

July 30, 2023
Ten O'clock in the Morning

GATHERING

† *The congregation is invited to stand.*

GOSPEL	Matthew 3: 13-17 The baptism of Jesus.	Lori Walters, <i>grandmother</i>
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Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone) Newton/Tomlin
Charlotte Riewestahl, leader

Amazing grace how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear and grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

Refrain My chains are gone, I've been set free.
My God, my Savior has ransomed me.
And like a flood His mercy reigns,
Unending love, amazing grace.

The Lord has promised good to me, His word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures. *(Refrain)*

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow, the sun forbear to shine.
But God who called me here below will be forever mine.
Will be forever mine. You are forever mine.

We Believe Hooper/Fike/Ryan

We believe in God the Father, we believe in Jesus Christ
We believe in the Holy Spirit and he's given us new life
We believe in the crucifixion, we believe that he conquered death
We believe in the resurrection and he's coming back again
We believe.

EPISTLE Romans 6: 3-5 Ron McLamb, *grandfather*

We have been buried with him by baptism into death . . .
so that we too might walk in newness of life . . .
[and] be united with him in a resurrection like his.

SERMON	<i>Dead and Buried, Alive and Well</i>	Mr. Beddingfield
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† HYMN OF BAPTISM 362	<i>Baptized in Water</i> stanzas 1 and 2	BUNESSAN
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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 *10,000 Reasons* arr. Phillip Keveren
Mrs. McClain and Donna Penny, *piano*

Introduction of the Candidate
Prayer of Dedication

Candidate's Scripture Matthew 5: 16
Let your light shine before men so that they may see
your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

Baptismal Scripture **Romans 10: 9**
If you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord, and
believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead,
you will be saved.

Vows and Baptism

† INVITATION and HYMN OF SENDING FORTH 305 ASSAM
I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

LIFE IN THE COMMUNITY Mrs. Craddock

† BENEDICTION Mrs. Craddock

POSTLUDE *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* Franklin Ritter

Members: Jac Whatley, Will and Christine Roberts, Betty Wallace, Jimmy Jung, Linda Smith, Pauline Calloway

Family and Friends: Michael Warren (*brother Donna Haynes*); Ernest and Linda Savage (*brother and sister-in-law of Earl Savage*); Family of Betty Tart (*mother of Tracy Tart—friend of Charlotte Riewestahl*); Lacy Massey (*step-dad of Jeff Pope*); Wayne McLamb (*brother-in-law of Jeff Pope*); Brian Worth (*friend of Cindy Avrette*); Josephine Simpson (*neighbor of Pastor Ed*); Glenn Johnson; Parker Wilson (*Sylva, NC*); David Lanier (*brother of Meredith Craddock*); Maurice Johnson (*brother of Randall Johnson and Shelby Stancil*); Aaron Bowers (*brother of Charissa English*); Peggy Giunta (*grandmother of Heather Giunta*); Noah Rayon (*student from CFCA*)

Aldersgate senior living center (Charlotte, NC): Louise Taylor

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

Prayers of Comfort are extended to the family of Neil Stephenson in the death of his brother, Dwight Stephenson, on Wednesday, July 26th.

Deacons for July 2023: Theresa Batten and Trinity Kelly
Deacons for August 2023: Brandon Brown and Tammy Scarborough

Ushers Today: Al Hardison, Randall Johnson, Susan Johnson and Linda Lunney
Ushers Aug. 6: Al Hardison, Randall Johnson, Susan Johnson and Linda Lunney

No Kids' Church during the month of July

Financial Position for the Period 1/1/23 - 6/30/23

» Total support, 1/1/2023 - 6/30/2023	\$ 200,653
» Total expenditures	\$ (187,088)
» Support exceeded expenditures	\$ 13,565
» Total 2023 Budget Proposal	\$ 413,084
» Percent of year passed	50%
» Support needed to meet budget	\$ 204,844
» Undesignated support received as of 6/30/2023	\$ 182,719
» Budget support shortfall as of 6/30/2023	\$ (22,125)
» Principal due on line of credit for church renovation	\$ 75,929

TODAY, July 30th

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)
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WEDNESDAY, August 2nd

** No Wednesday Night Activities*

FRIDAY, August 4th


VBS - JOURNEY to OZ: 4 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, August 5th

VBS - JOURNEY to OZ: 10 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

AUGUST 2023


- 6 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)
JOURNEY to OZ VBS Worship Service: 10 a.m. (Sanctuary)
Covered Dish Lunch at Auntie Em's Café: following service
Everyone is invited to attend (Fellowship Hall)
** No Kids' Church*
- 9 Summer Choir Rehearsal V and Cookout:** 6:00 p.m. (The Morrow Home)
- 13 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)
- 14 Deacon's Meeting:** 7:00 p.m.



**Buies Creek Fire Department
Smoke Alarm Campaign**

If you would like for your smoke detector to be inspected, please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board in the hall.

Follow the **Yellow Brick Road** to
Memorial Baptist Church for
VBS 2023



JOURNEY to OZ:
Loving the Lord with all your
mind, heart, strength and soul.

August 4-6
(Ages 4 - 5th grade)

Sign up in church office, on MBC's Facebook page
or website at www.memorialbcnc.org.

EVERYONE IS INVITED!!

Join us at Auntie Em's Café for an old-fashioned covered dish luncheon after service on August 6th.

Please bring main dishes, side dishes and desserts.

Please let Meredith know if you plan to bring a dish.

APPALACHIAN CHRISTMAS BACKPACKS

For July, we are collecting **Brushes, Combs** and **Deodorant**.

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:
candy (no chocolate), pop-top canned food items (such as ravioli, tuna, beef stew, vegetables, fruit, etc.)

CHURCH MISSION PROJECTS

- Harnett Food Pantry:** collecting **non-perishable foods** and **egg cartons**
Needed for July - - Applesauce
Monetary donations to MBC are also welcome. Designate 'Food Pantry' on the memo line.

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Other Staff: By Appointment



*Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Observing the Ordinance of Baptism
July 30, 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