

From Julia Callahan of Feed Our Hungry Children

- \* Feed Our Hungry Children is an interdenominational faith-based ministry whose weekend backpack program began in 2012.
- \* It Currently serves Wallace Elementary, Rose Hill-Magnolia Elementary, Beulaville Elementary, Chinquapin Elementary, and Wallace-Rose Hill High School.
- \* School social workers at each school determine the neediest of students.
- \* From a modest beginning of 25 weekend backpacks in 2012, FOHC ended the 2022-2023 school year with distribution of 210-240 food packs each weekend to needy children. In addition, 600 backpacks were provided to 60 children for the 10 weekends of summer.
- \* Each backpack is the equivalent of two meals. They contain...
  - 2 entrees,
  - a small can of vegetables,
  - 2 juice boxes,
  - 1 package of peanut butter crackers,
  - 2 individual fruit cups,
  - 2 desserts,
  - and a Bag of chips.

Until this year, contributions from local churches, businesses, organizations, grants, and individuals have enabled FOHC to serve 200-240 students in five schools and 60-90 children during the summer. While Christian Fellowship has been a contributor since FOHC's inception, FOHC's overall contributions declined significantly thus far for the 2023-2024 school year.

- This decline, coupled with the increase in need and the increase in the cost of food has strained FOHC's finances.
- Dr Obasohan characterized the FOHC Ministry as beneficial to the children served and stated how grateful the many-served families are for its assistance.
- Beth Lanier, the lead social worker for Duplin County schools, said that the support provided by FOHC was greatly appreciated during the school year



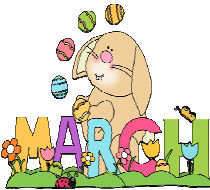
### Birthdays In March



Happy Birthday to You!



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| 4- Dana Myrick          | 21- Susan Carone     |
| 5- Marie McGowen        | Amanda Shea          |
| Natalie Gladden         | 24- Adlyn Jo Casteen |
| 6- Earleene Southerland | 25- Dotsie Caproni   |
| 12- Hattie B. Farrior   | 26- Whit Newkirk     |
| John Ludlum             | Melissa Stevens      |
| 16- Mary Kate White     | 27- Miller Ludlum    |
| 21- Emily Saunders      | 28- Susie Bullard    |



# NEWSLETTER

## WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Happy  
St. Patrick's  
Day

Rev. Robert H. Lapp, Interim Pastor

MARCH 2024

Cheryl Brinkley, Editor



## Holy Week & Easter Services

Sunday, March 24  
11:00 a.m.

Palm Sunday  
Wallace Presbyterian Church

Friday, March 29  
7:30 p.m.

Good Friday  
Beulaville Presbyterian Church

A service of gospel readings, music, prayers, and Communion

Sunday, March 31  
11:00 a.m.

Easter Sunday  
Easter Sunday Worship in our Sanctuary





Dear WPC Family,

On Ash Wednesday, we began our Lenten journey to the cross with the sign of ashes. Holy week marks the final phase of that journey as we remember Jesus’ triumphal entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, the Last Supper and the betrayal on Maundy Thursday, the crucifixion on Good Friday, the quiet hope of Holy Saturday, and the joy of the resurrection on Easter Sunday.

The Wallace Methodist Church will host the community midweek Lenten services at 12 noon on Thursdays - March 14, 21, and 28 (Maundy Thursday) in the Worsley Chapel (303 S. College Street) with a lunch following in fellowship hall. Karla Casteen, Vera Simpson, and I will lead the service on March 14.

The Beulaville Presbyterian Church (205 E. Main Street, Beulaville) will be hosting this year's joint Good Friday service with our congregation on Friday, March 29 at 7:30 pm.

On Easter Sunday, March 31, the Day of Resurrection, you are invited as you come to worship to bring fresh cut flowers to be placed on the floral cross (Raleigh Street side) as we celebrate the glory of the resurrection.

