

## Honoring Special People in our Community

*"Honor one another above yourselves."*

*Romans 12:10*

Dear Friends,

This week we have the opportunity to honor special individuals and groups within our community and beyond. Monday was Memorial Day, a time to honor the military personnel who have died while serving in the United States. In our fellowship hall there is a plaque on the wall dating back to 1943 with a list of all the New Wappetaw church family who served in the armed forces. Sometimes, we may take our many freedoms, including the freedom to worship, for granted. My prayer is that we will always take advantage of every opportunity we have to give thanks to God for the blessing of living in a free nation.

This coming Sunday, June 4th, we will also honor and recognize our 2023 graduates with a special presentation during worship. The sermon title is "Your Future is Calling" and our texts are Psalm 139 and I Samuel 3. We are so blessed to have our high school and college students.

This Sunday afternoon at 4:00 there will be a reception at Town Hall to honor our town mayor, Rutledge B. Leland, III, for his many accomplishments throughout his 50 years of service to the town. Rutledge is a life-long member and elder at New Wappetaw and currently serves on the session.

Have a great week!

Blessings,  
Mike

### **A Note of Thanks from the Dawson Family:**

To the wonderful members of New Wappetaw, it is hard to find the words to express how grateful my siblings and I are for your love, support, and generosity that you showed us for Dad's service. We thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

With love and gratitude,  
Meg, Phil, Skip and Julie Dawson

**Vacation Bible School Planning Meeting:** Monday, June 5, 10:00AM at St. James-Santee Episcopal Church parish house (across the street from the church).

