THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Palm Sunday

April 10, 2022
Ten O'clock in the Morning

Memorial Baptist Church Buies Creek, North Carolina

"Why waste your time moaning at the crowd? Nothing can be done to stop the shouting! If every tongue were stilled the noise would still continue; the rocks and stone themselves would start to sing!"

> ~ "Hosanna" (Jesus singing), from <u>Iesus Christ, Superstar</u>, music by Andrew Lloyd Webber, lyrics by Tim Rice (1970)

GATHERING

MUSIC FOR GATHERING

WELCOME Meredith Lanier Craddock, Associate Pastor

PRELUDE Lift High the Cross/He Is Exalted

arr. Mark Hayes

Anne McClain, organ

† CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively) Edward Beddingfield, Pastor

Psalm 118: 19-24, 26-28

Open to me the gates of righteousness,

that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.

This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it.

I thank you that you have answered me, and have become my salvation.

The very stone which the builders rejected

has become the head of the corner.

This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes!

This is the day which the Lord has made;

let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Blessed be the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

We bless you from the house of the Lord.

The Lord is God, who has given us light.

Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar!

You are our God, and we will give thanks to you;

You are our God, and we will honor you with praise.

† INVOCATION

Ad. fr. The Book of Common Prayer

Mr. Beddingfield

Collects for Palm Sunday

It is right to praise you, Almighty God, for the acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son Jesus Christ.

On this day he entered the Holy City in triumph and was welcomed

by those who spread garments and palms along the way.

Let these branches we bear today be for us signs of his victory,

and grant that we may ever welcome him as our Lord

and follow him in the way to eternal life.

And yet, most merciful God, in your tender love for us,

Christ also took upon himself our nature and suffered death upon the cross.

May we therefore not be afraid to follow him in another way,

the way of repentance and hardship and suffering,

that we may know also the joy of resurrection

and your promise of life and creation made new.

This we pray in his name and through your Holy Spirit, Amen.

PRAISE AND PRAYER

† PROCESSIONAL HYMN 130

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

ELLACOMBE

CHILDREN'S TIME

Palm Sunday

Mrs. Craddock

DANCE OF PRAISE

I Can Only Imagine Bart Millard/sung by Tamela Mann

Janisha Grimes

(Please stand when directed and wave your palm branch.)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Mr. Beddingfield

ASSURANCE OF GRACE (responsively)

Mr. Beddingfield

Psalm 118: 1-6, 8-9, 29

O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is good; His mercy endures forever.

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Let Israel say,

His mercy endures forever.

Let the house of Aaron say,

His mercy endures forever.

Let all who fear the Lord say,

His mercy endures forever.
Out of my distress I called on the Lord;

The Lord answered me and set me free.

With the Lord on my side I do not fear;

What can anyone do to me?

It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to put one's confidence in human beings.

It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to put one's confidence in princes.

O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is good;

For his mercy endures forever.

PROCLAIMING

GOSPEL Luke 19: 28-40

The triumphal entry.

SONG OF PRAISE Shout to the Lord

My Jesus, my Saviour, Lord there is none like You.

All of my days I want to praise the wonders of Your mighty love.

My comfort, my shelter, tower of refuge and strength.

Let every breath, all that I am never cease to worship You.

Shout to the Lord all the earth, let us sing; power and majesty praise to the King.

Mountains bow down and the seas will roar at the sound of Your name.

I sing for joy at the work of Your hands; forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand.

Nothing compares to the promise I have in You.

SERMON

If Stones Could Talk

Mr. Beddingfield

Mrs. Craddock

Darlene Zschech

(Sixth in a series for Lent: "The Myths that Bind Us."

Today, the myth of *success*.)

RESPONDING

INVITATION and TESTIMONY IN SONG

Getty/Townend

The Power of the Cross Mariamarta Conrad, vocalist PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and The Lord's Prayer (unison)

SENDING

LIFE IN THE COMMUNITY and OFFERTORY INVITATION

Mr. Beddingfield

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BENEDICTION Ad. fr. John Claypool

Mr. Beddingfield

Go now into God's world as those who are called to be God's people, remembering as you go that by God's goodness you were born into this life, by God's grace you have been kept to this very hour,

and by God's love, fully revealed in Jesus Christ, you are being redeemed,

now and forevermore. Amen.

POSTLUDE

All Glory, Laud and Honor

arr. David Paxton

† *The congregation is invited to stand.*

PRAYER FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

<u>Members</u>: Tricia Carr, Lisa Lanier, Ofelia Hoyle, Joyce Sills, Jimmy Jung, Sybil Pope, David Price, Carolyn Walker, Bob and Jeanne Barker, Linda Smith, Mary Lou Ellen, Pauline Calloway

<u>Family and Friends</u>: Joy Barefoot (sister-in-law of Linda Lunney), Christopher Hoyle (son of Ofelia Hoyle), Beth Johnson, Adriane Karlinski and family (daughter of Randall Johnson)

Arbor Landing at Ocean Isle (Shallotte): Pat Stiller

Oak Hill Assisted Living Center (Angier): Frances McQuade

<u>Prayers of Comfort</u> are extended to the family of Dr. David Whiteman in his death on Wednesday, April 6th.

