

Come Join us at Rockfish Presbyterian Church

"Meet and Eat at Noon"

Wednesday, February 3, 2016

12:00 Noon

Guest Speaker

A Representative from Celebrate Recovery Rose Hill, NC

Bring a sandwich

Drink & Dessert will be provided



Birthdays In February





- 1- Gloria Wells Ann T. Johnson Kendrick Minchew
- 3- Richard Hirshkind
- 4- Cody Cavenaugh Rusty Walker Phil Gladden Pat Wilson
- 7- Shirley Carlton Hope Turnbull
- 8- Greg Maready
- 10- Robert Steen
- 12- Kelly U. Culler Marissa Parks MacKenzie Parks
- 14- Lois Edgerton Jeff Hargrove

- 15- Neyland Tate Mary Carone
- 16- Judy Holley
- 17- Jason Fussell Katie Robison Debbie Thomas
- 18- Nolan Hall Jean Parks Sara Lanier
- 21- Kyle Teachey Dona Lanier
- **24-** Chuck Farrior Courtney Moore
- 25- Lee Baker
- 26- Tom Whitfield
- 27- Hampton Hall



Dr. Philip K.Gladden, Minister

FEBRUARY 2016

Cheryl Brinkley, Editor



You are invited to the annual
Presbyterian Women
Mission & Issues Covered Dish Luncheon and Program.

Sunday, February 28, 2016 12:15 p.m.

Mr. Penn Croom, Development Director for Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries in Wallace, will be our mission speaker. DCOM celebrated its 10th anniversary on July 5, 2015. Mr. Croom will update us on how the ministry has grown over the years, the many different services now provided in our community, and how our congregation can continue to support this important outreach to our neighbors.

For more information about Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries, visit the website at www.duplinchristian.com.





Dear Friends,

The season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 10, and extends forty days (not counting Sundays) until Easter. The number "40" reminds us of Israel's forty years wandering in the wilderness and Jesus' forty days in the wilderness being tempted by the devil. Lent is a time for us to reflect on the meaning of Jesus' life, ministry, and death for our own lives and purpose.

During Lent I will preach on the theme "Who Do You Say That I Am?" and the choir will sing selections from Lloyd Larson's composition of the same name. In the weeks leading up to our Easter celebration, we will hear the stories of John the fisherman. Peter the disciple, Mary the sister of Lazarus, Pontius Pilate the Roman governor, and Joseph of Arimathea. On Easter Sunday, we will hear the resurrection story from John 20, when Mary Magdalene meets the risen Lord in the garden.

I have listed my sermon texts

for the different Sundays in Lent elsewhere in this newsletter. I encourage you to spend some time in God's Word each week as part of a Lenten spiritual discipline. Read the stories of these people who loved Jesus and wrestled with their own answer to his question, "Who do you say that I am?" As you read their stories and worship during Lent, ask yourself, "Who do I say that Jesus is?" That is the question that determines everything else about our lives.

Lloyd Larson writes about his music, "It is my prayer that this work will encourage choirs and congregations to reaffirm their belief in and devotion to Christ. . . As you experience the story of grace and sacrificial love through this work, may your response to the claims of Christ echo the response of the Roman officer standing near the cross as Jesus died: 'Truly, this was God's Son!"

In Christ,





ACTIONS OF THE SESSION

At the Tuesday, January 19, 2016 stated meeting of the session, the elders and minister:

- * were led in an opening devotion and prayer by Elder Dottie Obenour;
- * conducted the meeting as a worship service;
- * elected the following persons to one year of service:

Clerk of Session: George Francis

Assistant Clerk of Session: Nick Baker

Treasurer: Wayne Casteen

President of the Corporation: Curt Simpson

- * sang together, studied God's Word in 2 Corinthians 12:1-9, and discussed a reading,
 - "Regarding Ruling Elders: equipped for ministry."
- * approved minutes from the December 15, 2015 stated session meeting and the December 27, 2015 called session meeting;
- * approved 2016 dates for special offerings and the celebration of the Lord's Supper;
- * approved requests for the use of the church facilities for weddings:

Mary Blair Ange and Matthew Young, December 3, 2016 Bailey Rouse and Devan Riley, December 17, 2016

- * reviewed year-end financial reports for 2015;
- * heard a report from the Outreach Ministry Team regarding the 2015 St. Nicholas Project;
- * approved sending the following contributions:

\$10,000 to the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina

\$1,250 to Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries

\$1,250 to Friends of Kirkwood

- * finalized the "Worship. Grow. Go." Mission Budget brochure to be mailed to the congregation;
- * made 2016 Ministry Team assignments;
- * joined together for a closing prayer.



