

# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

## Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Vacation Bible School: "Journey to Oz"

August 6, 2023  
Ten O'clock in the Morning

Memorial Baptist Church  
Buies Creek, North Carolina

"There's no place like home."  
~ Dorothy, The Wizard of Oz

## GATHERING

PRELUDE *Worthy of Worship* traditional  
Anne McClain, organ

WELCOME Edward Beddingfield, Pastor

† INVOCATION VBS Participant

† HYMN OF PRAISE 3 *Worthy of Worship* JUDSON  
stanzas 1 and 3

## PROCLAIMING

VBS OVERVIEW Meredith Lanier Craddock, Associate Pastor

VBS SCRIPTURE Deuteronomy 6: 5 VBS Kids  
Love the Lord your God with all your heart  
and with all your soul and with all your strength.

† VBS SONGS *Love the Lord* Lincoln Brewster  
*Open the Eyes of My Heart* Michael W. Smith  
VBS Kids, directed by  
Brittany Montgomery and Anne McClain

MEDITATION 1 Brittany Montgomery, Ministry Intern

SONG OF TESTIMONY *Blessed Be the Name* Matt and Beth Redman  
Spencer Powell Phillips, solo,  
and Steve DeVane, piano  
with congregation joining on chorus

Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be your name  
Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be your glorious name.

MEDITATION 2 Mrs. Craddock

## † SONG OF FAITH

*Be Thou My Vision* SLANE/Alt. Text: Eleanor Hull (ad.)  
Mrs. Phillips, leader

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart  
Naught be all else to me save that thou art  
Thou my best thought by day or by night  
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom and thou my true word  
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord  
Thou and thou only, first in my heart  
Great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.

Strength of thy children, our victory won  
May we reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!  
Heart of our own heart, whatever befall  
Wisdom and vision and ruler of all.

MEDITATION 3 Mr. Beddingfield

## RESPONDING

INVITATION TO GIVE and OFFERTORY *Fairest Lord Jesus* Matt Schinske

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE VBS Teacher

THE LORD'S PRAYER (unison) VBS Participant

**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

† INVITATION and HYMN OF SENDING FORTH 476 STRENGTH  
*Be Strong in the Lord*  
stanzas 1 and 2

LIFE IN THE COMMUNITY Mr. Beddingfield

† BENEDICTION and BLESSING OF THE MEAL Mr. Beddingfield

POSTLUDE *You Shall Go Out With Joy!* Douglas E. Wagner

*The altar flowers are given to the glory of God  
and in loving memory of  
LTC (Ret.) Robert G. Barker and Dr. David S. Barker  
by Jeanne Barker.*

## PRAYER FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

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

**Family and Friends:** Family of Dwight Stephenson (*brother of Neil Stephenson*);  
Michael Warren (*brother of 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 Sonya Godwin in the death of  
her cousin, Timothy Pate, on Tuesday, August 1st.

*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 August 2023:** Brandon Brown and Tammy Scarborough  
**Deacons for September 2023:** Randall Johnson and Cherry DeVane

**Ushers Today:** Al Hardison, Randall Johnson, Susan Johnson and  
Linda Lunney

**Ushers Aug. 13:** Siu-Ki Wong, Brandon Brown, Beverley Howard and  
Matthew Sadler

**No Kids' Church** today

† *The congregation is invited to stand.*

We're off to see Lord Jesus, the Wonderful Savior of All!



**TODAY, August 6<sup>th</sup>**

- 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 Luncheon at Auntie Em's Café* (Fellowship Hall)
- Everyone is invited to attend following the worship service*
- \* No Kids' Church**

**WEDNESDAY, August 9<sup>th</sup>**


- Summer Choir Rehearsal V and Cookout: 6:00 p.m. (The Morrow Home)

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- Worship Service: 10:00 a.m. (Sanctuary)
- Kids' Church: 10:15 a.m. (Library)
  
- 14** Deacon's Meeting: 7:00 p.m.
  
- 16** Missions Committee Meeting: 7:30 p.m.
- \* No Other Wednesday Night Activities**
  
- 20** Friends Class - Sunday School: 8:45 a.m.
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**Financial Position for the Period 1/1/23 - 6/30/23**

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| » 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    |



**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.



For August, we are collecting **POP-TOP CANNED FOOD ITEMS.**

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

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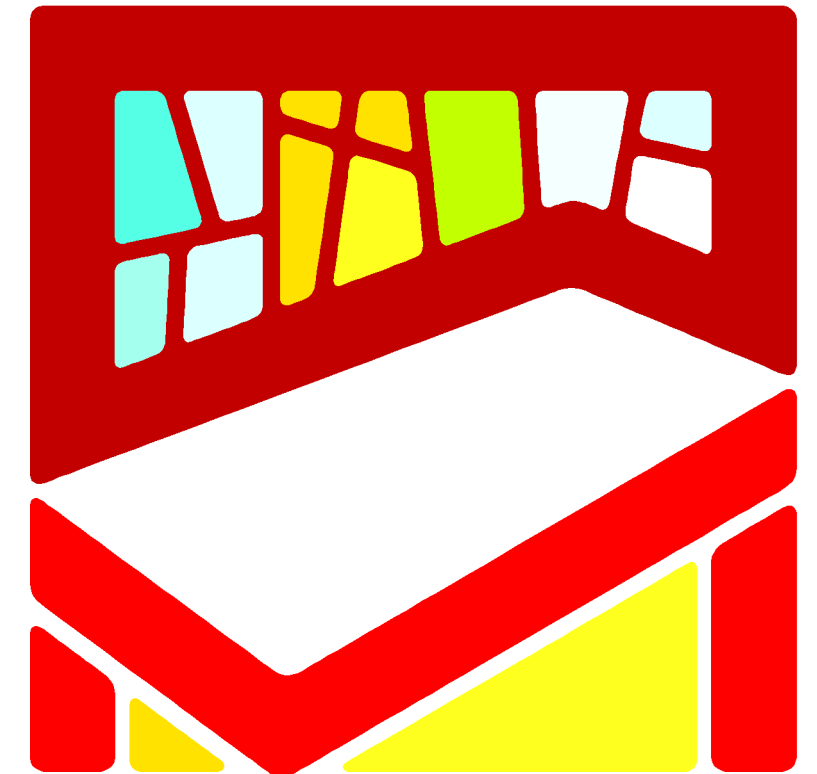
Here are items we will be collecting in the near future:  
*candy (no chocolate), pop-top canned food items (such as ravioli, tuna, beef stew, vegetables, fruit, etc.)*

**CHURCH MISSION PROJECTS**

- **Harnett Food Pantry:** collecting non-perishable foods and egg cartons Needed for August - - **Green Beans**

*Monetary donations to MBC are also welcome. Designate '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  
 Brittany Montgomery, Ministry Intern  
 Mariamarta Conrad, Worship Assistant  
 Ashley Nelson, Administrative Assistant  
 Wayne Smith, Custodian