



# WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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We support Presbyterian Church (USA) mission co-workers,  
Rev. Dustin and Sherri Ellington, in Lusaka, Zambia, Africa.

*Please silence your cell phones.*

*\*All who are able may stand.*

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

## THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

**December 31, 2017**

**11:00 A.M.**

### GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

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

Minute for Mission

Choral Call to Worship

Opening Sentences

Elder George Francis

*Leader: What a year this has been!*

**All: So many things have happened. Some of them have been wonderful; others very sad.**

*Leader: In all of this our Lord has been with us, guiding, healing, comforting, and rejoicing.*

**All: Thanks be to God for God's continual presence with us.**

*Leader: Now we are on the threshold to a new tomorrow.*

**All: We don't know what it will hold for us.**

*Leader: In all of what is to come, our Lord will be with us.*

**All: Guiding, healing, comforting, and rejoicing with us. Thank you, Lord, for your steadfast love and presence.**

\*Hymn #683

**"Lord of All Hopefulness"**

COURTNEY

*"God is working His  
purpose out as year  
succeeds to year.  
God is working His  
purpose out, and the  
time is drawing near;  
nearer and nearer  
draws the time, the  
time that shall surely  
be, when the earth  
shall be filled with  
the glory of God as  
the waters cover the  
sea."*

*Hymn #500,  
The Hymnbook*

Today's Prayer of  
Confession is taken  
from Reformed  
Worship, online  
resources for  
planning and  
leading worship.

\*Unison Prayer of Confession:)

**Eternal God, who can make all things new, we humbly bring before you the record of our lives in the year now ending. Where life has been good to us, we give you thanks and praise. Where we have been good to others, may our reward be your smiling face. Where we have fallen short of your good pleasure, forgive us and free us from our sinful past. Holy God, cleanse us by your mercy, guide us by your truth, fill us with your love, and lead us forward in hope, through the grace of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Gracious God, hear our prayers . . .**

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

Responsive Assurance of Pardon

*Leader: As we have confessed our sins, God is faithful and just. God has forgiven us our sins through Jesus Christ and cleansed us from all unrighteousness*

**All: We give thanks and bless your name**

*Leader: Gracious God, thank you that you send your Spirit upon us to lead us into all truth and to empower us to live and witness to you.*

**All: May we be filled afresh this new year to follow you more closely and share your love with the world around us.**

\*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.**

"Great is thy  
faithfulness, O God  
my Father; there is  
no shadow of  
turning with thee.  
Thou changest not;  
thy compassions  
they fail not. As  
thou hast been thou  
forever wilt be.  
Great is thy  
faithfulness, Lord  
unto me!"

## **PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD**

FIFTH SUNDAY BUILDING OFFERING

Children's Sermon

Anthem

Prayer for Illumination

*Show us your ways, O LORD, teach us your paths; guide us in your truth and teach us, for you are God our Savior, and our hope is in you all day long. Amen.*

Old Testament Lesson

Elder George Francis

*Psalm 90 and Hymn 687 "Our God, Our Help in Ages Past" (See Insert)*

*"Faith begins by letting go, giving up what had seemed sure, taking risks and pressing on, though the way feels less secure: pilgrimage both right and odd, trusting all our life to God."*  
Hymn #684, Glory to God

*"From the rising of the sun to the going down of the same, the name of the Lord shall be praised. So praise ye the Lord. Praise ye the Lord."*

Hymn #670, Glory to God

*"For I am convinced the neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord."*

