#### THE WORSHIP OF GOD

## Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Father's Day

June 18, 2023 Ten O'clock in the Morning Memorial Baptist Church Buies Creek, North Carolina

O God, your ways are dark. We cannot mark
Your path upon the mountains or the sea.
Who comprehends your will, or knows your mind,
Baffled by this small world you have designed?
Awed by the grandeur of infinity?
God, who can trace the marching stars through space,
Measure the oceans, lift the mountains up,
Scatter the perfume in the lily's cup,
Direct the aeons, hold each year in place –
Will this God hear? In joy or in dismay,
The one who calls, God will not turn away:
A Father dwelling with us, not apart.
When my child calls, I catch her to my heart.
~ Ad. fr. Edward Bliss Reed, professor of
English at Yale University (1872-1940)

#### **GATHERING**

PRELUDE

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah Anne McClain, organ

arr. Douglas E. Wagner

WELCOME and † INVOCATION

Meredith Lanier Craddock, Associate Pastor

**† GATHERING SONGS** 

Hymn 55

Children of the Heavenly Father

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Chorus

Good Good Father

Brown/Barrett

Gracie Jonas, leader

I've heard a thousand stories of what they think you're like
But I've heard the tender whisper of love in the dead of night
You tell me that you're pleased and that I'm never alone

Chorus

You're a good, good Father
It's who you are, it's who you are, it's who you are
And I'm loved by you
It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am

Love so undeniable I can hardly speak
Peace so unexplainable I can hardly think
As you call me deeper still as you call me deeper still
As you call me deeper still into love, love, love.

REMEMBERING OUR FATHERS

Edward Beddingfield, Pastor

Psalter Reading (responsively) Psalm 103: 1, 8-14, 2

Bless the Lord, O my soul, / and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.
The Lord is merciful and gracious, / slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
The Lord will not always accuse, / nor remain angry forever.
The Lord does not deal with us according to our sins, / nor repay us according to our iniquities.

As the heavens are high above the earth, / so great is God's mercy toward those who revere him;

as far as the east is from the west, / so far God removes our transgressions from us.

As a father has compassion for his children, / so the Lord has compassion for those who fear him.

For the Lord knows how we were made; / the Lord remembers that we are dust. Bless the Lord, O my soul, / and forget not all God's benefits.

A Father's Day Prayer

DEDICATION OF CHILD AND PARENTS (insert)

Isla Blake Brown, daughter of Erin and Brandon Brown

and sister of Ezra Brown

#### **PROCLAIMING**

PSALTER READING (unison)

Psalm 100 (KJV ad.)

Brittany Montgomery,

Ministry Intern

Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all you lands:

Serve the Lord with gladness; come before God's presence with singing.

Know that the Lord, the Lord is God.

It is God who has made us, and not we ourselves;

we are God's people, and the sheep of God's pasture.

Enter God's gates 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.

† HYMN OF RESPONSE 5 All People That On Earth Do Dwell

OLD 100TH

OLD TESTAMENT

Genesis 18: 1-15

Mrs. Craddock

The Lord said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh? ... Is anything too hard for the Lord?"

\* Following the Old Testament Reading, children may meet Mrs. Meredith and Ms. Brittany at the back of the sanctuary to leave for Kids' Church.

SERMON Sheer Delight

Mr. Beddingfield

#### RESPONDING

VOCAL TESTIMONY

His Eye Is On the Sparrow Michael Lester, vocalist Martin/Gabriel

Mr. Beddingfield

arr. Robert Lau

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

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.

INVITATION TO GIVE and OFFERTORY

Children of the Heavenly Father

#### **SENDING**

† INVITATION and HYMN OF SENDING FORTH 4

To God Be the Glory

stanzas 1 and 3

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

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** 

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Terry Kirkland

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God for all fathers with special remembrance of my daddy, Albert Harrelson, by Tammy Scarborough and family.

#### PRAYER FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

<u>Members</u>: Shelby Stancil, Will and Christine Roberts, Betty Wallace, Jimmy Jung, Linda Smith, Mary Lou Ellen, Pauline Calloway

<u>Family and Friends</u>: Josephine Simpson (neighbor of Pastor Ed), Glenn Johnson, Parker Wilson (Sylva, NC), Noah Rayon (student from CFCA); Casey Godfrey (friend of Susan Johnson); Angela Adamah; Amanda Huggins (director of Stokes Childcare Center)

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

<u>Prayers of Comfort</u> are extended to the family of Christine Roberts in the death of her grandmother, Mary E. Altobelli, on Saturday, June 10th.

