

Sunday, November 5, 2023

Daylight Saving Time ends in 2023 at 2:00 a.m. on Sunday, November 5, marking the *time* when clocks "fall back" and we gain an extra hour of sleep.



Birthdays in November







- **Dottie Obenour**
- **Wayne Casteen**
- **Cameron Blue**
- 10- Matt Maready
- 11- Reese Blue **Amelia White Leah White**
- 13- Jonah Grey Merritt

- 15- Georgia Longest
- 21- Gary Zibelin
- 24- Pat Simpson
- 26- Lou Brinkley
- 28- Eva McLaughlin
- 29- Fran Kohne **David Long**







Rev. Robert Lapp, Interim Pastor

NOVEMBER 2023

Cheryl Brinkley, Editor







Saturday November 18, 2023

4:00-8:00 P.M.

Downtown Wallace



November is a month filled with reasons to be thankful!

- **All Saints Day, November 1,** a day to give thanks for the faithful lives of those who now rest from their labors and live eternally with God.
- Annual Congregational Meeting November 19, in the sanctuary following worship to elect elders to serve on the session, receive a report on the session's 2024 budget, and a brief meeting of the corporation.
- Covered Dish Luncheon following the Annual Meeting on November 19 in fellowship hall to enjoy good food and fellowship, and begin a process to remember and give thanks for all the things we love about our church so that we can bring the best of our past into our future.
- **Stewardship season**, a time when we remember with gratitude all that God has done for us in Jesus Christ and offer our lives (time, talent, treasure) in return as our way of saying thank you!
- **Thanksgiving Day, November 23,** a day to gather with those we love to give thanks for our religious and civil liberties.

As we give thanks for God's faithfulness to the Wallace Presbyterian Church in the past, we can trust that God will continue to guide us as we move into the future. Here are some questions to reflect upon during this transitional time:

- Remembering your entire experience at WPC, when were you most alive, most motivated, and most excited about your involvement? What made it so life giving? Who was involved? What happened?
- What do you think is the most important, life-giving characteristic of our church? When we are at our best, what are the most important values that make our church unique?
- What are the most valuable ways you contribute to our church your personality, your perspectives, your skills, your activities, your character? Share some examples.
- Make three wishes for the future of our church. Describe what the church would look like as these wishes come true. How would you be willing to be a part to make these wishes come true?

Faithfully,

Pastor Robb



At the Tuesday, October 17, 2023 session meeting, the elders and minister:

- * were led in an opening devotion and prayer by Elder Debbie Price;
- * called a congregational meeting for Sunday, November 19, 2023 immediately following worship for the purpose of hearing a report from the Nominating Committee, electing three Ruling Elders to the Class of 2026, and holding the annual meeting of the corporation;
- * approved minutes from the September 19, 2023 stated session meeting;
- * approved recommendations from the Worship & Music Ministry Team for Advent worship services and luncheons on December 7, 14, & 21;
- * a called session meeting was called for October 29 to approve new members;
- * Wayne Casteen, treasurer of Wallace Presbyterian Church, reviewed the 2024 annual budget with the session:
- * session approved the 2024 annual budget;
- * prayed for members of the congregation and community; the meeting was closed by prayer.



NOVEMBER WORSHIP LEADERS

DATE	ELDER	PREACHER
November 5	Sandy Cobb	Robert Lapp
November 12	Hope Turnbull	Robert Lapp
November 19	Debbie Price	Robert Lapp
November 26	Joyce Ange	Robert Lapp



Annual Thanksgiving Offering for Children's Hope Alliance Sunday, November 19

Children's Hope Alliance is committed to helping families of all shapes, sizes, and definitions through a vast array of community-based services. Their comprehensive programs give hope to North Carolina's children and families by providing hope for a safe home, a pathway to healing, and a healthy start.

Children's Hope Alliance has hundreds of years of experience helping children and families in need—dating back to the late 1800s. In April of 2014, Barium Springs Home for Children and Grandfather Home for Children came together in an effort to have a greater impact in helping children and families across North Carolina. These sister organizations were both founded by the Presbyterian Synod. The name chosen for the newly formed, merged organization was Children's Hope Alliance: an alliance forged by our deeply rooted mission to provide hope and healing for hurting children and families.





FEED OUR HUNGRY CHILDREN/BACKPACK MINISTRY OFFERING Sunday, November 26

We will receive our monthly Feed Our Hungry Children/Backpack Ministry Offering on Sunday, November 26. This offering provides school lunches and weekend food for students in Duplin County Public Schools. Thank you for your generous and faithful support.

Through this program, these schools are served: Rose Hill-Magnolia Elementary/Middle, Wallace Elementary/Middle, Chinquapin Elementary/Middle, Beulaville Elementary/Middle, and Wallace-Rose Hill High. The ministry is currently providing around 160 bags of food per week. Contributions have been received from individuals, organizations, and twelve churches. Thank you for your generous and faithful contributions.



PREACHING IN NOVEMBER

These scripture passages are provided ahead of time so you can read them and pray for God's Holy Spirit to open God's Word to your hearts and minds. Please be in prayer for our minister and congregation as we read, proclaim, and hear God's Word in November.

