



## Happy New Year!

Brush away old heartaches.  
Learn from our mistakes.  
Another year is finally over.  
A new dawn awakes.  
Let the old year out.  
Welcome the new one in.  
Bury the bad things of the past  
As a new year now begins.  
Make your New Year wishes  
As simple as you can.  
Pray for peace and love,  
Not for wealth or fame.  
Pray for health and happiness.  
Pray for your fellow man.  
Pray for all the ones you love.  
Pray for those who've lost their way.  
As the midnight hour chimes,  
We leave the old and embrace the new.  
I wish the things you wish for yourself,  
And may God's love stay with you.



## Birthdays in January

Happy Birthday to you!!

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| 2. Will Fussell     | 15. Annie Johnson   |
| 5. Fred Burroughs   | Diane Knowles       |
| Caroline Goffena    | 16. Cathy Wells     |
| 8. Jacob Hargrove   | 18. Obbie Clemmons  |
| 9. Megan Strickland | Joey Brinkley       |
| 10. Mike Teachey    | 19. Jamie Alexander |
| 11. Curt Simpson    | 29. Mary Browder    |



# NEWSLETTER

## WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Dr. Philip K. Gladden, Minister

JANUARY 2022

Cheryl Brinkley, Editor



## ORDINATIONS AND INSTALLATIONS OF RULING ELDERS Sunday, January 16

During worship on Sunday, January 16, the session will ordain and install Ruling Elders in the Class of 2024. These elders have completed a time of officer training and been examined by the session. They are responding to God's call through the voice of our congregation to serve as our spiritual leaders in worship, ministry, outreach, nurture, and stewardship.

To be ordained and installed: Joyce Ange and Danielle Sills

To be installed: Curt Simpson



# Session

## OUR SESSION FOR 2022

Philip K. Gladden, Moderator

Hope 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

Please keep the members of our session in your prayers as they lead us in ministry and the discernment of God's will for our church.



Dear Friends,

*Did you know that the word “Presbyterian” in our church’s name describes how we govern ourselves as a faith community?*

*“Presbyterian” comes from the Greek word presbuteros which means “elder.” In other words, we are governed by elders at every level of church life. In the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), we have Ruling Elders and Teaching Elders (otherwise known as ministers of the Word and Sacrament). One of the best definitions of Ruling Elder is found in our church’s Book of Order, Section G-2.0301: “Ruling elders are so named not because they ‘lord it over’ the congregation (Matthew 20:25), but because they are chosen by the congregation to discern and measure its fidelity to the Word of God, and to strengthen and nurture its faith and life.” Our session is not a board of directors, but a community of spiritual leaders. In our monthly stated meetings, we worship regularly, read and discuss God’s Word, confess our sins and hear the Good News, and pray for members of the congregation and our wider community. We are intentional about these practices because they help us fulfill our calling to discern and measure the congregation’s faithfulness to God’s Word and to strengthen and nurture the congregation’s faith and life.*

*The Book of Order also directs that “congregations should elect persons of wisdom and maturity of faith, having demonstrated skills in leadership and being compassionate in spirit.” On November 7, the congregation elected Joyce Ange, Danielle Sills, and Curt Simpson as Ruling Elders in the Class of 2024. On Sunday, January 16, we will celebrate their ordination and installation during worship. Joyce and Danielle will be ordained and installed. Since he has previously been ordained, Curt will be installed. These three folks will join our other six Ruling Elders and me to comprise our session during 2022. The*

## A Prayer for the New Year

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Consult not your fears, but your hopes and your dreams.

Think not about your frustrations, but about your unfulfilled potential.

Concern not yourself with what you tried and failed in, but what it is still possible to do.

Now is the time to put aside past and present setbacks and failures and look with confidence to the new day called tomorrow.”

**POPE JOHN XXIII**

woman's day





**FEED OUR HUNGRY CHILDREN/  
BACKPACK MINISTRY OFFERING  
SUNDAY, JANUARY 23**

We will receive our monthly Feed Our Hungry Children/Backpack Ministry Offering on Sunday, January 23. This offering provides school lunches and weekend food for students in Duplin County Public Schools. Thank you for your generous and faithful support.



