

September 6, 2026

Guest Minister	The Reverend Dr. W. Douglas Hood Jr.
Worship Leader	Carol Cookerly
Flowers	Kim and Johnny Belk
Ushers	Carter and George MacBain
Minister's Hospitality	Kathy and Charlie Gray
Refreshments	Carter and George MacBain
Music	Catherine Garner
Bagpiper	Ella Markland

Website

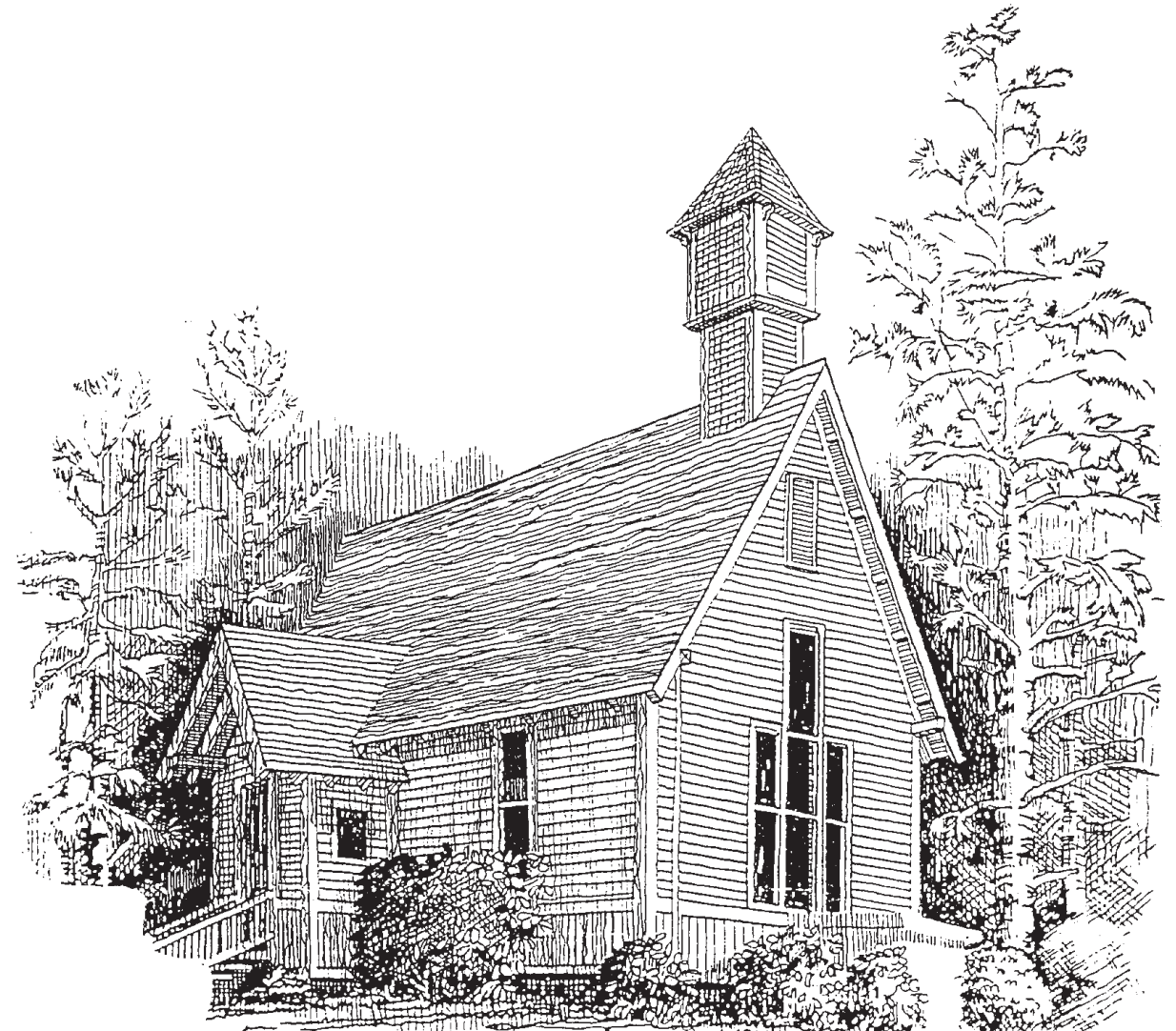
Please visit the Wee Kirk website (www.weekirk.org) for information about our visiting ministers, church history, and benevolence. For information about volunteering, call or text Carol Cookerly at 404-216-0319. Past sermons also can be found on the website. For more information about sermon recordings,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

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GUEST MINISTER

The Reverend Dr. W. Douglas Hood Jr.

With pleasure today we welcome The Reverend Dr. W. Douglas Hood Jr. and his wife Grace.

Dr. W. Douglas Hood Jr. has been a pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Delray Beach (PCUSA), Florida, since 2012.

He holds an M.Div. from Columbia Theological Seminary and a D.Min. from Fuller Theological Seminary. An accomplished author, his books include *Nurture Faith: Five-Minute Meditations to Strengthen Your Walk with Christ*, *A Month of Prayer: Five-Minute Meditations for a Deeper Experience of Prayer*, *A Month of Prayer and Gratitude: Five-Minute Meditations for a Deeper Experience of Gratitude* and *A Month of Comfort and Wisdom: Five-Minute Meditations for Fresh Spiritual Strength*.

He is married to Grace, has two children, Nathanael and Rachael, and resides in Boynton Beach, Florida.

Next week our guest minister will be
The Reverend Dr. Ernest T. Thompson III
Parish Associate
First Presbyterian Church
Raleigh, North Carolina

Friday Morning Bible Study

Dr. Thompson will lead the Bible Study on Friday, September 11th, 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! Lili and Chris Teigland will be hosting Dr. Thompson.

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: From the very beginning, God calls us.

Congregation: God sets us apart with a meaning and a purpose.

Leader: Trusting in God, let us worship together

* HYMN NO. 525

Here I Am, Lord

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God of life, we admit to you and to each other that we have not always lived lives of love. We have lost patience and been rude. We have been irritable and insisted on our own way. Forgive and heal us, dear God, for we know God has loved us since the beginning, and God’s love for us will never end. Give us hope in God’s steady love and ability to make all things new. We ask these things in your holy name. Amen.

FIRST READING

Philippians 3:12-16

SECOND READING

1 Timothy 4:7b-16

SERMON

“The Language of Faith”

* THE APOSTLE’S CREED

OFFERING AND *DOXOLOGY

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

* HYMN NO. 260

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

* BENEDICTION

** Those who are able please stand.*