

1.12.2025

PRELUDE Janesta Williams

PASTORAL WELCOME Rev. Carson Montgomery

ANNOUNCEMENTS Vivian Calcote

A MINUTE FOR STEWARDSHIP Julie Graham

CALL TO WORSHIP

The God who spoke creation and humanity into being also calls us by name.

We are loved and precious in God's sight.

The waters of baptism which claimed Jesus as God's beloved Son, also claim us.

We belong to God.

With thanksgiving and praise, let us worship our Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer.

HYMN NO. 475 Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

CONFESSION Vivian Calcote
Merciful God, in baptism you promise forgiveness and new life, making us part of the body of Christ. We confess that we remain preoccupied with ourselves, separated from one another. We cling to destructive habits, hold grudges, and show reluctance to extend peace to one another. We allow the past to hold us captive. In your loving kindness, have mercy on us, and free us from sin. Fulfill the promise of baptism so that we may ride to new life, and live together in grace.

PROMISE OF GRACE Rev. Carson Montgomery

HYMN OF RESPONSE

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

A WORD FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

PRAYER & SCRIPTURE READINGS

Isaiah 43: 1-7 (p. 672); Luke 3: 15-22 (p. 60)

SERMON Coming Back to Ourselves

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH | THE APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

REMEMBERING OUR BAPTISM (Insert)

PRAISES AND PRAYER CONCERNS
PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER
...Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in
heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us
our debts as we forgive our debtors; lead us not into
temptation but deliver us from evil; for thine is the
kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Offertory In The Bleak Midwinter Rob Johns
THE OFFERING AND RESPONSE

Prayer of Dedication
Holy God, at his baptism, you acknowledged Jesus as
your beloved Son, and through him you opened to us a
way to become your children by grace. May these gifts
we return to you be a sign of our dedication to live as
your faithful daughters and sons, born in the waters of
baptism by the power of the Holy Spirit; through Jesus
Christ we pray. Amen.

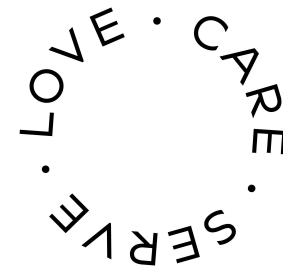
PRAYER OF DEDICATION
Holy God, it is through Jesus Christ that we have both
light and life. With grateful hearts we give to you our
time, passions, and treasures. Bless our giving to
magnify your light and life in our community and
wider world. Amen.

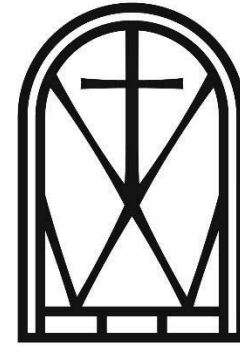
HYMN NO. 840 It Is Well with My Soul

BENEDICTION Rev. Carson Montgomery

CHORAL BENEDICTION

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NEW 6 Week Sermon Series

6 Stone Jars: The Economy of Jesus

At times life can feel like we're "running out" of so much, and scarcity is shutting down the party. In these moments, we are invited to turn to the currency and economy of Jesus.

Jan 19	Fill My House with Hoping	John 2: 1-11
Jan 26	Fill My Plans with Purpose	Luke 4: 14-21
Feb 2	Fill My Wounds with Healing	Luke 4: 21-30
Feb 9	Fill My Days with Meaning	Luke 5: 1-11
Feb 16	Fill My Future with Vision	Luke 6: 17-26
Feb 23	Fill My Cup with Grace	Luke 6: 27-38

Happy JANUARY Birthday to YOU!

3 – Carson Montgomery	21 – Krista Manus
4 – Bob Campbell	24 – William Sims
5 – Mike Helms	26 – Shirley Cauthen
13 – Donald Baker	27 – Pat Oglesby
13 – Mimi Harkrider	30 – Libby Sweatt Lambert
15 – Lily Cargill	31 – George Baker

January Prayer Requests

Disciples: Holly Massey, Diane Harrell, Pat Oglesby, Tony Flanagan, Nancy Garrison, William Sims, Dianne Moore, Shirley Cauthen, Donald Baker, Claudia Thompson, Carol Johns

