



## A note from the pastor:

By the time you read this, the Walkersville 2026 Revival might be over. Even so, if this is a true revival, it will continue, making a difference in your thinking, behavior, but especially in your relationship with God. To that end, in June, we'll consider the "tossed salad" passages found in Hebrews. I call it "tossed salad" because these verses all contain "Let us". Throughout each of these passages, the consistent theme is confidence. How do you have confidence before God while also living confidently in this world?

In Hebrews 10:19-22, we can have confidence in approaching God. Are you able to have the most accurate view of God and still approach his throne? The only way is to approach God the same way the high priest did, with the blood of the sacrifice. For us, it is the blood of Jesus Christ, the final, once-and-for-all sacrifice. How do you cleanse yourself as you approach God?

What do you believe about Jesus that gives you hope? The world around us will do all it can to steal our hope. Hebrews 10:23 tells us to "hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering." You can only hold fast to your confession if you actually know what you believe, remembering that our God is always faithful.

One of the most important responsibilities we have within the Body of Christ is to "provoke", challenge, and encourage each other to love and good deeds. Hebrews 10:24-25 tells us how important it is for us to come together as the Body of Christ, especially as we worship together. Our highest calling is to glorify God. Is this at the top of your priority list? Does worship get lost in the busyness of our day-to-day lives? On Father's Day, remember that our children of every age are watching us. What message are we sending?

Choices are just that...choices. Sometimes the choices are ours, and sometimes the choices we make in our lives come from the throne of God. Choices from the throne of God will always lead to peace. These choices may not be easy to make, but they are essential to obey. Within each of our choices is the decision to unite the Body of Christ or divide it, build it up or tear it down, help it grow or allow it to wither, either bring peace or conflict. What do your choices do for your walk with Christ? What do your choices do for the church?

### Session Members & Committees

Building & Grounds:  
 Elder: Quinton Richardson  
 Chair: Russell Mosley

Christian Education:  
 Elder: Ann Rose  
 Chair: Jessica Johnston

Congregational Care:  
 Elder: Eric Johnston  
 Chair:

Mission & Outreach:  
 Elder: Gretchen Presson  
 Chair: Gretchen Presson

Finance:  
 Elder: Eric Johnston  
 Chair:

Worship:  
 Elder: Ann Rose  
 Chair: Frances Gamble

Fellowship:  
 Elder: Rick Gay  
 Chair: Debbie Robinson

### Sermon Passages

- 6/7: Hebrews 10:19-22
- 6/14: Hebrews 10:23 (Flag Day)
- 6/21: Hebrews 10:24-25 (Father's Day)
- 6/28: 2 Thessalonians 3:16-18

## Volunteers Needed

The Mission & Outreach committee is looking for volunteers to deliver lunch items dropped off at the church to Operation Reach-Out once a month. This will be on a rotating schedule, so you will not be responsible each month. If you are called to help with this, please reach out to Gretchen Presson.



## June Mission of the Month

Our June Mission of the Month is Adopt-A-Teacher, and this year we will be adopting Nicole Gill and Nick Horne. All money collected will be split evenly between the two and presented to them on July 19<sup>th</sup>. Let's come together to bless and encourage these wonderful teachers as they prepare for the year ahead!



The Community Yard Sale has been postponed to June 6 from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Please mark your calendars and plan to join us for a great day of shopping, fellowship, and community fun!



## Memorials



For: **Boyet Twitty**

By: Bob McCain

Betty Lou Mosley

Paul & Gina Warner

Dennis & Debbie Robinson

Rick & Alice Gay

Mitchell & Pam Gordon

CJ & Lynn Stikeleather

Phil Rogers

Tommy & Jane Starnes

Bill & Doris Midkiff

Glenda, Jeffery, & Samuel Lee

Kenneth Hedgepath

Charles & Joyce Fowler

Mike & Sue Stinson

Tommy & Phyllis Norwood

Rachel Tyson

For: **Fran Griffin**

By: Bob McCain

Betty Lou Mosley

Dennis & Debbie Robinson

Tommy & Phyllis Norwood

Rachel Tyson

For: **Clay Murray**

By: Rachel Tyson

For: **Anna Tietjen**

By: Tommy & Phyllis Norwood



## Honorariums

For: **Caitlin Richardson**

By: Bob McCain

# Walkersville EPC

## Session Meeting Review May 21, 2026

### I. Prayer and Devotions

-Marks of the Church:

- proclamation of the God's Word
- administering the Sacraments - biblical discipline
- loving fellowship

II. **Approve:** April 16, 2026 minutes to be approved at the June 2026 meeting

### III. Baptisms, new members, and visitors

-Testimonies of member candidates: Maria Dobbins, Billy & Sandy Geiger

-Session voted to accept Maria, Billy & Sandy into membership.

### IV. Committee Reports: "How is each committee fulfilling the Great Commission?"

June 2026 Committee of the Month: *Congregational Care*  
June 2026 Elder of the Month (from the Committee of the Month): *Eric Johnston*

\*\*\*Encouraging all committees to look ahead 12 months at each meeting

\*\*\*Committee members needed!!!

