17	TENTH 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
	4:00-6:00 pm Congregational Care Ministry Team Family Fun Cookout
Monday, August 18	5:30 pm PW Coordinating Team Meeting, Blue Room
Tuesday, August 19	6:00 pm Session Meeting, Room 304
Wednesday, August 20	No Wednesday Morning Bible Study
	6:00 pm PNC, Room 304
Monday-Sunday, August 18-24	Pastor Robert Lapp on Continuing Education
Friday-Sunday, August 22-24	Youth Mission Weekend at Eden Village in Wilmington

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **The Congregational Care Ministry Team** is hosting a Back to School Family Fun Cookout **this afternoon from 4:00-6:00 pm**. Please join us for an afternoon of fun, games and fellowship!
- **Pastor Robert Lapp** will be out of the office for Continuing Education, August 18-24.
- **The Presbyterian Women Coordinating Team** will meet on Monday evening, August 18, at 5:30 pm, in the Blue Room.
- **The session** will meet on Tuesday, August 20 at 6:00 pm in Room 304. If you have any business or concerns for the session to consider, please speak to one of the elders or the pastor.
- **There will not be any Wednesday Morning Bible Study on Wednesday, August 20.**
- **Youth Mission Weekend, August 22-24**, at Eden Village, a tiny home community in Wilmington for those who are homeless and disabled.
- **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 7, 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.
- **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!
- **Christian love and sympathy** is extended to Nell Sloan and family on the death of her brother Faison Sloan on August 10, 2025.



The beautiful flowers in the sanctuary today are given by David & Brenda Long in loving memory of his parents Flora V. and Dean R. Long.