

“ I give a damn about other people.  
I have compassion for the world around me.  
I’m trying to love my neighbor as myself.  
I trust science and respect caregivers.  
I’m trying to do less damage to the world, not more.

*John Pavlovitz*



# Vote as if your life depends on it. Because it does.

*If you don't vote for your interests, rest assured  
someone else will be voting against them.*

## If every Democrat votes

North Carolina is one of a dozen swing states that will decide if we have a Democratic president and majority in the US Senate. We have the numbers—if every Democrat votes. We need to send Biden and Harris to the White House, Cal Cunningham to the Senate and David Wilson Brown to the House. And for the first time in a decade, we have a chance to gain the majority in the NC Legislature in 2020 in order to have a say in state and federal redistricting. A majority requires gaining six seats in the House and five in the Senate. Let's help Jeanne Supin (Senate), and Beth Shaw (House) take those seats. Locally, Chalma Hunt and Jerome Watkins (County Commissioners) deserve our full support for stepping up.

## Vote the whole ballot

At the top of your ballot you'll find candidates for national offices, like President or US Senate. Don't stop voting there! Down the ballot are the state and local candidates who often have the most direct effect on our daily lives. Think about getting a drink of water, visiting the beach, going to the doctor, helping your child in school, or dealing with a matter in court. Please see the candidate flyer to learn about the Democratic candidates who are running to fill key offices that affect your life each and every day.

## What we stand for:

### **Democrats stand for:**

- Increased school funding and better pay for teachers
- Making the polluters clean up our water
- Getting the federal Medicaid funds that our poorest residents need
- Getting broadband service in rural areas
- Holding back right-wing legislation to suppress voting and equal rights

If you need help getting an absentee ballot application, have any questions or experience any obstacles to voting and/or would like to get involved, visit <http://www.wilkesdemocrats.com>.

## Request an absentee ballot now:

We don't know how many polling places will be open November 3 or what the backlog of absentee ballot requests may be in the fall. There will likely be a shortage of poll workers. Very long lines may aggravate health concerns. Go to the state Board of Elections, [www.NCSBE.gov](http://www.NCSBE.gov) or call (910) 798-7330 to request your absentee ballot now. Your ballot will be mailed to you 60 days before the election. You can still choose to go to the polls, but it's imperative to act now to preserve the option to vote by mail.



“ During its primary in May, Milwaukee operated just **five** of its **180** traditional polling places, creating lines with hours-long-waits.



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