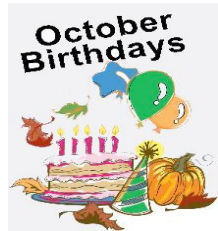




COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

The session recommends and encourages everyone who attends worship in-person to wear a mask regardless of your vaccination status. We also ask that worshipers continue to be mindful of social distancing. As we have suggested throughout the pandemic, if you are not feeling well or suspect that you might be sick, please stay home and worship via our live-stream broadcast. Finally, if you have not been vaccinated, we encourage you to take the vaccine shots for your own health and safety as well as for the health and safety of your fellow church members and our community as a whole.



Birthdays in October



1- John Ward Farrior
2- Garrett Ludlum
4- Lee Kerr
5- Cheryl Brinkley
6- Raechel Woodard
Robert Coombs
7- Carol Steen
10- Catherine Blanchard
13- Keith McGowen
14- Pearson Johnson
15- Patsy Ludlum
16- Jewel Wells
Justin Cavanaugh
Jean Marie Whaley
Roger Coombs
Bruni Frey

18- Shelton Browder
Madison Bullard
22- Ellie Wells Newton
Jack Taylor Newton
23- Madelyn Coombs
Clara Gray Casteen
24- David Sanderson
25- Faison Sloan
Royal Johnson
Watts Carr
27- Nate Farrior
28- Bettie Lettieri
Harold Kohne
31- Verlie Wells



NEWSLETTER

WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Dr. Philip K. Gladden, Minister

OCTOBER 2021

Cheryl Brinkley, Editor



**KIRKWOOD
SUNDAY
OCTOBER 10**

**Worship in the
Vesper Area by
the Lake
11:00 a.m.**



The Sacrament of Communion
(There will be no worship service at the church that day.)



Bring your own picnic lunch and eat under the Picnic Pavilion or on the back porch of the Dining Hall.

Enjoy afternoon recreation activities such as the ZipLine or relax in a rocking chair on the porch and visit with friends.



No reservation needed. No cost.



In case of predicted inclement weather,
a decision will be made about moving worship to the
Wallace Presbyterian Church and communicated to the congregation.



Camp Kirkwood is located at
2015 Camp Kirkwood Rd, Watha, NC
about 10 miles south of Wallace,
off of Highway 117.

Turn right on Camp Kirkwood Road
and the camp entrance will be
on your right about a
1/4 mile down the road.





Dear Friends,

In November, Nancy and I will attend a continuing education event at Union Presbyterian Seminary in Richmond, VA about leadership in times of transition. The article below is a reprint of my September 16 article for The Duplin Times.

In preparation for a continuing education seminar, I am reading “How to Lead When You Don’t Know Where You’re Going”, about leadership in a time of great transition. The way we used to do things doesn’t necessarily work well any more. A new way of doing things is not entirely clear. We find ourselves in an in-between time, full of possibilities and, at the same time, extremely anxiety producing. The author writes, “Our destination is not yet clear. The leader must keep the people moving forward, but the endpoint is fuzzy. [This] requires us to build the bridge as we walk on it.” The book and seminar are primarily intended for church leaders, but this observation describes the times we are living in during the COVID-19 pandemic: “It is exhausting trying to keep the old structures intact, managing the anxiety of the transition, and making space for the birth of the new thing – all at the same time.” Everyone I have talked with during the past eighteen months has, in one way or another, expressed the same sentiment, “We’re trying to do the best we can.” Medical personnel, school administrators, teachers, business owners, minister colleagues, parents, just to name a few, all say, “We’ve never been through anything like this. We’re trying to figure it out as we go along.” Isn’t it curious how resistant we are to change, when life is always changing? Some transitions are planned – retiring, getting married, starting a new job, or becoming parents. However, life brings unexpected changes – a sudden death, the loss of a job, a devastating natural disaster, or a worldwide pandemic. I wrote this article on September 10. Try to remember how different things were on September 10 twenty years ago. When the Twin Towers collapsed the next day, we watched the security and comfort and familiarity of life crumbling. We knew things would never be the same again, but we weren’t sure what the future held. We find ourselves in a similar situation in the COVID-19 pandemic. As much as we might like to go back to the way things used to be, that really isn’t an option. However, we’re not sure what the future, short and long-term, holds. In the meantime, we’re trying to do the best we can. The Christian faith is a journey through the “already but not yet.” We put our trust in a God who never changes, in order to have hope and courage to live in an ever-changing world. Our God says, “I am about to do a new thing; now it

ACTIONS OF THE SESSION

At the Tuesday, September 21, 2021 stated session meeting, the elders and minister:

- * conducted the meeting as a worship service;
- * were led in an opening prayer by Ruling Elder Sam Rose;
- * heard God’s Word in Psalm 8 and listened to “The Majesty and Glory of Your Name”;
- * received Janice Peterson as a member by transfer from First Baptist Church, Clinton, NC;
- * called a congregational meeting for Sunday, November 7, 2021 following worship for the purpose of (1) hearing a report from the 2021 Nominating Committee and electing three Ruling Elders to the Class of 2024, (2) presenting the 2022 budget as information, (3) acting on any proposed changes in the minister’s terms of call, and (4) holding the annual meeting of the corporation;
- * received a report from the August 19, 2021 stated meeting of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina;
- * approved the minutes of the August 17, 2021 stated session meeting;
- * approved a special offering on Sunday, October 24, 2021 for Hurricane Ida aid, to be divided between the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance program and RHINO (Rebuilding Hope in New Orleans);
- * received a preliminary (first reading) report from the Church Rolls Review ad hoc committee;
- * evaluated COVID-19 protocols for worship and other gatherings;
- * prayed for members of the church, community, and world;
- * were led in a closing prayer by Ruling Elder Sam Rose.



