



WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

205 West Main Street • Wallace, North Carolina 28466

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY *The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

September 22, 2024

11:00 A.M

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Welcome

Elder Royal Johnson

Prelude

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

arr. Joel Raney

*Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight,
And all the twinkling starry host;
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer,
Than all the angels Heaven can boast.*

Announcements

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

Minute for Mission

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.*

Opening Sentences

Leader: Happy are those who follow paths of righteousness.

People: We take delight in the wisdom of God.

Leader: Happy are those who reach out to those in need.

People: We find delight in the love of God.

Leader: Happy are those who set aside envy.

People: We draw delight in the selflessness of God.

*Hymn #172

“Blest Are They”

BLEST ARE THEY

*Prayer of Confession

Rev. Robert H. Lapp

Merciful God, we confess that we have often acted out of selfish ambition and vain conceit. We have allowed envy and self-interest to guide our actions, rather than the wisdom that comes from you. Forgive us for the times we have caused conflicts and quarrels among ourselves and others. Help us to submit ourselves to you, resist evil, and draw near to your grace. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

*Responsive Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

People: As far as the East is from the West, so far has God removed our transgressions from us.

Leader: Live into the hope that God's grace is sufficient.

*Gloria Patri

Glory Be to the Father"

Hymn #581

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Children's Sermon

*Hymn #630

"Fairest Lord Jesus"

CRUSADERS' HYMN

*Prayer for Illumination (*Unison*)

Elder Royal Johnson

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may be renewed and transformed. Amen.

Epistle Reading

James 3:13-4:3

Gospel Reading

Mark 9:30-37

Sermon

"What Does It Take To Be A Christian?" Rev. Robert H. Lapp

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

Offertory

“Take My Life and Let It Be”

arr. James Koerts

*Take my voice and let me sing always, only, for my King.
Take my lips and let them be filled with messages from Thee.*

*Doxology

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Hymn #606

*Prayer of Dedication

*The Affirmation of Faith: *(from A Brief Statement of Faith)*

In a broken and fearful world

the Spirit gives us courage

to pray without ceasing,

to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,

to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,

to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,

and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,

we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks

and to live holy and joyful lives,

even as we watch for God’s new heaven and new earth,

praying, “Come, Lord Jesus!”

With believers in every time and place,

we rejoice that nothing in life or in death

can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

*Hymn #697 (Verses 1-3, 6)

“Take My Life”

HENDON

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction

“Amen”

Danish

Amen. Amen. Amen.

*Postlude

**All who are able may stand.*

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, September 22

THE EIGHTEENTH 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/Feed Our Hungry Children/Backpack Ministry Offering
 - 5:00 pm Cub Scout Pack 35 Meeting, Fellowship Hall
- Wednesday, September 25
- 10:00 am Bible Study, Room 304
 - 6:00 pm Handbells

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **This morning** we receive our monthly (school year) Feed Our Hungry Children/ Backpack Ministry offering. This ministry is an extension of the Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries in Wallace and provides weekend food for students in the Duplin County Education system. Numerous organizations and individuals support this ministry. Thank you for your generosity!
- **Kirkwood Sunday is October 6, World Communion Sunday.** Join us for worship and a meal at Camp Kirkwood, 2015 Camp Kirkwood Road, Watha, NC 28478. No cost for meal! Today is the deadline to sign up for Kirkwood. Fill out form below and put in offering plate.
- **A Congregational Meeting** will be held on **Sunday, October 13** in the sanctuary following the worship service to elect three Ruling Elders for the class of 2027 and to elect the Pastor Nominating Committee.

Flowers



The beautiful flowers in the sanctuary today are given by Carol Steen to Celebrate the wonderful music at Wallace Presbyterian Church!

NURSERY

SEPTEMBER



09/22: Kristin & Bradley Cottle
09/29: Lindsay & Hayes Skidmore

Jason Rouse, Leader
Joyce Ange Michael Patram
Dave Wells Sam Rose

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

09/22: Sara Matthews
09/29: Jennifer Johnson

OPENING CHURCH BUILDING

September 16-30: Greg Maready

Kirkwood Sunday, Reservation Form, October 6, 2024

*Return to the church office or email Cheryl Brinkley at
cheryl@wallacepresbyterian.com by Today, September 22.*

NAME(S): _____

Number of Paid Reservations: _____ Number of Children under 13: _____

Total number of reservations: _____