

## Birthdays In June



Happy Birthday to you!!



- Kathy Walker Elizabeth Hatch
- Sandy Miller
- **June Blalock Gina Farrior Cole Farrior**
- Geneva Maready Olivia Tate
- **Iohn Lettieri James Sills**
- Deanna Parks
- 10. Cheryl Raymond
- 11. Lydia Thompson
- 13- Ansley Hammond **Brenda Long**
- 14- Landis Wells Elijah Lanier

- 16- Margaret Toothman
- Wells Wallace
- Gerri Hanson
- 19- Zach Casteen **Connie Stamm Joyce Ange**
- 20. Emily Wells
- 21. Tanya Robinson Lydia Woodard Lawrence Parks
- 24. Jim Robison
- 25. Leon Wells
- 26. Sharon Robison
- Jack Blackney **Jim Simpson**







Dr. Philip K.Gladden, Minister

**JUNE 2014** 

Cheryl Brinkley, Editor

#### **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2014**





Are

there any

Weird Animals in your home? Maybe you are a Weird Animal! Come find out at our upcoming Vacation Bible School! This year's VBS "Weird Animals" will be held from 5 to 8 p.m., Monday, June 23

Thursday, June 26. We will have fun and fellowship together studying through "Weird Animals: Where Jesus' Love Is One-of-a-Kind." In this theme, "weird" means special, unique, rare, one-of-a-kind

Kids will learn that God filled the world with all kinds of creatures. When kids feel weird. different or even lost in the crowd, nothing compares to the extraordinary love of Jesus. Since this year's VBS will be held in the evening, the whole family can attend. There will even be activities for adults. To help with this year's VBS, please contact either Curt Simpson at (910) 290-2194 or curt.simpson@gmail.com, or Joell Parker at (804) 366-5663 or joellkennedv@gmail.com

Philip Gladden will be offering a class for adults, so everyone can join the fun of VBS. We will think about the "Weird Animals" we are called to be as followers of Jesus Christ. What does it mean to be called a Christian? How shall we live in the extraordinary, fantastic love of Jesus Christ?

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Tuesday, June 24: We Are Clay Jars—2 Corinthians 4:1-18

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Dear Friends.

For several years, I served as the chairperson of our presbytery's Examinations Committee. The committee's job is to examine ministerial candidates for ordination and ministers who are transferring into our presbytery to serve congregations.

We often asked the candidates for ordination and transferring ministers to tell us about formative events in their faith journey. Many, many times, the people would say, "I remember going to Vacation Bible School. I remember how much fun it was. I remember singing and learning Bible stories and making crafts and playing games. I also remember the adults who made it fun, who took the time to teach me about Jesus."

I hear the same story quite often when our session examines elderselect for ordination and installation on our session. People remember the fun of VBS. People remember being welcomed and valued at church. People may not remember the specific Bible stories, but they remember enjoying the fellowship of Vacation Bible School.

During the week of June 23-26, our entire congregation will have the chance to enjoy that same fun, fellowship, study, and sense of being welcome and valued at Vacation Bible School. Our VBS will be held Monday-Thursday, 5:00 - 8:30 p.m. Supper will be provided.

Our VBS theme this year is "Weird Animals: Where Jesus' Love is Oneof-a-Kind." Webster's dictionary defines "weird" as "mysteriously strange or fantastic." Our children will learn about God's extraordinary, fantastic love for them in Jesus Christ.

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Come on out for Vacation Bible
School! Stir up some memories and help make some new memories for our children and youth — and for yourself!

See you at VBS!

In Christ,





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

At the Tuesday, May 20 meeting of the session, the elders and minister:

- \* were led in a devotional and opening prayer by Elder Dottie Obenour;
- \* conducted the session meeting as a worship service;
- \* received George Francis as a member by transfer from The First Church of Christ in Hartford, CT;
- \* studied God's Word in Mark 1:16-20 and 2:13-14 and talked about "What does it mean to you to follow Jesus?" and "What does it mean for our church to follow Jesus?";
- \* prayed for members of our congregation and community;
- \* approved the minutes of the April 15, 2014 stated meeting and May 4, 2014 called meeting of the session;
- \* elected Elder Fred Burroughs as commissioner to the June 12, 2014 meeting of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina in Sanford, NC (Elder Rick Batchelor will also attend);
- \* approved a recommendation from the Building & Grounds Ministry Team to hire surveyor Davis Carr of Wallace for \$1000 to survey the empty lot next to the church and conduct a feasibility study for possible parking spaces;
- \* approved a request from the minister to use Continuing Education leave and funds to participate in the presbytery's Pastor Retreat August 24-26;
- \* approved spending up to \$1000 to help with the cost of a plane ticket for Rev. Jose de la Cruz to visit with the partnership delegation from El Presbiterio del Golfo de Mexico in October;
- \* endorsed the 2014-2015 slate of officers for Presbyterian Women;
- \* approved an application for a grant for our food pantry from the Hunger Subcommittee of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina;
- \* sent letters of encouragement and support to the eight minister/elder commissioners from our presbytery to the upcoming General Assembly meeting (June 14-21) in Detroit;
- \* were led in a closing prayer by Elder Curt Simpson.



#### WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS!

Lock Elder Saunders was welcomed as a member of our congregation on Sunday, May 4. Lock comes to us by transfer from the First Presbyterian Church in Wilmington. She and her husband, Burke, live in Wilmington with their three children, Lucy, McNair, and Hank.

**Andrea Casteen** was welcomed as a member of our congregation on Sunday, April 6 upon profession of faith and

baptism. Here is Andrea's brief biography in her own words: My name is Andrea Lyn Casteen and I was born and raised in the small town of Holly, Michigan. I am a graduate of Central Michigan University where I obtained my Bachelors of Science Degree in Education in 2008. In May 2009, I moved from my small town to Fayetteville, NC where I began teaching. After meeting my husband Zach Casteen, I moved to Duplin County in January 2012 to teach at my current school, Warsaw Elementary. Zach and I were happily married in 2012, and a year later we were graced with our daughter Adlyn Jo.

**George Francis** was welcomed as a member of our congregation on Sunday, May 25. George comes to us by transfer from The First Church of Christ in Hartford, CT. George and his wife, Mary, live in River Landing. He teaches math at James Kenan High School. Welcome!



#### WORSHIP LEADERSHIP IN JUNE

DATE	ELDER	PREACHER
June 1	Curt Simpson	Jim Sills
June 8	Zach Casteen	Philip Gladden
June 15	Bill Saunders	Philip Gladden
June 22	John Green	Philip Gladden
June 29	TBA	Philip Gladden



06/01: Rob & Ciria Lanier

06/08: Jim & Danielle Sills

06/22: Terry & Olivia Tate

06/15: Rich & Keri Phaneuf

07/27: Watts & Tracey Carr

06/29: Sherry Roberts & Hope Turnbull

07/13: Joyce Ange & Leah Fussell

07/06: Nettie Batchelor & Maria Minchew

07/20: Andrea Casteen & Lydia Woodard

#### **NURSERY WORKERS**

June



Charley Farrior, Leader
Curt Simpson Rick Batchelor
Bill Carone J Parker



#### **GREETERS**

06/01: Joey & Rita Brinkley 06/08: Greg & Sandy Miller 06/15: Charley & Harriet Farrior 06/22: Rich & Kerri Phaneuf 06/29: Gary & Joyce Ange

#### YOUTH WORSHIP LEADERS

06/01: Will & Jane Caroline Minchew 06/08: Joseph & Colby Phaneuf 06/15: Elizabeth & James Sills 06/22: Riley & Neyland Tate

06/29: Lydia & Kennedy Thompson

#### **OPENING CHURCH BUILDING**

June 1-15: Roger Coombs June 16-30: Joey Brinkley

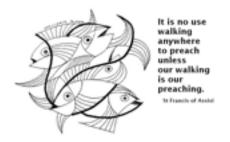
#### CHURCH NEWS . . . For Your Information

- \* Elder Jim Sills will be our preacher on Sunday, June 1.
- \* Kirkwood Summer Vesper service will be held on Sunday, June 8, 5:00 7:00 p.m.
- \* The Presbytery of Coastal Carolina will meet on Thursday, June 12, at the Sanford Civic Center.
- \* The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) will meet in Detroit June 14-21.
- \* We will celebrate the sacrament of baptism with Amelia Grace and Leah Katherine White during worship on Sunday, June 15.
- \* Vacation Bible School will be Monday Thursday, June 23-26, 5:00 8:30 p.m.
- \* We extend our Christian love and sympathy to Nell Sloan and her family on the death of her brother, David Sloan, in South Carolina on May 20.



