

Come Join us at Rockfish Presbyterian Church "Meet and Eat at Noon" Wednesday, March 5, 2014 12:00 Noon Sue Ellen Wells Outreach Service Coordinator of Vidant Hospital will be our guest speaker Bring a sandwich Drink & Dessert will be provided



- 1- Pat Alexander
- 3- Michael Cooper
- 4- Dana Myrick
- 5- Marie McGowen Battle Holley Sylvia Bowman Natalie Gladden
- 6- Earleene Southerland George Hatch
- 8- Cecelia Blair Tracey Graybar

- 12- Ryan Graybar16- Mary Kate White
- 19- Netti Batchelor
- 21- Emily Saunders Susan Carone Amanda Shea
- 25- Dotsie Caproni
- Bron Thompson
- 26- Whit Newkirk
- 28- Susie Bullard



of the Presbyterian Women cordially invites the congregation to our annual Covered Dish Supper and Mission Program Sunday, March 16, 2014 at 5:30 pm Guest Speaker will be Pat Barrow and travel companions They will be sharing photos and stories from their January *Partnership trip to* Tabasco, Mexico. Please plan to attend. Program is immediately following the meal.

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Friends,

Someone recently asked me, "When is Fat Tuesday this year?" The answer is March 4. "Fat Tuesday," or Mardi Gras, refers to the practice of the last night of eating richer, fatty foods before the ritual fasting of the Lenten season, which begins on Ash Wednesday.

Fasting is an ancient Christian discipline, especially during the season of Lent. We Presbyterians are not particularly familiar with physical fasting, although Christians of many different traditions find this discipline nurtures and strengthens their faith.

I invite you to join me on Sunday afternoons during the Lenten season in March and April, beginning on March 9, to "pray through the psalms in Lent." This will be a time of serious reflection, prayer, and fellowship. Please join me and your fellow church members for this time of devotion and preparation.

Perhaps you will practice the Christian discipline of physical fasting during this Lenten season. If not, here is a different kind of "fasting." This was written by William Arthur Ward, a 20th century American author, teacher, and pastor.

- Fast from judging others; Feast on the Christ dwelling in them.
- Fast from emphasis on differences; Feast on the unity of life.
- Fast from apparent darkness; Feast on the reality of light.
- Fast from thoughts of illness; Feast on the healing power of God.
- Fast from words that pollute; Feast on phrases that purify.
- Fast from discontent; Feast on gratitude.
- Fast from anger; Feast on patience.
- Fast from pessimism; Feast on optimism.
- Fast from worry; Feast on divine order.
- *Fast from complaining; Feast on appreciation.*
- Fast from negatives; Feast on affirmatives.
- Fast from unrelenting pressures; Feast on unceasing prayer.
- *Fast from hostility; Feast on non-resistance.*
- Fast from bitterness; Feast on forgiveness.
- Fast from self-concern; Feast on compassion for others.
- Fast from personal anxiety; Feast on eternal truth.
- Fast from discouragements; Feast on hope.
- Fast from facts that depress; Feast on verities that uplift.
- Fast from lethargy; Feast on enthusiasm.
- Fast from thoughts that weaken; Feast on promises that inspire.
- Fast from shadows of sorrow; Feast on the sunlight of serenity.
- Fast from idle gossip; Feast on purposeful silence.
- Fast from problems that overwhelm; Feast on prayer that strengthens.

In Christ, Puil

ACTIONS OF THE SESSION

At the Tuesday, February 18 meeting of the session, the elders and minister:

