

August 23, 2026

# Wee Kirk Presbyterian Church

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| Guest Minister         | The Reverend Dr. Steven P. Eason |
| Worship Leader         | Lee Hanna                        |
| Flowers                | Leigh and John Green             |
| Ushers                 | Hunter and Jamie McLawhorn       |
| Minister's Hospitality | Sue and Caldwell Rose            |
| Refreshments           | Hunter and Jamie McLawhorn       |
| Music                  | Catherine Garner                 |
| Bagpiper               | Ella Markland                    |

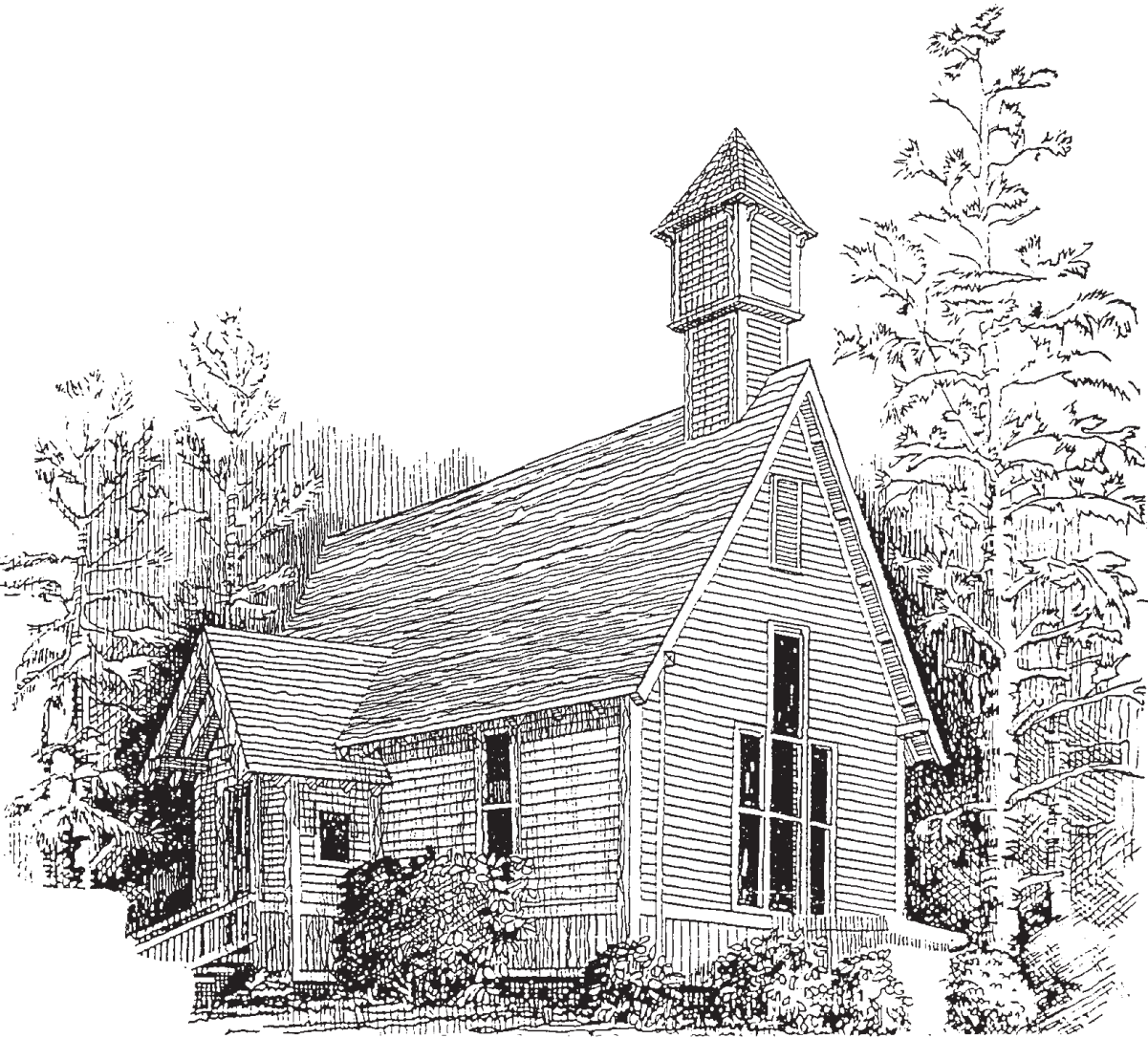
## Website

Please visit the Wee Kirk website ([www.weekirk.org](http://www.weekirk.org)) for information about our visiting ministers, church history, and benevolence. For information about volunteering, call or text Carol Cookerly at 404-216-0319. Past sermons also can be found on the website. For more information about sermon recordings, call or text Nancy Wechsler 214-609-0654.

## Outreach

The vast majority of our gifts and offerings go to our Outreach Program, the focus of which is to serve the children and families in Avery County. Through your generosity, we provide funding for tutors in classrooms, 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.

**Wee Kirk Presbyterian Church**  
Post Office Box 702, Linville, North Carolina 28646



*Circa 1895*

GUEST MINISTER

The Reverend Dr. Steven P. Eason

With pleasure today we welcome The Reverend Dr. Steven P. Eason and his wife Catherine.

Steve Eason is retired and served over 40 years as a Presbyterian (USA) pastor, author, pastoral counselor, teacher and consultant. A graduate of Duke Divinity School ('79), Dr. Eason served churches of all sizes in North and South Carolina, Virginia and Tennessee. From 2002 to 2015 he was the Senior Pastor of Myers Park Presbyterian Church in Charlotte, North Carolina.

His book, *Making Disciples, Making Leaders*, (Geneva Press, 2016), is used by many Presbyterian churches for officer training and leadership development.

Steve and Catherine were married in 1977. They have three grown children and seven grandchildren. Their home is in the beautiful hill country of Brevard, NC.

Next week our guest minister will be  
The Reverend Dr. Todd B. Jones  
Retired Senior Pastor  
First Presbyterian Church  
Nashville, Tennessee

Friday Morning Bible Study

Dr. Jones will lead the Bible Study on Friday, August 28th, starting at 9:00 a.m. in the small dining room at the Eseeola Lodge. Complimentary continental breakfast and coffee will be available. Please come and bring a friend! Dianne and Brian Bailey will be hosting Dr. Jones.

ORDER OF SERVICE

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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: This is the day the Lord has made.  
Congregation: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

\* HYMN NO. 430 *Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION  
Gracious God, You see us as we are, yet love us beyond what we know. In Your mercy, mend what is broken within us. Free us from the chains of pride and greed. Give us the compassion to forgive and to receive forgiveness, as You have forgiven us. Lead us to reconciliation and peace. Open our eyes to Your presence and empower us to live as Your people. Through Christ, our Redeemer, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON  
Leader: Hear the good news: If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive us our sin and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.  
Congregation: Thanks be to God. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 8

NEW TESTAMENT READING Romans 12:21

SERMON “Overcome Evil with Good”

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OFFERING AND \*DOXOLOGY

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

\* HYMN NO. 210 *Our God, Our Help in Ages Past*

\* BENEDICTION

\* *Those who are able please stand.*