



Weekly Bible Study

Monday night, 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. via Zoom

Wednesday morning, 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. in Room 304
and via Zoom

You are invited to join our weekly Bible Study
as we read and discuss the sermon text for the
following Sunday. Check your email on Monday to
find the Zoom links for the week.



Birthdays in February

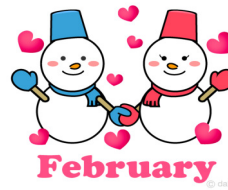


Happy Birthday to you!!



1. Gloria Wells
Ann T. Johnson
4. Cody Cavanaugh
Rusty Walker
Phil Gladden
Pat Wilson
6. Hayes Ludlum
7. Shirley Carlton
Hope Turnbull
8. Greg Maready
10. Robert Steen
12. Marissa Parks
MacKenzie Parks

14. Lois Edgerton
15. Mary Carone
16. Katie Robison McCourtie
Debbie Thomas
18. Nolan Hall
Jean Parks
21. Kyle Teachey
Dona Lanier
24. Chuck Farrior
Courtney Moore
25. Lee Baker
26. Tom Whitfield
27. Hampton Hall



NEWSLETTER



WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Dr. Philip K. Gladden, Minister

FEBRUARY 2022

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2022 LENTEN STUDY

*Life Together in Christ:
Experiencing
Transformation
In Community*

by
Ruth Haley Barton



*LIFE TOGETHER
IN CHRIST*

EXPERIENCING TRANSFORMATION
IN COMMUNITY



RUTH HALEY BARTON
AUTHOR OF SACRED RHYTHMS

You are invited to participate in our 2022 Lenten Study in the weeks leading up to Easter. This year we will read and talk about Ruth Haley Barton's book, *Life Together in Christ: Experiencing Transformation in Community*. The book is based on the Emmaus Road story in Luke 24:13-35 which tells about Cleopas and his companion meeting the risen Lord Jesus on the Emmaus Road on the first Easter afternoon.

Our small group discussions will provide opportunities to draw closer to Jesus and to one another as we walk along our journeys of faith. After all, as Ruth Haley Barton says, "all of us are on our own Emmaus Road — somewhere between the now and the not yet — in some area of our lives."

If you would like to be part of our 2022 Lenten Study, contact the church office at 285-2808 or Dr. Phil at drphil@wallacepresbyterian.com. You can also indicate your interest and preferences for meeting days and times by filling out a brief online survey at <https://forms.gle/THPTHmCQF5AAeVeD6>. Dates and times for this study will be announced.



Dear Friends,

Julian of Norwich (1343-1416 A.D.), also known as Juliana of Norwich, Dame Julian, or Mother Julian, wrote a book called Revelations of Divine Love, which she based on a series of sixteen visions she received. She is thought to be the first woman to have written a book in English that has survived. Although church historians are not certain of her actual name, she is known as Julian of Norwich because she lived in one, small room at St. Julian's Church in Norwich. From there she counseled many people.

During her entire lifetime, the 100 Years' War raged in Europe. Also, she lived through the first (1348-1350) and second (1361-1362) waves of the bubonic plague, known as the Black Death in England. Historians estimate the pandemic killed 40-60% of the population in the first wave and 20% in the second wave. Obviously, Julian of Norwich was no stranger to suffering, either in her community or in her personal life. When she was thirty years old, she became very sick with a high fever and breathing difficulties. She had the sensation of being paralyzed. When her priest visited her, she had the first of many visions of Christ suffering on the cross. After this illness, she devoted herself to a life of prayer and union with God. That is when she began to live in the solitary room at St. Julian's Church of Norwich and counsel people in distress. As she experienced visions of Christ throughout her life, she wrote detailed descriptions of them which, when combined, became her book Revelations of Divine Love.