- * were led in a devotional and opening prayer by Elder Harvey Knowles;
- * conducted the meeting as a worship service;
- * studied God's Word in 1 Corinthians 3:1-9;
- * prayed for members of our congregation and community;
- * approved minutes of the January 21, 2014 stated session meeting;
- * noted the change in the church rolls with the baptism of Nathan John-Ward Farrior on February 9;
- * approved the annual statistical report to be sent to the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina and the Office of the General Assembly;
- * approved a \$200 contribution toward the cost of Hampton Hall's upcoming mission trip to Durango, Mexico with Mission to the World;
- * at the request of Sharon Moore, officially closed the James Moore Family Designated Benevolence Fund and transferred remaining funds into the church's general operating fund, according to the guidelines of the fund;
- * approved a recommendation from the Stewardship & Finance and Building & Grounds Ministry teams to hand over the house next door to the church (207 W. Main Street) to the Wallace Fire Department for a training fire;
- * approved a recommendation from the Outreach Ministry Team to sponsor the 2014 Summer Reading Ministry in conjunction with the Wallace Elementary School;
- * elected Elder Bill Saunders to be our congregation's commissioner to the Saturday, March 8 meeting of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina at the First Presbyterian Church in Morehead City;
- * made plans for the Ministry Team pizza lunch and planning meeting on Sunday, February 23;
- * approved the minister's request for vacation, Tuesday, May 27 Monday, June 2;
- * were led in a closing prayer by Elder Bill Walters.



WORSHIP LEADERSHIP FOR MARCH

ELDER

DATE	
March 2	
March 9	
March 16	
March 23	
March 30	

Curt Simpson Joell Parker Rick Batchelor John Green **PREACHER** Philip Gladden Philip Gladden Philip Gladden Philip Gladden Philip Gladden

CHURCH WORK DAY



INSIDE AND OUTSIDE Saturday, March 22 Come at 8:30 am for Coffee, doughnuts, and assignments Something for everyone to do

For outside work bring tools and gloves Contact Rick Batchelor for building work Contact Fred Burroughs for grounds work or Contact Harvey Knowles

If you have suggestions for projects to be completed, leave in suggestion box in the fellowship hall.

JAMES MOORE FAMILY DESIGNATED BENEVOLENT FUND CLOSED

At Sharon Moore's request, the session acted to close the James Moore Family Designated Benevolent Fund at its February 18 meeting. This fund was established to provide donated funds to the Moore family to help offset medical costs for Jimmy and Stacey. In accordance with the policies adopted when the fund was established, leftover funds will be transferred to the general operating fund of the Wallace Presbyterian Church.



NURSERY WORKERS

March

03/02: Charley & Harriet Farrior
03/09: Dave & Gloria Wells
03/16: Philip & Georgia Longest
03/23: Fred Burroughs & Nell Sloan
03/30: Joyce Ange & Leah Russell

04/06:Andrea Casteen & Lydia Woodard04/13:Watts & Tracey Carr04/20:Clay & Noel Blue04/27:Freddy & Rhonda Hall

YOUTH WORSHIP LEADERS

03/02: Will & Jane Caroline Minchew 03/09: Joseph & Colby Phaneuf 03/16: Elizabeth & James Sills 03/23: Riley & Neyland Tate 03/30: Lydia & Kennedy Thompson

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Dan Robinson, Leader Chuck Farrior Kevin Johnson Joyce Ange R.J. Peppe Tim Peppe



03/02: Graham & Sandra Phillips 03/09: Mark & Sherry Roberts 03/16: Dan & Tanya Robinson

03/23: Art & Cheryl Raymond 03/30: Nell Sloan & Joann Phillips

OPENING CHURCH BUILDING

March 1-15: Chuck Farrior March 16-31: Dave Wells

CHURCH NEWS ... For Your Information

* **Presbyterian Men** will meet on Tuesday, March 4, at 7:00 p.m. at the Mt. Zion Presbyterian Church in Rose Hill for dinner and Bible study. All men are invited to attend.

* We will dedicate "A Quiet Place" for prayer and meditation on Sunday, March 9, at 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

* **The session** will meet on Tuesday, March 18, at 6:00 p.m. in Room 304. If you have any business or concerns for the session to consider, please speak to the elders on the appropriate Ministry Teams or the minister.

* There will be a Church Work Day on Saturday, March 22.



Hospital & at home: Avalee Bowman (The Oaks at Mayview, Raleigh, NC) Emma Richards (Spring Arbor) Judy Robinson (home)

Myree Bland (home) Cathy Wells (Fayetteville) Kelsea Webster (home)



FEED OUR HUNGRY CHILDREN BACKPACK BUDDIES MINISTRY OFFERING SUNDAY, MARCH 23



Between July 1 and December 31, 2013, twenty-two churches, civic organizations, and businesses contributed \$19,991 to help purchase school lunches and food for the weekends for public school students whose families are experiencing financial hardship. Thank you for your contributions!

