



FOR HE IS OUR PEACE;  
IN HIS FLESH HE HAS  
MADE BOTH GROUPS  
INTO ONE

# WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Rev. Dustin and Sherri Ellington, in Lusaka, Zambia, Africa.

## THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

September 5, 2021

11:00 a.m.

### GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

*The congregation  
is asked to  
remain silent  
during the prelude  
as a time of  
prayer and  
meditation.*

Prelude      **“O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”** *setting by Mark Hayes*  
*O for a thousand tongues to sing  
My great Redeemer's praise,  
The glories of my God and King,  
The triumphs of His Grace!*

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Sentences Elder Darleen Weller  
*Leader: Lord, open our hearts this morning to hear your words of compassion.  
Help us to truly listen to you.*

**All: Lord, open our spirits this morning to strengthen our faith. Help us to work for you.**

*Leader: Lord, make us ready to serve. Make us ready to witness to your healing love.*

**All: We are called here this morning to learn of Christ's healing love. Come, let us worship the One who prepares us for service.**

*Leader: Jesus brings us transforming compassion.*

**All: Lord Jesus, keep our minds and spirits open to your life-changing words. Amen.**

\*Hymn #610 (verses 1, 4, & 5) **“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”** AZMON

Unison Prayer of Confession

**Good and gracious God, we may long to be in your house, but our deeds show how tough it is for us to live there. Called to follow, we search for paths to take us back to our old ways. Given the words of eternal life, we weakly proclaim the gospel to others. Offered the path of salvation to walk upon, we stumble down the rocky roads of our world. Forgive us, O God. Strengthen us with your Spirit, so we may serve your people with all that brings them life. Let your Word, Jesus Christ, whom we have come to believe and know as our Lord and Savior, be confirmed in us in every word, every deed, every thought, every moment in the days to come. Lord, hear our prayers . .**

**(A time for silent prayers of confession . . .)**

*“Healer of our  
every ill, light of  
each tomorrow,  
give us peace  
beyond our fear,  
and hope beyond  
our sorrow.”  
Hymn #795,  
“Healer of Our  
Every Ill,” Glory to  
God: The  
Presbyterian  
Hymnal*

*Today's Prayer of  
Confession is  
adapted from  
Lectionary  
Liturgies, an  
online worship  
resource.*

*"You who know our fears and sadness, grace us with your peace and gladness; Spirit of all comfort, fill our hearts."  
Hymn #795,  
"Healer of Our Every Ill," Glory to God: The Presbyterian Hymnal*

*"In the pain and joy beholding how your grace is still unfolding, give us all your vision, God of love."  
Hymn #795,  
"Healer of Our Every Ill," Glory to God: The Presbyterian Hymnal*



## Responsive Assurance of Pardon

*Leader: In Jesus you who were once far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.*

**All: In him we have been reconciled to God through the cross, made citizens with the saints and members of the household of God.**

*Leader: Hear the Good News!*

**All: 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

Prayer for Illumination

**Holy God, open our hearts and minds through your Holy Spirit that we may hear with joy what you would say to us today. Then send us forth to live with Christ's compassion and peace. Amen.**

Epistle Lesson

*Ephesians 2:11-22*

Elder Darleen Weller

Gospel Lesson

*Mark 7:24-37*

Sermon

**"The Gospel Is Not a Zero-Sum Game"** Dr. Philip K. Gladden

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

P.A.T.H. (Presbyterian Answer to Hunger) Offering

*“Give us strength to love each other, every sister, every brother; Spirit of all kindness, be our guide.”*  
Hymn #795,  
“Healer of Our Every Ill,” Glory to God: The Presbyterian Hymnal



*“You who know each thought and feeling, teach us all your way of healing; Spirit of compassion, fill each heart.”*  
Hymn #795,  
“Healer of Our Every Ill,” Glory to God: The Presbyterian Hymnal



## Offertory

**“O God Beyond All Praising”** setting by Lloyd Larson  
*Oh God beyond all praising, we worship You today,  
And sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay;  
For we can only wonder at every gift you send,  
At the blessings without number and mercies without end:  
We lift our hearts before You and wait upon your word,  
We honor and adore You, our great and mighty Lord.*

## \*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 #394 **“Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation”** WESTMINSTER ABBEY

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

*\*All who are able may stand.*



Mark your calendars for start of Sunday School  
2021-2022

# Rally Day

12 September 2021 • Sunday • 10 AM  
Wallace Presbyterian Church

## Sunday School Class Offerings

Youth Classes:	Adult Classes:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Birth to Kindergarten</li><li>• First to Third Grade</li><li>• Fourth to 8th Grade</li><li>• High School Class</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Margaret Glasgow</li><li>• Working Class</li><li>• Alternative Class</li></ul>



Camp Kirkwood



**Friday, September 17**—Presbyterian Night at the Ballpark! 6:30 pm; game concludes with fireworks. Segra Stadium, 406 Hay Street, Fayetteville, NC. Tickets: \$10. \$10 food voucher (optional). Sign up by Sunday, September 5. **This is the LAST day to purchase Tickets for Presbyterian Night at the Ballpark.**

**Sunday, October 10**--Camp Kirkwood Sunday Worship with Communion; Lunch; Fellowship, and Camp Activities



### WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, September 5	9:30 am Alternative Sunday School Class (Adult), in-person (Room 304) and via Zoom
	10:00 am Living Stones (Children) Sunday School Class via Zoom
	11:00 am Worship in-person and live-stream
Monday, September 6	LABOR DAY-Church Office Closed No Monday night Zoom Bible Study
Tuesday, September 7	10:30 am Circle #3: Fellowship Hall 7:00 pm Circle #4: Via Zoom
Wednesday, September 8	10:00-11:00 am Zoom Bible Study

### NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- \***The church office** will be closed on Monday, September 6 in observance of the Labor Day holiday.
- \***There will be no** Monday night Zoom Bible Study on September 6. Please join the minister for a Zoom Bible Study on Wednesday, September 8 from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. This week we will read and discuss Mark 8:27-38. What does it mean for us to confess, "You are the Messiah/the Christ"? Check your email on Tuesday for the Zoom link.
- \***The session** has called a Congregational Meeting for Sunday, September 19 following worship for the purpose of electing the Nominating Committee for Ruling Elders.



### P.A.T.H. OFFERING

### Presbyterian Answer to Hunger

### TODAY



Today we receive our quarterly (March, June, September, December) P.A.T.H. (Presbyterian Answer to Hunger) offering. This offering supports the Hunger Program of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina which, in turn, funds feeding programs for children in Haiti and Malawi. The Hunger Program also provides funds for congregational food ministries such as our Helping Hands Food Pantry.