



# WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

205 West Main Street • Wallace, North Carolina 28466

## THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

*Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

September 14, 2025

11:00 A.M

### GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Welcome

Elder Sandy Cobb

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

Prelude

**“A Quiet Moment with *Amazing Grace*”** arr. Mary McDonald  
*I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.*

Announcements

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 (Hymn 173, *Glory To God*)

*Am I that treasured coin worth searching for?*

**I'm found and you rejoice! What love!**

*Am I that treasured sheep worth dying for?*

**I live and you rejoice! What love!**

*Am I that treasured child worth waiting for?*

**I'm home and you rejoice! What love!**

*We're safe and God rejoices! What love!*

\*Hymn #649

**“Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound”**

AMAZING GRACE

\*Prayer of Confession

Rev. Robert H. Lapp

**God of heaven and earth, be with us in our need. Though we often go astray, we seek your love and mercy. Though we often listen to fools who say, “There is no God,” our hearts belong to you. Be our Shepherd and guide our ways, for we are lost and afraid and weary of wandering. We long to be welcomed home in your gracious mercy. Amen.**

\*Responsive Assurance of Pardon

*The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance:*

**that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.**

*He personally bore our sins in this body on the cross,*

**so that we might be dead to sin and alive to all that is good.**

*This is the good news of the gospel, 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 #418

**“Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling”**

SOFTLY AND TENDERLY

\*Unison Prayer for Illumination

Elder Sandy Cobb

**Gracious God, your mercy is wide, but our understanding is limited. As we hear your Word read and proclaimed today, open our minds and our hearts, that your good news may reach the deepest places within us. Amen.**

Old Testament Reading

*Psalm 51:1-10*

Gospel Reading

*Luke 15:1-10*

Sermon

**“The Lengths That God Will Go”**

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

**“Softly and Tenderly”**

arr. Mark Hayes

*Come home, come home. Ye who are weary, come home.  
Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling. Calling, “Oh, sinner, come home.”*

\*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 #442

**“Just as I Am, without One Plea”**

WOODWORTH

\*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**

Rev. Robert (Robb) Lapp  
[interimpastor@wallacepresbyterian.com](mailto:interimpastor@wallacepresbyterian.com)

### **Secretary**

Cheryl Brinkley  
[cheryl@wallacepresbyterian.com](mailto:cheryl@wallacepresbyterian.com)

### **Treasurer**

Wayne Casteen

### **Clerk of Session**

Hone Turnbull

### **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**



**09/14: Parker & Courtenay Thompson**  
**09/21: Emily & Hayes Ludlum**

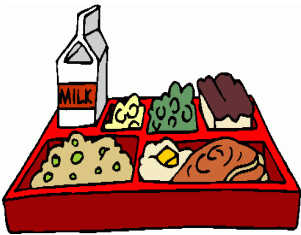
**Jason Rouse, Head**  
**Sam Rose                      Dave Wells**  
**Michael Patram**

**OPENING CHURCH BUILDING**

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

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

**09/14: Mary Laine Rouse & JJ**  
**09/21: Jennifer Johnson**



**FEED OUR HUNGRY CHILDREN/  
BACKPACK MINISTRY OFFERING**

**Sunday, September 28**



We will receive our monthly Feed Our Hungry Children/Backpack Ministry Offering on Sunday, September 28. 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](http://www.wallacepresbyterian.com). Thank you for your generous and faithful support.



**WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY**  
**10:00 am, Room 304**

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

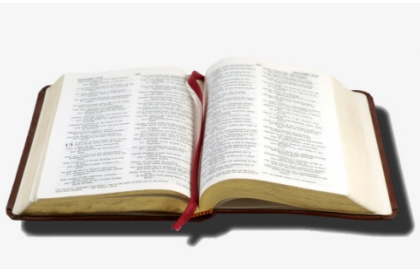
Sunday, September 14	FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
	9:00 am Choir Practice
	9:45 am Adult Sunday School Class
	10:00 am Sunday School Classes
	10:30 am Fellowship Time
	11:00 am Worship
	12:00 pm Congregation Nominating Committee, Room 304
	5:00 pm Cub Scout Pack 35
Monday-Thursday, September 15-18	Church Secretary on Vacation
Tuesday, September 16	6:00 pm Session Meeting, Room 304
Wednesday, September 17	10:00 am Bible Study, Room 304
	6:00 pm PNC, Room 3

## NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **The Congregation Nominating Committee** will meet immediately after worship in Room 304.
- **Pastor Led Bible Study** is Wednesday, September 17, at 10 am in room 304. The scripture for this week is 1 Timothy 2:1-7.
- **Cheryl Brinkley**, church secretary, will be on vacation September 15-18.
- **The session** will meet on Tuesday, September 16 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 304 of Gladden Hall. If you have business or concerns for the session to consider, please speak to Rev. Lapp or one of the elders.
- **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 Ray & Sandy Cobb to the Glory of God and in deep appreciation and gratitude for our interim pastor, Pastor Robb Lapp, and his leadership and guidance over the past two years.*



## SERMON TEXTS FOR SEPTEMBER

### SUNDAY

September 21:  
September 28:

### SERMON TEXT

1 Timothy 2:1-7  
Luke 16:19-31

### PREACHER

Rev. Robb Lapp  
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