



WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

205 West Main Street • Wallace, North Carolina 28466

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 30, 2026

11:00 A.M

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Welcome

Elder Devan Riley

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

Prelude

"I Must Tell Jesus" with "Blessed Assurance"

arranged by Mary McDonald

*This is my story, this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long!*

Announcements

Choral Call to Worship

"Sanctuary"

Thompson & Scruggs

*Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true.
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.*

Call to Worship

Come, all who feel alone, forgotten, or fearful.

God is here—faithful in every moment.

Come, all who rejoice and give thanks.

God rejoices with us and receives our praise.

In all seasons, through all things—

We worship the One who never leaves us.

*Hymn #645

"Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"

MIT FREUDEN ZART

*Prayer of Confession

Rev. Jonathan C. Watson

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

*Assurance of Forgiveness

Hear the good news:

Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;

that proves God's love toward us.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Glory to God. Amen.

*Gloria Patri

“Glory Be to the Father”

Hymn #581

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Children's Sermon

*Hymn #81

“Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken”

AUSTRIAN HYMN

*Unison Prayer for Illumination

Elder Devan Riley

God our helper, show us your ways and teach us your paths. By your Holy Spirit, open our minds that we may be led in your truth and taught your will. Then may we praise you by listening to your Word and by obeying it; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Psalm 46

Scripture Reading

Daniel 3 (selected verses)

Sermon

“Four in the Furnace”

Rev. Jonathan C. Watson

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

Fifth Sunday Building Offering

Offertory

“His Eye Is on the Sparrow”

arranged by John Purifoy

I sing because I'm happy

I sing because I'm free

For His eye is on the sparrow,

And I know He watches me.

*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 #804

“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!”

MARION

*Charge and Benediction

*Choral Benediction

“Amen”

Danish

Amen, Amen, Amen.

*Postlude

**All who are able may stand.*

Next Week:

Scripture: Joshua 24:14-25

Sermon: “Confronted with a Decision: Whom Will You Serve?”

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, August 30	FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST	
	9:00 am	Choir Practice
	9:45 am	Adult Sunday School Class
	10:00 am	Sunday School
	10:30 am	Fellowship Time
	11:00 am	Worship/Rev. Jonathan Watson, Preacher/5 th Sunday Building Offering
Monday, August 31	5:00 pm	Cub Scouts, Pack 35
	6:30 pm	PW Fall Gathering, Fellowship Hall

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

• **We welcome to the pulpit today Rev. Jonathan C. Watson.** Rev. Watson (HR) retired from parish ministry in 2022, having served Cape Fear Presbyterian Church (Wilmington) and Falls Church Presbyterian Church (Virginia). He remains active in ministry through his work on the East Community COM. An accomplished photographer, his love for God and the diversity of Creation continually inspire his images. Jonathan regularly photographs presbytery meetings/ events and was the chief photographer to this summer's General Assembly for *The Presbyterian Outlook* publication. He and his wife Darcie live in Wilmington and have a son, James, who works in the Office of the Lt. Gov. of North Carolina. You can find some of Jonathan's images at www.jonathancwatson.com.

• **This morning** we receive the 5th Sunday Building Offering. This offering helps us provide and maintain our church physical plant so our worship, education, and outreach ministries can continue. Thank you for your generous support!

• **Community Outreach Opportunity:** WPC has been asked to provide lunches for the Wallace-Rose Hill's Men's Soccer team August 31 and October 19. Are you interested, and able to pitch in? If so, contact Pam Teachey at (910) 470-4555.

• **Food Pantry Needs for the month of August:** Canned Beans (Pinto, Kidney, Black and Cut Green Beans. Also any canned vegetable). We also need Chunky Soups!

• **Wednesday Morning Bible Study** will resume after Labor Day on Wednesday, September 9.

