## Walkersville Window

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## A note from the pastor:

On the first Sunday of March, we will finish the short series of considering who God is with the statement that appears throughout Scripture, "I will be your God, and you will be my people." This declaration can be found at least thirty times in the Bible, with the final time in Revelation 21:3, and tell us that, unlike the gods of other religions, the true and living God is a God of relationship. Among other topics, the Bible presents a God who deeply desires to be in relationship with us.

With the beginning of Lent, we begin "Walking with Jesus". In Matthew 3:16-17 we find ourselves at the very beginning of his early ministry, hearing the heavenly proclamation, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." Do you hear your heavenly Father saying the same thing to all of his children?

Matthew 6:31-33 is one of those passages that is easy to agree with, but more difficult to put into our lives. This world is constantly giving us distractions that would pull our focus away from the kingdom of God that involves worry. Can you hear Jesus saying "Focus!!"?

When we arrive at Luke 9:23-24 Jesus knew he was headed to the cross. He knew what that meant physically and spiritually. He also knew that his followers have to be prepared to walk along with him to the cross, denying ourselves. That is an enormous requirement that can only be

understood when we are able to look passed this world and fix our eyes and hearts on eternity. Jim Elliott made the statement, "He is no fool who gives up what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose." When it requires sacrifice, are we ready to walk with Jesus?

Who do we meet in this life that is beyond the salvation we find in Christ? How wicked or evil does a person have to be to not receive Jesus' love? Is there anyone that you have "written off" as being too far gone and without hope of salvation? Jesus saw everyone as needing his love. The only people that frustrated Jesus were the ones who thought they were already good enough. Is it any different today? Are you prepared to seek out the "Zaccheaus's" of the world, just like Jesus did in Luke 19:1-10.

Then, as we walk along with Jesus, in Mark 10:35-45, we can hear James and John make an astronomically huge request of Jesus: put us in the top two positions in your kingdom. What does "greatness" look like in the kingdom of God? It is not the same as what we see in the world around us. Walking with Jesus means giving up that kind of thinking and taking on servanthood, always putting the needs of others before ourselves, even when it requires sacrifice. Nobody ever said walking with Jesus was easy. But the results are out of this world.

#### Session Members/Committees

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

Christian Education: Elder: Ann Rose Chair: Caitlin Richardson

Congregational Care: Elder: Dennis Robinson Chair: Tammy Mosley

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

Finance:

Elder: Dennis Robinson Chair: Fran Griffin

Worship:

Elder: Ann Rose

Chair: Frances Gamble

Fellowship: Elder: Rick Gay

Chair: Debbie Robinson



Do you have a heart for helping people? Congregational Care has ways for you to provide assistance:

- 1) Providing meals periodically
- 2) Transportation for those in need.

If you feel led to help, please contact Dennis & Debbie Robinson or Tammy Mosley

## March Mission of the Month: House of Pearls

The Purpose of House of Pearls is best summarized in our mission statement, which is, "To provide a safe environment for women to heal, restore, and rebuild their lives, embracing and representing the love of Jesus Christ." God has provided the Cross of Jesus Christ as the only true escape from bondage. At House of Pearls, we seek to point women to the reality of the indwelling Christ as the present Savior from sin and His provision of the Holy Spirit who transforms women in every area of life.

Current Wish/Needs List:

- Furniture
- Twin Beds, Mattresses, Sheets
- Pillows
- Office Desk
- · Office Chair
- File Cabinet
- Computer
- Printer
- Cleaning Products
- Trash Cans
- Laundry Baskets, Etc



Women's Events: All women are invited & encouraged to attend one or both events!

- Union-County Luncheon
   Saturday, March 15
   10 am - 12 pm
   Banks EPC (please
   RSVP by 3/8 to Caitlin)
- Central Carolinas Presbytery Annual Women's Conference Saturday, March 29 9:30 am - 2 pm Warehouse 242



For: Shirley Starnes

By: Dennis & Debbie Robinson

Rick & Alice Gay

For: Kayleen Rankin By: Rick & Alice Gay

Bob McCain

Tommy & Phyllis Norwood



Mark your calendars for our Picnic in the Park at Cane Creek. May 17, 2025, 4pm-8pm! Parking and coverage are available!

