# July 4, 2021

**Guest Minister** Dr. Joseph J. Clifford

Worship Leader Jim Whitton

Flowers Caroline and Alex McMillan

**Ushers** Dianne Bailey and Laura Greer

Minister's Hospitality Kim and Johnny Belk

**Refreshments** Cambey and Jim Gallagher

Music Cissy Shull

Men's Chorus

**Bagpiper** Emmitt LaBelle

Next week our guest minister will be

Dr. Tom Tewell

Founder and Faculty Member of Macedonian Ministry and Preacher in Residence San Marino Community Church San Marino, California

## **Thursday Morning Bible Study**

On Thursday, July 8th starting at 10 AM in the Manse, Dr. Tewell will lead the Bible Study based on Luke 5:1-39, *What Luke teaches us about Jesus ....that no other Gospel writer teaches!* Please come and bring a friend! Anne Robinson will be hosting Dr. Tewell.

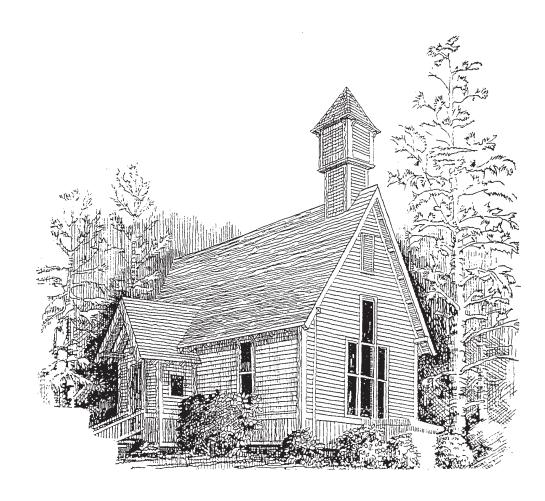
### Wee Kirk Presbyterian Church

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# WEE KIRK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LINVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA



Circa 1895

#### **GUEST MINISTER**

## Dr. Joseph J. Clifford

With pleasure today we welcome Dr. Joseph J. Clifford and his wife Jennifer.

The Rev. Dr. Joseph J. Clifford serves as Pastor, Head of Staff of the Myers Park Presbyterian Church of Charlotte. He began his ministry there in September 2016. Myers Park is a congregation of 4,600 members with a vibrant ministry and numerous outreach programs, including Crossroads, a community development corporation focused on Grier Heights, one of the most challenged neighborhoods in Charlotte. In addition to serving on the board of Crossroads, Joe also serves on the board of the Mountain Retreat Association (Montreat), as well as Pastors for North Carolina Children, and education advocacy organization.

Prior to coming to Myers Park Presbyterian, Joe served as Pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Dallas, Texas (2006-2016,) Alpharetta Presbyterian Church (2000-2006,) and Stockbridge Presbyterian Church (1997-2000.)

He is a graduate of Columbia Theological Seminary, and earned his Doctor of Ministry in Preaching from McCormick Theological Seminary. His undergraduate degree is from Auburn University, where he majored in economics and went on to a career in banking and finance before discerning a call to ministry and going to seminary. He grew up in the Washington DC area, the son of two public school teachers. Joe met his wife, Jennifer, at Auburn and they have two children.

#### WEE KIRK OUTREACH

More than 90% of our gifts and offerings go to our Outreach Program, the focus of which is to serve the neediest children and families in Avery County. Through your generosity, we provide swimming lessons for Pre-K and 2nd graders, essential needs, medical care, and enrichment programs, along with scholarship stipends for some Mayland Community College students. Thank you for your support.

#### ORDER OF SERVICE

Sunday, July 4, 2021

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

LET US PREPARE OUR HEARTS (Please remain seated)

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place. I can feel His mighty power and His grace. I can hear the brush of angels' wings. I see glory on each face. Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Clap your hands, all you nations shout to God with cries of joy!

Congregation: How majestic is the Lord Most High; how mighty is the great Sovereign over all the earth!

Leader: Sing praises to God; sing psalms in God's honor.

Congregation: God reigns over the nations; God is exalted over all.

Leader: Praise the Lord!

Congregation: The Lord's name be praised!

\*HYMN NO. 561

My Country, 'Tis of Thee

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** 

Psalm 96:1-6

**NEW TESTAMENT READING** 

Philippians 3:10–14

**SERMON** 

"The Power of Yet"

\*THE APOSTLES' CREED

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OFFERING AND \*DOXOLOGY

#### PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

\*HYMN NO. 564

O Beautiful for Spacious Skies

#### \*BENEDICTION

<sup>\*</sup> Those who are able please stand.