



WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

205 West Main Street • Wallace, North Carolina 28466

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 7, 2025

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

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

arr. Molly Ijames

*Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the dark of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day!*

Announcements

Moment for Mission

Youth Mission Weekend

Choral Call to Worship **“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”**

Hopson

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore.*

Opening Sentences

Do you hear God calling us to worship and service?

God, help us listen as you call.

Do you sense the disciples God is creating us to become?

God, help us to see your image within.

Are we ready to listen, learn, and grow?

God, open our hearts and minds to your Word and Spirit.

*Hymn #611

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

HYMN TO JOY

*Prayer of Confession

Rev. Robert H. Lapp

Lord God, you have crafted us in your image and created us for deep and abiding relationships. Help us live into your vision for our lives. Strengthen us, as we seek to answer your call. When we go astray, guide us back to your ways. When we fall apart, put us back together again. When we shrink in fear, lift our heads, that we may see your love and grace welcoming us home again. Amen.

*Responsive Assurance of Pardon

Friends, the good news is this: God is not done with us.

Our Creator is still forming and shaping us, forgiving and nurturing us.

Hear the Good News of the Gospel:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*Gloria Patri

“Glory Be to the Father”

Hymn #581

PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD

Commissioning of Sunday School Teachers & Presentation of Fourth Grade Bible

*Hymn #451

“Open My Eyes, That I May See”

OPEN MY EYES

*Unison Prayer for Illumination

Elder Devan Riley

Lord, allow our ears to be open to your Word, especially where there are questions or challenges. Allow us to be open to what you have to say to the church today. Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 18:1-11

Anthem

“Here I Am, Lord” incorporating

arr. Mary McDonald

“Have Thine Own Way”

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard My people cry.

All who dwell in dark and sin, My hand will save.

I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.

Who will bear My light to them? Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard You calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if You lead me. I will hold Your people in my heart.

Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!

Thou art the potter. I am the clay. Mold me and make me after Thy will;

While I am waiting, Lord, yielded and still.

Here I am, Lord! Here am I!

Gospel Reading

Luke 14:25-35

Sermon

“The Peril of Following Jesus”

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

P.A.T.H. Offering

Offertory

“I Love to Tell the Story”

arr. Jay Rouse

*I love to tell the story! T’will be my theme in glory!
To tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love.*

*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 #766

“The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound”

MC KEE

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction

“Go, My Children, with My Blessing”

Vajda

*“Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me.
Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.”*

*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





SEPTEMBER



09/07: Kristin & Bradley Cottle
09/14: Parker & Courtenay Thompson

Jason Rouse, Head
Sam Rose Dave Wells
Michael Patram

OPENING CHURCH BUILDING

September 1-15: Jason Rouse
September 16-30: Greg Maready

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

09/07: Tonya Patram/Emory Landon
09/14: Mary Laine Rouse & JJ

2025 - 2026 Sunday School Teachers


Thank you to these folks who will teach us about God's love and God's Word this year.



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WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, September 7		THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST/RALLY DAY
	9:00 am	Choir Practice
	10:00 am	Covered Dish Breakfast & Open House
	10:30 am	Meet Teachers and Door Prizes
	11:00 am	Worship/P.A.T.H. Offering/Commission of Sunday School Teachers/Bible Presentation to our Fourth Grader.
Tuesday, September 9	10:30 am	Morning Circle: Fellowship Hall
	7:00 pm	Evening Circle: Fellowship Hall
Wednesday, September 10	10:00 am	Bible Study, Room 304
	6:00 pm	PNC, Room 304

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Today we** receive our quarterly (March, June, September, and December) P.A.T.H. (Presbyterian Answer to Hunger). This offering supports the Hunger Program of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina and provides funding for children's feeding programs in Haiti and Malawi. The Hunger Program also provides grants for church food pantries such as our Helping Hands Food Pantry.
- **Today is Rally Sunday:** During Worship we will Commission Sunday School Teachers and Present a Bible to our 4th grade student, Clara Casteen.
- **Pastor Led Bible Study** is Wednesday, September 10, at 10 am in room 304. The scripture for this week is Luke 15:1-10.
- **Food Pantry Needs for the month of September: Soap, toothpaste, and toothbrushes.** Also, if you have any empty egg cartons, we can use them! Thank you!



The beautiful flowers in the sanctuary today are given by David & Brenda Long in loving memory of Brenda's parents William and Gertrude Vanderwel.



We would like to express our appreciation to Pastor Robb and all others for keeping our son Justin, and us in your prayers during his surgery and continuing recovery. Praise be to God.

Darleen & Wayne Weller

**ANNUAL
RALLY DAY**
children youth adult
SUNDAY SCHOOL

