

Introducing
**THE REVEREND
DR. JOSEPH D.
WASHBURN**



Wallace Presbyterian Church



EDUCATION

1989: University of South Carolina - Bachelor of Arts in Music

1991: Presbyterian School of Christian Education - Master of Arts in
Christian Education

1997: Columbia Theological Seminary - Master of Divinity

2009: Columbia Theological Seminary - Doctor of Ministry

CHURCH EXPERIENCE

Director of Education

- Sunrise Presbyterian Church; Sullivan's Island, SC
- First Presbyterian Church; York, SC

Pastor/Head of Staff

- Topsail Presbyterian Church; Hampstead, NC
- Banner Elk Presbyterian Church; Banner Elk, NC
- Culdee Presbyterian Church; West End, NC
- First Presbyterian Church; Whiteville, NC



BIOGRAPHICAL STATEMENT

I was blessed to be raised in a family that was active in the church. My parents, both of whom were elders and volunteer youth leaders, worked to model for us that being a Christian involved more than attending Sunday morning worship but meant dedicating all you were--your finances, time, and gifts--to the ministry of God's church. The first significant event in my faith life occurred during the summer before my junior year in college while working at a Presbyterian camp. While I was painting a picnic table that sat beneath a cross, I first experienced the call of God in my life to be in ministry. Living into this call began at the Presbyterian School of Christian Education, where I received my Master of Arts in Christian Education.

While attending the Presbyterian School of Christian Education in Richmond, I met my wife, Angela...who, without a doubt, is one of God's greatest blessings in my life. She has walked with me through the challenges, demands, laughter, tears, and the joy that ministry places on a pastor. Through it all, she has not only grown in her faith, raised our children, and spoiled our grandchildren, but has served God as Director of Christian Education in churches and at the Presbytery level, teaching in the Religion Department of a local college, teaching in a Christian high school, and being involved in or leading various Bible Study groups in the community.



We have two terrific children. Our daughter, Hannah, and her husband, Nate, live in Elgin, IL, and spend their time and energy chasing our four precious grandchildren, who range in age from 9 months to 7 years old. (Oh, I never tire of talking about our grandchildren or sharing an overabundance of photos!) Our son, Jake, and his husband, Logan, currently live in Greenville but may soon be relocating to the Midwest as well.

What do Angela and I do when not in the church? Well, for one thing, we love sailing, though we are once again "boat-less". We enjoy spending time together running errands and doing projects around the house. I also seem to have a hobby of collecting hobbies. I enjoy woodworking, playing guitar, practicing amateur astronomy, sewing, photography/videography, hiking, and cycling...whether that is road cycling, mountain biking, bicycle touring, or riding to the store. I believe these hobbies fill my desire to learn...although I do cherish a good lazy day in my recliner.

I love being with people, talking and listening to their stories. As we learn about one another and build a relationship, our focus begins to shift from the things that make us different from one another to the things we hold in common...which I believe is vital for us today. Throughout my ministry, I never cease to be amazed how God continues to work and move within our lives. And the more we begin to recognize God's presence in our past, the more we are able to recognize Him in the present. It is my goal in life to bring glory to God, and I pray that our ministry together will do just that.

After much prayer, discernment, and careful consideration, the Pastor Nominating Committee recommends Rev. Dr. Joseph D. Washburn to serve as the pastor of Wallace Presbyterian Church. We believe that God has guided us through this process and are grateful for the opportunity to bring this recommendation before the congregation.

The members of the Pastor Nominating Committee are:

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