



VBS!

sharing
God's
BOUNTY



Sow a thought and you reap an action,
Sow an act and you reap a habit,
Sow a habit and you reap character,
Sow character and you reap a destiny.
Ralph Waldo Emerson





WPC Shirts for sale in
the church office.

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CHILDREN'S HOME

Westminster will receive a special offering on August 10 for the Presbyterian Home for Children in Talladega. The Children's Home cares for boys and girls of all ages who find themselves homeless because of poverty, abuse, or abandonment. Please prayerfully consider this offering.



Also, remember, it is not too late to donate school supplies for the Children's Home.

We are planning on traveling to the Children's Home in Talladega, AL to deliver school supplies & our special offering check. THURS, AUG 28 @ 7:30 am

**Nick & Sue Winn at
McFarland Bottoms Park**



Grandchildren
are a blessing from above.



The
Bullock
family





Fri/Sat Aug 8th & 9th 7:00-2:00
Yard Sale/Bake Sale to benefit the CaringPlace held in Fellowship Hall of WPC, 1520 Rickwood Rd



WPC Women served breakfast for the WPC Headstart teachers during one of their first days back . They are ready for the students to get back soon. Have a great year!!!!



SO WE CAN KNOW AND SHOW OUR CARE

IMMEDIATE NEEDS: John Bruninga, Grace Carter, Warren Chambers & Ray Haner (close relatives of the Seme's), Bob Howard, Bessie Salter, Paula Stone (Marsha Bullock's sister), Jeremy Sylvester, Nick Winn IV & V, H.L. Butler (Susan Parker's friend), and unnamed prayer requests.

AT HOME: Carole James

TN SENIOR LIVING: Dot Solomon

Our sincere condolences to the families of Jean Blair & Katherine Yarbrough in their recent passing.



Katherine Yarbrough Obituary

Katherine Carter Yarbrough, 95, of Florence, passed away Wednesday, July 30, 2025, at her residence. Katherine was a member of First United Methodist Church of Florence, where she taught Sunday school, and a retired teacher with the Florence City school system.

Visitation will be Monday, August 4, 2025, from 1-2 p.m. at Greenview Funeral Home. The funeral service will follow at 2 p.m. in the funeral home chapel. Burial will be in Greenview Memorial Park.

Katherine was preceded in death by her parents, Edward Lacy and Alma Thora Carter; sister, Dorothy Carter McDonald; and brother, Edward Lacy Carter.

She is survived by her daughters, Paula Katherine Offutt (John) and Ann Elizabeth "Beth" Lentz (Mike), both of Florence; brother, David Hall Carter (Sarah), Gulfport, MS; grandchildren, Lacy Katherine Offutt, Florence, Matthew Lentz (Amber), Madison, and Josh Lentz, Madison; great grandchildren, Adam Lentz and Clara Lentz, Madison; plus, many nieces and nephews.

Katherine was known for her quiet and gentle spirit. She entertained many family gatherings with her humor and witticism. She taught Spanish and World History at Coffee High School for over 34 years. On the rare occasion that her temper flared, the word got out to the students beforehand and they were extra quiet that day because they knew only something "serious" would cause her to raise her voice.

Katherine's love of travel started as a child when she would pack her suitcase in advance, hoping to go home with any relative that might be visiting. As an adult her travels started with guided bus trips all over the United States, Canada, and Mexico. She took her first group of students to Mexico and then to Europe in 1969. She continued to travel the world the rest of her life. We grieved when her memories left but cling to the hope

that they are now restored and she can once again visit Spain.

In later years Katherine was cared for by many people. We thank especially Brenda, Connie, Shirley, and Wanda for their genuine love of our mother. She smiled many days because of them. Also, thanks to Tori and Matt and to the many kind people at Affinity Hospice.

If anyone is now or has been on this long road of dementia or Alzheimer's, please consider donations in Katherine's name or your loved one to Caringplace Adult Day Services, 216 Marengo Rd., Florence, AL. And also, in lieu of flowers, please donate to Caringplace.



Member

Jean Blair was born on July 28, 1931 at her home in Jasper, AL. She

said the Dr. delivered her at the house, even though the hospital was right down the road. Story has it that she got off to a rocky start because her mother was having medical problems during childbirth, so when she was delivered she was tossed into a pan and set aside on the bed. It was her grandmother and aunt who took the liberty of picking up the pan and taking her into the other room to work with her and actually get her to breathing!



