

HAPPY AUGUST BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

- 2 - Tom Moore  
5 - Alena Massey  
19- Dana Denton  
20- Craig Denton  
21 - Jack Leedy
- 26 - Patsy Hillen  
27 - Edie Hawkins  
29 - Kara Cargill  
30 - Ryan Rape

AUGUST PRAYER REQUESTS

**Disciples:** Craig Denton, William Sims, Doug Sobey, Roxie Tolman, Gail Stogner, Carol Johns, Nancy Garrison  
**Friends:** Charlie Faulkenberry, Chip & Michelle Oglesby, Phyllis Gamble (Michelle Oglesby's mother), Joy Pettit, Shannon St. John, Chris & Carmen, Tido & family, Steve Lindsley, Steve Hillen, the family of Billy Bridges, Matt Smith, Janet Baker, Ella Jean Fitzgerald, Dan Haseley, Bernard Bagley  
**Community:** Van Wyck and Lancaster communities, teachers and students  
**Providence Presbytery:** First Union Presbyterian Church (Union, SC) Vacant  
**Wider World:** Iran, California wildfires, Israel and Gaza, Lebanon, Syria, Ukraine, Russia, our country and elected leaders  
**Youth:** Cody Campbell, Vivi Campbell, Harrison Cargill, Rachel Graham, Stuart Graham, Sarah Graham, Charlie Haynes, Alena Massey, Kate McCalmont, Rowan Strohmeyer  
**Vocational and College Students:** Devon Overstreet, Fritz Walker  
**Session:**  
Class of 2025: Holly Massey, Craig Denton  
Class of 2026: Janet Campbell, Julie Graham  
Class of 2027: Laine Ardrey, Mika Sinclair  
**Staff:** Donna Fox, Stuart Graham, Barbara McAfee, Rev. Carson Montgomery



Thank you for faithfully supporting our ministries.

CHURCH CALENDAR

- Sun 8/24: 10:00 am Sunday School Resumes  
11:00 am Worship followed by Ice Cream, Cookies, and Lemonade in the Fellowship Hall  
1:30 pm Stated Presbytery meeting (virtual)
- Mon 8/25: 7:00 pm Bible 101
- Tues 8/26: 7:00 pm Integrity Group (FH)  
7:00 pm Session (VR)
- Thur 8/28: 7:00 pm Integrity Group (VR)
- Sat 8/30: 10:00 am Integrity Group (FH)
- Sun 8/31: 9:30 am Shepherds Meeting (VR)  
10:00 am Sunday School  
11:00 am Worship

FH= Fellowship Hall, VR= Vaughan Room

Are you new to VWPC? Learn more about who we are, what is unique about being Presbyterian, and next steps if you desire to make VWPC your church home. A simple lunch will be provided by Rev. Carson following worship Sunday August 17. RSVP vwpcpastor@comporium.net

A small group is forming for parents of children and youth to read and discuss "The Anxious Generation" by Jonathan Haidt. Contact Rev. Carson if you are interested.



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## Sunday, August 24, 2025

### PRELUDE

Eric Grace

### PASTORAL WELCOME

Rev. Carson Montgomery

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Laura Clark

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Laura Clark  
(by Rev. Catherine Rolling,  
re:Worship.blogspot.com)  
We may be thirsty and parched,  
like an un-watered garden,  
so we come into God's presence:  
**The Divine One is a spring of water!**

We may be weary from worry and work  
so we come into God's presence:  
**The Holy One offers us Sabbath rest!**

We may be lost or confused  
so we come into God's presence:  
**The Wise One offers us welcome and guidance!**

We may be bent over with struggle or pain  
So we come into God's presence:  
**The Healing One empowers us to stand strong!**

**\*HYMN NO. 35:** "Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"

### CALL TO CONFESSION

Laura Clark

### CONFESSION

Laura Clark  
(by John Birth, re:Worship.blogspot.com)  
**You have given us a world of beauty, and we have spoiled it.**

A world to feed us, and so many go hungry. A world of riches, and we are unwilling to share. A world to care for, and we think only of ourselves. Forgive us, gracious God, every time your heart is saddened by our selfishness, every time we have no thought for others, no cares but ours. Enable us to see this world as a gift from you that can be shared, and those who live on it as our neighbors. We ask this that your name may be glorified, through the beauty of this world, and the service of our lives. Amen

### PROMISE OF GRACE

Laura Clark  
Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ. And Christ our Lord lived among us, died for us, rose for us, reigns in power for us, and prays for us. Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has been washed away and new life begins. Friends, say the good news with me: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Amen.**

### \*SUNG RESPONSE

(Hymn No. 581)

### A WORD WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Rev. Carson Montgomery

**HYMN NO. : 738** "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"

### PRAYER & SCRIPTURE READINGS

Rev. Carson Montgomery  
Isaiah 58:9b-14 (p. 688-689)  
Luke 13:10-17 (p. 76)

### SERMON Kingdom Power

Rev. Carson Montgomery

### REAFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed (Hymnal p. 36)

### BLESSING OUR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION LEADERSHIP

### PRAISES & CONCERNS

### PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Carson Montgomery

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

(Hymnal p. 35)

### THE OFFERING & OFFERTORY

### \*SUNG RESPONSE

(Hymn No. 606)

### PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Generous God, receive these gifts as investments in your kingdom of love, justice and peace. Use this money and use our lives to bring about the world as you intend it. With gratitude we pray, Amen.

**HYMN NO. : 346** "For the Healing of the Nations"

### BENEDICTION

Rev. Carson Montgomery

### POSTLUDE

Eric Grace

## Living with Kingdom Clarity

Strive for the kingdom, and these things will be given to you. - Luke 12:31

Aug 3	Kingdom Priorities (Luke 12: 13-21)
Aug 10	Kingdom Confidence (Luke 12: 22-32)
Aug 17	Kingdom Relationships (Luke 12: 49-56)
Aug 24	Kingdom Power (Luke 13: 10-17)
Aug 31	Kingdom Posture (Luke 14: 1, 7-14)

### August Sermon Series

Sundays @ 11:00am

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