

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 11, 2022
Ten O'clock in the Morning

Memorial Baptist Church
Buies Creek, North Carolina

Ah! happy they whose hearts can break,
And peace of pardon win:
How else may we make straight God's plan
And cleanse the soul from Sin?
How else but through a broken heart
May Lord Christ enter in?

~ Oscar Wilde, "The Ballad of Reading Gaol" (ad.)

GATHERING

MUSIC FOR GATHERING

PRELUDE *Festivity on HOLY MANNA* Douglas E. Wagner
Anne McClain, organist

WELCOME Meredith Lanier Craddock, Associate Pastor

† INVOCATION Mrs. Craddock

† HYMN OF PRAISE 6 *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* ST. DENIO

CALL TO PRAYER (responsively) Psalm 51: 1-17 Mrs. Craddock

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;
According to your abundant mercy blot out all my transgressions
Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin;
For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.
Against you, and you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight;
So that you are justified in your sentence, and blameless in your judgment.
Indeed, I was even born guilty, a sinner from when I was conceived.
But you desire us to face the truth about ourselves, and then to confess it.
Therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.
**Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.**
Let me hear words of joy and gladness, that the bones you have crushed may rejoice.
Hide your face from my sins, and blot out my iniquities.
Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your holy spirit from me.
Restore into me the joy of your salvation, and strengthen me with a willing spirit.
Then will I teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will be converted to you.
Deliver me from destruction, O God of my salvation,
and my tongue will sing aloud of your deliverance.
O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will show forth your praise.
For you have no delight in sacrifice;
If I were to give a burnt offering, you would not be pleased.
The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit;
A broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

CONFESSION OF SIN Mrs. Craddock

ANTIPHON *Change My Heart, O God* Espinosa
Change my heart, O God, make it ever true.
Change my heart, O God, may I be like you.
You are the Potter, I am the clay;
Mold me and make me, this is what I pray.
Change my heart, O God, make it ever true.
Change my heart, O God, may I be like you.

† ASSURANCE OF GRACE (responsively) I Timothy 1: 12-17 Mrs. Craddock

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, for judging me faithful and appointing me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a person of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief; and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love which are in Christ Jesus.

And this saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the chief.

It was also for this very reason that I received mercy; so that in me, as the chief of sinners, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life.

Therefore to the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honor and glory forever and ever; Amen.

PROCLAIMING

GOSPEL Luke 15: 1-10 Edward Beddingfield, Pastor
Parables of the Lost Sheep and the Lost Coin.

** Following the Gospel, children may meet Mrs. Meredith at the back of the sanctuary to leave for Kid's Church.*

SERMON *Comfort Food* Mr. Beddingfield

RESPONDING

ANTHEM *The Lord Desires These Things* Lloyd Larson

In what does the Lord delight? What does the Lord desire?
In what will the Lord be pleased? What does the Lord require?
Though I lift my hands in prayer, though I sing my praise through tears,
If my soul is not contrite, my voice God does not hear.

I will not offer to the Lord that which costs me nothing.
A yearning soul, a grateful heart, these are the gifts I bring.
I will not offer to the Lord that which costs me nothing.
A life of humility and grace, the Lord requires these things.

In what does the Lord delight? What does the Lord desire?
In what will the Lord be pleased? What does the Lord require?
Though I offer up my gold, though I share all I possess,
If my heart does not have love, my gifts are meaningless.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and The Lord's Prayer (unison) Mr. Beddingfield

† INVITATION and HYMN OF RESPONSE 61 BRADBURY

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us
stanzas 1, 3 and 4
(Those wishing to respond to the invitation may meet the pastor at the front of the sanctuary.)