**THE CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF  
THE LORD'S SUPPER  
Sunday, January 2  
In-person and Live Stream**

We will celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper during worship on Sunday, January 2. All are welcome at the table!

*Class of 2022 includes Fred Burroughs, Patsy Ludlum, and Darleen Weller. The Class of 2023 includes Hayes Ludlum, Greg Maready, and Kelli Norris. Ruling Elder Hope Turnbull serves as our Clerk of Session.*

*During the ordination/installation service, after the Ruling Elders have taken their vows, the members of the congregation will be asked two questions about accepting and supporting the elders in their work. The second question asks, "Do we agree to pray for them, to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is Head of the Church?" During the coming year, I encourage you to do just that – pray for, encourage, respect, and follow our Ruling Elders as they lead us in our worship, outreach, pastoral care, and witness to Jesus Christ. As you know, we face challenging times for many reasons but, as always, God has raised up men and women in our congregation and called them for service as our spiritual leaders.*

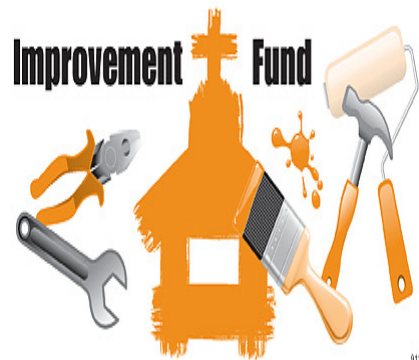
*Thank you for being a faithful congregation. Your elders and I look forward to serving and working with you in 2022.  
Happy New Year!*

*Phil*



Thank you for  
**your hard work**  
and **dedication!**

We thank Wayne Casteen (Stewardship & Finance Ministry Team), Sam Rose (Building & Grounds Ministry Team), and Lindsay Skidmore (Christian Education Ministry Team), members of the session's Class of 2021, who have rotated off active service on the session. They have been faithful leaders for our congregation for the past three years. Thanks!



### 5<sup>TH</sup> Sunday Building Offering January 30, 2022

We will receive our 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Building Offering during worship on Sunday, January 30. This offering helps us provide and maintain our church physical plant so our worship, education, and outreach ministries can continue. Thank you for your generous support!



*We extend our Christian love and sympathy to the family of Rev. Bruce Powell who died on Monday, December 20. Bruce was a child of the Wallace Presbyterian Church and pastor of the Siler Presbyterian Church in Monroe, NC.*



### THE DAY OF EPIPHANY

Thursday, January 6

The word "epiphany" (from the Greek epiphaneia or theophaneia) means "appearance" or "manifestation" of God, and has roots in the word for sunrise or dawn. In ancient times, an epiphany meant either a visible manifestation of a god or the solemn visit of a ruler venerated as a god.

For Christians, Christmas marks the coming of God to us; Epiphany celebrates the appearance of the Lord in the midst of humanity. The Christmas stories of the birth of Immanuel declare the divine entry; Epiphany extols the revelation of God to the world in the person of Jesus of Nazareth.

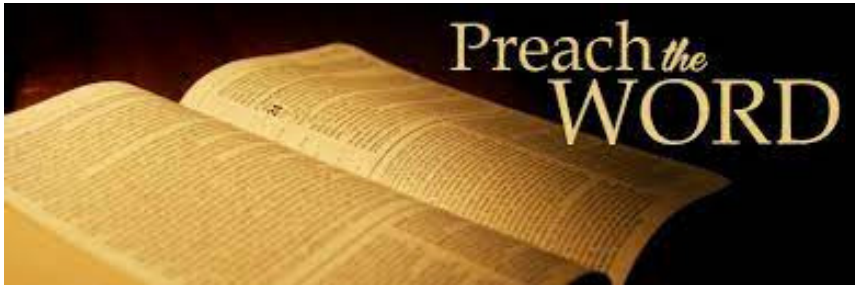
In our celebrations of Christmas and Epiphany we rejoice in the dawning and the arising of Light in darkness. ... Epiphany not only discloses the Savior to the world but also calls the world to show forth Christ, to be witnesses to God's true Light. The timeless mystery of the incarnation, God in flesh, leads us forth to show and tell of Christ as God's gift of grace and salvation for all persons. Some call this ongoing epiphany the work of Christmas.