Romans  
8:38-39

Epistle Lesson 2 Peter 3:8-10 and Hebrews 13:8 +Pages 988, 979

Sermon

**"All In God's Time"**

Dr. Philip K. Gladden

A Time for Silent Reflection

Pastoral Prayer with the Lord's Prayer

### **GIVING THANKS TO GOD**

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

\*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 #250

**"In the Bulb There Is a Flower"**

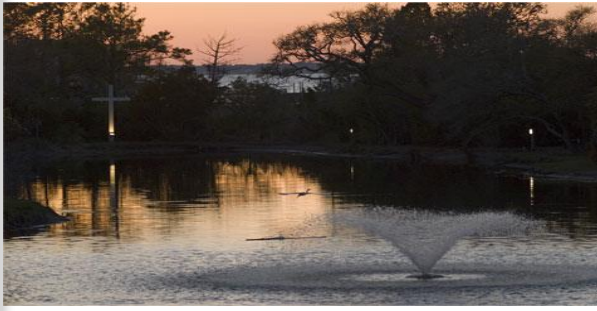
HYMN OF PROMISE

\*Benediction

\*Choral Benediction

\*Postlude

*\*All who are able may stand. +The page number in the pew Bible.*



**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**February 2-4, 2018**  
**2018 SOUND**  
**RETREAT!!**  
**“A Letter of Christ”**

**Join us February 2-4, 2018, at the beautiful Trinity Center,  
on Bogue Sound, Outer Banks, N.C. Great Leaders,  
Delicious food, Rest & Relaxation, Spiritual renewal,  
Fellowship & Fun, Worship, All ages welcome!**

The upcoming Retreat has great news, all Youth attending the  
Retreat will be **FREE!**



**Rachel Whaley Doll**

**2018 Retreat Leaders**

**Spiritual Leader,  
Rachel Whaley Doll**

**Youth Ministry Leader  
Zach Casteen**



**Zach Casteen**

Our spiritual leader for the adult program will be Rachel Whaley Doll, Director of Christian Education, Winter Park Presbyterian Church in Wilmington, NC. We will also have an exciting youth program for our school age kids, led by Zachary Casteen, Youth Ministry Leader, Wallace Presbyterian Church. It will be a stimulating and exciting time! Watch the church's bulletin board and website <http://wallacepresbyterian.com> for more information on our Sound Retreat!

God Bless!  
Louis DiDomenico  
Sound Retreat Chairperson

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, December 31      9:40 am Opening Assembly  
10:00 am Sunday School  
11:00 am Worship

Monday, January 1      HAPPY NEW YEAR! Church Office Closed

Tuesday, January 2      6:30 pm Presbyterian Men, Wallace Pres

Wednesday, January 3   10:00–11:00 am Bible Study, Church Office Building  
6:00 pm Handbells  
7:00 – 8:00 pm Bible Study, Room 304  
7:30 pm Choir Practice

Friday, January 5      6:00 pm Simpson/Coombs Wedding, Sanctuary

## NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- \* **Today** we receive our 5th Sunday Building Offering. This money helps us maintain the physical plant in order to provide worship, education, and outreach ministries for our congregation and the community. Thank you!
- \* **The church office** will be closed tomorrow, January 1, in observance of New Year's Day.
- \* **Presbyterian Men** will meet at the Wallace Presbyterian Church on Tuesday, January 2 at 6:30 p.m. for supper and Bible study. All men are welcome to attend.
- \* **Please join** the minister for a Bible study on Wednesday, January 3 from 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. in the Church Office Building or 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. in Room 304 (across from the Music Room).
- \* **We extend our** Christian love and sympathy to Mollie Moore and her family on the death of her husband, Rev. Lardner Moore, on December 20. Our church supported the Moores in their decades-long ministry in Japan. Mollie is a child of WPC and is a member



*The sanctuary flowers for the month of December are given in memory of Lacey Elizabeth Johnson, Fred and Bertha Mae Burroughs, and William and Doris Krupitzer by the Johnson and Burroughs families.*

