

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 17, 2022
Ten O'clock in the Morning

Memorial Baptist Church
Buies Creek, North Carolina

“Hospitality means primarily the creation of free space where the stranger can enter and become a friend instead of an enemy. Hospitality is not to change people, but to offer them space where change can take place. It is not to bring men and women over to our side, but to offer freedom not disturbed by dividing lines.”
~ Henri Nouwen

GATHERING

PRELUDE *Festive Prelude on ST. THEODULPH* arr. Douglas E. Wagner
Anne McClain, Organ

WELCOME and INVOCATION Meredith Lanier Craddock, Associate Pastor

† GATHERING HYMN 60 *Be Thou My Vision* SLANE
stanzas 1, 3 and 4

CONFESSION Ainsley Blasius, Ministry Intern

ASSURANCE (responsively) Isaiah 55: 6-9 Miss Blasius

Seek the Lord while the Lord may be found;
call upon the Lord while the Lord is near;
Let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts;
let them return to the Lord, that the Lord may have compassion on them, and to our God, for our God will abundantly pardon.
For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the Lord.
For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

PROCLAIMING

OLD TESTAMENT Genesis 18: 1-8, NLT Whitley Savage
Abraham looked up and saw three men standing near him.
When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them and bowed down to the ground.

GOSPEL Luke 10: 38-42 Jessie Savage
Jesus entered a certain village where a woman named Martha welcomed him.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE Lynn DeShazo

More Precious Than Silver
Lord, you are more precious than silver.
Lord, you are more costly than gold.
Lord, you are more beautiful than diamonds,
And nothing I desire compares to you.

* During the Congregational Response, children may meet Ms. Ainsley at the back of the sanctuary to leave for Children's Sunday School.

SERMON *All Are Welcome* Mrs. Craddock
(Fifth in a summertime series, "Journeying with Jesus," from the Gospel of Luke.)

RESPONDING

ANTHEM *I Surrender All* Steve Potts
Izzy Morrow, Solo
Barbara Gates, Cello

INVITATION and OFFERTORY *My Jesus, I Love Thee* arr. Bruce Greer
(Those wishing to respond to the invitation may meet the pastor at the front of the sanctuary. Ushers will receive the offering.)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and The Lord's Prayer (unison) Ryan Craddock

SENDING

LIFE IN THE COMMUNITY Mrs. Craddock

† HYMN OF SENDING FORTH 277 HENDON
Take My Life, and Let It Be
stanzas 1, 2 and 4

† BENEDICTION *Ad. fr. John Claypool* Mrs. Craddock
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 *A Celebration of Praise* James Denton
Mrs. McClain

† *The congregation is invited to stand.*

Joining us in worship today is Barbara Gates, cellist.
Barbara is a veteran symphony player and music educator from the Fayetteville area.
Welcome Barbara!

PRAYER FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

Members: Jimmy Jung, Nell Grimm, Duwayne Grimm, Greg McClain, Tammy Pentony, Ofelia Hoyle, David Price, Carolyn Walker, Bob and Jeanne Barker, Linda Smith, Mary Lou Ellen, Pauline Calloway

Family and Friends: Justin Champion (*friend of Erin Brown*), Bonnie Jo Temple (*mother of Anne Price*), Pat Godwin (*mother of Chad Godwin*), David Meiburg (*brother of Kathy Whatley*), Christopher Hoyle (*son of Ofelia Hoyle*), Beth Johnson, Adriane Karlinski and family (*daughter of Randall Johnson*)

Brunswick Health and Rehab Center (Ash, NC): Pat Stiller

Oak Hill Assisted Living Center (Angier, NC): Frances McQuade

Prayers of Comfort are extended to the family of Cade Riggs in the death of his father, Barry Riggs, on Tuesday, July 12th.

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.

