

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  
24 - Ryan Rape

AUGUST PRAYER REQUESTS

**Disciples:** Doug Sobey, Janesta Williams, Roxie Tolman, Gail Stogner, Carol Johns, Nancy Garrison  
**Friends:** Steve Lindsley, Steve Hillen, the family of Billy Bridges, Matt Smith, Janet Baker, Ella Jean Fitzgerald, Joy Pettit, Chris & Carmen, Dan Haseley, Bernard Bagley  
**Community:** Van Wyck and Lancaster communities, teachers and students  
**Providence Presbytery:** Tirzah Presbyterian Church (Lancaster, SC) Rev. John D. Gerstenmeir  
**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 8/3: 11:00 am Worship & Communion
- Mon 8/4: 7:00 pm Bible 101
- Tues 8/5: 7:00 pm Integrity Group (FH)
- Thur 8/7: 7:00 pm Integrity Group (FH)
- Sat 8/9: 8:30 am Men’s Breakfast (FH)  
10:00 am Integrity Group (FH)
- Sun 8/10: 10:00 am Worship  
Congregational Meeting After Worship Service  
7:00 pm Soul Sisters (VR)
- Mon 8/11: 7:00 pm Bible 101  
7:00 pm Mission Team Meeting (VR)
- Tues 8/12: 7:00 pm Integrity Group (FH)
- Thu 8/14: 8:30 am Magic Needle Quilt Guild (FH)  
7:00 pm Integrity Group (FH)
- Sat 8/16: 10:00 am Integrity Group (FH)  
12:00 pm AA District Business Meeting (FH)
- Sun 8/17: 11:00 Worship

FH= Fellowship Hall, VR= Vaughan Room

The Session has called for a congregational meeting to follow the worship service Sunday August 10. The purpose of meeting is to nominate and elect 3 disciple members to serve on the Church Officer Nominating Committee with ruling elders Craig Denton and Holly Massey. The purpose of the committee is to prayerfully discern 2 candidates to be elected for the ruling elder class of 2028.

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 3, 2025



### PRELUDE

Eric Grace

### PASTORAL WELCOME

Rev. Carson Montgomery

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Laura Clark

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Laura Clark  
(Psalm 107: 8-9, 13-14, adapted)  
Thank you, Lord God, for your steadfast love and wonderful works to humankind.  
**You satisfy the thirsty. You fill the hungry with good things. You hear our cries in times of trouble. You save us from our distress. You bring us out of the darkness into your marvelous light.**  
We have come to praise and worship you, God of life, light, and love.

**\*HYMN NO. 802: “The King of Love My Shepherd”**

### CALL TO CONFESSION

Laura Clark

### CONFESSION

Laura Clark  
(Ecclesiastes 1: 12-14)  
**Eternal God, you desire for all who sing your praise to seek your wisdom and will to build your heavenly kingdom among us. Your righteousness sees all of our deeds under the sun; nothing is hidden from you. If we dedicate ourselves to pious acts without a love to serve others then we gain nothing, If the work of our hands is for our own security and benefit then all is vanity and chasing after the wind. Reorient the motivation of our hearts and minds towards the compassionate generosity of the gospel demonstrated in Jesus Christ. Amen.**

### PROMISE OF GRACE

(Psalm 107: 1-2; Colossians 3: 1-3)  
O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever. We have been raised with Christ and are to seek the things that are above, not the things on earth. Our life is hidden with Christ in God.  
**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

### \*SUNG RESPONSE

(Hymn No. 581)

### A WORD WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Rev. Carson Montgomery

**HYMN NO. : 175 “Seek Ye First”**

### PRAYER & SCRIPTURE READINGS

Rev. Carson Montgomery  
Psalm 49: 1-12 (p. 518-519);  
Luke 12: 13-21 (p. 74)

**SERMON** Kingdom Priorities  
Rev. Carson Montgomery

**REAFFIRMATION OF FAITH**  
The Apostles’ Creed (Hymnal p. 35)

**PRAISES AND CONCERNS**  
**PASTORAL PRAYER** Rev. Carson Montgomery  
(Hymnal p. 35)

### THE OFFERING & OFFERTORY

**\*SUNG RESPONSE**  
(Hymn No. 606)

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**  
God of heaven and earth, we praise your holy name and thank you for the eternal abundance of your love. Bless our giving to make your coming kingdom known through our ministries and our sharing in the gospel of Jesus Christ. Amen.

### THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to the Lord’s Table  
Prayer of Great Thanksgiving and The Lord’s Prayer  
Leader: The Lord be with you.  
**All: And also with you.**  
Leader: Lift up your hearts.  
**All: We lift them to the Lord.**  
Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**All: It is right to give our thanks and praise...**

**...Our Father, who art in heaven.**  
(Hymnal p. 35)  
Words of Institution  
Distribution of the Elements  
Prayer

**HYMN NO. : 697 “Take My Life”**

**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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