• Upcoming Events:

***Today, August 30, at 3:00 pm-** Rockfish Presbyterian Cemetery Columbarium Garden Dedication: The Board of Directors of the Rockfish Presbyterian Cemetery invites you to attend the dedication service of the newly installed Columbarium Garden on Sunday (Tent, chairs, and cool water will be available!) (See insert)

***August 31@ 6:30 pm-**Presbyterian Women Fall Gathering, Fellowship Hall. (See article)

***September 13:** A big and exciting day in the life of the church!

***Rally Day:** We begin the day with our annual Rally Day as we kick-off a new year in our educational ministry. We will get a glimpse of the classrooms and officially commission our dedicated Sunday School teachers. We will also have a back to school blessing for all of our students, teachers, and staff/administrators.

***Installation Service:** The excitement of the day continues as we gather back at church in the afternoon, at 4:00, for our installation service. I hope you will come and celebrate this day...it is a service to celebrate God bringing us together for ministry. I am excited to have one of my best friends and colleagues, the Rev. Jeremy Simmons to be the guest preacher for that service. He is pastor at Missionary Rest Baptist Church near Wrightsville Beach and also the chaplain at Columbus Regional Hospital in Whiteville. (See insert)



AUGUST



August: Nursery suspended for summer

OPENING CHURCH BUILDING

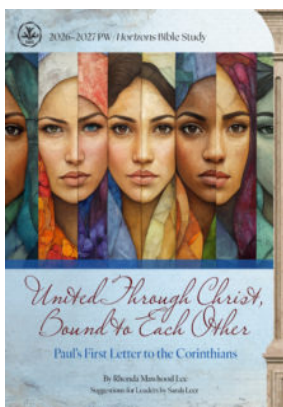
August 16-31: Clay Blue

Bill Carone , Head
Kenn Thompson Henry Stevens, Sr.
Henry Stevens, Jr.



The beautiful flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of B.C. Sheffield, Jr., by the Ludlum family.

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.



2026-2027 Horizons Bible Study
Monday, August 31, 2026
6:30 pm

***“United Through Christ,
Bound to Each Other”***

By
Rhonda Mawhood Lee
Suggestions for Leaders
by Sarah Leer



Welcome to the 2026–2027 Presbyterian Women/*Horizons* Bible study, “United Through Christ, Bound to Each Other: Paul’s First Letter to the Corinthians”.

Paul wrote at a time when Christians expected Jesus’ imminent return; he challenged his friends to be ready when that day came. Two thousand years later, the church is still waiting, still affirming that Jesus will return, and still proclaiming that this world has already been transformed by God’s life-giving love. Our challenge remains to live in ways that demonstrate our trust in the resurrection.

Many of the questions asked by our earliest siblings in faith remain ours, too. How can our lives demonstrate our trust in Jesus Christ’s victory over death? What do we do when different understandings of the gospel undermine church unity? How can Christians understand gender and sexuality? When conflict arises, how do we deal with it?

This Bible study will raise many questions while providing few direct answers. Those, you will seek yourself through prayerful reading, thinking, and discussion. I pray that unity in Jesus Christ will guide you and your study group and inspire you, together, to do everything in love.

The Presbyterian Women will have their Fall Gathering on Monday, August 31, at 6:30 pm, in the Currie Building. Angela Washburn will introduce the 2026-2027 Study Book. Officers and Communicators will also be installed. There will be light refreshments followed by the meeting. All women are invited. See you there!

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

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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 Farrior, Debbie Price, Sanctuary Flowers Susan Walters,
Ann Carter, Candace Knowles, Bereavement



THE
ROCKFISH PRESBYTERIAN
CEMETERY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

invites you to attend

THE DEDICATION OF THE
NEWLY INSTALLED
COLUMBARIUM GARDEN



SUNDAY, AUGUST 30, 2026

3:00 PM

ROCKFISH PRESBYTERIAN CEMETERY
6270 SOUTH NC HIGHWAY 41
WALLACE, NC 28466

TENT, CHAIRS AND
COOL WATER WILL BE AVAILABLE.





INSTALLATION SERVICE

REVEREND
DR. JOSEPH D. WASHBURN

13

September
2026

Wallace
Presbyterian
Church

4:00 PM

RECEPTION TO FOLLOW IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
205 WEST MAIN STREET, WALLACE, NC 28466