



- Birthdays in July
- 2- Karla Casteen Charles McNamara Lara Creech
- 4- Freddy Hall Nancy Gladden
- 5- Ben Roberts Danielle Sills
- 8- Riley Tate Bobby Ives
- 9- Bill Carone Joyce Rau
- 12- David Johnson Lee Woodard

- 17- Charley Farrior
  18- Linda Burroughs Ellie Carone
  19- Ann Carter
  21- Nell Sloan
  23- Bill Walters
  24- Jenny Blair
- 25- Joe Wallace
- 26- Todd Minchew J.P. Phillips
- 29- Kevin Johnson
- 31- Bill Buckley



NEWSLETTER 40 WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Dr. Philip K. Gladden, Minister

**JULY 2017** 

Cheryl Brinkley, Editor



Session Sets Installation Service for Zach Casteen as our Youth Ministry Leader

> Sunday, July 16 11:00 a.m.

Come and support Zach and the youth of WPC!





#### Dear Friends,

On March 23, 1775, the Second Virginia Convention met at the St. John's Church in Richmond. Delegate Patrick Henry proposed raising a militia in order to defend Virginia. Opponents of Henry's proposal argued for patience. Henry finished his speech to the Convention with one of the most famous closing arguments in history: "Give me liberty or give me death!" The few sentences before that lead to that climactic ending are worth hearing: "Why stand we here idle? What is it that gentlemen wish? What would they have? Is life so dear, or peace so sweet, as to be purchased at the price of chains and slavery? Forbid it, Almighty God! I know not what course others may take; but as for me, give me liberty or give me death!"

Patrick Henry's fiery speech and dramatic ending are reminiscent of Joshua's farewell address to the children of Israel. He also called upon his people to seek liberty, the freedom that comes from serving the one true God. Joshua presented the people with a clear choice: "Now if you are unwilling to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Ammonites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord." (Joshua 24:15)

As we celebrate our nation's independence on July 4, we rightly remember and cherish the freedoms we enjoy. We would also do well to remember that our liberty does not mean we can do whatever we want. Rather, free from oppression and tyranny, we are free to work for and live a life of liberty and justice for all people. Although it sounds ironic, our greatest freedom may come when we discipline ourselves to strive for the greater good.

That is certainly true for us as Christians. In his letter to the Galatians, which has been called "the Magna Carta for Christians," the apostle Paul writes, "For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself." (Galatians 5:1, 13-14)

Patrick Henry asked, "Is life so dear, or peace so sweet, as to be purchased at the price of chains and slavery?" Paul also talked a lot about our being set free in Jesus Christ from the chains and slavery to sin. As we worship each week and celebrate our freedom in Christ, we are reminded that that freedom brings responsibility: "Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies . . . No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present vourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life . . . For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace." (Romans 6:12-14)

As we celebrate the 4th of July, we will see signs that remind us, "Freedom is not free!" That is a good motivation for how we are to live as concerned, involved, and thoughtful citizens. Also, remember that our freedom in Christ is not free — it cost God the life of his only Son. How will we use our freedom in Christ as we live as his disciples?

In Christ.



#### **ACTIONS OF THE SESSION**

At the Tuesday, June 27, 2017 stated session meeting, the elders and minister:

\* were led in an opening devotion and prayer by Elder Wayne Casteen;

\* conducted the meeting as a worship service;

\* studied God's Word in James 5:13-18 and 1 Corinthians 12:12-26 and discussed a reading "Ruling Elders and Pastoral Care;

\* heard a report on the June 10, 2017 meeting of the East Community of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina from Elder Ann Carter and Rev. Philip Gladden;

\* approved a request from the minister to use continuing education leave and funds for reading and sermon planning for fall at the Cedar Cross Retreat Center, Louisburg, NC, August 29-31;

\* set Sunday, July 16, 2017 as the installation date for Zach Casteen as the Youth Ministry Leader (during worship);

\* approved supply preachers: July 30 — Hymn Sing; August 27 — Elder Jim Sills;

\* prayed for members of the congregation and community;

\* were led in a closing prayer by Elder Joe Tillman.



#### WORSHIP LEADERS FOR JULY

Dean Hanson

ELDER

DATE July 2 July 9 July 16 July 23 July 30

PREACHER Philip Gladden Philip Gladden

Geneva MareadyPhilip GladdenJason RousePhilip GladdenGeorge FrancisPhilip GladdenCurt SimpsonHymn Sing



#### Fifth Sunday Building Offering July 30

This offering helps underwrite the costs of maintaining the physical plant that provides needed space for many ministries of our congregation. Thank you for your support!

"Like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ." 1 Peter 2:5



# The Helping Hands Food Pantry Needs Your Help

Looking for a volunteer opportunity? We have just the thing for you! The Food Pantry team is looking for a few additional volunteers. Opportunities to help with this ongoing mission include the following:

\*Preparing grocery bags of canned foods to be distributed.

\*Picking up pizza from Pizza Hut on Tuesday afternoons between 3:00 and 4:00. Pack in ziplock bags for the freezer. Return containers to Pizza Hut.

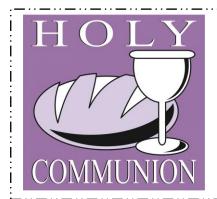
\*Meeting the Food Lion delivery on Wednesday mornings between 9:30 and 10:30. Freeze meat. Sort veggies and fruit.

