

# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

*The Sunday before Thanksgiving*

November 20, 2022  
Ten O'clock in the Morning

Memorial Baptist Church  
Buies Creek, North Carolina

Poor soul! God's goodness hath been great to thee:  
Let never day nor night unhallow'd pass,  
But still remember what the Lord hath done.

~ *Wm. Shakespeare, King Henry VI, Part II, Act II, sc. i*

## GATHERING

MUSIC FOR GATHERING

PRELUDE and CALL TO WORSHIP

Joel Raney

*Come, Ye Thankful People, Come*  
Anne McClain, *organ* and Phillip Morrow, *piano*  
with Chancel Choir

WELCOME and † INVOCATION

Edward Beddingfield, *Pastor*

Ad. fr. Talmadge Williams, Director of Stewardship Development (retired),  
Baptist State Convention of NC, in *The Worshipgiver*, p. 89.

O generous and gracious God, you have dealt generously and graciously with us.  
You have provided for us with abundant resources.  
You have blessed us with health, energy and abilities.  
You have surrounded us with family and friends.  
And when any of these fail, you give us the grace and peace of your presence.  
You sent your Son to redeem us,  
and have given us the high privilege of hearing the gospel.  
You shower us with spiritual gifts, sufficient to strengthen us in this life  
and to nurture our hope in the life of the world to come.  
For all these we are grateful.  
Receive now our gifts to you of praise, prayer, devotion and offerings.  
Teach us in all times and places to be content with what we have,  
and help us to be wise and faithful stewards.  
This we pray in the name of your Son, Jesus, and through the power of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

† HYMN OF PRAISE 638

*Now Thank We All Our God*

NUN DANKET

PSALM OF PRAISE (*in unison*)

Psalm 100

Mr. Beddingfield

**Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all the earth.  
Worship the Lord with gladness: come into God's presence with singing.  
Know that it is the Lord who is God,  
the One who made us, and not we ourselves.  
We are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture.  
Enter the gates of the Lord with thanksgiving,  
and the courts of the Lord with praise.  
Be thankful to the Lord, and bless God's name.  
For the Lord is good, whose mercy is everlasting,  
and whose truth endures to all generations.**

† *The congregation is invited to stand.*

CONFESSION, THANKSGIVING and ASSURANCE

Meredith Lanier Craddock,  
*Associate Pastor*

## PROCLAIMING

EPISTLE

Philippians 4: 10-20

Mrs. Craddock

I have learned to be content with whatever I have . . .  
And my God will fully satisfy every need of yours  
according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus.

GOSPEL

Mrs. Craddock and Mr. Beddingfield

Luke 12: 39-48

From everyone to whom much has been given, much will be required;  
and from the one to whom much has been entrusted,  
even more will be demanded.

ANTHEM

Rebecca Hogan/arr. Stacey Nordmeyer

*Come, Let Us Sing and Give Thanks*

*\* At the end of the Anthem, the children may leave with  
Mrs. Meredith from the rear of the sanctuary for Kids' Church.*

SERMON

*When Enough Is Enough*

Mr. Beddingfield

## RESPONDING

PERSONAL THANKSGIVINGS

Mr. Beddingfield

*Please write your response on the yellow card in the bulletin.*

† SONG OF RESPONSE *How Can I Keep From Singing* Robert Lowry/arr. Buddy Green

My life goes on in endless song above earth's lamentation  
I hear the sweet though far-off hymn that hails a new creation.

(Chorus)

*No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging  
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing.*

What though my joys and comforts die? The Lord, my Savior, liveth  
What though the shadows gather 'round? Songs in the night he giveth. (Chorus)

I lift my eyes, the cloud grows thin; I see the blue above it  
And day by day the pathway smooths since first I learned to love it.