DATE

November 5 November 12 November 19 November 26 (Christ the King)

SERMON TEXT

1 Thessalonians 2:9-13 Matthew 25:1-13 Matthew 25:14-30 Matthew 25:31-46







We extend our Christian love and sympathy to Lenny and Sandy Ward and family on the death of their daughter Vanessa Ann Ward, who died on October 13, 2023.

Welcome New Members

We welcome Bill Elrod; Henry & Melissa Stevens and their children Hank & Savannah Kate; and Beth Flemming to our congregation. Bill Elrod, Henry & Melissa by letter transfer; Hank & Savannah Kate as baptized members; and Beth Flemming by Reaffirmation of Faith. Welcome!!



It's hard to believe that the Christmas season will soon be here! We will be decorating the church for Christmas on Saturday, December 2 at 10:00 am. Please come be a part of this festive time and help with making it special for the Advent and Christmas season. Any questions, call Joyce Ange 910-599-5156.



The 18th Annual River Landing Food Drive is Monday, November 6. Donation bags are available in the sanctuary as you leave the church. If anyone would like to donate their time, Sunday or Monday, contact Barbara Swetits at 908-500-9079. Monetary donations also welcome.



NOVEMBER



11/05: Debbie & Katie Price

11/12: Courtenay Thompson & Joyce Ange

11/19: Jennifer & Royal Johnson 11/26: Kristin & Bradley Cottle

Freddy Hall Sam Rose

Dan Robinson, Leader Kelli Norris Tom Whitfield

OPENING CHURCH BUILDING

November 1-15: Jim Simpson November 16-30: Glenn Price

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

11/05: Tonya Patram

11/12: Lindsay & Hayes Skidmore

11/19: Casev Hall

11/26: Mary Laine Rouse

CHURCH NEWS....

- *The session will meet on Tuesday, November 14 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.
- * The Presbyterian Women Coordinating Team will meet on Tuesday, November 14 at 7:00 p.m. in the Blue Room.
- * We will receive our annual Children's Hope Alliance Thanksgiving Offering on Sunday, November 19.
- * There will be a Congregational Meeting and Covered Dish Luncheon on Sunday, November 19 immediately following the worship service. See article listed in Newsletter for further details.
- * We will receive our monthly (school year) Feed Our Hungry Children/Backpack Ministry offering during worship on Sunday, November 26.
- * The church office will be closed on Thursday and Friday, November 23-24 in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.



Did you know?

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) responds whenever there's an event that produces human suffering or creates human needs that survivors cannot alleviate without assistance. As violence escalates in and around Israel/Palestine, PDA is providing a wide array of vital humanitarian interventions, including but not limited to medical supplies, shelter, WASH (water, sanitation and hygiene), food and non-food items and delivering crucial psychosocial support to individuals. For more information go to pda.pcusa.org.



Hospital & at Home:

Bruce Lyon (Dayspring) Dan & Eva McLaughlin (The Gardens)





CONGREGATIONAL MEETING AND COVERED DISH LUNCHEON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOW WORSHIP

The session has called a congregational meeting for Sunday, November 19 immediately following worship. The purpose of the meeting is to present the 2024 budget, elect three Ruling Elders to the Class of 2026, and hold the annual meeting of the corporation. Following the meeting there will be a covered dish luncheon in the Fellowship Hall. Around our tables we will discuss what we love about our church and share our hopes and dreams for the future.



You are invited to join the minister for a weekly Bible Study on Wednesday morning from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m., in Room 304.

Join us for good fellowship and study of God's Word as we read and discuss the sermon text for the following Sunday.

All scripture is inspired by God, and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. 2 Timothy 3:16-17

Camp Kirkwood Christmas Camp

Date: December 15 - 17, 2023 **Time:** 5:00 pm - 11:00 am

Ages: 5-15 years old **Cost:** \$250

YMCA Camp Kirkwood 2015 CAMP KIRKWOOD RD WILLARD, NC 28478

Register Now Contact: Camp Kirkwood Email: campkirkwood@ymcasenc.org



Experience the magic of camp and the holiday season like never before at out Christmas Overnight Camp. Our camp offers an unforgettable adventure filled with festive outdoor activities, cozy campfires, and joyful camaraderie. Spend the weekend immersing yourself in the holiday spirit as you decorate gingerbread houses, zip down the zipline and sing along to those cheerful camp songs!

Weekend Schedule:

Friday 5-6pm: Drop off & Dinner* **Saturday** A fun-filled day of holiday-themed activities, zipline, target sports, v-swing, and more!

Sunday 11am: Family Scavenger Hunt & Snack 12pm: Depart

*Meals are provided for campers from Friday evening dinner, through Sunday morning breakfast

Family Scavenger Hunt:

New this year! Experience a bit of Christmas camp magic! Families are invited to participate in our end of session scavenger hunt. this will be a fun time for the whole family and a chance for your camper to show off their skills as they help navigate you through different challenges. The Scavenger hunt will start at 11am on Sunday.

Suggested Packing List: Weather-appropriate clothes (Jackets, hats, gloves etc.)

• Bedding for twin bed • Water bottle • Closed toed shoes • Extra socks • Christmas themed clothing •Towel and toiletries

Parent Information: Camp Doc profile must be completed by Dec. 6, 2023. Don't forget! Financial Assistance is available for those who qualify. Contact email above.

November 2023

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Holidays in United States

WPC Calendar

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