This Easter we will again receive our **One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS)** special offering. OGHS helps to improve the lives of millions of people who lack access to sustainable food sources, clean water, sanitation, education, and opportunity. OGHS supports Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People. From initial disaster response to ongoing community development, these agencies provide people with safety, sustenance, and hope. OGHS is the single, largest way that Presbyterians come together every year to work for a better world.

Faithfully,

Pastor Robb



## ACTIONS OF THE SESSION

At the Tuesday, February 20, 2024 stated session meeting, the elders and minister

- Approved the minutes of the January 16, 2024 stated session meeting, February 11, 2024 called session meeting, and the February 11, 2024 Congregational meeting.
- Approved the email vote to elect Kristen Cottle, Geneva Maready, Devan Riley, Dan Robinson, Jason Rouse, and Lindsay Skidmore as the Transition Ministry Team.
- Approved the 2023 Church Statistical Report.
- Changes in Church Roll: Dan McLaughlin asked to be removed from church roll. Pat Wilson will be removed because of death.
- Session 2023 records review will be on Saturday, March 23.
- Joyce Ange gave a report from the called meeting of the East Community of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina held on January 3.
- Nancy Gladden’s retirement reception will be hosted by the East Community in our fellowship hall on Sunday, February 25 at 6:30 pm.
- Presbytery of Coastal Carolina will be meeting on Saturday, March 2, 2024 at First Presbyterian Church in Wilmington NC. Debbie Price will be attending as our representative.
- Approved request for use of fellowship hall for Police training from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm on March 11 and March 12.
- Souper Bowl of Caring offering collected \$521. The proceeds will go to our Helping Hands Food Pantry.
- The meeting was closed with prayer.



## MARCH WORSHIP LEADERS

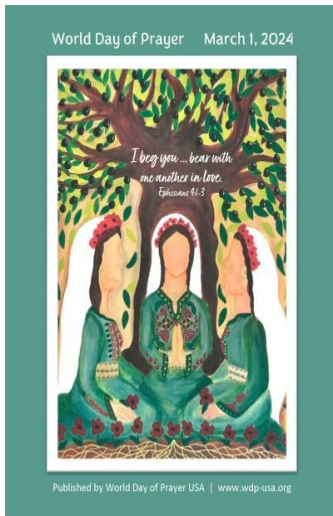
DATE	ELDER	PREACHER
March 3	Royal Johnson	Robb Lapp
March 10	Kevin Johnson	Robb Lapp
March 17	To be announced	Robb Lapp
March 24	Curt Simpson	Robb Lapp
March 31	Sandy Cobb	Robb Lapp



## FEED OUR HUNGRY CHILDREN/ BACKPACK MINISTRY OFFERING SUNDAY, MARCH 24



We will receive our monthly (school year) Feed Our Hungry Children/Backpack Ministry Offering during worship on Sunday, March 24. 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](http://www.wallacepresbyterian.com).



## Wallace Presbyterian Women

### World Day of Prayer 2024

**"I Beg You...Bear with One  
Another in Love"**

**Friday, March 1, at 10:00 am**



We will celebrate World Day of Prayer 2024 on Friday, March 1, at 10:00 am, in the Fellowship Hall. Wallace United Methodist women will provide the program entitled "I Beg You...Bear with One Another in Love" based on Ephesians 4:1-7, written by the women of Palestine.

This program calls for us to bear with one another in love, despite all the difficulties and oppression. Please plan to attend. Everyone is invited.



## MARCH 2024

### Date

March 3  
March 10  
March 17  
March 24  
March 31

### Scripture

John 2:13-22  
John 3:14-21  
John 12:20-33  
Palm Sunday, Mark 15:1-39  
Easter Sunday, Mark 16:1-8

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



## ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING SPECIAL OFFERINGS

HUNGER • DISASTER • DEVELOPMENT

**Easter Sunday, March 31**

This year, we celebrate the 75th anniversary of One Great Hour of Sharing. Since 1949, this Offering has been vital in restoring hope, rebuilding dreams and empowering communities to create a world that reflects God's love. It serves as a tangible expression of our thanks for all that God gives us, and an opportunity to share our blessings with others. WPC will receive the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering on Easter Sunday, March 31.