- A. Building & Grounds: (*Quinton Richardson*)  
-Faucet by Memorial Garden  
-Update on railings for sanctuary chancel area  
-let Church Mutual know about new playground  
-Prayer Walk: Who will take care of it? \$\$ for dirt, flowers, etc.
- B. Christian Education: (*Ann Rose*)  
-next meeting:  
-Nursery Schedule: present schedule goes until the end of June  
-VBS 2026 preparations, July 12-15, 2026
- C. Congregational Care: (*Eric Johnston*)  
-Next meeting:  
-Nursery Schedule: present schedule goes until the end of June  
-For Prayer: Bob McCain, Lauren Rapp
- D. Mission & Outreach: (*Gretchen Presson*)  
-next meeting: September 21, 2026  
-June Mission of the Month: *Teachers (Nicole Gill, Nick Horne)*: to be given on a Sunday morning in July  
-Approved: Matching \$ for Adopt-a-Teacher  
-2026 Chicken & Dumplings dates (tentative): October 17, 2026  
-Looking ahead at having "Walkersville Days" to visit & work at local missions and ministries we support  
-May 30, 2026 Community Yard Sale  
-Considering contributing to two rooms for Turning Point
- E. Worship: (*Ann Rose*)  
-Next meeting:  
-2026 tentative Communion Dates: June 7, July 5, Aug. 2, Sept. 6, Oct. 4, Nov. 1, Dec. 6, Dec. 24
- F. Finance: (*Eric Johnston*)  
-Next Meeting: October 8, 2026 at 6:30pm  
-April 2026 Financial Report  
-Begin 2026 with: \$50,000  
-It would mean distributing: \$16,000
- G. Fellowship: (*Rick Gay*)  
-Next meeting:  
-Making Revival preparations: Ice Cream Social following 6/2 revival service

-Revival Prayer Preparation, Wednesdays in May, 4pm in the Fellowship Hall

-September Fish Fry

- H. Pastor Search Committee Report  
-Nearly finished with the Church Information Form (CIF).  
-Next step is to begin forming the Pastoral Search Committee (PSC)
- I. UC-EPC Women: (*Caitlin Richardson*)

### V. Old Business

- A. Presbytery Report: Next meeting: September 25-26, 2026, Centre Church, Mooresville, NC  
-Representing Walkersville:
- B. Who to call in an emergency:  
Ken Thomas (980) 328-8702;  
Michael Krauter (Siler) (330) 309-2311;  
Doug Hines (New Hope) (980) 256-1355
- C. Continued discussion about the bus: decision made to sell the bus: next steps
- E. Sound & Video people for Sunday morning: people who can *learn* to do this (create a team)
- E. Define Caitlin's responsibilities beginning in July 2026  
-bringing Caitlin's job description to the June meeting for consideration
- F. Updating the church's membership rolls (before the end of the year)
- G. Youth Sunday in July

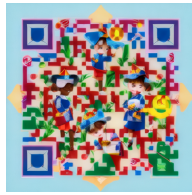
### VI. New Business

- A. CCLI-Streaming Plus License (\$178/year)
- B. Approved: Kathryn Dean to buy cemetery plots: requesting two plots at \$1,000 each
- C. FYI: Ken Thomas to moderate session beginning in July
- D. Church directional signs-sending to Building & Grounds  
-possibly stand alone signs that can be taken out and brought in
- E. June 7, 2026: Recognize graduating seniors: Kennedy Yeakley
- F. June 28, 2026: Recognize rising 6<sup>th</sup> graders
- G. Lexi Langley baptism: meeting with pastor on May 27, baptism June 28
- H. Approved: paying revival preachers \$150

### VII. Dates for use of the Fellowship Hall:

### VIII. Close with prayer

Next stated Session meeting: **June 18, 2026, 7pm in the Library**



Mark your calendars for Vacation Bible School, happening July 12-15! We are looking forward to a fun and meaningful time as kids come together to learn, grow, worship, and enjoy exciting activities throughout the week.

Youth Sunday will follow on July 19, and we can't wait to celebrate all that God has done during VBS. Families are encouraged to preregister their children as soon as possible so we can be fully prepared with supplies, groups, and volunteers. Preregistering helps us make sure every child has a great experience, so don't wait - sign up today and invite a friend to join the fun!

You can use the QR code above to register online!



There will be only two kids' Sunday School classes during the month of June. The Pre-k?Nursery Class will continue as usual, and the elementary kids will join the youth class for this month. We're excited for this special time of learning and growing together!



- Todd Twitty - 5
- Joseph Wilson - 4
- Robert Laton - 7
- Tommy, Jr & Debbie Norwood - 9
- Brooklyn Hardy - 14
- Ivey Hardy - 15
- Paisley Richardson - 15
- Savannah McManus - 19
- Hayley Norwood - 19
- Elizabeth Wilson - 25
- Sue Thornton - 26
- Mark & Allison Batson - 26
- Amy Thompson - 27
- Phyllis Norwood - 28
- Debbie Norwood - 28
- Natalie Rogers - 28
- Lindsey Kirkley - 29

- 6/7: Nicole Gill & Brooklyn Hardy
- 6/14: Pam Gordon & Lily Presson
- 6/21: Debbie Rankin & Lexi Langley
- 6/28: Phyllis Norwood & Wilson Johnston



Dear WEPC,  
I wanted to thank you again for how you have faithfully partnered with what God is doing in Central Asia!! I am so blessed by and grateful for your prayers and support. Thank you for being a part of the Great Commission in this way! You are such an encouragement to me!!

