

THE COVENANT OF PRAYER

WFPC FAMILY MEMBERS

Roy Wilson (25) Emmaline Simpson (35) Don McCorkle (26)
 Melanie Mohlmann (14) Sara McCorkle (26)

Note: (#) denotes branch numbers. Prayer concerns for extended family members and friends can be found on the password-protected portion of the church website, which is updated weekly. Be sure to include these names as part of your daily prayer life. If you need assistance with your password, contact [Robert Deeprouse](mailto:Robert.Deeprouse@wakeforestpres.org) at 919-801-8914 or itsvc@wakeforestpres.org

NEXT DIACONATE MEETING: *Thursday, November 9 at 7:00*
NEXT SESSION MEETING: *Thursday, November 16 at 7:00*
NEXT MINISTRY TEAM NIGHT: *Thursday, December 7 at 7:00*

**In the PC(USA), officers' meetings are open as "the work of church is strengthened when it is done in a spirit of openness and trust".*

CHURCH ELDERS (SESSION)

Stated Clerk: Kathy Dudley (2019)

Class of 2017

Louis Engel (IT)
 Stephanie Gregory (Personnel)
 Wayne Moore (Facilities)
 Kim Newton (Worship)
 Alan Perry (Finance)
 Marty Wakefield (Discipleship)

Class of 2018

Laurie Baker (Worship)
 Sandy Christos (Membership)
 Bernie Hardy (Mission)
 Robin Roper (Cong. Care)
 Marla Seymour (Membership)
 Nicole Slayton (Discipleship)

Class of 2019

Ray Evans (Generosity)
 Jon Gutekunst (Facilities)
 Millie Seiler (Mission)
 Tony Whitley (Personnel)
 Carolyn Joy Wiles (Discipleship)

CHURCH DEACONS (DIACONATE)

Moderator of the Deacons: Robin Roper
 Clerk: Sharon Lineberry

Class of 2017

Lisa Dolfi (Fellowship)
 Armin Harrell (Compassion)
 Leslie Olmo (Branch Ministry)
 Joy Blanton (Compassion)

Class of 2018

Emory Butcher (Compassion)
 Ellen Cutler (Fellowship)
 Loretta Highfield (Fellowship)
 Rick Mayo (Welcome)

Class of 2019

George Dudley (Welcome)
 Liz Herman (Branch Ministry)
 Jane Hydeman (Compassion)
 Dana Wills (Fellowship)

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Rebekah Maul.....Pastor
 Rev. John Fawcett.....Associate Pastor for Discipleship and Mission
 Katherine Peiper.....Director of Children, Family and Youth Ministries
 Janet BrileyAsst Director of Youth Min.
 Kim Glasscock.....Director of Music Ministries
 Dawn Brown.....Preschool Director

Mandy Duguid.....Director of Food Ministries
 Amy Cebriek...Asst Director of Children's Min.
 Renee Engel....Pastors' Asst/Admin Secretary
 Mitchie Griffin.....Preschool Director Asst
 Cindy Shriver.....Business Office Admin
 Karen Long.....Bookkeeper
 Karen Pettyjohn.....9:00 Accompanist
 Susie Vogt.....11:15 Accompanist

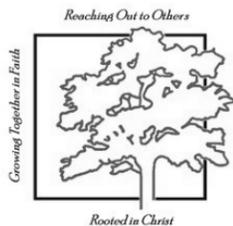
PCUSA MISSIONARIES SUPPORTED BY WFPC

Janet Guyer (Malawi) Alan & Ellen Smith (Germany, Russia, Belarus)

Worship Leaders Today:

Elder of the Week: Jon Gutekunst **Deacon of the Week:** Liz Herman
Liturgist: Deidre Mayo

ATTENDANCE 10/29/17		TITHES/OFFERINGS 10/29/17	
Discipleship Hour	98	GF Offering	\$8,087.00
9:00 Worship	175	GF MTD Offering	\$71,056.00
11:15 Worship	172	GF Monthly Budget	\$72,351.00
		Designated Gifts	\$1,638.70
		Debt Elimination	\$812.00



**Service of Worship and Praise
(Contemporary)**

November 5, 2017, 9:00 a.m.