OFFERTORY *A Quiet Moment with AMAZING GRACE* Mary McDonald

SENDING

LIFE IN THE COMMUNITY Mr. Beddingfield

† 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 *Sent Forth by God's Blessing* Douglas E. Wagner

† *The congregation is invited to stand.*

PRAYER FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

Members: Scotty Scarborough, Jimmy Jung, Ofelia Hoyle, Tammy Pentony, David Price, Carolyn Walker, Jeanne Barker, Linda Smith, Mary Lou Ellen, Pauline Calloway

Family and Friends: Family of Arch Lynch (brother of Frances Lloyd and cousin of Catherine King), Tony Malden (friend of Will Roberts), Lennie Hamilton and wife (friends of Will Roberts), Harrold Bunnells (brother-in-law of Jeanie Kornegay), Margo Ardelean (friend of Susan Johnson)

Emerald Health and Rehab Center (Lillington, NC): Pat Stiller

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

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 September: Cherry DeVane and Derek Hogan

Deacons for October: Laura Rich and Tammy Scarborough

Ushers Today: Siu-Ki Wong, Brandon Brown, Beverley Howard and Matthew Sadler

Ushers for September 18: Jeff Pope, Derek Hogan, Ron McLamb and Joshua Taylor

Kid's Church Today: Meredith Craddock

TODAY, September 11th

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)

Children - Sunday School: 9:00 a.m.

Youth - Sunday School: 9:00 a.m. (Fellowship Hall)

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

Kid's Church: 10:15 a.m. (Fellowship Hall)

Wedding Shower Honoring Catherine Godwin and

Jaxon Anderson: 3:30 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)

WEDNESDAY, September 14th

Children's Choir: 5:30 p.m. (Choir Room)

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

Children's Missions Groups: 6:30 p.m.

Adult Bible Study: 6:30 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)

Chancel Choir Rehearsal: 7:30 p.m. (Sanctuary)

SEPTEMBER 2022

18 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)

Children - Sunday School: 9:00 a.m.

Youth - Sunday School: 9:00 a.m. (Fellowship Hall)

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

Kid's Church: 10:15 a.m. (Fellowship Hall)

21 Children's Choir: 5:30 p.m. (Choir Room)

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

Children's Missions Groups: 6:30 p.m.

Adult Bible Study: 6:30 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)

Chancel Choir Rehearsal: 7:30 p.m. (Sanctuary)

22 Library Committee Meeting: 6:30 p.m. (Library)

24 Clothes Closet: 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. (Family Life Center)

25 Friends Class - Sunday School: 8:45 a.m. (In Person & Online)

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Children - Sunday School: 9:00 a.m.

Youth - Sunday School: 9:00 a.m. (Fellowship Hall)

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

Kid's Church: 10:15 a.m. (Fellowship Hall)

28 Children's Choir: 5:30 p.m. (Zoom)

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

Children's Missions Groups: 6:30 p.m.

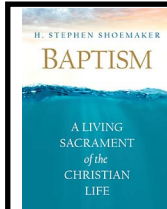
Adult Bible Study: 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)

Chancel Choir Rehearsal: 7:30 p.m. (Sanctuary)

New Address for Harriet Elizabeth Enzor:



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WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

Join us as we study Shoemaker's book on the significance of baptism, both as a practice and a model for Christian faith.

Purchase of the book is NOT required for the study, but if you want a copy for \$13.00, call or email Ashley in the office.



We are still working to fill 24 backpacks for our Christmas mission project. We are collecting items each month to fill the bags.

For the month of **SEPTEMBER**, we are collecting **Fresh, Wrapped Candy (no chocolate or peanut products)** and **FULL-SIZED Body Wash, Shampoo and Deodorant.**

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




BUDDY BACKPACK MINISTRY

Buddy Backpack is off and running! We will start packing and delivering the first Friday in October. If anyone is interested in joining our team of volunteers who pack and deliver, please call Ashley (893-4162) or Alice (893-8210).

This year we will be collecting "nab crackers" [either cheese with cheese or cheese with peanut butter] in place of individual cereals. If you have or still want to contribute cereals they are still needed and appreciated but the cereals have been more difficult to find so we have decided to change to something a bit easier to find.) You may bring to the church and leave in the workroom either in the Buddy Backpack tub or close to it.

Thank you for your continued support and generosity. This project runs solely on donations and I have a feeling we will have more children this year to serve.

CHURCH MISSION PROJECTS

- **Clothes Closet:** September 24, 2022
- **Harnett Food Pantry:** collecting - **non-perishable foods and egg cartons** Needed for September - - **Canned Green Beans** You may also make a monetary donation to Memorial Baptist Church and put 'Food Pantry' on the memo line. 

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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
Ashley Nelson, Administrative Assistant
Wayne Smith, Custodian