One Great Hour of Sharing is the single largest way that Presbyterians join together to share God's love with our neighbors-in-need around the world. Each gift helps to improve the lives of people in challenging situations through three impactful programs: **REBUILDING HOPE** — PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE 32% Works alongside communities as they recover and find hope after the devastation of natural or human-caused disasters.

**GROWING FOOD SECURITY** — PRESBYTERIAN HUNGER PROGRAM 36% Takes action to alleviate hunger and the systemic causes of poverty so all may be fed.

**PARTNERING IN PROGRESS** — SELF-DEVELOPMENT OF PEOPLE 32% Invests in communities responding to their experiences of racism, oppression, poverty, and injustice and educates Presbyterians about the impact of these societal ills.





# THANK YOU!

Wallace Presbyterian's 2024 Collection

raised:

**\$521**

Thanks to your efforts this year, more dollars have been raised, more lives have been changed, and the nation has seen the impact of people working together to help those in need. Thank you for working to transform the time around the Super Bowl into the nation's largest celebration of giving and serving.



**February 11, 2024**

**Alison Reese**  
Executive Director  
Tackle Hunger: Home of the  
Souper Bowl of Caring



**Wallace United Methodist Church**  
**301 S. College Street**  
**Worship & Lunch 12:00 PM**

Date	Speaker	Music
Thursday, March 14:	Rev. Robert Lapp	Karla Casteen & Vera Simpson
Thursday, March 21:	Rev. Jacob Capps	Caleb LeVan
Thursday, March 28:	Rev. Carey Carlberg	Methodist Handbells

Services begin at 12:00 noon in the Worsley Chapel  
A light lunch to follow in our Fellowship Hall



**ANNUAL SPRING PLANT SALE**

Please come out and support as 100% of all proceeds are given to the Center to aid in our mission of supporting our community's mental and emotional well-being.

**Saturday, March 23, 2024**  
**4810 Wrightsville Ave**  
**Wilmington, NC 28403**  
**8AM-12PM**

**Sponsored by**



**Johnson Nursery Corporation**



**QUARTERLY P.A.T.H. OFFERING**  
**Presbyterian Answer to Hunger**  
**Sunday, March 3**



We will receive our quarterly (March, June, September, December) P.A.T.H. (Presbyterian Answer to Hunger) offering during worship on Sunday, March 3. 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.

CHURCH NEWS . . .For Your Information

- \* **World Day of Prayer** is Friday, March 1, at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. Wallace United Methodist Women will provide the program.
- \* **We will receive** our quarterly P.A.T.H. (Presbyterian Answer to Hunger) Offering on Sunday, March 3.
- \* **The Wallace United Methodist Church** will host Community Lenten Services and Luncheons beginning Thursday, March 14 at 12 noon. Rev. Lapp will be the speaker.
- \* **The session** will meet on Tuesday, March 19 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 pastor.
- \* **We will receive** our monthly (school year) Feed Our Hungry Children/Backpack Ministry offering during worship on Sunday, March 24.
- \* **Our Good Friday worship service with Communion** will be March 29 at 7:30 p.m., at Beulaville Presbyterian Church.
- \* **We will receive** the annual One Great Hour of Sharing Offering during worship on Easter Sunday, March 31.
- \* **We will receive** the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Building Offering on Sunday, March 31.
- \* **The church office** will be closed Monday, April 1 in observance of The Easter Holiday.

 **Nursery** 

**March**



- 03/03: Jennifer & Royal Johnson
- 03/10: Kristin & Bradley Cottle
- 03/17: Courtenay Thompson & Joyce Ange
- 03/24: Emily & Hayes Ludlum
- 03/31: Lindsay & Stanley Skidmore

**Jason Rouse, Head**  
**Joyce Ange      Michael Patram**  
**Sam Rose        Dave Wells**

**CHILDREN’S CHURCH**

- 03/03: Debbie Price
- 03/10: Casey Hall
- 03/17: Courtenay Thompson
- 03/24: Geneva Maready
- 03/31: Bailey Riley

**OPENING CHURCH BUILDING**

- March 1-15: Jason Rouse
- March 16-31: Greg Maready



Christian love and sympathy is extended to the family of Pat Wilson on her death on February 6, 2024.