\*Distributing food on Thursday mornings from 9:00-12:00.

Right now we each take one week monthly to be responsible for the above duties. But, if you would like to assist with one of the tasks, that help would be greatly appreciated also.

Contact one of the committee members if interested or leave a message with Cheryl Brinkley. We would love to have you!

Joe Tillman the Ward family - Sandy, Vanessa and Lenny Barbara and Charlie Swetits Cheryl and Art Raymond



We will celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion during worship on Sunday, July 2.

"For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes." 1 Corinthians 11:26



#### JULY

07/02: Fred Burroughs and Lydia Woodard 07/09: Gloria and Dave Wells 07/16: Harriet and Charley Farrior 07/23: Christy and Kevin Johnson 07/30: Danielle and Elizabeth Sills

08/06: Mary Laine & Jason Rouse 08/13: Gina & Sarah Pearl Farrior 08/20: Susan & Ellie Carone 08/27: Georgia & Nate Farrior

#### **YOUTH WORSHIP LEADERS**

07/02: Ellie Carone & Sarah Pearl Farrior 07/09: Madelyn & Robert Coombs 07/16: Lydia & Kennedy Thompson 07/23: Elizabeth & James Sills 07/30: Cameron & Reese Blue

CHURCH NEWS . . . For Your Information

\* We will celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper during worship on Sunday, July 2.

\* **The church office** will be closed on Tuesday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day.

\* Cheryl Brinkley, church secretary, will be on vacation July 7, 10, 11; and July 24-28.

\* The session will not meet in July.

\* **Zach Casteen** will be installed as our Youth Ministry Leader during worship on Sunday, July 16.

\* We will receive our 5th Sunday Building Offering during worship on Sunday, July 30.



Hospital & at home:Cathy Wells (Fayetteville)Judy Robinson (home)Kelsea Webster (home)



Lacey Elizabeth Johnson

March 8, 2017 - June 26, 2017

Daughter of Royal and Jennifer Johnson

Granddaughter of Tom and Mary Glyn Johnson

- USH HISHERS
- Freddy Hall, Leader J Parker Wayne Casteen Clay Blue Roger Coombs Dave Wells

## **GREETERS**

07/02: Emily Saunders & Effie Mobley 07/09: Cindy Barrow & Lois Edgerton 07/16: Joey & Rita Brinkley 07/23: Dotsie Caproni & Dana Myrick 07/30: Charley & Harriet Farrior

#### **OPENING CHURCH BUILDING**

July 1-15: Charlie Farrior July 16-31: Curt Simpson

# A MISSING PEACE

2017 Montreat Youth Conference



# 2017 Montreat Youth Conference July 30 - August 5 *A Missing Peace*

Garrett Bullard, Elizabeth Sills, Madelyn Coombs, Zach Casteen, and Philip Gladden will join other Senior High Youth and adults from the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina at the 2017 Montreat Youth Conference July 30-August 5. Youth and adults from across the United States will be united in worship, fellowship, small group discussions, Bible study, and fun for a week in the North Carolina mountains.



Don't forget to "ketchup" on your planned giving during the summer months!

Enjoy your vacation, and remember the mission and ministry of the church continue throughout the summer.



Go to our church website, <u>www.wallacepresbyterian.com.</u> Click on "Click Here to Give" in the upper right hand corner. Sign up to create a secure account or log in to your existing account. Follow the directions for easy, secure, general or program specific giving.

Thank you for your faithful support of the mission and ministry of the Wallace Presbyterian Church.



Please keep Summer Reading in your prayers as we have Open House on June 29 and begin classes on July 11. There is still room for volunteers if you would like to participate in a rewarding ministry.

If you know of someone who may be interested in volunteering in our program please contact Pat Barrow. Thank You.







SHRIMP-A-ROO! **Come Join Us** For the Third Annual "Shrimp-A-Roo"!



on Thursday, July 13, 2017 \$15.00 Adults \$8.00 Child 10 & under Come and enjoy the fun, fellowship, and shrimp! Get tickets from any member of the **Congregational Care Ministry:** Brenda Long, Ann Carter, Mary Carone, Linda Burroughs, Cindy Barrow, Gerri Hanson, Lois Edgerton, **Rick Batchelor, Dottie Obenour, and** Vanessa Ward Wallace Presbyterian Church SHRIMP-A-ROO \$15.00 Adult July 13, 2017 6 pm \$8.00 Child ADMIT ONE

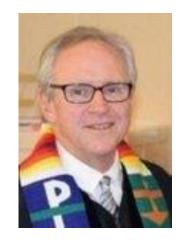




Philip Gladder

# Jesus Keeps Showing Up

Sermons by **Philip Gladden** 



### **Buy a Book and Support Our Youth Ministry Program!**

A collection of Dr. Phil's sermons has been published by Parson's Porch Books. From the publisher's website: "Parson's Porch Books operates with a double focus. Parson's Porch focuses on the needs of creative writers who need a professional publisher to get their work to market. Also, we focus on the needs of those who are homeless and displaced."

If you would like to purchase one or more books, please fill out the order form below or call the church office. You may also order online at www.amazon.com or www.parsonsporch.com.

Each book costs \$18.95. Please make checks out to Philip Gladden. All profits will be donated to the Youth Ministry Program of the Wallace Presbyterian Church.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to order \_\_\_\_\_ copies of Jesus Keeps Showing Up.



# July 2017

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