

ANNUAL FATHER'S DAY OFFERING FOR THE PRESBYTERIAN HOMES OF NORTH CAROLINA Sunday, June 16

Presbyterian Homes Inc. and Brightspire formally merged to form Kintura in 2024. This merger created a new parent entity, Kintura, which encompasses the combined history and mission of both organizations. The new organization, Kintura, serves nearly 3,000 residents and employs over 2,100 team members in its five life plan communities in NC: Glenaire, Cary; River Landing, Colfax; Well-Spring, Greensboro; The Village at Brookwood, Burlington; and Scotia Village, Laurinburg. The mission of Kintura is to honor God by creating experiences that enrich lives and touch hearts while exceeding the needs of a diverse population of older adults. The vision of Kintura is to be the leader in creating a vibrant, diverse and innovative set of services for older adults. Read more about Kintura at https://www.kintura.org/. This offering will be received on Father's Day, June 15.



July Fellowship Time Refreshments

Presbyterian Women provides refreshments during the Fellowship Time, between Sunday School and Worship, 8 months of the year and the congregation (individuals or groups) provides it for the other 4 months. The congregation's next opportunity is in July. Please sign up to provide refreshments for one of the Sundays in July (6, 13, 20, 27) on the sign-up sheet in fellowship hall. Thank you!



Birthdays In June

Happy Birthday to You!



- 7- Geneva Maready
- 8- James Sills
- 13- Brenda Long
- 15- Burke Saunders
- 16- Margaret Toothman
- 17- Wells Wallace
- 19- Joyce Ange Zach Casteen

- 20- Emily Wells
- 21- Tanya Robinson Burroughs Strickland
- 24- Jim Robison
- 25- Leon Wells
- 26- Sharon Robison
- 28- Stanley Skidmore
- 29- Jim Simpson



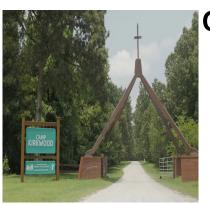




Robert H. Lapp, Interim Pastor

JUNE 2025

Cheryl Brinkley, Editor



CREATION CAMP 2025 June 1-5

Camp Kirkwood









KIRKWOOD CREATION CAMP 2025

We are going to have a blast at this year's Kirkwood Creation Camp. Camp will be June 1-5. Below is the tentative schedule for the week:

Schedule:

Sunday 3:00 PM-7:00 PM Open camp for campers and families

3:30-5:00 Open Swim, Open Kangajump and Zipline

4:00 PM Wallace Swim Test

4:30 PM Volunteer training (Youth and Adult)

5:15 PM Hot Dog Dinner

Monday-Wednesday 8:45 AM-3:15 PM

Thursday 2:00 PM-7:00 PM

4:45 PM Parents arrive for the evening dinner and worship

5:30 PM Walking Taco Dinner

6:30 PM Worship



P.A.T.H. OFFERING Presbyterian Answer to Hunger Sunday, June 1



We will receive our quarterly (March, June, September, December) P.A.T.H. (Presbyterian Answer to Hunger) offering during worship on Sunday, June 1. This offering supports the Hunger Program of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina which, in turn, funds feeding programs for children in Haiti and Malawi. The Hunger Program also provides funds for congregational food ministries such as our Helping Hands Food Pantry.



June



06/01: Devan & Bailey Riley 06/08: Lindsay & Hayes Skidmore 06/15: Mary Laine & Jason Rouse

06/22: Ellie & Michael Newton 06/29: Harriet & Windsor Farrior Charley Farrior, Head Joyce Ange Hayes Ludlum David Long

OPENING CHURCH BUILDING

June 1-15: Hayes Ludlum June 16-30: Curt Simpson

CHURCH NEWS . . . For Your Information

- * We will receive our quarterly P.A.T.H. (Presbyterian Answer to Hunger) offering during worship on Sunday, June 1. This money supports the Hunger Program of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina which provides feeding programs for children in Malawi and Haiti and grants to congregational hunger ministries such as our Helping Hands Food Pantry.
- * Creation Camp at Camp Kirkwood-June 1-5.
- * We will not have Bible Study on Wednesday, June 4-Creation Camp!
- * We will receive our annual Father's Day offering to support The Presbyterian Homes of North Carolina on Sunday, June 15.
- * **The session** will meet on Tuesday, June 17 at 6:00 p.m. If you have any business or concerns for the session to consider, please speak to one of the elders or the pastor.