We will hear the story of the wise men during worship on Sunday, January 2

They set out;  
and there,  
ahead of them,  
went the star  
that they had seen  
at its rising,  
until it stopped  
over the place  
where the child was.  
Matthew 2.9



**HAPPY NEW YEAR!**



## SERMON TEXTS FOR JANUARY 2022

SUNDAY	SERMON TEXT
January 2	Matthew 2:1-23
January 9	John 1:19-34
January 16	1 Corinthians 12:1-11
January 23	1 Corinthians 12:12-26
January 30	1 Corinthians 12:27 - 13:13



You are invited to join the minister for a weekly Bible Study on either Monday night from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. or Wednesday morning from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. The Monday night study is via Zoom. The Wednesday morning study is in person in Room 304 and via Zoom. The Zoom invitations/links are emailed on Monday of each week.

Join us for good fellowship and study of God's Word as we read and discuss the sermon text for the following Sunday.

*All scripture is inspired by God,  
and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction,  
and for training in righteousness,  
so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped  
for every good work.  
2 Timothy 3:16-17*



**JANUARY**



01/02: Jennifer & Royal Johnson  
01/09: Kristin & Bradley Cottle  
01/16: Harriet Farrior & Nell Sloan  
01/23: Devin & Bailey Riley  
01/30: Lindsay & Stanley Skidmore

Fred Burroughs Bill Walters  
Susan Walters

## OPENING CHURCH BUILDING

January 1-15: Charley Farrior  
January 16-31: Curt Simpson

## CHURCH NEWS . . . For Your Information

- \* **We will celebrate** the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper during worship on Sunday, January 2. All are welcome at the table.
- \* **The church office** will be closed on Monday, January 3 in observance of the New Year's holiday.
- \* **Members of the session's Class of 2024** will be ordained and installed as Ruling Elders during worship on Sunday, January 16.
- \* **The session** will meet on Tuesday, January 18 at 7:00 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 (school year) Feed Our Hungry Children/Backpack Ministry offering during worship on Sunday, January 23 and our 5th Sunday Building Offering during worship on Sunday, January 30.



**Hospital & at home:**  
Cathy Wells (Fayetteville)  
Bruce Lyon (Dayspring)

**Verlie Wells (The Gardens)**  
**Judy Robinson (home)**  
**Dan & Eva McLaughlin (The Gardens)**



# January 2022

- Home
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 Minister & Church Secretary on Vacation No Alternative Sunday School Class 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship/Gideon speaker, Bill Costin 11:00 AM Feed Our Hungry Children/Backpack Ministry	27 7:00 PM No Zoom Bible Study	28	29 10:00 AM No Bible Study, Zoom and In-Person (Room 304) 6:00 PM No Handbell Practice 7:00 PM No Choir Practice	30	31	1 Happy New Year
2 Minister & Church Secretary on Vacation 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/The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper	3 Church Office Closed 10:30 AM Circle #1: Earleene Southerland 7:00 PM Zoom Bible Study	4 9:00 AM New Event 9:00 AM New Event 10:30 AM Circle #3: Fellowship Hall 7:00 PM Circle #4: Fellowship Hall	5 10:00 AM Bible Study, Zoom and In-Person (Room 304) 6:00 PM Handbell Practice 7:00 PM Choir Practice	6 Ephiphany of the Lord	7	8
9 Baptism of the Lord 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	10 7:00 PM Zoom Bible Study	11	12 10:00 AM Bible Study, Zoom and In-Person (Room 304) 6:00 PM Handbell Practice 7:00 PM Choir Practice	13	14	15
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