Commitment Sunday

WELCOME

SPOTLIGHT

Commitment Sunday

Ray Evans

OPENING PRAYER

***SONG OF PRAISE**

"Arise"

***SHARING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

One: In the forgiving love of Christ, we know our freedom and our hope.

All: For this we can be glad and rejoice in great gratitude.

One: The Love of our Lord, Jesus Christ, be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Let us greet one another with the love and peace of Jesus.

GIVING THROUGH OUR TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE

Music Offering

"O Happy Day"

ShinE Singers

SCRIPTURE

John 2:1-12

SERMON

"Fine Wine and Belief"

Rebekah Maul

THE APOSTLES' CREED

CALL TO COMMUNION *"In Remembrance of Me"*

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

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Words of Institution

Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

The Bread and Wine Shared

Unison Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, you have put Your life into our hands; now we put our lives into Yours. Take us and remake us.

What we have been is past; what we shall be, through You, still awaits us. May we be Your living presence in the world. Amen.

***CLOSING SONG**

"God of Wonders"

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE OF PRAISE

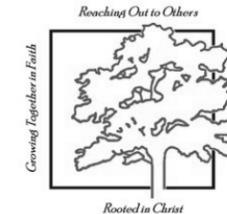
* All who are able may stand

If your child becomes restless and you need to take them from the service, you can hear the service through the speakers in the room next to the kitchen at the far end of the Worship Space here in the Christian Life Center (CLC).



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**Wake Forest
Presbyterian Church**

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PRELUDE

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Our God is an amazing God, whose voice we hear in unexpected places,

All: among people who seem unlikely witnesses.

One: Today we gather as a group of unlikely witnesses to renew our commitment.

All: We rejoice in God's love, poured out in Christ, who equips us to minister in His name.

One: Let us find our heart in Him through this hour of worship.

***PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION**

***OPENING HYMN**

"Come, Great God of All the Ages"

Hymn #309

CONFESSING OUR SINS TOGETHER

One: God, in His immense power and greatness, gives us the most undeserved, unconditional love. So, let us with humility of heart and mind, ask Him to forgive our sin.

All: Lord, when we come to worship, we confess that we are often distracted by the "stuff" of life. We have stuff we never use in our closets that reaches to the rafters. We have stuff-upon-stuff in our garages, and we aren't even sure what's in that pile. We have thick coats stored away... the same ones we had when we lived in the frozen north, which we haven't worn since... and we haven't even thought about the poor who live on the streets of our own community, who have nothing to shield them from the elements. We have collections that we claim are precious, yet they aren't even displayed or enjoyed. We have more than we could ever use, but there is still dissatisfaction with what we have, and a hunger for more that we do not need. We ask your forgiveness for seeking to own stuff for stuff's sake. Give us new eyes to see the true hunger of our spirits that we are striving to satisfy, so that our focus can return to You. All we have truly needed, Your hand has provided through the sacrificial love of Jesus. Help us to remember, in His name.

(time of silent confession)

One: Lord, in Your Mercy...

All: Hear our prayer. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: The joy of the Christian is not a cold and prohibitive joy.

All: The joy of the Christian is a realistic one, which acknowledges the brokenness of the world, while celebrating the forgiving power of Christ at work among us. In Him is joyful fulfillment, comfort, and peace.

One: Brothers and sisters in Christ, believe this Good News!

All: In Jesus, we are forgiven.