ACTIONS OF THE SESSION

At the May 20, 2025 stated session meeting, the elders and pastor:

- Karla Casteen opened the meeting with a devotion and prayer. What would be on the playlist for the worship service of your life?
- Devan Riley was elected as Clerk Pro Tem.
- The minutes of the April stated meeting were approved.
- Coach Jonathan Taylor gave a presentation on FCA and how WPC could be in partnership with him.
- The Pastor Nominating Committee gave an update on the search process.
- The logistics for hosting the East Community Gathering of the Presbytery were discussed including collection of non-perishable items for the Food Pantry and items for Church World Service kits.
- Nell Sloan was elected as our commissioner to the East Community Gathering.
- Blake Wallace and Devan Riley were appointed to work on the contract between the Session and the Interim Pastor.
- The gift of \$100 to the church from the Beta Club for hosting their fundraising luncheon was designated for the youth fund.
- Dwight Hall will do some work around the church in preparation for the East Community Gathering. Further discussion of making the portico door more accessible has been postponed until the fall.
- Communion on July 6 will be received by intinction.
- 21 campers have signed up for Creation Camp at Camp Kirkwood, June 1-5.
- Congregational Care is planning a back to school cookout for the whole congregation. Robb Lapp was presented with a gift bag for him and Vickie as she recovers.
- Shared concerns for those in our church and community and adjourned with prayer.



June Preaching Schedule

SERMON TEXT	LEADER
John 17:20-26 (Creation Camp begins)	Royal Johnson
Acts 2:1-21 (Day of Pentecost)	Kevin Johnson
John 16:12-15 (Father's Day)	Geneva Maready
Luke 8:26-39	Debbie Price
Luke 9:51-62	Royal Johnson
	John 17:20-26 (Creation Camp begins) Acts 2:1-21 (Day of Pentecost) John 16:12-15 (Father's Day) Luke 8:26-39



Dear Church Family,

With Father's Day on the horizon, I was thinking about my dad who died in 1987 after a relatively short illness at the age of 85. As much as I miss my father I do find that I have gained some valuable insights and gifts from his death. For one thing I have discovered that his death did not end our relationship. It simply altered it.

My father had his faults - don't we all? When my father was living I let some of his "funny little ways" get in the way. We were close and I loved him, but still, in my immaturity I could be too critical of him. However, almost as soon as he died I began to set aside all those petty criticisms. I began to emphasize the goodness in the man and forget the faults. That is making a legend out of someone. That is unnatural to do in a person's lifetime, but after a loved one dies I think it is perfectly natural. I wish I could have been bigger about all that when he was alive, but I wasn't. I suppose I was being normal. I do know that now I have a wonderful, new fault-free loving relationship with the memory of my father. I like that part of the new relationship I have with him.

Quite a few miles kept us apart so much of the time. Busy schedules and those miles were separating. Now, however, I think of him as being near me all the time. That offers a wonderful new angle on the relationship I have with my dad. My dad was a golfer. He taught me the game. When I am on the course I can still hear him say, "Keep your head down and your left arm straight." I enjoy that new, ever-near relationship I have with my dad.

In many ways life was quite difficult for my father. It gives me some peace to know that my dad now has peace - "No more crying; no more pain; no more sorrow." It pleases me, too, to feel that my father has been able to enjoy what I call "The Great Grand Reunions." My father loved his parents—long dead. He loved his brothers and sisters—also dead. I am glad he gets to enjoy those reunions. It must be wonderful.

Well, those are just some of my feelings after my father's death. Maybe they touch some of your feelings about a father, grandfather, or fatherly mentor who now lives eternally with God.

Faithfully, Pastor Robb







2025 SUMMER ART CAMP

INSTRUCTOR ~ CHRISTIE BONEY WEAVER Retired Art Teacher from Pawleys Island, S.C.