Friends: Shannon St. John, Betty George, Laura Wade, Gail Stogner, Sidney Patience (Vivian Calcote's brother-in-law), Donna Murphy, Martee Patton, Mimi Harkrider's son, Chip Oglesby, Susan (Mother of Teri Currie), April Young (sister of Laura Clark), Daniel and Robyn Adams, David Adams, Nancy Quick, Daniel Quick, Ann Hurley, Katy Steinkamp (Dianne Moore's sister), the Foster family, Patti Harris, John (Mary Baker's brother), Bernard Bagley, Charlotte (Rosa Sansbury's niece)

Community: Van Wyck and Lancaster communities, our teachers and students

Providence Presbytery: Oakdale Presbyterian Church (York, SC) (Vacant)

Wider World: Israel and Gaza, Libya, Maui, Turkey, Syria, Ukraine, Russia, our country and elected leaders

Youth: Cody Campbell, Harrison Cargill, Rachel Graham, Stuart Graham, Charlie Haynes, Alena Massey, Kate McCalmont

Vocational and College Students: Genevieve Cook, Carson Helms, Christian Moss, Ashley Overstreet, Devon Overstreet, Fritz Walker

Homebound Disciples: Vicky Lott

Session: Class of 2024: Linda Pelletier (Clerk), Laura Clark; Class of 2025: Holly Massey, Craig Denton; Class of 2026: Janet Campbell, Julie Graham

Staff: Donna Fox, Stuart Graham, Barbara McAfee, Janesta Williams,

Rev. Carson Montgomery

Hosting Community Groups @ VWPC

Tuesday January 14	7:00 pm Integrity Group (Fellowship Hall)
Wednesday January 15	7:00 pm Town Council Public Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
Thursday January 16	8:30 am Magic Needle Quilt Guild (Fellowship Hall) 7:00 pm Integrity Group (Fellowship Hall)
Saturday January 18	10:00 am Integrity Group (Fellowship Hall)
Tuesday January 21	7:00 pm Integrity Group (Fellowship Hall)
Wednesday January 22	7:00 pm Outreach Committee (Fellowship Hall)
Thursday January 23	8:30 am Magic Needle Quilt Guild (Fellowship Hall) 7:00 pm Integrity Group (Fellowship Hall)
Saturday January 25	10:00 am Integrity Group (Fellowship Hall)
Monday January 27	7:00 pm Town Council Workshop (Fellowship Hall)

****Visit townofvanwyck.net for more information on the Town of Van Wyck**

Church Calendar

Sunday January 12	10:00 am Children's Sunday School **10:00 am Youth (Fellowship Hall) 11:00 Worship
Monday January 13	7:00 pm Bible 101 7:00 pm Mission Team Meeting
Tuesday January 14	10:00 am Sisters of the Heart
Wednesday January 15	6:00 pm Elder Training (Vaughan Room) 6:30 pm Choir Practice
Sunday January 19	10:00 am Children's Sunday School **10:00 am Youth (Fellowship Hall) 11:00 am Worship
Monday January 20	*9:00 am National Day Of Service 7:00 pm Bible 101

****Where did the Apostles' Creed come from and what is the meaning behind the words we say in worship? Youth (grades 6-12) and Adults are invited to join Rev. Carson at 10:00am Sunday January 12 in the fellowship hall for a 6-week series.**

***VWPC's MLK Jr. Day of Service Monday, January 20**

Join us to LOVE CARE and SERVE in our community of Van Wyck. This National Day of Service encourages Americans to volunteer to honor Dr. King's legacy by improving their communities. We will gather in the sanctuary at 9 a.m. before splitting into groups to accomplish our service projects, which include Van Wyck's Little Free Library, VWPC outdoor activities, neighbor soup and assistance, sign repainting, and more. Lunch will be provided. A sign-up will be available during worship on Sunday.

REMEMBERING OUR BAPTISMS

Scripture

1 Corinthians 12: 12-13

Profession of Faith

... Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from the ways of sin and renounce evil and its power in the world? *I do.*

... Who is your Lord and Savior? *Jesus Christ is my Lord and Savior*

... Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his word and showing his love? *I will, with God's help.*

Reaffirming Our Faith

Do you believe in God the Father Almighty?

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

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.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

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. Amen.

Anointing with Water