World Day of Prayer 2014



Friday, March 7 Wallace Presbyterian Church 10:00 am Program presented by Wallace United Methodist Church

World Day of Prayer takes place internationally on the first Friday of March every year. The host country for WDP 2014 is Egypt, and the title of the service is "Streams in the Desert."



Praying the Psalms in Lent A Lenten Bible Study Sundays, March 9 - April 13 4:00 p.m. (except March 16, 3:00 p.m.) Room 304 (Alternative Sunday School Classroom)

The Psalms have been a special source of prayer and reflection during the season of Lent for centuries. Join us as we pray through six selected psalms on the Sundays of Lent. This will be a time of sincere reflection, prayer, and fellowship as we prepare for our celebration of Holy Week and Easter.

Bring your Bible and a friend and spend some time with God's Word and fellow believers.

March 9	Psalm 6	A Prayer in Time of Trouble
March 16	Psalm 32	The Joy of Forgiveness
March 23	Psalm 38	A Prayer in Times of Trouble
March 30	Psalm 51	A Prayer for Forgiveness
April 6	Psalm 130	Trusting the Lord in Times of
		Trouble
April 13	Psalm 143	A Prayer in Times of Danger



"WHAT MATTERS MOST" A Look at Basic Christian & Presbyterian Beliefs Preaching in March

Please keep our minister and congregation in your prayers as we prepare to hear God's Word read and proclaimed in March. Sermons in March will help us consider "what matters most" in our Christian and Presbyterian beliefs.

March 2	Psalm 8/Romans 11:33-36	Majesty/Sovereignty of God
March 9	Romans 8:28-39	Election of God's People to
		Service
March 16	Exodus 20:1-7; Jeremiah 31:31-34	Covenant Life in the Church
March 23	Luke 12:41-48	Stewardship of All of Life
March 30	Romans 5:6-21	Sin



"A Quiet Place" Dedication of a Prayer Space Sunday, March 9 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Hall

Are you looking for "a quiet place" for prayer and meditation? We now have such a place in "A Quiet Place," located off the Fellowship Hall. The room is available for private prayer, quiet reflection, and group

devotional meetings. A prayer journal is available, as well as a CD player and spiritual CD's. Thanks to Nancy Gladden, N.H. Carter, Fred Burroughs, David Sanderson, and Judy Holley for their work in getting "A Quiet Place" ready for our congregation.

"A Quiet Place" will be dedicated on Sunday, March 9 at 10:30 a.m. Join us as we set aside this special place for our people to draw closer to God.



NEWS FROM THE PRESBYTERY OF COASTAL CAROLINA

The Presbytery of Coastal Carolina will hold its one hundred first stated meeting on Saturday, March 8 at the First Presbyterian Church in Morehead City. The session has elected Elder Bill Saunders to be our commissioner. Elder Pat Barrow will also attend to be part of the Tabasco, Mexico delegation that will report to the presbytery about its January trip.



BIKES & BOOKS FOR ZAMBIA

We recently received a thank you letter from Dr. Wynand Retief, Old Testament professor at Justo Mwale Theological University College in Lusaka, Zambia.

Dear Brothers and sisters

I got the message from Craig Stoll that you paid up for all 30 Hebrew-English Dictionaries that I ordered, instead of only the 15 for the BTh 4 class. This is a wonderful surprise!Thanks so much for you abundant generosity and spirit of sacrificial love. Apart from the 15 copies which will go to the fourth years - the moment they arrive, I will give copies to those students of the second and third year classes who are faithful and loyal attenders of our 7am reading group. They are finished with their grammar course, and putting their Hebrew into practice by reading the psalm of the week together in the Hebrew text - of course accompanied by other translations. This reading is devotional. So in that way I try to bring academic depth in relation to spirituality. As for the fourth years, they are reading Jonah three periods a week, struggling with the Hebrew, but hopefully getting to love the revelations brought about by the original text. So your gift is really a spiritual one, one that we pray will bear much fruit for the church in future.

