

September 15, 2024

Wee Kirk Presbyterian Church

Guest Minister	The Reverend Dr. Tom Walker	
Worship Leader	Garland Honeycutt	
Flowers	Rosa and Bill McNairy	
Ushers	Dottie and Barry Cook	
Minister's Hospitality	Dottie and Barry Cook	
Refreshments	Dottie and Barry Cook	
Communion Servers	Diana Shelton	Steve Shelton
	Mindy Hanna	Lee Hanna
Music	Lana Donovan	
Bagpipes	Ella Markland	

Website

Please visit the Wee Kirk website (www.weekirk.org) for information about our visiting ministers, church history, and benevolence. On the website, you can volunteer to usher or serve lemonade. For more information about volunteering, call or text Sally McElwee 704-975-5920. Past sermons also can be found on the website. For more information about sermon recordings, call or text Nancy Wechsler 214-609-0654.

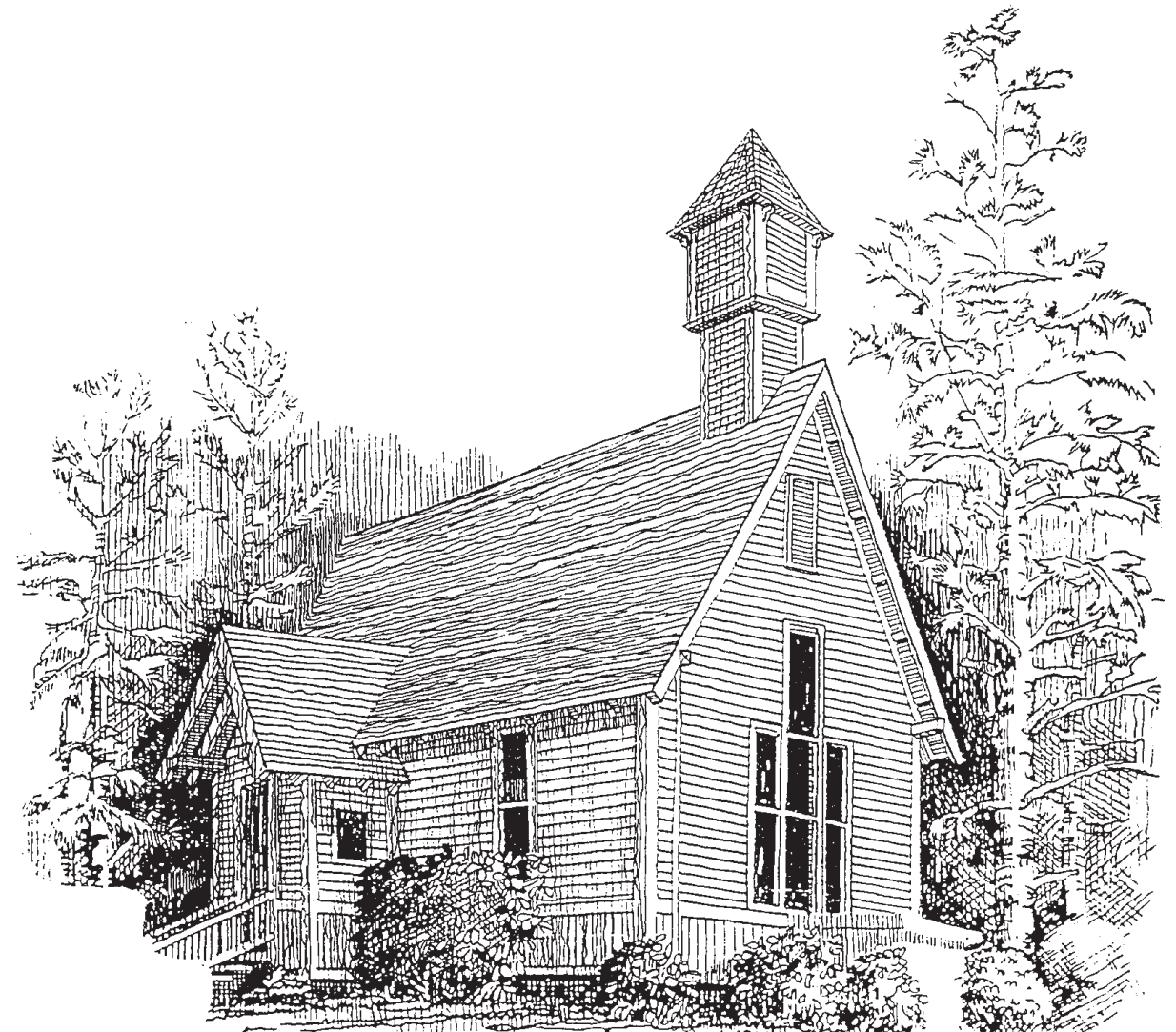
Outreach

The vast majority of our gifts and offerings go to our Outreach Program, the focus of which is to serve the children and families in Avery County. Through your generosity, we provide funding for tutors in classrooms, swimming lessons for Pre-K and 2nd graders, essential needs, medical care, and enrichment programs, along with scholarship stipends for some Mayland Community College students. Thank you for your support.

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ORDER OF SERVICE

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GUEST MINISTER

The Reverend Dr. Tom Walker

With pleasure today we welcome The Reverend Dr. Tom Walker and his wife Jan.

Tom is the retired pastor of Palms Presbyterian Church in Jacksonville Beach, FL. He is a graduate of Columbia Theological Seminary and received a Ph.D. in Old Testament Studies from Princeton Theological Seminary. He served churches and presbyteries in GA, IN and FL, as well as on the Board of Columbia Theological Seminary where he was board chair from 2014–2020.

Jan and Tom are enjoying retirement on St. Simons Island, GA. They have two sons, Worth and Chris, who both live and work in Charlotte, NC.

Dr. Walker can be contacted at docpop44@gmail.com.

This is our final service for 2024 and has been another summer of outstanding ministers and worship here at Wee Kirk. We have enjoyed a season of bountiful giving, furthering our mission of serving Avery County's children and families. Thank you so much for your generosity and for all the Wee Kirk volunteers who always say "yes". Watch your mailboxes as we will announce our 2025 ministers in the Spring. As always, we look forward to the next time we get together and we urge you to please come and bring a friend.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LET US PREPARE OUR HEARTS (Please remain seated)

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place. I can feel His mighty power and His grace. I can hear the brush of angels' wings. I see glory on each face. Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

CALL TO WORSHIP (Adapted from Psalm 23)

Leader: The Lord is our shepherd, we shall not want.

Congregation: God leads us besides still waters and restores our souls.

Leader: Even though we walk through the shadow, we fear no evil for God is with us.

Congregation: God prepares a table for us even among our enemies.

Leader: Surely goodness and mercy will follow us and we will dwell with God forever.

* HYMN NO. 464

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God of Grace, we are shaped for community, yet divide ourselves into tribes. Too often we separate the world into "us" and "them", instead of joining you in tearing down the dividing walls of hostility. Called to love even our enemies, we struggle with pleasant conversation with friends who harbor different opinions than we do. Instead of humility and awe, we are full of pride and arrogance. Forgive us. Heal us that we may witness to the wonder of our shared future with You.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 25:6-9

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NEW TESTAMENT READING

Luke 14:7-24

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SERMON

"Table Manners"

* THE APOSTLES' CREED

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OFFERING AND *DOXOLOGY

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

* HYMN NO. 439

In Christ There Is No East or West

* BENEDICTION

* *Those who are able please stand.*