In order to keep our prayer list current, we will place names on the list for one month. After one month we will remove names from the list. If there is a need for a name to be on the list for a longer period, please notify us and we will be happy to comply.

<u>Deacons for April</u>: David Avrette and Earl Savage

Deacons for May: Theresa Batten and Laura Rich

<u>Ushers Today</u>: Siu-Ki Wong, Brandon Brown, Beverley Howard and Matthew Sadler

<u>Ushers for April 17</u>: Jeff Pope, Derek Hogan, Ron McLamb and Josh Taylor

No Kid's Church Today

TODAY, April 10th - PALM SUNDAY

Friends Class - Sunday School: 8:45 a.m. (Zoom)

Sarah's Open Door Class - Sunday School: 9 a.m. (Classroom/Zoom)

Indoor Worship Service: 10:00 a.m. (Sanctuary)

* No MBC Kids Church

Children's EASTER Experience and Egg Hunt:

11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

* No Youth - Sunday School

Palm Sunday Concert - CU Choral Society: 4:00 p.m. (CU Butler Chapel)

MONDAY, April 11th

Ester Howard's Funeral: 2:00 p.m. (CU Butler Chapel) Ester Howard's Graveside: 3:30 p.m. (Spring Hill UMC)

(1960 Spring Hill Church Rd., Lillington) **Deacon's Meeting**: 7:00 p.m. (Zoom)

WEDNESDAY, April 13th

Chancel Choir Rehearsal: 6:30 p.m. (Sanctuary) * No Other Wednesday Night Activities

THURSDAY, April 14th

Simple Sandwich Supper: 6:00 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)

Maundy Thursday Service: 6:30 p.m. (Sanctuary)

APRIL 2022

17 Easter Sunday 👕

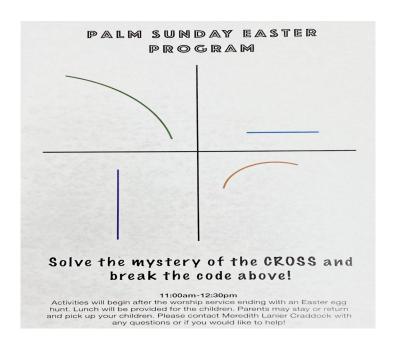
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CHURCH MISSION PROJECTS

- Clothes Closet: Date TBD
- Buddy Backpack: collecting individuals cereal boxes
 You may also make a monetary donation to Memorial Baptist Church
 and put 'Buddy Backpack' on the memo line.
- **Harnett Food Pantry**: collecting **non-perishable foods** and **egg cartons**You may make a monetary donation to Memorial Baptist Church
 and put 'Food Pantry' on the memo line.
 - ~ ~ WE NEED A REPRESENTATIVE TO BE THE LIAISON BETWEEN THE CHURCH AND THE FOOD PANTRY. PLEASE CONTACT CHERRY DEVANE OR THE CHURCH OFFICE IF YOU WOULD BE WILLING TO VOLUNTEER. ~ ~
- **HCMS Hygiene Kits & Belts:** needing donations of old men's or boys belts that can be used for HCMS students. Bring them by the church office.
- Ukrainian Refugees: To contribute to relief for Ukrainian refugees, make your check payable to MBC and write *Ukraine* on the memo line. We will send half to Baptist World Alliance and half to NC Baptist on Mission.



We have 24 backpacks to fill by Christmas, so we would like to collect items each month to fill the bags.

For April, we are collecting **non breakable toys** (NO toy weapons). This can include small cars, balls, dolls, small stuffed animals, puzzles, jump rope, sidewalk chalk, card games, legos, etc. Please deliver to the church office or bring on Sunday mornings.

Phillip's Love Bears

On Wednesday, April 27, we will be stuffing teddy bears to be given away to children who are hurting. If you would like to participate, either sign up on the bulletin board by the office or email Ashley so that we have plenty of supplies on hand. We are asking anyone who participates to contribute \$10 to help cover the

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MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

Palm Sunday April 10, 2022

Memorial Baptist Church is an inviting, inclusive, Christ-centered community of faith open to all persons who want to walk with us in following the way of Jesus. If you mourn and need comfort; if you're weary and need rest; if you feel friendless and need friendship; if you need a Savior; if you need love; if you need help; whoever you are and whatever your circumstances, we open the door and in the name of Jesus bid you come.

The Rev. Edward Beddingfield, Pastor Meredith Lanier Craddock, Associate Pastor Dr. Phillip and Susan Morrow, Ministers of Music Anne McClain, Organist Mariamarta Conrad, Worship Assistant Ashley Nelson, Administrative Assistant Wayne Smith, Custodian