Blessings  
Claire H.

# JUNE 2026 COM: Congregational Care MOM:

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
31	1 Revival 7pm	2 Revival & Ice Cream Social 7 pm	3 Bible Study, 3pm Prayer Time, 4pm Youth Group, 6pm	4 Choir, 7pm	5	6
7 Holy Communion Sunday School 9am Worship 10am Graduation Sunday, Covered Dish Lunch	8 Men's & Women's Monthly Bible Study	9 Square Dancing 7-9pm	10 Oper. Reach-Out Meal, 12pm Bible Study, 3pm Prayer Time, 4pm Youth, 6pm	11 Choir 7pm	12	13
14 Sunday School 9am Worship 10am VBS Meeting, 11:15 am	15	16 Square Dancing 7-9pm	17 Bible Study, 3pm Prayer Time, 4pm Youth, 6pm	18 session 7pm	19	20
21 <b>Father's Day</b> Sunday School 9am Worship 10am	22 Newsletter Submissions Due	23 Square Dancing 7-9pm	24 Bible Study 3pm Prayer Time 4pm Little Angels & Youth 6pm	25 Choir 7pm	26	27
28 Sunday School 9am Worship 10am Rising 6th Graders Covered Dish Lunch	29	30 Senior Covered Dish Lunch 11:30am Square Dancing 7-9pm	1	2	3	4

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# EXTENDED PRAYER LIST:

## Battling Cancer:

- Larry Medlin, Sr. - Stage 3 lung cancer (Father of Pete & Tiffany Medlin)
- Bricelyn Dorman (Daughter of Joey McCombs co-worker)
- John Cavallaro (Friend of Bob Stirton)
- Sandy Rea (Sister of Billy Thompson)
- Larry Norwood
- C.B. Griffin - Bone Cancer
- Tammy Huber - Chronic Myeloid Leukemia (Mother of one of Riley Campbell's clients)
- Paul Smith - (Friend of Nick & Gretchen Presson)
- Howard Moser - Kidney Cancer (Rick Moser's Brother)
- Ann King (Friend of Sue Thornton)
- Alan Mears - Rectal Cancer (Pastor at Mineral Springs UMC)
- Eric Munoz - Multiple Myeloma (Friend of Bob Stirton)
- Mark Mull - Brain Tumor (Friend of Nick & Gretchen Presson)

## Various Concerns:

- Rick Moser
- Phil Keyes
- Layne & Lynn Dewlen - Various health concerns
- Tanner Hasty - 10 year old with migraines & coned vision (Client of Riley Campbell)
- Jerry Griffin - (Community friends)
- Frankie Norwood - Dementia (Brother of Hazel Norwood)
- Monty Brady - (Relative of Rhonda McManus & Sue Thornton)
- Bart & Pat Jackson - Declining health (Cousins of Fran Griffin)

## Assisted Living:

- Robby Griffin:  
Lee Forest Group Home  
1209 Pelham Dr  
Laurinburg, NC 28352
- Nancy Thomas  
Lake Park Rehabilitation

## Active Military:

- Jesse Par (PV2) - 2-47 IN BN B CO 9240 Treadwen DR BLD 3405, Fort Benning, GA, 31905
- Matthew Luke - Gretchen Presson's co-worker's son. Deploying to the Middle East.
- Chad Clonch - Lieutenant in the US Navy, Explosive Ordnance Disposal Mobile Unit at Naval Amphibious Base Little Creek. Chad is Scarlett Clonch's husband and son-in-law of Bob & Marsha Stirton. 4628 Larkwood Dr., Virginia Beach, VA 23464
- Luke Mault - Staff Sergeant in the US Army Reserve, A. CO 404th Civil Affairs Battalion Africa. Family friend of Ron & Lisa Tietjen.
- Garret Melton - US Marine stationed Camp Lejeune in Jacksonville, NC. Grandson of Danny & Marlene Little, Grandson-in-law of Larry & Audrey Schott.
- Devin Moser - Senior Chief, US Navy. Out on a mission for at least a year. Son of Rick Moser.
- Peyton Maguffey - Serving on the Donald Cook war ship at the rank of E5 as a CTR (cryptologiv technician collection). Great nephew of Bob & Marsha Stirton.
- Chris Rankin - Lieutenant Colonel in the US Army stationed in Ft. Drum, NY. Paul Rankin's nephew. 10266 Glass St, JBLM, WA 98433
- Jarrett Setliff - US Air Force stationed in Florida. Friend of Nick & Gretchen Presson; Hazel & Gloria Norwood. 624 B W. Pine St., Mary Esther, FL 32569

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