# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

# Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 22, 2023 Ten O'clock in the Morning

Memorial Baptist Church Buies Creek, North Carolina

Praise God, you peoples of the earth, Praise God, you heav'ns, with joyful mirth; Praise God who rules the nations still, And bends them to His precious will.

Praise God, Creator of us all, Peoples and nations, great and small; Praise Love that makes our wars to cease, And leads us in the paths of peace.

~ "Doxology for Peace" (ad.), by R. B. Y. Scott (1899-1987), *United Church of Canada minister, Old Testament professor,* and chaplain in the Royal Canadian Air Force in World War II.

#### **GATHERING**

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Rejoice, the Lord is King Anne McClain, organ

arr. Douglas E. Wagner

† CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)

Psalm 96: 1-6

Mr. Beddingfield

Edward Beddingfield, Pastor

O sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth!

Sing to the Lord, and bless God's name; tell of God's salvation from day to day.

Declare God's glory among the nations,

and the marvelous works of the Lord among all the peoples.

For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised;

Let the Lord be revered above all gods.

For all the gods of the peoples are idols, but the Lord made the heavens.

Honor and glory are before the Lord; strength and beauty are in God's sanctuary.

† INVOCATION

Mr. Beddingfield

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† HYMN OF PRAISE 395

God of Grace and God of Glory

CWM RHONDDA

CALL TO PRAYER (responsively)

Psalm 96: 7-9

Ascribe to the Lord, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength;

> Ascribe to the Lord the glory due unto God's name; bring an offering, and come into God's courts.

Worship the Lord in holy splendor;

Tremble before the Lord, all the earth.

**CONFESSION and ASSURANCE** 

Brittany Montgomery, Ministry Intern

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (responsively)

Psalm 96: 10-13

Mr. Beddingfield

Say among the nations, The Lord reigns!

The world is firmly established; it shall never be moved.

The Lord will judge the peoples with equity.

Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice!

Let the sea roar, and all that fills it! Let the field exult, and everything in it!

† *The congregation is invited to stand.* 

Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy before the Lord; for the Lord is coming, coming to judge the earth.

The Lord will judge the world with righteousness, and all the peoples with God's own truth. Amen.

#### PROCLAIMING

**† EXPRESSION OF PRAISE** 

He Is Exalted

Twila Paris

He is exalted, the King is exalted on high, I will praise Him. He is exalted, forever exalted And I will praise His name.

> 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.

**GOSPEL** 

Meredith Lanier Craddock, Associate Pastor

Matthew 22: 15-22 "Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius.

\* Following the reading, children from age 3 through 4th grade may meet *Mrs. Erin Turlington at the back of the sanctuary to leave for Kids' Church.* Parents may pick up their children in the church library after the service.

**SERMON** 

**Dueling Loyalties** 

Mr. Beddingfield

# RESPONDING

ANTHEM (see insert)

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Come To The Water

John Foley

Congregation please join on stanzas 3 and 4

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Mrs. Craddock

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.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS Fantasia on STANDING ON THE PROMISES

arr. Robin McGee

**SENDING** 

† INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP and HYMN OF SENDING FORTH

Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated 277 stanzas 1 and 4

**HENDON** 

Lord, Be Glorified

BE GLORIFIED

† LIFE IN THE COMMUNITY

**† BENEDICTION** Mr. Beddingfield

**POSTLUDE** 

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

arr. William A. Richardson

Mr. Beddingfield

Today's autumn arrangement was created to the glory of God and in loving memory of Patty Jung on the anniversary of her going home by Jimmy, Anita, Dayna, Alisa, David and Krystal.