Jean was an only child since her mother's health did not allow further childbearing. She remembers her parents always telling her that "we will give you everything you need, but not everything you want" because they explained that someday she would marry and they didn't want her spouse to be burdened with having to provide her with "everything"! Jean went on to have 3 different husbands, all who sadly died of cancer.

Jean attended Howard University for 1 yr. and completed her undergraduate degree at the University of Alabama. She majored in Home Economics with a minor in Science. Jean began her teaching career at Waterloo School teaching elementary because it was very hard to get a Home Economics position since those teachers rarely gave up their positions until retirement. She ended up only getting to teach one year in Home Economics while the teacher was out on maternity leave. The remainder of her time she taught Jr. High Science at Wilson School where she retired. Some of her favorite memories made while teaching was bonding with the children, like the year the little boy who was in her Head start class the previous year would always come stay with her until it was time for him to go to his 1st grade classroom. She also got to teach both Bill & Nancy Valentine at Wilson!

Jean stays home most of the time, but does enjoy going out for a car ride to Spring Park or Joe Wheeler to see the deer, birds, geese and other critters! She also enjoys reading, but sometimes to a fault which keeps her up too late at night! This was the first time ever that she experienced the fire work display at McFarland Park on the 4th. She would've enjoyed them more if it didn't take just as long getting out of traffic as the fireworks display did!





REV. DAVID KLING
Pastor: Covenant



Stated Clerk: Rev. Tom Lewis

Alonda Crosslin & Marsha Bullock recently attended a breakfast discussion at Covenant Presbyterian in Huntsville, AL. The purpose was to meet other leaders in the North Alabama Presbytery. Each church discussed something that they feel their church is doing well & something that they struggle with. It's very important that we stay connected to our Presbytery support system in order to grow as a healthy congregation!



KEEP WALKING

Let the mighty strength of the Lord make you strong.

EPHESIANS 6:10 CEV

Yell a loud *no* to the Devil and watch him scamper" (James 4:7 MSG). He is not allowed where God is praised. Just keep praising and walking.

"But, Max, I've been walking a long time," you say.

Yes, it seems like it. It must have seemed that way to the Hebrews too. Joshua did not tell them how many trips they would have to make around the wall of Jericho. They just kept walking.

Our Joshua didn't tell us either. Through Paul, Jesus urges us to "be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord" (1 Corinthians 15:58).

Keep walking. For all you know this may be the day the walls come down. You may be only steps from a moment like this.

It happened when the people heard the sound of the trumpet, and the people shouted with a great shout, that the wall fell down flat. Then the people . . . took the city. (Joshua 6:20)

The very walls that kept them out became stepping-stones onto which they could climb.

By the way, a great shaking is coming for this world too. Our Joshua, Jesus, will give the signal, and a trumpet will blast. He will reclaim every spoil and repel, once and for all, each demon. Until he does, keep marching and believing. It's just a matter of time before your Jericho comes down.

- Glory Days

SERVING OTHERS WITH A JOYFUL HEART

Pentecost Offering

On June 8 2025 Westminster received the Presbyterian Church-wide Special Offering of Pentecost. This offering is to support children and youth. Thanks to your generosity the offering totaled \$ 1445.00. Forty percent of this is used locally. This year Westminster chose The Help Center as the recipient. The remainder is used by the Presbytery. Bless you for your generosity.



WPC will be providing meals at the Soup Kitchen on August 16. If you'd like to help cook and serve contact Sally Parker.

BARD OWLS

The Offutt family have enjoyed watching these baby Bard Owls grow this summer near their home.



BOUND SOUTH

Wil Bruninga has been busy playing with two different Bands, Bound South & the Wilson Dam Jam. Avery Guinn recently joined them during a show at First Fridays in downtown Florence.



the Wilson Dam Jam





The new color photo church directories are available by email as well as under the church mailboxes. See Alonda Crosslin for more information.

MEALS ON WHEELS

During the week of July 7, Westminster delivered 48 meals. If you are interested in this ministry contact Sally Parker



One...

One tree can start a forest;
One smile can begin a friendship;
One hand can lift a soul;
One word can frame the goal;
One candle can wipe out darkness;
One laugh can conquer gloom;
One hope can raise your spirits;
One touch can show you care;
One life can make the difference,
be that one today.



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