<u>Prayers of Comfort</u> are also extended to the family of Dr. David Price in his death on Monday, June 12th.

<u>Deacons for June 2023</u>: Gail Cogdill and Ron McLamb <u>Deacons for July 2023</u>: Theresa Batten and Trinity Kelly

<u>Ushers Today</u>: Jeff Pope, Derek Hogan, Ron McLamb and Joshua Taylor

<u>Ushers June 25</u>: Nancy Brady, Bob Cisneros, Barrett Kesling and Miles West

Kids' Church Today: Meredith Craddock and Brittany Montgomery

#### TODAY, June 18<sup>th</sup>

Father's Day

Friends Class - Sunday School: 8:45 a.m.

**Sarah's Open Door Class - Sunday School**: 9:00 a.m.

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

Worship Service: 10:00 a.m. (Sanctuary) Kids' Church: 10:15 a.m. (Library)

WEDNESDAY, June 21<sup>st</sup>

**KIDS MOYIE NIGHT**: 5:30 p.m.

Summer Choir Rehearsal II: 7:00 p.m. (Sanctuary)

THURSDAY, June 22<sup>nd</sup>

Youth Bowling Night: 7:00 p.m.

#### **JUNE 2023**

**25** Friends Class - Sunday School: 8:45 a.m.

Sarah's Open Door Class - Sunday School: 9:00 a.m.

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

Worship Service: 10:00 a.m. (Sanctuary) Kids' Church: 10:15 a.m. (Library)

28 \* No Wednesday Night Activities

#### **IULY 2023**

2 Friends Class - Sunday School: 8:45 a.m.

Sarah's Open Door Class - Sunday School: 9:00 a.m.

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

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

\* No Kids' Church

### **KIDS MOYIE NIGHT!**

We're showing "The Secret Life of Pets" on Wednesday night.

Dinner will start about 5:30 p.m. and showtime is 6:00 p.m. - 7:20 p.m.

Parents, you may join us or drop off your kids and pick them up at the end. Please let us know if you and your children will be joining us for dinner. Anyone is welcome to join us for the movie. Snacks and drinks will be provided.

"For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them." Matthew 18:20, NRSV

#### Financial Position for the Period 1/1/23 - 5/31/23

» Total support, 1/1/2023 - 5/31/2023 \$ 164.536 » Total expenditures \$ (150,675) » Support exceeded expenditures \$ **13,861** » Total 2023 Budget Proposal \$ 413.084 » Percent of year passed 41% » Support needed to meet budget \$ 170,892 » Undesignated support received as of 5/31/2023 \$ 152,327 » Budget support shortfall as of 5/31/2023 \$ **(18,565)** » Principal due on line of credit for church renovation \$ 77,246





For June, we will be collecting **Deodorant** and **Washcloths**.

We also welcome monetary donations to go toward the purchase of backpacks and Bibles. Designate your donation as 'Backpacks.'

Here are items we will be collecting in the near future: brushes, combs, candy (no chocolate), pop-top canned food items (such as ravioli, tuna, beef stew, vegetables, fruit, etc.)

#### **CHURCH MISSION PROJECTS**

- Clothes Closet: Next Date TBD
- Harnett Food Pantry: collecting non-perishable foods and egg cartons

Needed for June - - **Peanut Butter** (not larger than 28 oz.)
You may also make a monetary donation to Memorial
Baptist Church and put 'Food Pantry' on the memo line.

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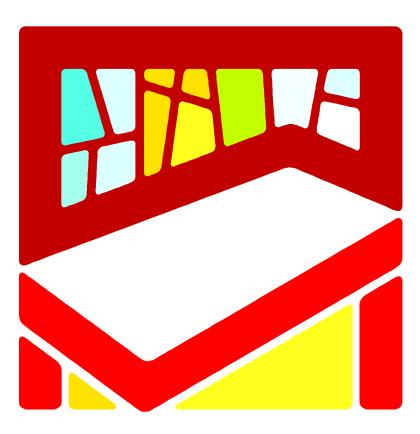
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# MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Father's Day

June 18, 2023

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
Brittany Montgomery, Ministry Intern
Mariamarta Conrad, Worship Assistant
Ashley Nelson, Administrative Assistant
Wayne Smith, Custodian