***RESPONSE TO GRACE**

"You Are My All in All"

Hymn #519

**You are my strength when I am weak;
 you are the treasure that I seek; you are my all in all.
 When I fall down, you pick me up;
 when I am dry you fill my cup; you are my all in all.
 Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name!
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THE OFFERING OF OUR TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE

Offertory Anthem “For the Bread Which You Have Broken” Chancel Choir

***Doxology**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

***Prayer of Dedication**

SCRIPTURE John 2:1-12 **NT page 93**
SERMON “Fine Wine and Belief” Rebekah Maul

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** The Apostles Creed ecumenical version

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was
conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered
under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He
descended to the dead. On the third day He rose again; He ascended
into heaven, He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and He will
come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness
of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

***CALL TO COMMUNION** “In Remembrance of Me” **Hymn #521 v1-2**

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

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***CLOSING HYMN** “Called as Partners in Christ’s Service” **Hymn #761**

***BENEDICTION**

***SUNG RESPONSE** “God Be with You Till We Meet Again” **Hymn #542 v. 1**

*God be with you till we meet again;
loving counsels guide, uphold you,
with a shepherd’s care unfold you;
God be with you till we meet again.*

POSTLUDE



* - All who are able may stand

Bold Type - congregation responds in unison

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service, you can hear the service through the speakers in the lobby
area of the church, as well as in the sitting area located at the back
of the administrative offices. Ushers can assist you.*

**What’s Happening at
Wake Forest Presbyterian**

EVERY TIME WE SHARE IN THE SACRAMENT of the Lord’s Supper, we recommit to being Christ’s disciples in all walks of our life, within the church and in the world. Today, we also actively commit to financially supporting the ministry and mission of Wake Forest Presbyterian, a ministry that gives hope, joy, peace, love, direction, and meaning. All that we have comes from God. Take the opportunity on this Commitment Sunday to support the ongoing and vibrant ministries of Wake Forest Presbyterian. It’s not so much what we get out of it, as what we contribute to the corporate story of our shared faith journey with Christ.

TODAY WE CELEBRATE THE LORD’S SUPPER: The Table of the Lord is considered an “open” table; all who profess Christ as their Lord and Savior are welcome to participate with us. We receive the elements of bread and wine by intinction, meaning that, with the ushers’ directions, we will come forward and be served by the pastors and elders of the church. A piece of bread will be given, and each person may dip their bread in the chalice. If you are unable to come forward, let an usher know, and we will bring the elements to you.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER MENU for November 8: chicken corn chowder or beef chili, salad, rolls, cheesecake. To make a reservation, please email dinner@wakeforestpres.org today. Please send cancellations by Tuesday morning.

STEPHEN MINISTRY: Would you like to explore a great way to reach out and help others through grace-based listening? Would you like to have someone to walk alongside you as you climb whatever mountain it is that is making your life less than perfect? Join us on November 8, 2017, at 6:30 PM in the Blue Modular, Room 1, and learn about Stephen Ministry at WFPC. There will be no arm-twisting or pressure of any kind to join us – we just want you to know what we can do with you and for you. Armin Harrell at 919-556-7307, Judy Ide at 919-971-6237, or Barbara Winch at 919-846-3342 or 919-870-5918.

LAST SUNDAY, WE OBSERVED THE 500th ANNIVERSARY of the beginning of the Reformation: “Reformed, and always reforming.” If you were unable to be with us last week, you can pick up your copy of the 95 Theses that Martin Luther nailed to the chapel door at Wittenberg, Germany in the lobby areas of the CLC and the sanctuary.

IN PREPARATION FOR OUR COMMUNITY-WIDE Walk Through Bethlehem, we will hold our Fall Clean-Up on Saturday, November 11. We will gather at the narthex entrance at 8:30 AM and plan on finishing by noon. There will be projects for all ages. We will be doing some pruning, spreading of pine straw, and cleaning of beds. In addition, we will be sealing the decking around the mods. Most tools will be provided, but what we need most is YOU and your time. If you can’t stay the whole time, come when you can and leave when you must. Contact Wayne Moore or Jon Gutekunst if you have any questions (waynemoore670@gmail.com or jon.gutekunst@gmail.com).