The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a fountain every springing  
All things are mine since I am his: how can I keep from singing. (Chorus)

OFFERTORY INVITATION and PRAYER

Mr. Beddingfield

OFFERTORY

*Simple Gifts*

arr. Sandy Wilkinson

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

Mr. Beddingfield

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil;  
for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

## SENDING

† HYMN OF INVITATION AND SENDING FORTH 640

Ash Grove

*Let All Things Now Living*

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

*A Celebration of Praise*

James Denton



**You may place your offering in the offering plate during the service,  
or use this QR code to donate using your phone, or click the *Donate*  
tab on the website. Thank you for giving to Memorial Baptist Church.**

## PRAYER FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

**Members:** Betty Wallace, Jimmy Jung, David Price, Carolyn Walker, Linda Smith,  
Mary Lou Ellen, Pauline Calloway

**Family and Friends:** Don Hogan (*father of Derek Hogan*), Jane Milligan (*niece of  
Jeanne Barker*), David Lanier (*brother of Meredith Craddock*), Laura Yarbrough, Roland  
Williams (*neighbor of Ed Beddingfield*), Bill Ford (*brother-in-law of Theresa Batten*), Bud  
and Doreen Slussler (*friends of Susan Johnson*)

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

*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 November:** Earl Savage and Jac Whatley

**Deacons for December:** Gail Cogdill and Ron McLamb

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

**Ushers for Nov. 27:** Nancy Brady, Bob Cisneros, Barrett Kesling and  
Miles West

**Kid's Church Today:** Meredith Craddock

## TODAY, November 20<sup>th</sup>

**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)

**Kids' Church:** 10:15 a.m. (Fellowship Hall)

**Decorating for Advent:** *immediately following worship service*  
*All are welcome to stay and help!*

**Campbell University Choral Society presents *Messiah* by G.F. Handel:**  
4:00 p.m. (Hobson Performance Center)

## MONDAY, November 21<sup>st</sup>

**Youth Outing to Meadow Lights:** meet at the church at 6:00 p.m.

## WEDNESDAY, November 23<sup>rd</sup>

**\* No Wednesday Night Activities**

## THURSDAY, November 24<sup>th</sup>

**Happy Thanksgiving** - Church Office Closed for Holiday

## FRIDAY, November 25<sup>th</sup>

Church Office Closed for Holiday

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

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

**Chrismon Tree Night:** 6:30 p.m. (Sanctuary)

*Everyone is invited to attend!*

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



Advent devotional books  
are available for pickup  
at the church office or  
in the narthex.

Check the bulletin board for more community announcements.

## Financial Position for the Period 1/1/22 - 11/3/22

» Total support, 1/1/22 - 11/3/22	\$ 294,201
» Total expenditures	\$ (312,039)
» Expenditures exceed support	\$ (17,838)
» Total 2022 Budget Proposal	\$ 422,529
» Percent of year passed	84%
» Support needed to meet budget	\$ 354,230
» Support received as of 11/3/22	\$ 294,201
» Budget support shortfall as of 11/3/22	\$ (60,029)
» Principal due on line of credit for church renovation	\$ 90,655

## Missions Mailbox

MBC Mission Kids will be hosting their annual **Missions Mailbox** beginning next Sunday, Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, Dec. 25<sup>th</sup>.

Missions Mailbox is offered for you to be able to "mail" a Christmas card to someone in our congregation. The mailbox will be set up in the narthex. The cost to "mail" a card is still only **25¢** each.

## ADVENT DINNERS



Advent Dinners are only a month away and we need your help. If you would like to host an Advent Dinner, please contact Ashley in the church office.

We hope to have more information out to you shortly.

## CHURCH MISSION PROJECTS

- **Clothes Closet:** Date TBA
- **Harnett Food Pantry:** collecting **non-perishable foods** and **egg cartons**  
Needed for November - - **Canned Sweet Potatoes**  
*You may also make a monetary donation to Memorial Baptist Church and put 'Food Pantry' on the memo line.*
- **Buddy Backpack:** collecting "nab crackers"  
[cheese with cheese or cheese with peanut butter]  
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Church Office Hours: Monday - Friday: 9am - 5pm  
Other Staff: By Appointment



# 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