**SAVE THE DATE!!**

*“Dance For Life”*  
*Featuring*  
*The River Bandits*  
*May 10, 2024 - 6p*  
*Celtic Court Mad Boar*

Ticket includes Dinner, Dancing and Great Music!  
\$60 per person (Tables of 10); Maximum of 200 tickets  
Contact us now to reserve a table!  
Tickets on sale March 1<sup>st</sup>  
Cash Bar Available

*All proceeds will go to support*  
*Helping Hands Food Pantry*  
*& Life Line Sampson!*

Tickets can be purchased from:

Mike Vandover 910-271-4444	<a href="mailto:mhvandover@gmail.com">mhvandover@gmail.com</a>
Will Ventoli 910-285-1945	<a href="mailto:wventoli213@gmail.com">wventoli213@gmail.com</a>
Dan Kinnear 301-526-8929	<a href="mailto:dankinnearoffconcord.net">dankinnearoffconcord.net</a>
Barbara Swenis 908-300-9079	<a href="mailto:lgswenis@harter.net">lgswenis@harter.net</a>
Coley Cusabo 910-990-2794	<a href="mailto:director@lifelinesampson.com">director@lifelinesampson.com</a>

- ❖ Helping Hands Food Pantry helped 695 families in 2023. In November, the RL Family donated 380 bags of food along with monetary donations.
- ❖ Life Line Sampson provided 105 Ultrasounds for pregnant women and distributed 300+ diapers for needy moms in 2023.

Menu: Salad, Beef Tips in Gravy, Salmon, Garlic Mash Potatoes, Rice Pilaf, Green Bean Casserole, Apple Crisp





FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT  
FOR HEALTHY LIVING  
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

## YMCA Camp Kirkwood Spring Family Day

2015 Camp Kirkwood Rd  
Watha, North Carolina 28478

April 14, 2024  
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

**Contact:** Alexis Vonbrockdorff  
**Phone:** 910-726-9789  
**Email:** [alexis.vonbrockdorff@ymcasenc.org](mailto:alexis.vonbrockdorff@ymcasenc.org)

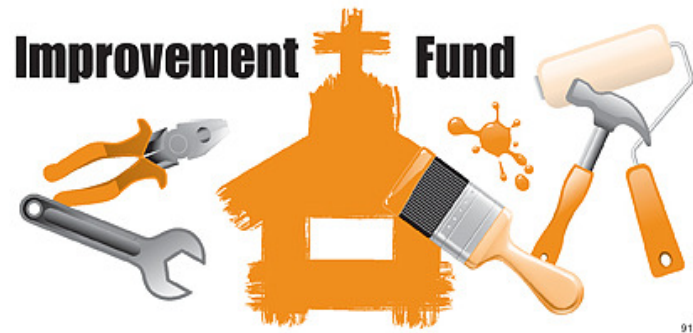
Join us at the beautiful YMCA Camp Kirkwood for a lively gathering designed to bring families together for a day filled with laughter joy and unforgettable experiences. The event features a wide range of activities suitable for all ages, ensuring there's something for everyone to enjoy. Activities like ziplining, boating, swimming, hiking and crafts are just a few of the joys you can look forward to! We offer two options to fit your needs:

1. Stay in a cabin with your family or share it with some friends. Cabins sleep 14 people. Cost is \$125 per person and includes 3 meals on Saturday 2, meals on Sunday and programing.
2. Take it to the next level with our rustic camping. Bring your own tent, sleeping bag and bug spray. We will take care of the rest! Cost is \$80 per person includes 3 meals on Saturday, 2 meals on Sunday and programing. See contact information to register.