Julian's most well-known phrase may be, "All shall be well, and all shall be well, and all manner of things shall be well." This expression of faith is not the equivalent of burying your head in the sand and ignoring the reality of circumstances around you. Julian of Norwich hardly did that. Rather, her statement is grounded in a deep faith and trust in God who entered into our world and lives in his only Son Jesus to share in our suffering. To say that "all shall be well, and all shall be well, and all manner of things shall be well" is not to say that what we go through in life is of no consequence. Instead, Julian's revelation of divine love is a lasting reminder of God's love and concern and divine purpose for all of creation and for each of us. Her confession of faith in God reminds us of the apostle Paul's words in Romans 8:37-39, "No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who love us. For I am convinced

ACTIONS OF THE SESSION

At the Tuesday, January 18, 2022 session meeting, the elders and minister:

- * conducted the meeting as a worship service;
- * received a 2021 year end financial report from the church treasurer;
- * approved the 2022 budget;
- * read God's Word in Matthew 20:20-28 and 1 Corinthians 12:12-26 and talked about the needs of the session, congregation, and community and the gifts God has given the session to help meet those needs;
- * elected for 2022: Clerk of Session Hope Turnbull, Treasurer Wayne Casteen, Corporation President Curt Simpson;
- * approved minutes from November 30, 2021 stated session meeting, January 9, 2022 called session meeting, and November 7, 2021 congregational meetings;
- * approved communion and special offerings schedule for 2022;
- * approved a request from the Alternative Sunday School Class to use the book *Encounters with Jesus: Studies in the Gospel of John* by Frances Taylor Gench for a spring study;
- * assigned elders to 2022 Ministry Team work;
- * evaluated in-person worship COVID protocols and agreed to maintain current standards and to remind the congregation of the protocols in place;
- * approved revised church rolls as recommended by the ad hoc Church Rolls Committee;
- * prayed for members of our congregation, community, nation, and world;
- * prayed the Lord's Prayer together.

CHURCH NEWS . . . For Your Information



- * **We will receive** the annual Souper Bowl of Caring Offering during worship on Sunday, February 13. Please see the article in the newsletter for more information.
- * **The session** will meet Tuesday, February 15 at 7:00 p.m. 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** the monthly (school year) Feed Our Hungry Children/Backpack Minister Offering during worship on Sunday, February 27.

	Hospital & at home:	
	Cathy Wells (Pender Memorial Rehab)	Verlie Wells (The Gardens)
	Judy Robinson (home)	Bruce Lyon (Dayspring)
	Dan & Eva McLaughlin (The Gardens)	



**FEED OUR HUNGRY CHILDREN/
BACKPACK MINISTRY OFFERING
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27**



We will receive our monthly (school year) Feed Our Hungry Children/Backpack Ministry Offering during worship on Sunday, February 27. This offering is an extension of Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries and provides lunches and weekend food for students in Duplin County Schools. 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.

that 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."

Friends, as we continue to make our way through the COVID-19 pandemic and mourn the many losses that we have encountered, both personal and as a community, we can be inspired by the words of a faithful woman who lived more than six hundred years ago, suffered a great many losses in her life, yet still brought hope and encouragement to her neighbors and community as she bore witness and proclaimed, "All shall be well, and all shall be well, and all manner of things shall be well." May it be so with you and yours.

In Christ,

Phil



**SOUPER BOWL OF CARING HUNGER OFFERING
Sunday, February 13, 2022
Following Worship**

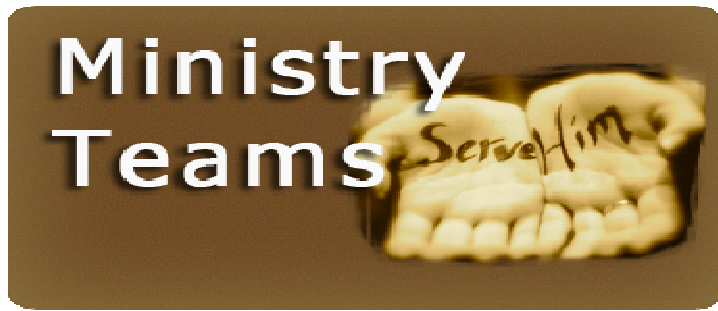
Our annual Souper Bowl of Caring Offering will be received on Super Bowl Sunday, February 13. All money collected will be given to our Helping Hands Food Pantry at the church. You may put your contribution in the bucket or offering plate in worship, mail it to P.O. Box 717, Wallace, NC 28466, drop a check in the mail slot in the front door of the church office building at 205 W. Main Street, or contribute online at www.wallacepresbyterian.com.