Hospital & at home:

Avalee Bowman (The Oaks at Mayview, Raleigh, NC)
Myree Bland (home)
Cathy Wells (Fayetteville)
Judy Robinson (home)
Kelsea Webster (home)



#### PREACHING IN JUNE

Please keep our minister and congregation in your prayers as we prepare to read, hear, and proclaim God's Word in the month of June.

DATE	FIRST READING	SERMON TEXT
June 1	Preacher: Elder Jim Sills	
June 8	Numbers 20:1-13; John 7:37-39	Acts 2:14-21
June 15	Ephesians 1:2-14	Matthew 28:16-20
June 22	2 Corinthians 4:1-12	Psalm 13
June 29	John 10:1-17	Psalm 23



#### **SUMMER VESPERS**

Friends of Kirkwood will again host Summer Vespers at Camp Kirkwood in Watha, NC (ten miles south of Wallace on Highway 117, turn right on Camp Kirkwood Road and go to camp entrance on your right).

Vesper services begin with fellowship and refreshments under the Picnic Pavilion at 5:00 p.m. Worship begins at 6:00 p.m. in the Vesper Area next to the lake.

The June 8 Vesper Service will be hosted by Oak Plain and Topsail Presbyterian churches. Summer Schedule:

Sunday, June 8: Hosted by Oak Plain & Topsail PC

Sunday, July 13: Hosted by Faison PC

Sunday, August 10: Hosted by St. Andrews-Covenant PC/Wilmington

Sunday, September 14: Hosted by Wallace PC Sunday, October 12: Hosted by Burgaw PC



#### SUMMER SERMON SERIES

A Summer in the Psalms

The Book of Psalms is the Hebrew hymnbook. These songs of praise continue to speak to us today. In the psalms, we hear people of faith express their greatest longings, their deepest joys, their bewildered questions, their wonderful praise, and their loyal faith in God.

During June - August, we will spend "A Summer in the Psalms." You are invited to read and pray through the selected psalms this summer as you prepare for Sunday worship. You are also invited to our Wednesday morning Bible study (10:00 a.m., Room 304, across from the Music Room) at which the psalm for the following Sunday is discussed.

SUNDAY	<b>PSALM</b>
June 22	Psalm 13
June 29	Psalm 23
July 6	Psalm 34
July 13	Psalms 42 & 43
July 20	Psalm 77
July 27	Psalm 84
August 3	Psalm 91
August 10	Psalm 100
August 17	Psalm 121
August 24	Psalm 130
August 31	Psalm 150

### **Celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism**



## Sunday, June 15

Amelia Grace and Leah Katherine White Daughters of Andrew and Mary Kate Maready White Granddaughters of Greg and Geneva Maready Great-granddaughters of Shirley Carlton



#### NEWS FROM THE PRESBYTERY OF COASTAL CAROLINA

East Mission Coordinator Nancy Gladden will host a luncheon at WPC for ministers in the East Community on Tuesday, June 10 at 12 noon. Rev. Helen Locklear from the Board of Pensions will be the speaker.

The Presbytery of Coastal Carolina will meet on Thursday, June 12 at the Sanford Civic Center. Rev. Philip Gladden and Elder Fred Burroughs will represent our congregation. Elder Rick Batchelor will also attend.

The Committee on Mission and Outreach awarded a \$1000 mission grant to Wallace Presbyterian Church for the Summer Reading Ministry.



#### 2nd ANNUAL SUMMER READING MINISTRY TO BEGIN IN JULY

The second annual Summer Reading Ministry will begin Tuesday, July 8. Twenty-five first-grade students from Wallace Elementary School have been invited to participate in this six-week program designed to help them improve and strengthen their reading skills.

The students will work with volunteers from 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon on Tuesday and Wednesday for six weeks. Activities include breakfast, read aloud, independent reading, phonics, making words and sentences, recreation, and snack.

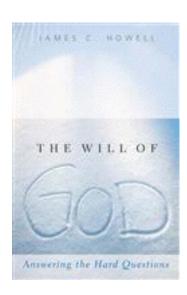
Students and their families have been invited to an Open House/Information Meeting on Thursday, June 5 at 6:30 p.m. The Alternative Sunday School Class will provide refreshments.

If you would like to volunteer for the Summer Reading Ministry, please contact Pat Barrow, Susan Walters, or Harriet Farrior.



### **Congratulations!**

Congratulations to Jackson Gladden and Jonathan Britt who will be married in Southampton, NY on May 31.