WORSHIP LEADERSHIP IN FEBRUARY

DATE	ELDER	PREACHER
February 7	Zach Casteen	Gary Bell, Gideons International
February 14	Dottie Obenour	Philip Gladden
February 21	Brenda Long	Philip Gladden
February 28	Curt Simpson	Philip Gladden



NEWS FROM THE SESSION

2016 MINISTRY TEAM RESPONSIBILITIES

Worship & Music: Zach Casteen. Vera Coombs

Outreach: Harriet Farrior, George Francis, Joe Tillman, Susan Walters

Christian Education: Joell Parker, Jim Sills, Nell Sloan

Congregational Care: Ann Carter, Brenda Long, Dottie Obenour

Stewardship & Finance: Nick Baker, Wayne Casteen

Personnel: Susie Bullard, Dottie Obenour

Building & Grounds: Rick Batchelor

2016 OFFICERS

Clerk of Session: George Francis Assistant Clerk of Session: Nick Baker

Treasurer: Wayne Casteen

President of Wallace Presbyterian Church, Inc.: Curt Simpson



Mr. Gary Bell, Guest Preacher Sunday, February 7, 2016

Mr. Gary Bell of the Duplin Camp of Gideons International will be our guest preacher on Sunday, February 7. The Gideons International is an Association of Christian business and professional men and their wives dedicated to telling people about Jesus through sharing personally and by providing Bibles and New Testaments. While they are known worldwide for their work with hotels, they predominantly share Scriptures in schools and colleges, prisons and jails, hospitals, and medical offices.



NURSERY WORKERS

FEBRUARY



02/07: Harriet and Charley Farrior

02/14: Gloria & Dave Wells 02/21: Tracey & Watts Carr 02/28: Rhonda & Freddy Hall

03/06: Georgette, Lydia & Kennedy Thompson

03/13: Christy & Kevin Johnson 03/20: Roger & Madelyn Coombs 03/27: Gina & Chuck Farrior

YOUTH WORSHIP LEADERS

02/07: Joseph & Colby Phaneuf 02/14: Lydia & Kennedy Thompson 02/21: Joe Wallace & Tommy Newkirk

02/28: Elizabeth & James Sills

Blake Wallace Greg Maready

Fred Burroughs, Leader **Bill Walters Susan Walters**

GREETERS

02/07: Jim & Sharon Robison 02/14: Freddy & Rhonda Hall 02/21: Greq & Geneva Maready 02/28: Gary & Joyce Ange

OPENING CHURCH BUILDING

February 1-15: Nate Farrior February 16-29: Clay Blue

CHURCH NEWS For Your Information

- * **Presbyterian Men** will meet on Tuesday, February 2 at 6:00 p.m. at the Mt. Zion Presbyterian Church in Rose Hill. All men are invited for supper and Bible study.
- * The 6th annual Sound Retreat will be held Friday Sunday, February 5-7 at The Trinity Center at Pine Knoll Shores, NC. Rev. Owen Carriker will be the adult program leader. Jenna Carriker will provide the program for children and youth.
- * The session will meet on Tuesday, February 16 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 304. If you have any business or concerns for the session to consider, please speak to one of the elders or the minister.
- * We will receive our monthly Feed Our Hungry Children/Backpack Ministry Offering on Sunday, February 28 during worship.
- * The Presbyterian Women will sponsor the annual Missions & Issues luncheon and program on Sunday, February 28 at 12:15 p.m. Mr. Penn Croom of Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries will be our mission speaker.



Hospital & at home: Avalee Bowman (The Oaks at Mayview, Raleigh, NC) Cathy Wells (Fayetteville)

Myree Bland (home) **Judy Robinson (home)**

Kelsea Webster (home)



Souper Bowl of Caring Offering February 7, 2016 Super Bowl Sunday

Drop \$1 or more in the soup pots on your way out of worship.
All money collected will be given to our
Helping Hands Food Pantry.

Since 1990, young people have been leading the charge and inspiring others to collect dollars and food weeks leading up to the Big Game. Teaming up with local partners, these groups give 100% of donations to local charities, changing the nation's largest weekend of football into the largest weekend of caring.



FEED OUR HUNGRY CHILDREN/ BACKPACK MINISTRY OFFERING SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28



An extension of the Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries
From July 1 - December 31, 2015, individuals and sixteen churches and
organizations contributed \$16,828 to provide 2,762 food packs (5,524
meals) to children at seven schools in
Duplin County. Thank you for your generous contributions!



Prayer Shawl Ministry Team Celebrates Their First Year Anniversary

The Prayer Shawl Ministry has completed their first year. Our first anniversary was January 18. We had a meeting at the home of Dottie Obenour and also celebrated!

This is what we accomplished in our first year:

In the first year 50 prayer shawls were made. We gave away:

32 prayer shawls 3 prayer pockets 1 lap blanket 3 baptism shawls

2 afghans

15 prayer pockets to 2015 Confirmation Class

Members

Mary Ayres Cindy Barrow Mary Carone
Marilyn Frater Susie Gaus Dottie Obenour
Pat Simpson Sandy Ward Vanessa Ward

Pat Wilson Christy Wintrode



THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY IN 2015!

Thanks to your generous contributions, our church treasurer, Wayne Casteen, reported to the session in January that we finished 2015 with a budget surplus of approximately \$27,000. In the fall of 2014, the session agreed that, if there was a surplus at the end of 2015 and if possible, we would make additional benevolent contributions to different ministries.