OCTOBER 2021

October 3	Mark 10:13-16
October 10	Mark 10:17-31
October 17	Mark 10:35-45
October 24	Mark 10:46-52
October 31	Mark 12:28-34

The sermon texts are provided so you can read them and pray about them before worship. Please keep our congregation and minister in your prayers as we read and hear God’s Word from the Gospel of Mark during the month of October.



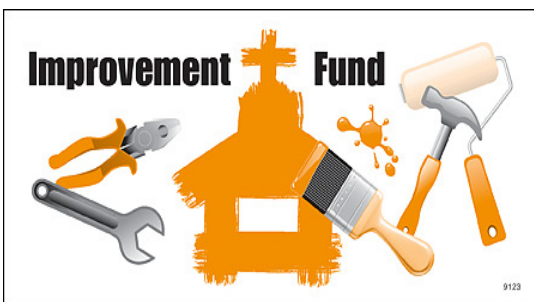
OCTOBER 3

We will celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper during worship on World Communion Sunday, October 3. Individual communion sets will be provided for people worshipping in the sanctuary. If you are worshipping at home, you are encouraged to have the elements of bread and cup ready to participate in the sacrament.

World Communion Sunday (originally called World Wide Communion Sunday) is a gift of the Presbyterian Church to the larger ecumenical church. The first celebration occurred at Shadyside Presbyterian Church in Pittsburgh, PA, in 1933 where Dr. Hugh Thompson Kerr served as pastor.

Celebration of World Wide Communion Sunday was adopted as a denominational practice in the Presbyterian Church (US) in 1936. Churches in other denominations were invited to celebrate with us from the beginning, but it wasn't until 1940 when the Department of Evangelism of the Federal Council of Churches (a predecessor body of the National Council of Churches) promoted extending the celebration to a number of churches around the world that the practice became widespread.

All are welcome at the Lord's table!



5TH SUNDAY BUILDING OFFERING SUNDAY, OCTOBER 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!

springs forth, do you not perceive it?" We are assured that "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever," and this same Jesus always offers us a new beginning. We live in challenging, in-between times. We're all building the bridge as we walk on it. Just remember, as a friend of mine told me years ago, we may not know what the future holds, but we know who holds the future.

Blessings, and be safe,

Phil



OCTOBER



**10/03: Jennifer & Royal Johnson
10/10: Devin & Bailey Riley
10/17: Casey & Clayton Hall
10/24: Mary Laine & Jason Rouse
10/31: Ellie Newton & Gloria Wells**

**Greg Maready Royal Johnson
Curt Simpson**

OPENING CHURCH BUILDING

**October 1-15: Greg Maready
October 16-31: Jack Blackney**

CHURCH NEWS . . . For Your Information

- * **We will celebrate** the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper during worship on World Communion Sunday, October 3 and Kirkwood Sunday, October 10. All are welcome at the table.
- * **The session** will meet Tuesday, October 21 at 7:00 p.m. If you have any business or concerns for the session to consider, please speak to one of the elders or the minister.
- * **We will receive** a special Hurricane Ida offering on Sunday, October 24.
- * **We will receive** the 5th Sunday Building Offering on Sunday, October 31.



**Hospital & at Home:
Cathy Wells (Pender Memorial Rehab)
Judy Robinson (home)
Dan & Eva McLaughlin (The Gardens)**

**Verlie Wells (The Gardens)
Bruce Lyon (Dayspring)**



THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD' SUPPER
Kirkwood Sunday, October 10
11:00 a.m., Vesper Area by the Lake
All are welcome at the table.



Congratulations to Payton Johnson and Nick Westbrook who will be married in our sanctuary on Saturday, October 30.



Congratulations

Congratulations to Matt and Allison Maready on the birth of their daughter, Mary Collins, on Tuesday, September 7 (6 lbs., 12 oz., 19"). Proud grandparents are Greg and Geneva Maready. Shirley Carlton is a proud great-grandmother.



SPECIAL HURRICANE IDA OFFERING SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24

We will receive a special Hurricane Ida offering on Sunday, October 24. You may write a check to Wallace Presbyterian Church and mark it for "Hurricane Ida Aid." Mail your check to P.O. Box 717, Wallace, NC 28466 or drop it in the mail slot on the front door of the church office building or in the offering plate during worship. You may also contribute online at www.wallacepresbyterian.com.

The offering will be divided among the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance program and RHINO (Rebuilding Hope in New Orleans).