# PRAYER FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

Members: Bob Loftis, Carolyn Walker, Becky Thompson, Jeff Pope, Betty Wallace, Pauline Calloway, Jimmy Jung, Linda Smith

Family and Friends: Family of Jac Whatley (death of uncle, aunt and cousin); Family of Earl Savage (death of sister-in-law); Jan Bloom (aunt of Becca Scarboro); Mary McClain (mother of Grea McClain); Craig Ennis (husband of Evy Ennis - Buies Creek post office); Peggy Giunta (grandmother of Heather Giunta); James Stecher (great-nephew of Bob Cisneros); Randy Rambeau (friend of Earl and Diane Jones); Josephine Simpson (neighbor of Pastor Ed)

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 Heather Giunta in the death of her grandfather, Frank Giunta, on Thursday, October 12th.

Prayers of Comfort are also extended to the family of Cathy McLamb and Donna Penny in the death of their cousin, Adam Penny, on Sunday, October 15th.

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 October 2023: Lisa Lanier and Jac Whatley

Deacons for November 2023: Dayna Scarborough and Earl Savage

**Ushers Today**: Cherry DeVane, Chad Godwin, Derek Hogan and

Jeff Pope

Ushers Oct. 29: Randall Johnson, Susan Johnson, Linda Lunney and Siu-Ki Wong

<u>Kids' Church today</u>: Erin Turlington

Kids' Church Oct. 29: Charlotte Riewestahl

Nursery today: (need volunteer) Nursery Oct. 29: (need volunteer)



# Dear Church Family,

thank Thank you for all the prayers for my brother, Michael *Warren.* He is doing well with his chemotherapy and gives God the glory for blessing him.

~ Donna Haynes

# TODAY, October 22<sup>nd</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)

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

# WEDNESDAY, October 25<sup>th</sup>

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

**Simple Supper** - *Breakfast for Dinner*: 5:45 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)

Mission Kids - Green Leaf BINGO Night: 6:30 p.m.

Wear your costumes and play BINGO with the residents of

Green Leaf Care Center.

Questions? See Cherry DeVane or Adam English

Youth Activity: 6:30 p.m. (Library)

Adult Bible Study: 6:30 p.m. (Fellowship Hall) Chancel Choir Rehearsal: 7:30 p.m. (Sanctuary)

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Let's enjoy the fellowship of one another while our kids TRICK OR TREAT amongst our decorated cars.

Costumes or festive attire is encouraged.

Contact Meredith if you are willing to decorate your trunk. 

# Financial Position for the Period 1/1/23 - 9/30/23

» Total support, 1/1/2023 - 9/30/2023 \$ 292,630 » Total expenditures \$ (296,547) » Expenditures exceed support \$ (3,917) » Total 2023 Budget Proposal \$ 413,084 » Percent of year passed » Support needed to meet budget \$ 308,964 » Undesignated support received as of 9/30/2023 \$ 273,704 » Budget support shortfall as of 9/30/2023 \$ (35,260) » Principal due on line of credit for church renovation \$ 71,182

# **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Thank you to those who have already signed up to help with Kids' Church! Your willingness to serve is a blessing!

Teachers are needed for Kids' Church AND Nursery on Sunday mornings.

The combined sign up sheet is located on the bulletin board.

Your help is much needed and appreciated!

# **CHURCH MISSION PROJECTS**

- Clothes Closet: Saturday, November 18, 2023
- 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**.'

JOIN US FOR A

Bridal Shower

CELEBRATING

**OLIVIA & BECCA** 

**TODAY** 

2-4 p.m. floating 594 Keith Hills Road Shower given

the Choir and Friends Registries available at Amazon and Target.

You may also share a favorite recipe. Cards are available from Dayna Scarborough.

All friends are welcome, not just ladies!

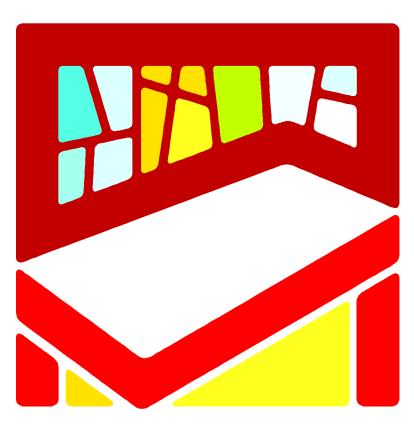
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# MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

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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