**Kirkwood Creation Camp 2024**  
**June 2-6**





## 5<sup>TH</sup> Sunday Building Offering March 31, 2024

We will receive our 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Building Offering during worship on Sunday, March 31. 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!



## March 10, 2024 - Daylight Saving Time Starts

When local standard time is about to reach 2:00 am clocks are turned forward 1 hour to 3:00 am local daylight time instead. Sunrise and sunset will be about 1 hour later on March 10, 2024 than the day before. There will be more light in the evening.



## Weekly Bible Study

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

You are invited to join our weekly Bible Study as we read and discuss the sermon text for the following Sunday. Everyone is welcome.

## Where Is WPC In The Call Process?

1. WPC's Session has authorized a Transitional Ministry Team (Krisitn Cottle, Geneva Maready, Devan Riley, Jason Rouse, Dan Robinson, and Lindsay Skidmore) to prepare a Mission Study.
2. WPC's Session will plan with the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina's Commission on Ministry (COM) criteria for the new call process (position name, salary, employment type, job description, and mission statement).
3. The Session will receive permission from COM to form a Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC).
4. The Wallace Presbyterian Church's 2024 Nominating Committee will place in nomination for a congregational vote a slate of candidates representative of the whole congregation to serve on the PNC.
5. After the election of the PNC by the congregation, the PNC will prepare a Mission Discernment Profile (MDP) using information from the Mission Study.
6. After the MDP is approved by COM, it will be submitted to the Presbyterian Church USA's Church Leadership Connection (CLC) system. This is how candidates will get to know about WPC and our position description.
7. The PNC will begin to receive matches and referrals of potential candidates from CLC, and conduct interviews.
8. Once a candidate has been selected and COM has approved the call, the Session will call for a meeting of the congregation to elect WPC's next installed pastor.

WPC is currently on step 1 of the call process. The Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) has **not** been elected. The PNC will be elected by the congregation after the Transition Team has completed the Session's Mission Study and the Session has received permission from the Commission on Ministry (COM) to form a PNC. We covet your prayers as we work through the call process. If you have questions or concerns, please contact Robert Lapp, Interim Pastor.



March 2024

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- Holidays in United States
- WPC Calendar
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February 2024							March 2024							April 2024						
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25 2nd Sunday of Lent 10:00 AM Sunday School Classes 11:00 AM Worship/Feed Our Hungry Children/Backpack Ministry Offering	26	27	28 10:00 AM Bible study, Room 304 6:00 PM Handbells 7:00 PM Choir Practice 7:00 PM Transitional Ministry Team Meeting, Blue Room	29	1 First Day of Women's History Month 10:00 AM World Day of Prayer	2
3 3rd Sunday in Lent 10:00 AM Sunday School Classes 11:00 AM Worship/P.A.T.H. Offering	4 10:30 AM Circle #1: Room 304	5 10:30 AM Circle #3: Fellowship Hall 7:00 PM Circle #4: Fellowship Hall	6 10:00 AM Bible study, Room 304 6:00 PM Handbells 7:00 PM Choir Practice 7:00 PM Transitional Ministry Team Meeting, Blue Room	7	8	9
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24 Palm Sunday 11:00 AM Worship/Feed Our Hungry Children Backpack Offering	25	26	27 10:00 AM Bible study, Room 304 6:00 PM Handbells 7:00 PM Choir Practice 7:00 PM Transitional Ministry Team Meeting, Blue Room	28 Maundy Thursday	29 Good Friday 7:30 PM Good Friday Service/Communion-Seulaville Presbyterian Church Church Office Closed	30
31 Easter Sunday 10:00 AM Sunday School Classes 11:00 AM Worship-5th Sunday Offering/One Great Hour of Sharing Offering	1 Easter Monday Church Office Closed	2	3 10:00 AM Bible study, Room 304 6:00 PM Handbells 7:00 PM Transitional Ministry Team Meeting, Blue Room 7:00 PM Choir Practice	4	5	6