A NOTE OF THANKS FOR ALL SAINTS’ WORSHIP: Thanks to all those who helped with All Saints’ day this past Monday. What a blessing it was to have such a meaningful worship service of remembrance for those passed. A special thanks to Kathy Drake for making the banner, Lynette Wilson and Karen Mohlmann for making the butterflies, Sandie Buda for decorations, and all who helped with visioning this service!

CHRISTMAS HELPERS ARE NEEDED TO DECORATE the sanctuary, narthex, and entrance to the church. The first Sunday in Advent is December 3; decorating needs to be completed before Walk Through Bethlehem begins on December 1. There are two opportunities to join the festivities. 9:30 AM on Monday, November 27, in the sanctuary and 10:30 AM on Thursday, November 30 to unload and place the poinsettias in the sanctuary. Any questions, please contact

HIS KIDS MINISTRIES

KIDS HELPING KIDS: We have two mission partners here at WFPC that our kids can help support in very real ways. For the month of November, we are asking that our kids help collect size 5 and 6 diapers for Tri-Area Ministries and healthy, non-perishable snacks to supplement our BackPack Buddies program. There will be bins labeled for each mission in Holywood, so our kids can drop off items anytime they head to the Red Mod.

SHINE PARTY TIME! Mr. Jacky has been so kind as to offer us the indoor pool at Granite Falls to do a SHinE celebration to cap off a wonderful fall semester! Saturday, November 18 from 2:00 to 4:00 PM. Snacks will be provided. RSVP coming soon!

YOUTH MINISTRIES

TAKE STOCK IN YOUTH: If you haven’t had a chance to return your Take Stock in Youth envelopes, please do so today. You can give them to Janet or place them in her box in the admin wing. Missed out on grabbing an envelope? No worries! Place a check in an envelope of your own and turn that in... you choose the amount! Thank you for your generosity.

YOUTH GROUP TODAY: Just a reminder that we will NOT have our normal youth group meetings this week. Join us for SCREENAGERS! Doors will open at 5:30 and you will want to get here then -- we have a big crowd coming!

WE NEED SINGERS! All middle school and high school youth are invited to join a choir to sing at the 9:00 AM service on Christmas Eve (arriving at 8:15). Rehearsals will be on 11/8 and 11/15 from 4:45 until 5:15 in the sanctuary, and on 11/29 and 12/7 from 5:30 until 6:00 in the CLC. If you are interested or have any questions, contact Lisa Dolfi at 919-761-5245 or lisadolfi@gmail.com.

ADULT MINISTRIES

JOIN THE JOY (JUST OLDER YOUTH) GROUP this month on Friday, November 10! We will gather in the CLC at 6:15 and enjoy our potluck at 6:30. Paul and Carol Swartz will be our hosts. Please contact Carol at cakswartz@yahoo.com or 614-975-5225 with your RSVP and covered dish offering. Our program will be "The Lands Down Under." The Swartzes will share pictures and stories of their Australia and New Zealand tour.

KNITTERS AND CROCHETERS! We have a great need right now for scarves, men’s hats, and ear warmer headbands. It’s a busy season, but if you have any free time, items are greatly appreciated. We have some easy patterns and a great amount of donated yarn available. Contact Leslie Olmo for more info and patterns, leslieolmo@yahoo.com.

WALK THROUGH BETHLEHEM

WTB WORKDAYS 11/18 AND 11/25: In preparation for our annual Christmas gift to the community on December 1-3, please join us for our upcoming workdays on Saturday, November 18 and 25 beginning at 8 AM. We will be finishing up construction in the breezeway area on November 18, and installing all of the props in the main set on November 25. Questions? Contact Paul Swartz at swartzp51@gmail.com

10,000 COOKIES! Walk Through Bethlehem has over 3,000 visitors each year. Part of our hospitality is to share cookies and a hot drink with our guests. Please consider a donation of cookies (Christmas cookies are the best!) or a monetary donation for hot drinks. Drop off your cookies in the kitchen or at the desk in the narthex. Checks can be dropped in the offering plate with “WTB Refreshments” on the memo line. Questions? mandyduguid@wakeforestpres.org.