# THE MEMBERS OF THE ALTERNATIVE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS INVITE YOU TO JOIN THEM FOR A NEW SUMMER STUDY

The Will of God: Answering the Hard Questions by James C. Howell

Study begins Sunday, June 15 at 10:00 a.m.
Room 304
Led by Philip Gladden

Taken from the blurb at ThePresbyterianLeader.com: "How are we to know the will of God? In this honest discussion, veteran pastor and theologian James C. Howell considers a number of issues relating to God's will, how it is known, how it is done, and how we respond when bad things happen and we feel God is absent or has turned away from us. Howell reflects on what to do and believe when bad things happen, 'why" they happen, and the quest for God in the midst of it all, recognizing that God's will is for good."



# PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.SA.) GENERAL ASSEMBLY Saturday, June 14 - Saturday, June 21 Detroit, MI

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) will meet in Detroit June14-21. Ruling elder and teaching elder commissioners from each of the 173 presbyteries of the PC(USA) will work in committees and in plenary sessions to consider items of business before the Assembly.

One of the first items of business on Saturday night, June 14, will be the election of a moderator who will lead our church for the next two years. There are three candidates: Rev. Kelly Allen, pastor of University Presbyterian Church, San Antonio, TX; Rev. John Wilkinson, pastor of Third Presbyterian Church, Rochester, NY; and Elder Heath Rada, member of Grace Presbyterian Church, Asheville, NC.







Rev. Kelly Allen

Rev. John Wilkinson

Elder Heath Rada

To keep up-to-date with what is happening at the 221st General Assembly in Detroit, visit www.pcusa.org.

#### WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

	Receipts and Disbursements					
		For the Month End 4/30/2014	YTD 2014	Budget for 2014	% of Budget	
B U D G E T	Operating Receipts Pledge Giving Loose Collection Sunday School Collection Other Total Budget Receipts  Operating Disbursements Missions and Benevolences Building and Grounds Program and Ministries Operating and Administrative Staff and Salaries Total Budget Disbursements	29,090.00 897.25 105.00 30,092.25 1,901.84 4,288.72 623.49 3,984.58 13,777.13 24,575.76	93,909.50 2,505.85 563.15 0.00 96,978.50 7,807.36 21,107.68 9,893.90 11,279.32 56,555.56 106,643.82	32,122.00 47,520.00 21,950.00 23,900.00 171,764.00 297,256.00	32.33% 24.31% 44.42% 45.07% 47.19% 32.93% 35.88%	
	BUDGET NET	5,516.49	-9,665.32			
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	OTHER NET	21,620.68	15,285.34

TOTAL RECEIPTS	53,439.06	134,154.34
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	26,301.89	128,534.32
TOTAL NET	27,137.17	5,620.02





You can put the power of faith into action and help save a life!

# In Memory of Jack Holley Community Blood Drive

Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup> 1:00-5:30pm Harrell's Fire Dept Training Center

To make an appointment, please contact Alice Wood at 910-284-2637 or Reagan Page at 910-271-5212.

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# Wallace Presbyterian Planning Calendar

9:40 am: Open Assembly 10:00 am: S School 11:00 am: Worship, Elder Jim Sills, preacher	2	3 6:30 am: Coffee & Doughnuts-Room 304 7:00 am: SonRise Worship Room 304	4 10:00 am: Bible study, Room 304 7:30 pm: Choir Practice	5	6	7
8 DAY OF PENTECOST 9:40 am: Open Assembly 10:00 am: S School 11:00 am: Worship 5-7:00 pm: Kirkwood Summer Vesper Service 7:00 pm: WRH Baccalaureate	9	10 6:30 am: Coffee & Doughnuts-Room 304 7:00 am: SonRise Worship Room 304 12:00 Noon: Presbytery Pastor Lunch at WPC	11 10:00 am: Bible study, Room 304	9:30 am-3>00 pm: Meeting of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina, Sanford	13	June 14-June 21 General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (USA) meets in Detroit  10:00 am: WRH Graduation
15 TRINITY SUNDAY HAPPY FATHER'S DAY! 9:40 am: Open Assembly 10:00 am: S School 11:00 am: Worship, Sacrament of Baptism  General Assembly continues	16	6:30 am: Coffee & Doughnuts-Room 304 7:00 am: SonRise Worship Room 304 6:00 pm: Session Meeting	18 10:00 am: Bible study, Room 304	19	20	21
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