A request: please send me a group photo of you. When the dictionaries arrive, they will be ceremonially handed over, and for that occasion I want to project your photo for all to see. It will be very helpful for our students to see their sponsors and form a picture of you when they thank you for their gifts. The whole idea behind these ventures is to build relationships.

Thanks once more!

Dr Wynand Retief



PRESBYTERIAN COUNSELING CENTER OF WILMINGTON ANNOUNCES NEW COUNSELOR FOR WALLACE SATELLITE OFFICE

The following announcement is from Rev. Jonathan Kelley, Director of the Presbyterian Counseling Center in Wilmington, NC:

We are delighted to welcome Bruce Garris as a new staff counselor at the Center. Bruce has just signed a contract for part-time work with the Center. He brings excellent training and experience, as well as an infectious enthusiasm for the work of counseling.

We look forward to introducing Bruce to our Board and to our partner churches! Meanwhile, we sadly have wished our former staff Cindy Ray all the best as she completed her work and moved to the Charlotte area. God continues to bless the Center with dedicated workers, and with the energy and life of the Holy Spirit!

Jonathan

Bruce Garris will be seeing clients at the counseling center's satellite offices in Southport, Wallace, Shallotte, and Hampstead. Initially, he will be in Wallace on Fridays.



P.A.T.H. Offering (Presbyterian Answer to Hunger) Sunday, March 3 During Worship

Our quarterly P.A.T.H. offering supports the Hunger Program of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina. Contributed funds support two feeding programs in Haiti and one feeding program in Malawi (in Africa). Also, the funds provide grants to congregational feeding programs and food pantries, such as our church's Helping Hands Food Pantry. To read more about our presbytery's Hunger Program, visit **www.presbycc.org/missions/hunger/ default.htm**. Thank you for your generous and faithful support of this ministry.



5th Sunday Building Offering

Did you know . . .

our sanctuary building was built in the opening years of the 20th century? the Currie Building was built during the Great Depression in the 1930's? the manse/church office building was built in the late 1940's? we have now been in our "new building" for nine years?

Many faithful members have bequeathed a beautiful and functional church facility. The 5th Sunday Building Offering is used to help defray the ongoing maintenance costs of our historic church building.

Thank you for your faithful support!



Cheryl Brinkley Let's Celebrate 20 Years of Faithful Service!

During worship on Sunday, March 23, we will celebrate with and thank Cheryl Brinkley for twenty years of faithful and outstanding service as our church secretary.

Cheryl began as church secretary in March 1993 and served through January 1997. After a year away, she returned as our secretary in January 1998.



An Open House Sponsored by Friends of Kirkwood Saturday, March 8 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Swing by Choice Zip Line Archery BB Guns Low Ropes Course High Ropes Course Enjoy the NEW Ropes Course with Tours Every Hour!

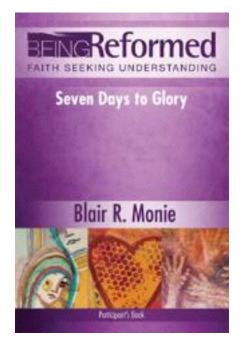
Hamburgers and Hot Dogs at 12 noon

Information about summer camps will be available.





Friends of Camp Kirkwood



A Lenten Study The Alternative Sunday School Class "Seven Days to Glory: Holy Week"

The members of the Alternative Sunday School Class invite you to join them for a Lenten study of "Seven Days to Glory: Holy Week," beginning on Sunday, March 9. The class meets at 10:00 a.m. in Room 304 (across from the Music Room).

About the study: "The last week of Jesus' life encompassed some of Christianity's most significant events. Based on the Gospel of Mark, this study looks at each of these days to describe the importance of Jesus' actions at the time, and what they mean for Christian living today."

Join us!

Wallace Presbyterian Planning Calendar							
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23 3rd Sunday of Lent 9:40 am: Open Assembly 10:00 am: S School 11:00 am: Worship/Feed Our Hungry Children & Backpack Buddies Offering 4:00 pm: Lenten Bible Study-Room 304	24	25 6:30 am: Coffee & Doughnuts-Room 304 7:00 am: SonRise Worship Room 304	26 10:00 am: Bible study, Room 304 6:00 pm: Handbells 7:30 pm: Choir Practice	27	28	29	
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