- Tammy Mosley 3/15
- Tammy Mosley 4/5





- 3/9 Gretchen Presson & Brooklyn
- 3/16 Sherri Simpson & Wilson
- 3/23 Debbie Norwood & Lexi
- 3/30 Tammy Mosley & Lily



- Dillon Hardy 1
- Kelsey Johnston 4
- Tom & Barb Salisbury 6
- Jake Wilson 7
- Grady, Jr & Ann Rose 10
- Russell Mosley 20
- Beverly Haney 21
- Andrew Presson 22
- Haylinn Wilson 22
- Blakely Gill 23
- Layne Dewlen 25
- Phil Keyes 26
- Jennifer Trull 29
- Wilson Johnston 30
- Bella Hardy 31



Are you good at organizing? Mission & Outreach committee is looking for someone to head up this years yard sale! Please reach out to the committee if you are interested.





## **SESSION REVIEW**

## **PRAYER & DEVOTIONS**

LEVITICUS 20:26. WHAT DOES IT MEAN FOR AN ELDER? WHAT DOES IT MEAN FOR WEPC?

## **COMMITTEE INFO:**

COMMITTEE OF THE MONTH: CONGREGATIONAL CARE.
ELDER OF THE MONTH: DENNIS ROBINSON

#### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

- NEXT MEETING 3/16
- WINTER JAM REPORT WAS A WONDERFUL EVENT
- LETEN STUDY (LEE STROBEL'S "THE CASE FOR EASTER"
- INQUIRERS' CLASS: FEB/MAR 2025
- VBS: JULY 13-16
- EASTER EGG HUNT: 4/12

#### **CONGREGATIONAL CARE**

- NEXT MEETING 5/7
- NEW MEMBERSHIP LIST (FROM TAMMY MOSLEY)
- VISITATION AND COMMUNION: SUE T., CLAY
   M., PHIL K., MARTHA A., HAYDEN H.
- FAITHWORKS IS AVAILABE FOR THOSE
   NEEDING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE (SEE BOB
   MCCAIN, DENNIS ROBINSON, PASTOR PAUL

#### **BUIDLING & GROUNDS**

- WATER FOUNTAIN IN FELLOWSHIP HALL -ONGOING DISCUSSION: NEW FOUNTAIN CONFIGURED INCORRECTLY
- PLAYGROUND ITEM RETURNED TO COMMITTEE FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION AND RESEARCH
- ICE MACHINE STILL WORKING, UNKNOWN FOR HOW LONG.

#### MISSION & OUTREACH

- NEXT MEETING: 5/18
- OCC COLLECTION WILL CONTINUE THROUGHOUT THE YEAR
- MARCH MOM: HOUSE OF PEARLS
- CHICKEN N DUMPLINGS: 3/8
- COVERED DISH LUNCH WITH MISSION VIDEOS: 4/27
- LOOKING AHEAD AT "WALKERSVILLE DAYS" TO GO
   VISIT LOCAL MISSIONS AND MINISTRIES WE SUPPORT
- YARDSALE FOR MISSIONS, POSSIBLE 5/31 IF THERE ARE ENOUGH INDIVIDUALS TO HELP ORGANIZE AND PRICE

#### **WORSHIP**

- NEXT MEETING: 3/23: 8/10: 10/12
- COMMUNION: 3/2: 4/6: 4/17

(MAUNDY THUR,): 5/4: 6/1: 7/6: 8/3:

9/7: 10/5: 11/2: 12/7: 12/24

- LOOKING FOR 1 MORE SONG LEADER
- CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS LOOKING TO PURCHASE SILK FLOWERS

#### **FINANCE**

- NEXT MEETING: 10/9
- JANUARY 2025 FINANCE REPORT APPROVED
- AMOUNT IN GENERAL FUND TO BEIN 2025: 50,000 - CONTINUED DISCUSSION OF DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS ABOVE \$50,000 BASED ON DECEMBER 2024 FINANCIAL REPORT

#### **FELLOWSHIP**

- NEXT MEETING: 4/3
- PICNIC IN THE PARK: 5/17,
   CANE CREEK PARK LODGE,
   4-8PM, BRING YOUR OWN
   CHAIR FOR OUTSIDE SEATING

## **UC-EPC WOMEN**

- MARCH 15: BANKS EPC
- MARCH 29: PCC WOMEN

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- PRESBYTERY: APRIL 25-26: WHO IS GOING
- WHO TO CALL IN AN EMERGENCY, KEN THOMAS:
   MICHAEL KRAUTER: JOE ROLISON
- STAFF EVALUATIONS: SET A DATE TO BEGIN THIS PROCESS..MAKE IT ANNUAL
- CONGREGATIONAL MEETING 5/4 (ELECTION OF ELDERS)
- COVERED DISH DINNER WITH COMMITTEE INFORMATION (3/30)
- NARCAN/NALOXONE- ON THE ADVICE OF 1ST RESPONDERS, IT IS BETTER TO LEAVE THIS WITH THE PROFESSIONS