**2022 SESSION RETREAT
Saturday, February 26
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**

Our session will have its annual retreat at the church on Saturday, February 26 from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. This is a time for our elders to worship and pray together, enjoy fellowship, and look ahead as they seek to fulfill their calling and responsibilities "to discern and measure the congregation's fidelity to the Word of God, and to strengthen and nurture the congregation's faith and life." (*Book of Order*, Section G-2.0301)

Please keep the members of our session in your prayers as they gather on Saturday, February 26: Hope Turnbull; Fred Burroughs; Patsy Ludlum; Darleen Weller; Hayes Ludlum; Greg Maready; Kelli Norris; Joyce Ange; Danielle Sills; Curt Simpson; and Philip Gladden.



The members of the Session depend on you to help with the different ministries of our congregation. You may hear from them as they ask folks to get involved in serving our Lord Jesus, our congregation, our community, and the world.

Listed below are the responsibilities of the Ministry Teams, and the elders serving on the teams. If you are interested in participating in any of these important areas in the life of our church, please contact the appropriate elder or the minister.

Responsibilities of Ministry Teams

Christian Education (Danielle Sills): work in planning and overseeing the entire Christian Education program (e.g., Sunday School, youth groups, outdoor ministries, confirmation, etc.); recruit and train Sunday School Superintendent, Sunday School teachers and youth leaders; Vacation Bible School.

Building and Grounds (Greg Maready, Hayes Ludlum): oversee the maintenance and development of the physical plant and grounds; be responsible for opening and closing the building on Sundays and at other times when needed; develop a long-range building and grounds maintenance plan; supervise and communicate with the weekly cleaning crew; cleaning supplies.

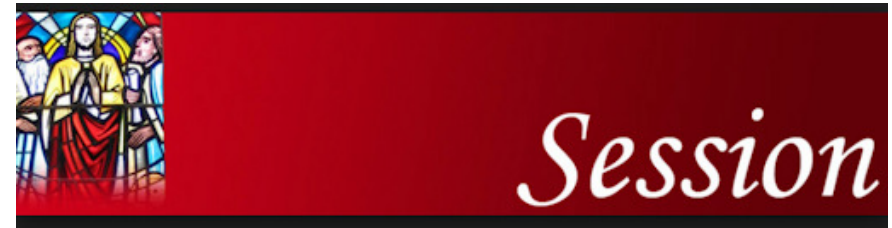
Personnel (Hayes Ludlum, Darleen Weller): oversee all personnel matters; regularly review the personnel handbook and recommend policy changes as needed; conduct annual reviews of church staff; organize and compile the church Manual of Operations; oversee the church safety policies and background checks.

Worship and Music (Joyce Ange): oversee the worship life of the congregation; be responsible for ushers, greeters, and nursery workers, sanctuary guild, Kirkwood Sunday, community Advent services, communion, pulpit supply; sanctuary decorating for Advent/Christmas.



2022 CHURCH OFFICERS

Clerk of Session: Hope Turnbull
Church Treasurer: Wayne Casteen
Corporation President: Curt Simpson



2022 SESSION

Philip K. Gladden, Moderator

Hope H. Turnbull, Clerk

CLASS OF 2022

Fred Burroughs
Patsy Ludlum
Darleen Weller

CLASS OF 2023

Hayes Ludlum
Greg Maready
Kelli Norris

CLASS OF 2024

Joyce Ange
Danielle Sills
Curt Simpson



FEBRUARY



02/06: Mary Laine & Jason Rouse
02/13: Ellie Newton & Gloria Wells
02/20: Georgia & Windsor Farrior
02/27: Geneva & Greg Maready

Kevin Johnson Clay Blue
Devan Riley

OPENING CHURCH BUILDING

February 1-15: Nate Farrior
February 16-28: Clay Blue



FEBRUARY 2022

February 6	1 Corinthians 12:12-26
February 13	1 Corinthians 12:27 - 13:13
February 20	Ecclesiastes 3:1-15
February 27	Luke 9:28-36

The sermon texts are provided so you can read them and pray about them before worship. Please keep our congregation and minister in your prayers as we read and hear God’s Word during the month of February.



COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

The session recommends and encourages everyone who attends worship in-person to wear a mask regardless of your vaccination status. We also ask that worshipers continue to be mindful of social distancing. As we have suggested throughout the pandemic, if you are not feeling well or suspect that you might be sick, please stay home and worship via our live-stream broadcast. Finally, if you have not been vaccinated, we encourage you to take the vaccine shots for your own health and safety as well as for the health and safety of your fellow church members and our community as a whole.

Stewardship and Finance (Curt Simpson): oversee the financial matters of the congregation; prepare and submit the annual budget in consultation with the ministry teams; provide for the annual audit of church accounts; evaluate and propose special offerings; develop a year-round program of Stewardship education for the congregation; assist church treasurer with counting the weekly offerings.

Congregational Care (Darleen Weller, Kelli Norris): oversee the spiritual nurture and pastoral care of the congregation; work with/oversee Presbyterians Dining Together (PDT); develop and implement a new member identification, support, and assimilation program (e.g., identification, initial contacts, welcome baskets, follow-up contacts, new member classes, sponsors, etc.); work with the minister to develop and offer spiritual nurture opportunities (e.g., retreats, studies, etc.); congregational communication (e.g., website, e-mail communications, etc.).

Outreach (Patsy Ludlum, Fred Burroughs): oversee the outreach ministries of our congregation, including the Helping Hands Food Pantry, Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries (DCOM), Celebrate Recovery, St. Nicholas project, disaster responses (e.g., special offerings, work teams, shelter operation in a local emergency, etc.); Zambia mission; develop a congregational awareness of mission and outreach needs and opportunities in our community, presbytery, denomination, and worldwide.



February 2022

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■ WPC Calendar
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Happy Valentine's Day



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6 ■ 9:30 AM Alternative Sunday School Class, in person & Zoom, Room 304 ■ 10:00 AM Sunday School ■ 11:00 AM Worship (in-person and live-stream)	7 ■ 10:30 AM Circle #1: Home of Tut Hall ■ 7:00 PM No Monday Night Bible Study	8 ■ 10:30 AM Circle #3: Fellowship Hall ■ 7:00 PM Circle #4: Fellowship Hall	9 ■ 10:00 AM Bible Study, Zoom and In-Person (Room 304) ■ 6:00 PM Handbell Practice ■ 7:00 PM Choir Practice	10	11	12
13 ■ 9:30 AM Alternative Sunday School Class, in person & Zoom, Room 304 ■ 10:00 AM Sunday School ■ 11:00 AM Worship (in-person and live-stream)/ Souper Bowl of Caring Offering	14 Happy Valentine's Day ■ 7:00 PM No Monday Night Bible Study	15 ■ 7:00 PM Session Meeting, Room 304	16 ■ 10:00 AM Bible Study, Zoom and In-Person (Room 304) ■ 6:00 PM Handbell Practice ■ 7:00 PM Choir Practice	17	18	19
20 ■ 9:30 AM Alternative Sunday School Class, in person & Zoom, Room 304 ■ 10:00 AM Sunday School ■ 11:00 AM Worship (in-person and live-stream)	21 ■ 7:00 PM Zoom Bible Study	22	23 ■ 10:00 AM Bible Study, Zoom and In-Person (Room 304) ■ 6:00 PM Handbell Practice ■ 7:00 PM Choir Practice	24	25	26
27 ■ 9:30 AM Alternative Sunday School Class, in person & Zoom, Room 304 ■ 10:00 AM Sunday School ■ 11:00 AM Worship (in-person and live-stream)/Feed Our Hungry Children Backpack Ministry Offering	28 ■ 7:00 PM Zoom Bible Study	1	2 ■ 10:00 AM Bible Study, Zoom and In-Person (Room 304) ■ 6:00 PM Handbell Practice ■ 7:00 PM Choir Practice	3	4	5