PLACE ~ Wallace Methodist Church 303 South College Street, Wallace, NC

DATES ~ July 14 - 18 ~ AM Grades K-2 and PM Grades 3-4
July 28 - August 1 ~ AM Grades K-2 and PM Grades 5-8

*** Select Group Based on Your Child's Completed Grade

TIMES ~ AM - 9:00am - 12:00pm PM - 1:00pm - 4:00pm

CAMP TUITION ~ \$130,00 includes tuition & materials/daily snack Art camp participants will create 2-D and 3-D projects to include clay, sculpture, multimedia compositions, and a variety of painting mediums

Contact Christie Weaver at artweaver@msn.com for registrations forms or by phone at 843-222-9664 for more information.

Registration forms may also be picked up at the following locations: Duplin County Elementary/Middle Schools and Wallace Methodist Church.



AN UPDATE FROM THE
Pastor Nominating
Committee

The PNC continues to evaluate candidates who have matched with Wallace Presbyterian Church through the Church Leadership Connection (CLC) and currently is conducting a first round of interviews. The committee also is pursuing potential candidates through recommendations and other sources outside the CLC. Please be in prayer for the PNC and for our church, confident that God will call the right person as our new pastor. If you have questions about the status of the search or the process,

please feel free to contact any member of the PNC: Wayne Casteen (co-chair), Sandy Cobb, Miller Ludlam, Ellie Newton, Debbie Price, Dan Robinson, Jim Sills (co-chair), Curt Simpson,

Lindsay Skidmore



Youth Sunday

God is doing some amazing things through the children and youth of our congregation. If you were not able to be present for the worship service on Youth Sunday, May 18, or you want to see it again, please go to:

https://www.youtube.com/c/Wallacepresbyterian and hear how these young disciples are living out their faith. You will be blessed and inspired. Thank you to Debbie Price, Geneva Maready, Karla Casteen and to all who nurture and support of our children and youth.





On Saturday, May 17, over 50 people gathered in our fellowship hall and packed over 10,000 meals that will be distributed to hungry people in the Philippines. This fun intergenerational event included folks from four years of age and up.

Thank you to Courtenay Thompson and her family for their leadership and for all who donated and/or volunteered. This is our third year of hosting which means we have now packaged over 30,000 meals! Next spring watch for details for our fourth annual Rise Against Hunger Packing Event.



Children's Sunday School summer program begins this week and Christian Education is looking for volunteers to help teach our youngest members. If you love working with young people and want to share God's word, this is the perfect opportunity!

How to Sign Up:

Please visit the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall. Choose the week or weeks you are available to teach.

Thank you for your willingness to serve and make a difference in our children's spiritual growth this summer!



FEED OUR HUNGRY CHILDREN BACKPACK MINISTRY OFFERING



On Wednesday, April 30, at the Wallace Methodist Church, there was an end of the school year reception for this ministry. Nelda Croom and Susan Walters from our congregation were recognized, along with other volunteers from the community, for their dedication and service.

Food backpacks are distributed to Beulaville Elementary, Chinquapin Elementary, Rose Hill- Magnolia Elementary, Wallace Elementary, and Wallace-Rose Hill High School. 266 backpacks are provided each week to the elementary schools and once a month 15 backpacks to the high school.

Were you aware that 23% of the homes with children under the age of 18 in Duplin County are food insecure? Thank you for your generous participation in this important outreach ministry.

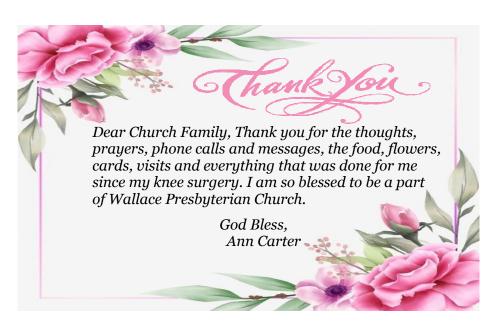














We extend our Christian love and sympathy to LuAnn Rivenbark and her family on the death of A.C. Rivenbark, Jr., on Wednesday, April 9, 2025.

HEY KIDS! UP TO A CHALLENGE?

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GREEN VEGETABLES

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