



We are in urgent need of Innkeepers (2 church members who will stay overnight on Thursdays with our guests). Sign Up sheets are available in the Chapel and the Gathering Space.

We also need bus drivers for our church bus. No special certification is required-just a valid NC Drivers License. We do have folks available who will be happy to show you how everything works. Our guests need to be picked up from A Roof Above at 5:00pm on Thursdays, and driven back at 5:30am on Friday mornings.

We feed 200 children every week!

# BACKPACK BLESSINGS

PLEASE HELP US WITH OUR MOST NEEDED ITEMS

- canned chicken
- ramen noodles
- boxes of mac & cheese
- fruit cups
- 1 lb bags of rice
- granola bars

If you'd prefer to donate, please make your check out to MCPC, with Backpack Blessings in the memo line.

**we'll do the shopping for you!**

## Thank You

Through the Christmas Joy Offering, we come together to support past, present and future leaders, embodying God's perfect gift to us, Jesus Christ.

WHEN WE ALL DO A LITTLE, IT ADDS UP TO A LOT.

**CHRISTMAS JOY**  
SPECIAL OFFERINGS  
LEADERSHIP: PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE

NOVEMBER 30 - DECEMBER 21



Welcome Newcomers!  
We are glad you're here.

We would love to follow up to answer any questions you might have about the programs and ministries of Mallard Creek Presbyterian Church.

Thanks for visiting!



Scan the code to provide your contact information & communication preferences.



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The Lord's Day, December 28, 2025  
10:30 Service



## A Service of Worship

PRELUDE	He Has Come For Us/God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen	Arr by Ingram
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS		
CHORAL INTROIT	Gloria	Traditional
CALL TO WORSHIP		
Leader	O come, let us bow down together in the worship of a newborn king.	
People	<b>Let us sing with angels and rejoice with shepherds.</b>	
Leader	Christ is born anew within us and for us.	
People	<b>Rejoice! Again, we say, rejoice!</b>	
Leader	Let us worship Christ the Lord together with heart and soul and voice.	
PRAYER OF INVOCATION		
†HYMN # 151	Good Christian Men, Rejoice	
CALL TO CONFESSION		
PRAYER OF CONFESSION		
Mighty God,		
The packages are opened. The gifts are exchanged. The food is eaten. The celebrations quiet. In		
that stillness, fill our hearts with the true gift before us-the gift of a child born to us, a Son given to		
us. May we repent and turn to him, offering our lives to him to be of use in building the		
communion of saints. O Lord, hear our prayers and abide with us. Amen.		
ASSURANCE OF PARDON		
PASSING OF THE PEACE		
TIME WITH THE CHILDREN		
OFFERING	Mary, Did You Know?	Lowry/Greene
†DOXOLOGY		
SCRIPTURE LESSON	Luke 2:39-40	
SERMON	Now What?	Rev. Rob Watkins
MUSICAL MEDITATION	The First Noel	Traditional
AFFIRMATION OF FAITH		
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		
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER		
†HYMN # 158	Away In A Manger	
BENEDICTION		
CHORAL RESPONSE	Go Tell It On The Mountain	Traditional
POSTLUDE	Joy To The World	Traditional

†All who are able are invited to stand

## CHURCH STAFF

**The Rev. Rob Watkins**  
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**Mr. Patrick McCarthy**  
Pianist

**Mrs. Kristy Maddux**  
Preschool Director  
Terri Smith

Office Administrator  
*Office Hours are M-Th 8:30-4:30*

## This week at Mallard Creek

### Sunday, December 28

8:30 am Worship Service in Chapel  
9:00 am Coffee Fellowship (*Dining Hall*)  
9:30 am Sunday School  
10:30am Worship Service in Sanctuary

### Monday, December 29

### Tuesday, December 30

### Wednesday, December 31

5:30 pm Room In the Inn Bed Setup

### Thursday, January 1

Church Office Closed  
5:00 pm Room In The Inn Guests Arrive

### Friday, January 2

Church Office Closed

## Sunday School Classes & Locations

Age 0-4 – Nursery  
K-4th grade – Youth Club room  
7th-12th grade – Teen room  
Younger Adults – Garrison Martin room  
Older Adults – Morrison room  
Confirmation Class– Upstairs, Activity Bldg

*The flowers in the Sanctuary today  
were given in loving memory of Jill  
Garrison by her family.*



## PRAYER LIST

Avonda Albright	Timmy Gray (Perry Deaton's cousin)	Tamara Massey
<b>Edward Apolinar</b>	<b>Ben and Carl Hatton</b>	Beth McLamb (Joe Crapster's Cousin)
Clyde and Linda Benfield	Jean Helms	<b>Bobbie Misenheimer</b>
<b>Jessica Booth</b>	<b>Barry Hinson</b>	Donnie Oehler
<b>Ralph Brand</b>	<b>Daisy Huber</b> (5 year old friend of Suzanne Curtis)	Tommy Oehler
Ann & <b>Jimmy Brown</b>	Janet Hunter	Jenny Parker
Bobby Brown	Shirley Hunter	<b>Eddy Pitsenbarger</b> (friend of the Whitmires)
<b>Bill Cochran</b>	Phyllis Jones	<b>Bryan Pouliot</b> (friend of the Alexanders')
<b>Sheila DeArmon</b>	<b>Debra Johnson</b>	<b>Susan Roddey</b>
<b>Guy Eberhart</b>	<b>Don Killian</b>	Donna Seaford
<b>Rima Frika</b>	Betsy Killian	<b>Pete Taylor</b> (Terri Garrison's Brother-In-Law)
<b>Eliza Furr</b> (friend of Linda Preslar)	<b>Lana Lamkin</b> (friend of Doris DeArmon)	Earl Thomas
Brenda Garrison	<b>Sheila Letica</b>	Lois Treadway
	Elaine Lord	

Please remember to sign the attendance book with all the names of your family that are attending church today.

Thank you!

## OFFICERS ON DUTY

### ELDERS:

Brian Wasko, Keri Wass, Jack Miles

### DEACONS:

Phil Ashley, Eric Johnson, Debra Johnson, Rob Moore

## A Note For Parents With Small Children:

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me." We celebrate these words as we welcome ALL ages in worship with us. Our desire is to help you make the most of this worship experience.

Here are a few reminders:

1. There are Children's Worship Bags and Bibles available in the back of the church.
2. There is a cry room in the Gathering Space, if you need to take a quick "time out" during the service.
3. There is a nursery for infants through age 4 downstairs from 9:30 am

Please let a Deacon know if you have any questions.