

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
World Communion Sunday

Though Heaven be high, the gate is low,	O God! Since you delight to rest
And those that come in there must bow;	Within the contrite, humble breast,
The lofty looks shall ne'er	First make me so to be,
Have entrance there.	Then dwell with me.

GATHERING

WELCOME and † INVOCATION Edward Beddingfield, *Pastor*
Ad. fr. The Book of Common Prayer
(Collect for the Sunday closest to October 5)

† HYMN OF PRAISE	<i>All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name</i>	
200	stanzas 1 and 2	DIADEM
201	stanza 3	MILES LANE
202	stanza 4	CORONATION

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;
O my God, in you I trust.

Do not let me be put to shame, and do not let my enemies boast over me.
**Do not let those who wait upon you be put to shame,
but instead let those be ashamed who are brazenly treacherous.**

Make me to know your ways, O Lord, and teach me your paths.
**Lead me in your truth, and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation;
for you I wait all the day long.**

Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and of your steadfast love,
for they have existed from of old.

**Do not remember the sins of my youth, or my transgressions;
but according to your steadfast love remember me, for your goodness**

Good and upright is the Lord, who instructs sinners in the way,
who leads the humble in what is right,
and who teaches them the way of the Lord.

PROCLAIMING

He is the Lord, forever His truth shall reign
Heaven and earth rejoice in His holy name
He is exalted, the King is exalted on high.

SERMON *But Also* 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.

Bread of the world, in mercy broken, wine of the world in mercy shed,
by whom the words of life were spoken, and in whose death our sins are dead:
look to the heart by sorrow broken, look on the tears by sinners shed;
now be this time to us the token that by your grace our souls are fed.

Renew your spirit deep within us, that we may serve with purer hearts.
Make each voice of praise more glorious, let each believer do their part.
Increase our heart's desire to serve you, Lord, as Jesus' love within us grows.
May every person come to praise you, Lord, let holy love and kindness flow.

Invitation to the Lord's Table	Mr. Beddingfield
Words of Institution	Ms. Montgomery
I Corinthians 11: 23-25	
... Do this in remembrance of me.	

The Bread John 6: 54 Mr. Beddingfield

Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood
have eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day.

The Cup	John 6: 56	Mr. Beddingfield
	Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I abide in them.	

The Promise	I Corinthians 11: 26	Mr. Beddingfield
As often as you eat this bread and drink this cup you proclaim the Lord's death till he comes.		

† INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP and HYMN OF SENDING FORTH 198
At the Name of Jesus WYE VALLEY

† BENEDICTION Mr. Beddingfield

POSTLUDE *The Church's One Foundation* David Cherwien

Members: Becky Thompson, Jeff Pope, Pauline Calloway, Betty Wallace, Jimmy Jung, Linda Smith

Family and Friends: Family of Kenneth H. Barbour, James Stecher (*great-nephew of Bob Cisneros*); Randy Rambeau (*friend of Earl and Diane Jones*); Linda Savage (*sister-in-law of Earl Savage*); Peggy Barber (*niece of Jeanne Barker*); Ethan Barber (*great-nephew of Jeanne Barker*); Craig Newton (*friend of Anne McClain*); Victor Das (*father of Joseph Das*); Brenda Gurganious (*friend of Susan Johnson*); Glenn Johnson; Josephine Simpson (*neighbor of Pastor Ed*); Aaron Bowers (*brother of Charissa English*); Michael Warren (*brother of Donna Haynes*)

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

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

Deacons for October 2023: Lisa Lanier and Jac Whatley
Deacons for November 2023: Dayna Scarborough and Earl Savage

Ushers Today: Randall Johnson, Susan Johnson, Linda Lunney and
Siu-Ki Wong

Ushers Oct. 8: Brandon Brown, Bob Cisneros, Adam English and
Miles West

No Kids' Church today

† *The congregation is invited to stand.*

*The altar flowers are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of Robert Morgan,
whose birthday would have been October 5th,
by Margaret, Mary, Rupert and Nancy.*

TODAY, October 1st

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**

WEDNESDAY, October 4th

Children's Choir: 5:30 p.m. (Choir Room)
Simple Supper - Nacho Bar: 5:45 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)
Mission Kids: 6:30 p.m. (Classroom)
Youth Activity: 6:30 p.m. (Library)
Adult Bible Study: 6:30 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)
Chancel Choir Rehearsal: 7:30 p.m. (Sanctuary)

FRIDAY—SATURDAY, October 6th—October 7th
YOUTH LOCK-IN: 7:00 p.m. - 7:00 a.m.

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Kids' Church: during worship (Library)
- 9** **Deacon's Meeting:** 7:00 p.m.
- 11** **Children's Choir:** 5:30 p.m. (Choir Room)
Simple Supper - Roast Pork and Potatoes: 5:45 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)
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Financial Position for the Period 1/1/23 - 8/31/23

» Total support, 1/1/2023 - 8/31/2023	\$ 271,527
» Total expenditures	\$ (257,340)
» Support exceeded expenditures	\$ 14,187
» Total 2023 Budget Proposal	\$ 413,084
» Percent of year passed	67%
» Support needed to meet budget	\$ 275,012
» Undesignated support received as of 8/31/2023	\$ 253,037
» Budget support shortfall as of 8/31/2023	\$ (21,975)
» Principal due on line of credit for church renovation	\$ 72,518

**APPALACHIAN
CHRISTMAS
BACKPACKS**

For October, we are still collecting:

FRESH, WRAPPED CANDY (no chocolate and no peanut products);
and

POP-TOP CANNED FOOD ITEMS (ex: ravioli, tuna, beef stew, soup, fruit, etc.).

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

*** MARK YOUR CALENDARS — Wednesday, October 18 ***
Appalachian Backpacks Assembly night

CHURCH MISSION PROJECTS

- **Clothes Closet:** Date TBD
- **Harnett Food Pantry:** collecting **non-perishable foods** and **egg cartons**
Needed for October -- **Canned Fruit Cocktail**
Monetary donations to MBC are also welcome. Designate contribution as 'Food Pantry.'
- **Buddy Backpack:** collecting "**nab crackers**"
[cheese with cheese or cheese with peanut butter]
Monetary donations to MBC are also welcome. Designate contribution as 'Buddy Backpack.'



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**MEMORIAL
BAPTIST CHURCH**

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World Communion Sunday*

October 1, 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