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

*Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.*

Hebrews 13:8





## YOUTH WORSHIP LEADERS

12/31: Lydia & Kennedy Thompson  
01/07: James & Elizabeth Sills

**USHERS**  
THIS MONTH

Freddy Hall, Leader

J Parker

Clay Blue

Wayne Casteen

Roger Coombs

Dave Wells



## GREETERS

12/31: Bill & Susan Walters

01/07: Joey Fussell & Mary Carone

## Opening Church Building

December 16-31: Dave Long

January 1-15: Charley Farrior



**June Blalock** (Rosemary). **James Brice** (automobile accident, suffering some paralysis), **Joe Dormagen** (Verlie Wells' son-in-law), **Betty Hall**, (Rosemary), **Royal & Jennifer Johnson family**, **Wright Lanier Family**, **Lardner Moore family**, **Amy Moss** (breast cancer, sister of Debbie Thomas) **Jason Norris** (cancer, Kelli Norris' brother-in-law) **Matthew Parks** (16 years old, snow-sledding accident, broken back, paralysis; parents are college friends of Hope Turnbull) **Nancy Pate**, (Libby Godwin's twin sister-inoperable brain tumor), **Nathan Pensinger** (back in hospital due to vomiting caused by internal bleeding) **Amanda Perry**, (cancer-niece of Margaret Toothman), **Dick Phillips** (friend of Tim Peppe-pancreatic cancer, John Hopkins), **Jennifer Raynor** (Postural Orthostatic Tachycardia Syndrome) **Brison Ricker** (just celebrated his 16th birthday- **His brother Preston** has just been diagnosed with thyroid cancer) **Judy Robinson**, **Zayne Rivenbark** (cancer), **Rylan Schubkegel** (18 year-old nephew of Nick Baker diagnosed with Hodgkin's Disease), **Michael Sloan family**, **Robert Smith** (ear Surgery- Sandee DiDomenicos brother), **Kelsea Webster**, **Verlie Wells**-Rosemary, **Members and friends in the armed services: Jason Payne. William Krupitzer**-(Linda Burroughs nephew).

(When you request a name to be put on the prayer list, please notify the church office when you wish it to be taken off)



## BEGINNING DATES RE-SCHEDULED

New Start Dates

Monday, January 8 (7:00 - 8:30 p.m.)

and Tuesday, January 9 (10:00 - 11:30 a.m.)

Fellowship Hall

Bring your Bible and your questions!

Session 1: What is the Bible?



## **ADVENT WREATHS**

*These Wreaths were bought for the Church during Advent Season and given in honor and memory of the following loved ones by the names listed below.*

*In memory of Isadore and Cynthia Peppe and  
Dell and Marty Jones*  
Given by Tim & RJ Peppe

*In memory of Marie Pettey Laufer*  
Given by George and Mary Laufer Francis

*In honor of Andrea Casteen*  
Given by Zach, Adlyn Jo and Clara Gray Casteen

*In memory of Bettisue Tillman*  
Given by Joe Tillman

*In memory of our granddaughter Ally Simpson*  
Given by Jim & Pat Simpson

*In memory of Alice Obenour and Dorothy W. Ring*  
Given by Bob & Dottie Obenour

*In memory of Philip Longest*  
Given by Georgia Longest

*In memory of Ruth Buckner*  
Given by Dave & Gloria Wells

*In memory of Harry L. "Toots" Carlton*  
Given by Greg & Geneva Maready

*In memory of Bill Saunders*  
Given by Greg & Geneva Maready



*In memory of Virginia "Sit" Knowles*  
Given by Greg & Geneva Maready

*In memory of Attie Carr Carlton and in honor of the Music Ministry of Wallace  
Presbyterian Church*  
Given by Greg & Geneva Maready

*In memory of Mr. & Mrs. Edward F. Johnston, Sr., and The Rev. Edward F.  
Johnston, Jr.*  
Given by C.J. & Dotsi Caproni and family

*In memory of Doris B. Barfield*  
Given by Leon & Jewell Wells and children



*The Chrismon Tree is given to the Glory of God and in memory of Harry "Toots"  
Carlton and William "Bill" Saunders.*