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance enables congregations and mission partners of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) to witness to the healing love of Christ through caring for communities adversely affected by crises and catastrophic events. Read more at www.pda.pcusa.org.

RHINO (Rebuilding Hope in New Orleans) is an outreach ministry of the St. Charles Avenue Presbyterian Church in New Orleans. The ministry was founded in response to Hurricane Katrina in 2005. Since its founding, RHINO has hosted more than 8,000 volunteers from over 43 states and three countries. Read more at www.rhinonola.org or www.scapc.org/relief/



WELCOME TO NEW MEMBER

We welcome Janice Peterson into the worship, fellowship, and ministry of our congregation by transfer from the First Baptist Church, Clinton, NC. Jan was received by the session at the September 21 stated meeting.



**The Presbytery of
Coastal Carolina
123rd Stated Meeting
Saturday,
October 9, 2021**



The Presbytery of Coastal Carolina will hold its 123rd stated meeting via Zoom on Saturday, October 9. A Ruling Elder and Teaching Elder Philip Gladden will attend from our congregation. Ruling and Teaching Elders from approximately 180 congregations across southeastern North Carolina will participate in the meeting. Please keep elders, ministers, and presbytery staff in your prayers.



The following people have been elected to serve on the 2021 Nominating Committee. Representing: Session — Wayne Casteen, Greg Maready; Presbyterian Women — Joyce Ange, Sharon Robison; Youth — Windsor Farrior, James Sills; Sunday School Department — Ann Carter, Hope Turnbull; Advisory (non-voting) Member — Philip Gladden.

The Nominating Committee will present a slate of three nominees to the congregation at a Congregational Meeting on Sunday, November 7, for election as Ruling Elders in the Class of 2024. Please keep the members of the Nominating Committee in your prayers as they do this important work for our congregation.

**The Community
Counseling Center**

is hosting a

MUM SALE

**Saturday, October 16,
from 8 to 12 pm.**

4810 Wrightsville Avenue, Wilmington

*Johnson Nursery will be offering a
selection of beautiful MUMS.*

Cash or check only

The Center receives 100% of proceeds!

October 2021

Home
WPC Calendar
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26 ■ 9:30 AM Hybrid (Zoom & in person Room 304) Adult Sunday School Class ■ 10:00 AM Sunday School ■ 11:00 AM Worship in-person and live-stream, Feed Our Hungry Children/Back-	27 ■ 7:00 PM Zoom Bible Study	28	29 ■ 10:00 AM Zoom and In-Person Bible Study (Room 304) ■ 6:00 PM Handbell Practice	30	1	2
3 World Communion Sunday ■ 9:30 AM Hybrid (Zoom & in person Room 304) Adult ■ 10:00 AM Sunday School ■ 11:00 AM Worship (in-person and live-stream) The Sacrament of the Lord's	4 ■ 10:30 AM Circle #1: Room 304 ■ 7:00 PM Zoom Bible Study	5 ■ 10:30 AM Circle #3: Fellowship Hall ■ 7:00 PM Circle #4: Zoom Meeting	6 ■ 10:00 AM Zoom and In-Person Bible Study (Room 304) ■ 6:00 PM Handbell Practice	7	8	9 ■ 9:30 AM Virtual Meeting of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina
10 Kirkwood Sunday ■ 11:00 AM Worship in the Vesper Area by Lake, Sacrament of the Lord's ■ 12:00 PM Picnic Lunch outdoors, Afternoon recreation and fellowship activities	11 ■ 7:00 PM Zoom Bible Study	12	13 ■ 10:00 AM Zoom and In-Person Bible Study (Room 304) ■ 6:00 PM Handbell Practice	14	15	16 ■ 8:00 AM Community Counseling Center/Johnson Nursery Mum Sale
17 ■ 9:30 AM Hybrid (Zoom & in person Room 304) Adult Sunday School Class ■ 10:00 AM Sunday School ■ 11:00 AM Worship (in-person and live-stream)	18 ■ 7:00 PM Zoom Bible Study	19 ■ 7:00 PM Session Meeting, Zoom	20 ■ 10:00 AM Zoom and In-Person Bible Study (Room 304) ■ 6:00 PM Handbell Practice	21	22	23
24 ■ 9:30 AM Hybrid (Zoom & in person Room 304) Adult Sunday School Class ■ 10:00 AM Sunday School ■ 11:00 AM Worship (in-person and live-stream) Hurricane Ida Relief Offering	25 ■ 7:00 PM Zoom Bible Study	26	27 ■ 10:00 AM Zoom and In-Person Bible Study (Room 304) ■ 6:00 PM Handbell Practice	28	29 ■ 5:00 PM Johnson/Westbrook Wedding Rehearsal	30 ■ 4:00 PM Johnson/Westbrook Wedding
31 Reformation Sunday ■ 9:30 AM Hybrid (Zoom & in person Room 304) Adult Sunday School Class ■ 10:00 AM Sunday School ■ 11:00 AM Worship (in-person and live-stream)	1 ■ 7:00 PM Zoom Bible Study	2	3 ■ 10:00 AM Zoom and In-Person Bible Study (Room 304) ■ 6:00 PM Handbell Practice	4	5	6