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- HEARING ASSIST SYSTEM APPROVED TO PURCHASE NEW UNIT
- BACK ROW OF PEWS BY MARY ANN ROOM TO BE CONSIDERED IN FUTURE MEETINGS
- MESH WIFI WE NEED MORE DETAILS AND SOMEONE WHO KNOW HOW TO DETERMINE NEEDS AND INSTALL THE UNITS
- NOMINATING COMMITEE MEETING 3/16 AFTER WORSHIP IN THE LIBRARY
- GIRL SCOUTS TROOP IS INTERESTED IN USING PARTS OF THE CHURCH AS A PLACE TO MEET FOR THE SUMMER

#### **EXTENDED PRAYER LIST:**

## **Battling Cancer:**

- Bricelyn Dorman (Daughter of Joey McCombs co-worker)
- John Cavallaro (Friend of Bob Stirton)
- Sandy Rea (Sister of Billy Thompson)
- Karen Trull
- Sandy Brady Lung Cancer
- Larry Norwood
- C.B. Griffin Bone Cancer
- Tammy Huber Chronic Myeloid Leukemia (Mother of one of Riley Campbell's clients)
- Kent Mead Brain Cancer (Friend of Tim Hardy)
- 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)
- Barry Joyner Liver Canver (Community Friend)
- Mark Mull Brain Tumor (Friend of Nick & Gretchen Presson)

#### Various Concerns:

- Western North Carolina
- Rick Moser
- Phil Keyes
- Fran Griffin Pain Management
- Layne & Lynn Dewlen Pain Management
- Tanner Hasty 10 year old with migraines & coned vision (Client of Riley Campbell)
- Jerry & Alice 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
- Joann & Pat Cochran Graceful Arms Asst. Living 7500 W. Camp Wisdom Rd COW 150, Dallas, TX 75236

## **Active Military:**

- BrodyBatson Sergeant in the Army. Stationed in Ft. Drum, NY. Son of Mark & Allison Batson; Grandson of Boyet & Lynn Twitty.
- 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-inlaw 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 3rd year of school to become 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. 8612 A Hunter Loop, FT Drum, NC 13603
- 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

## Wallkersville EPC Contact Information & Office Hours

Pastor Paul Rankin: 814-279-5055 walkersvilleepcpastor@gmail.com Mon-Thurs: 8:30-5:00 or by appt. Caitlin Richardson (Administrative Asst): 704-726-1045 walkersvilleepc@gmail.com M-W-F 8:30 am - 2:15 pm

# March

2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Holy Communion Sunday School 9am Worship 10am	Chicken N Dumpling Prep Week	Chicken N Dumpling Prep Week Square Dancing, 7pm	Chicken N Dumpling Prep Bible Study, 3pm Prayer Time, 4pm Ash Wed. Service, 7pm	Chicken N Dumpling Prep	Chicken N Dumpling Prep	Chicken N Dumplings
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Day Light Savings Sunday School, 9am Worship, 10am	Men's & Women's Bible Study, 7pm	Square Dancing, 7pm	ORO Meal, 12pm Bible Study, 3pm Prayer Time, 4pm Outsiders Youth, 6:30pm	Fellowship Committee, 7pm		UC-EPC Women's Gathering 10- 12, Banks EPC
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Sunday School, 9am Worship, 10am	Lent Bible Study, 7pm	Square Dancing, 7pm	Bible Study, 3pm Prayer Time, 4pm	Session, 7pm		
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Sunday School, 9am Worship, 10am Worship Committee, 11:15	Lent Bible Study, 7pm	Senior Covered Dish Lunch, 11:30am Square Dancing, 7pm	Bible Study, 3pm Prayer Time, 4pm Little Angels & Outsiders, 5:30pm			2 <sup>nd</sup> Annual CCP Women's Conference 9:30am-2pm, Warehouse 242
30	31					
	Lent Bible Study, 7pm					

Notes: Mission of the Month: House of Pearls Committee of the Month: Congregational Care

Greeters:

3/2 – Debbie Robinson

3/9 - Clara McGee

3/16 – Gloria Norwood

3/23 – Debbie Robinson

3/30 – Linda Hess

Worship Leaders:
Dennis Robinson
Tammy Mosley
Caitlin Richardson
Dennis Robinson
Jessica Johnston

