

White Memorial Presbyterian Church Willow Spring, NC



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Remembering God's Grace,

the mission of White Memorial Presbyterian Church in Willow Spring is:

*Come to be joyous and thoughtful in worship;
Walk with God's guidance into deeper faith and knowledge;
Stretch out to the needy with tangible acts of service;
Be loving and generous with time, talents and treasures;*

Go out into the world to welcome and invite.



The Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 15, 2026

10:30 AM

The Church Gathers

**Please rise in body or spirit*

Welcome and Announcements

Nancy Warren, CRE

Call to Worship

One: God loves the field mouse.

All: God loves the crows that take flight when church bells ring.

One: God loves the baby, cooing in the back pew.

All: God loves the child who rocks and claps.

One: God loves the one with wrinkled hands and soft eyes.

All: God loves the bumblebees and the tabby cats.

One: God loves those who walk, crawl, and roll.

**All: God loves the giant oaks and the evergreens,
standing strong over all of us.**

One: God loves the young, the impressionable, and the earnest.

All: There is no bit of creation that God does not love.

One: So let us worship this good-news God!

All: Amen.

Gathering Song- Hymn #401 Here in This Place

Call to Confession

Rev. Molly Sharp

**Prayer of Confession*

Includes scripture verses from Leviticus 19:33, Matthew 5:9, Deuteronomy 24:21, Matthew 19:14, and Isaiah 43:1.

One: God said, "When a foreigner resides among you in your land, do not mistreat them."

All: Holy God, we confess, we have mistreated the immigrants in our land.

One: Jesus said, "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God."

All: We confess, we have clung to guns and war more than we have pursued peace.

One: God said, "When you gather the grapes of your vineyard, do not glean what is left; it shall be for the alien, the orphan, and the widow."

All: We confess, we have hoarded our resources and failed to care for our neighbors.

One: Jesus said, "Let the children come to me, and do not stop them."

All: We confess, we have gatekept the good news in unfair ways.

**Assurance of God's Forgiveness*

One: Fortunately for all of us, God also said, "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name; you are mine."

All: By God's grace, despite our sin and shortcomings, we are redeemed, claimed, forgiven, and loved.

One: May this good news change our lives!

All: Amen.

Help yourselves to the food prepared for us.

Sharing a Meal and God's Word

Scripture Lessons

Nancy Warren, CRE

Deuteronomy 24:17-22

Matthew 19:13-15

Message

Regina Rodgers, Street Reach of Johnston County

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Nancy Warren, CRE

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Receiving God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Rev. Molly Sharp

Prayer of Dedication

Installation of Ruling Elders

Please see bulletin insert.

Blessing and Sending Forth

Sending Forth Song- See the Precious Children (see insert)

Tune: BEACH SPRING 8.7.8.7 D ("As We Gather at Your Table") by B. F. White (1844)

Words: Anna Strickland (2025), inspired by Matthew 19:13-15, Deuteronomy 24:17-22

Charge and Blessing

Rev. Molly Sharp

Worship Notes

- The Call to Worship, Call to Confession, Prayer of Confession, and Assurance of God's Forgiveness were written by Rev. Sarah A. Speed | A Sanctified Art LLC | sanctifiedart.org.
- The Prayers of the People was adapted from a prayer written by Rev. Sarah A. Speed | A Sanctified Art LLC | sanctifiedart.org.
- Today's Sending Forth Song is an original hymn written by Rev. Anna Strickland (2025) for the Tell Me Something Good Lenten series.

Leading in Worship Today

Nancy Warren, Liturgist

Anne Honeycutt, Musician

Rev. Molly Sharp, Stated Supply Pastor

Regina Rodgers, Guest Speaker

Leadership

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Regina Rodgers is the President and Executive Director of Street Reach of Johnston County, a local ministry serving men and women experiencing homelessness throughout Johnston County. She and her husband, Mark, founded Street Reach out of a calling to meet practical needs while building relationships that offer dignity, hope, and a path forward.



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A Certified Peer Support Specialist with a professional background in accounting, nonprofit administration, and community advocacy, Regina works daily to connect vulnerable individuals with practical resources, compassionate support, and pathways toward stability, recovery, and restoration. She is passionate about helping the church and community better understand homelessness, addiction, trauma, and restoration through the lens of both compassion and truth. Her work is grounded in faith and the belief that every person matters deeply to God.

Announcements

- Today we will collect a **special offering for Street Reach of Johnston County**, in addition to our regular Sunday offering. Please prayerfully consider giving to support the vital ministry of Street Reach in helping our unhoused neighbors.
- Blessings to our newly installed ruling elders, Rush Grimes and Don Smith! We are grateful for your service to our Lord and His Church!
- **Pastor Molly's Lenten Study**- All are welcome to join this Lenten mini-series offered Mondays in March on Zoom at 7pm. We will use the same Zoom link as the Wednesday prayer call. We will discuss pp. 38-45 of the Tell Me Something Good Lenten Devotional, with a focus on the week's Scripture texts.
- **ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING** special PCUSA offering will be taken March 22nd – April 5th. Respond Christ's call to ministries of compassion for the most vulnerable around the world. Please use designated envelopes.
- **Nourish Worship**- Join us for Nourish Worship on Tuesday, March 24th at 5:30pm. All are welcome!

Public Prayer List

Prayer concerns may be submitted by turning in a prayer request card in the offering plate or by contacting Pastor Molly or Glenda via phone or email. Prayer concerns will be listed in the bulletin for thirty days. Please contact the church office if you would like your concern listed longer.

Congregation:

Carole McCartney's brother, David Gerthung, Jan Gossett, Pat Patrick, Jim and Trish Shannon, Julie Shea, Teresa Smith, Ann Stephenson, Jane Smith (shingles).

Prayers for Dan Schmidt (Vicki's husband) as he recovers from a hip replacement.

Family/Friends: Michelle Brady had surgery on February 18th and is doing well, Janine Brown and her brother Phil (Nancy Warren), Ruth Dupree, Paulette

Greer (Margaret), Yolanda Martinez (Trish's sister), Lil Ortney, the Kea family (Anne H.'s neighbor), Lou Ann and Michael Payne (Glenda & Lee), Damien Perez (friend of Nancy and Charlene), Lee Anne Simmons (Anne Honeycutt), Chris Seals (son of Georgia Seals), Joan and Glenwood Parrish (Ronnie Stephenson), Cinda Ward, (Mary Jane's cousin), Kristi Dunn (Charlene's friend), Larry Taylor (Sharen), Dorothy Wise (Barbara Strickland's mother), Sally Dispenza (Nancy Warren).

Continued congrats to Pastor Molly and John Sharp on their recent marriage and safe return from their honeymoon! Glad to have them back in the fold.

