



WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

205 West Main Street • Wallace, North Carolina 28466

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

November 9, 2025

11:00 A.M

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Welcome

Elder Devin Riley

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

Prelude

"His Eye Is On The Sparrow"

arr. John Purifoy

His eye is on the sparrow and I know he watches me.

Announcements

Moment for Mission

Rev. Robert H. Lapp

Choral Call to Worship

"Give Thanks"

Henry Smith 1978

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One;

Give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ, the Son.

And now let the weak say, "We are strong"; let the poor say, "We are rich

Because of what the Lord has done for us!" Give thanks.

Opening Sentences (Psalm 98)

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

We will break forth into joyous song, and sing praises.

Sing praises to the Lord;

Make a joyful noise with trumpet and the sound of the horn.

Let the sea roar, and all that fills it, the world and those who live in it.

The floods clap their hands and the hills sing out together;

Let us join in the joyful song of creation.

*Hymn #804

"Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!"

MARION

*Prayer of Confession

Rev. Robert H. Lapp

Gracious God, we confess that we are too easily influenced by despair and alarm, too quick to sink into numbness and apathy, too tired to imagine any other way. Our hopes have crumbled, and our hearts are faint. Breathe new life into us, we pray. Help us to be mindful of your promises, your faithfulness, and your presence as we face the challenges of our lives. Restore our vision and give us courage to live in your truth. Amen.

*Responsive Assurance of Pardon (*Psalm 145*)
God's ways are just, and God's kindness is constant.

The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.
Beloved, God draws near to us with compassion and forgives our sins.
Thanks be to God, we are a forgiven people. Amen.

*Gloria Patri

“Glory Be to the Father”

Hymn #581

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Children's Sermon

*Hymn #822

“When We Are Living”

SOMOS DEL SEÑOR

*Unison Prayer for Illumination

Elder Devan Riley

God of wisdom, open your word to your people today, and open the hearts of your people to your Word. Let us receive the truth that your Spirit is speaking to the church, trusting that it will nourish and strengthen us. Amen.

Epistle Reading

2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

Gospel Reading

Luke 20:27-40

Sermon

“Resurrection Hope”

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

“Hymn to Hope”

Rolf Lovland

*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 #22

“God of the Sparrow”

ROEDER

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction

“Amen”

Marty Hogan

*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



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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.....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





NOVEMBER



11/09: Emily & Hayes Ludlum
11/16: Jennifer & Royal Johnson

Dan Robinson, Head
Freddy Hall Kelli Norris
Tom Whitfield

OPENING CHURCH BUILDING

November 1-15: Jim Simpson
November 16-30: Glenn Price

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

11/09: Christy Johnson
11/16: Casey Hall



30-Day Church Growth Project

We are forming a small group of 2-3 motivated people who are willing to work with Robb Lapp to implement some very simple and practical strategies for growth. If you are interested or have questions, please contact him at interimpastor@wallacepresbyterian.com, give him a call or just let him know when you see him.



children's hope
— ALLIANCE —

Annual Thanksgiving Offering
For Children's Hope Alliance
Sunday, November 23

Children's Hope Alliance is committed to helping families of all shapes, sizes, and definitions through a vast array of community-based services. Their comprehensive programs give hope to North Carolina's children and families by providing hope for a safe home, a pathway to healing, and a healthy start.

Children's Hope Alliance has hundreds of years of experience helping children and families in need—dating back to the late 1800s. In April of 2014, Barium Springs Home for Children and Grandfather Home for Children came together in an effort to have a greater impact in helping children and families across North Carolina. These sister organizations were both founded by the Presbyterian Synod. The name chosen for the newly formed, merged organization was Children's Hope Alliance: an alliance forged by our deeply rooted mission to provide hope and healing for hurting children and families.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, November 9

TWENTY-SECOND 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
5:00 pm	Cub Scout Pack 35
10:00 am	Bible Study, Room 304 (Luke 21:5-19)
6:00 pm	Handbells

Wednesday, November 12

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **The Annual Meeting of the Congregation and Corporation**, which will include the election of three elders for the Class of 2028 will be on Sunday, November 16, following the worship service in the sanctuary. A meal sponsored by the Congregational Care Ministry Team will be served in the fellowship hall following the meeting. Meats will be provided. Please bring a covered dish. Thank you!
- **Thanksgiving Service** will be at Wallace Methodist Church on Sunday, November 23, at 6:00 pm. Please plan to attend.
- **Advent Photo Project** - Help us express the meaning of Advent with your photographs depicting the candles of HOPE, PEACE, JOY, and LOVE. Your pictures will be shown during the Advent services. Please submit your photographs to Sandy Cobb (sandycobb54@gmail.com) or Karla Casteen (karla.casteen@gmail.com) and be clear on which photographs go with which theme. Submissions need to be received no later than the Tuesday before the Sunday they will be shown in worship.
- **Reverse Advent Calendar** - Instead of opening a door and taking out a treat, place a grocery item into a bag. There are bags with a list of requested items available at the back of the sanctuary and in Gladden Hall. Once the bag is full, donate it to our Helping Hands Food Pantry.
- **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.



It's hard to believe that the Christmas season will soon be here! We will be decorating the church for Christmas on Monday, November 24 at 10:00 am. Please come be a part of this festive time and help with making it special for the Advent and Christmas season. Any questions, call Karla Casteen at 910-284-0482 or Sandy Cobb at 202-320-3149.



The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God by the Ludlum family.