At the January 19 session meeting, the decision was made to use \$12,500 of the surplus funds to make the following contributions: \$10,000 to the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina (supports youth and Christian Education activities; mission and outreach programs; provides multiple resources for congregations throughout southeastern North Carolina); \$1,250 to Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries (our local crisis ministry center); and \$1,250 to Friends of Kirkwood (a non-profit group of Presbyterians who work with the Wilmington Family YMCA to operate Camp Kirkwood).

ANNUAL SOUND RETREAT!!

"Casting your Net on the other side: Getting the Most out of Faith and Life"



<u>SAVE THE DATE</u>: February 5-7, 2016, 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!



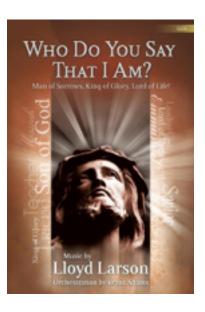
Rev. Owen Carriker



Jenna Carriker

Our spiritual leader for the adult program will be Reverend Owen Carriker, Pastor of Hope Presbyterian Church, Winter Haven, Florida. It will be a stimulating and exciting time. We will also have an exciting program for our school age kids, led by Jenna Carriker, Youth Director, of our youth ministry program of the Wallace Presbyterian Church, and including Trinity led exploration of birds of prey and life in and around the Sound. Watch the church's bulletin board and website http://wallacepresbyterian.com for more information on our Sound Retreat!





Preaching in Lent 2016 "Who Do You Say That I Am?"

That's the Question!

Worship Date
February 14
First Sunday of Len

First Sunday of Lent

February 21

Second Sunday of Lent

February 28

Third Sunday of Lent

March 6

Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 13

Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 20

Palm/Passion Sunday

March 27

Easter

Scripture

Mark 8:27 - 9:1

Disciples

Mark 10:35-45

John

Mark 14:26-31, 66-72

Peter

John 11:17-53

Mary

John 18:28 - 19:16

Pontius Pilate

Luke 23:50-56

Joseph of Arimathea

John 20:1-18

Mary Magdalene

February 2016

January 2016 February 2016 March 2016 SMTWTFS S M T W T F S SMTWTFS 1 2 1 2 3 4 5 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 28 29 27 28 29 30 31 31

WPC Calendar

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31 = 9:40 AM Opening Assembly = 10:00 AM Sunday School = 11:00 AM Worship/5th Sunday Building Offering = 3:00 PM Friends of the Arts Concert = 5:00 PM Youth Fellowship	1	= 6:30 AM Coffee in Room 304 = 7:00 AM SonRise Worship = 7:00 PM Presbyterian Men Mount Zion PC	= 10:00 AM No Bible Studay, Sound Retreat = 5:15 PM LOGOS! = 6:00 PM Handbell Rehearsal = 7:30 PM Choir Practice	4	Annual Sound Retreat	Annual Sound Retreat
7 Annual Sound Retreat = 9:40 AM Opening Assembly = 10:00 AM Sunday School = 11:00 AM Worship/Souper Bowl of Caring Offering = 5:00 PM Youth Fellowship	■ 10:30 AM Circle #1: Office Build- ing	= 6:30 AM Coffee in Room 304 = 7:00 AM SonRise Worship = 10:30 AM Circle #3: Brenda Long = 7:00 PM Circle #4: Mary Laine Rouse	Ash Wednesday, Beginning of Lent 10:00 AM Bible Study, Church Office Bldg. 5:15 PM LOGOS! 6:00 PM Handbell Rehearsal 7:30 PM Choir Practice	11	12	13
14 First Sunday of Lent = 12:00 AM HAPPY VALENTINES DAY! = 9:40 AM Opening Assembly = 10:00 AM Sunday School = 11:00 AM Worship = 5:00 PM Youth Fellowship	15 = 6:15 PM Presbyterians Dining To- gether	= 6:30 AM Coffee in Room 304 = 7:00 AM SonRise Worship = 6:00 PM Session Meeting	17 = 10:00 AM Bible Study, Church Office Bldg. = 5:15 PM LOGOS! = 6:00 PM Handbell Rehearsal = 7:30 PM Choir Practice	18	19	20
Second Sunday of Lent = 9:40 AM Opening Assembly = 10:00 AM Sunday School = 11:00 AM Worship = 5:00 PM Youth Fellowship	22	= 6:30 AM Coffee in Room 304 = 7:00 AM SonRise Worship	24 = 10:00 AM Bible Study, Church Office Bldg. = 5:15 PM LOGOS! = 6:00 PM Handbell Rehearsal = 7:30 PM Choir Practice	25	26	27
Third Sunday of Lent = 9:40 AM Opening Assembly = 10:00 AM Sunday School = 11:00 AM Worship = 12:15 PM Luncheon & Mission Program = 5:00 PM Youth Fellowship	29	= 6:30 AM Coffee in Room 304 = 7:00 AM SonRise Worship	= 10:00 AM Bible Study, Church Office Bldg. = 5:15 PM LOGOS! = 6:00 PM Handbell Rehearsal = 7:30 PM Choir Practice	HAPPY \	VALENTIN	E'S DAY!