Deacons for July: Gail Cogdill and Tom Spainhour

Deacons for August: Brandon Brown and Bob Cisneros

Ushers Today: Jeff Pope, Derek Hogan, Ron McLamb and Joshua Taylor

Ushers for July 24: Nancy Brady, Bob Cisneros, Barrett Kesling and Miles West

Children's Sunday School Today: Ainsley Blasius

The bulletin cover is a painting by a Christian community in Cameroon, Africa depicting Martha, Mary and Jesus. (1973)

TODAY, July 17th

- Friends Class - Sunday School:** 8:45 a.m. (In Person & Online)
- Sarah's Open Door Class - Sunday School:** 9:00 a.m. (In Person & Online)
- Worship Service:** 10:00 a.m. (Sanctuary)
- Children's Sunday School:** 10:15 a.m. (Fellowship Hall)
- Youth - Sunday School:** 11:00 a.m. (Fellowship Hall)

WEDNESDAY, July 20th

** No Wednesday Night Activities*

JULY 2022

- 24 Friends Class - Sunday School:** 8:45 a.m. (In Person & Online)
- Sarah's Open Door Class - Sunday School:** 9:00 a.m. (In Person & Online)
- Worship Service:** 10:00 a.m. (Sanctuary)
- Children's Sunday School:** 10:15 a.m. (Fellowship Hall)
- Youth - Sunday School:** 11:00 a.m. (Fellowship Hall)
- 27 CHURCH BUSINESS MEETING:** 6:30 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)
- Summer Choir Rehearsal IV:** 7:00 p.m. (Sanctuary)
- 31 Friends Class - Sunday School:** 8:45 a.m. (In Person & Online)
- Sarah's Open Door Class - Sunday School:** 9:00 a.m. (In Person & Online)
- Worship Service:** 10:00 a.m. (Sanctuary)
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AUGUST 2022

- 3 * No Wednesday Night Activities**
- 5 VBS - Guardians of the Globe: Kids 4 Creation!:** 4 p.m. - 8 p.m.
- 6 VBS - Guardians of the Globe: Kids 4 Creation!:** 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
- 7 VBS - Guardians of the Globe: Kids 4 Creation!:** 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.



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

For the month of **JULY**, we are collecting **Pop-top Canned Food Items AND Bibles**

Pop-top canned food items: such as ravioli, tuna, beef stew, vegetables, fruit, etc.

Bibles: regular sized children's or youth Bibles

Please deliver to the church office during the week or place in the basket in the narthex on Sunday mornings.

Financial Position for the Period 1/1/22 - 6/19/22

» Total support, 1/1/22 - 6/19/22	\$ 141,270
» Total expenditures	\$ (166,838)
» Expenditures exceed support	\$ (25,568)
» Total 2022 Budget Proposal	\$ 422,529
» Principal due on line of credit for church renovation	\$ 96,217

VBS 2022

Guardians of the Globe: Kids 4 Creation!

"The earth belongs to the Lord, and everything in it—the world and all its people." (Psalm 24:1, NCV)



* We are collecting recyclable items such as plastic bottles, soda cans, cardboard and buttons to use for crafts and decorations.

SIGN UP for VBS using the link posted on the church website & Facebook page or scan the QR code.



Friday, August 5th:
4 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Saturday, August 6th:
10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Sunday, August 7th:
10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

CHURCH MISSION PROJECTS

- **Clothes Closet:** Next date TBA
- **Harnett Food Pantry:** collecting - non-perishable foods and egg cartons
Needed for July - - **canned mixed fruit / fruit cocktail**
You may also make a monetary donation to Memorial Baptist Church and put 'Food Pantry' on the memo line.



Our summer Sunday School series covers different women in the Bible. Below is the schedule for this series:

- TODAY - Mary & Martha (Luke 10)
- July 24 - Shiphrah & Puah; Jochabed & Miriam (Exodus 1-2)
- July 31 - The Widow's Mites (Luke 21)
- August 7 - VBS Sunday (NO Children's Sunday School)
- August 14 - Lydia (Acts 16)
- August 21 - Hannah & Samuel (1 Samuel 1)
- August 28 - Priscilla & Aquila (Acts 18)
- Sept. 4 - Children's sermon (NO Children's Sunday School)
- Sept. 11 - Jehosheba (2 Kings 11)



MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

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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
- Ainsley Blasius, Ministry Intern
- Ashley Nelson, Administrative Assistant
- Wayne Smith, Custodian