

October 29, 2023  
Ten O'clock in the Morning

GATHERING		
PRELUDE	<i>A Mighty Fortress Is Our God</i> Anne McClain, <i>organ</i>	Thomas Chesterton

† INVOCATION Mrs. Craddock

CONFESSION and ASSURANCE Mrs. Craddock

† *The congregation is invited to stand.*

EPISTLE

Brittany Montgomery, *Ministry International*

II Corinthians 3: 17 - 4: 1 and 7-10

Therefore . . . we do not lose heart.

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

OLD TESTAMENT	Ecclesiastes 2: 20-25	Adam English
	What do we get from all the toil and strain with which we toil under the sun?	

SERMON *Surviving Burnout* Dr. English

ANTHEM

*The Lord Will Be My Shepherd*

Price/Besig

The Lord will be my shepherd, He knows my every need.  
He renews my faith each morning with the promise of His peace.  
As I rest in a quiet meadow, or beside a clear blue stream,  
the Lord will be my shepherd, I will follow where He leads.

Though the shadows of darkness surround me, I will never be afraid,  
for I know the Lord will protect me from the dangers I must face.  
When there's anger or trouble around me, and I want to run and hide,  
I will find Him near, to calm my fear always at my side.

The Lord will be my shepherd wherever I may go.  
He will fill me with His kindness, He will strengthen me with hope.  
When my day at last is over, He will come and take me home.  
The Lord will be my shepherd, I will never be alone.

**Our Father, who art in heaven: Hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

OFFERING OUR GIFTS *I Surrender All* Gregg Sewell

† INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP and HYMN OF SENDING FORTH 55  
*Children of the Heavenly Father* TRYGARRE KAN INGEN VARA

† LIFE IN THE COMMUNITY Mrs. Craddock

† BENEDICTION Dr. English

POSTLUDE                      *Recessional on EIN FESTE BURG*                      Michael Ryan

We welcome to our pulpit today Dr. Adam C. English, Chair of the Department of Christian Studies and Professor of Christian Theology and Philosophy at Campbell University. Dr. English is a member of Memorial Baptist Church where he is church clerk, has served as a deacon, and teaches a midweek missions class for children.

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

**Family and Friends:** Family of Heather Giunta (*death of grandfather*); Family of Cathy McLamb and Donna Penny (*death of cousin*); Kathy Creed, Michael Warren (*brother of Donna Haynes*); Aaron Bowers (*brother of Charissa English*); Jan Bloom (*aunt of Becca Scarboro*); Mary McClain (*mother of Greg McClain*); Craig Ennis (*husband of Evelyn 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 Bob Loftis in his death on Monday, October 23rd.

*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:** Randall Johnson, Susan Johnson, Linda Lunney and Siu-Ki Wong  
**Ushers Nov. 5:** Randall Johnson, Susan Johnson, Linda Lunney and Siu-Ki Wong

**Kids' Church today:** Charlotte Riewestahl  
**NO Kids' Church Nov. 5**

**Nursery today:** Izzy Morrow  
**Nursery Nov. 5:** (need volunteer)

TODAY, October 29<sup>th</sup>

**Friends Class - Sunday School:** 9:00 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)  
**TRUNK OR TREAT AND HOT DOG SUPPER:** 5:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, November 1<sup>st</sup>

**Children's Choir:** 5:30 p.m. (Choir Room)  
**Simple Supper - BBQ Chicken, Macaroni and Cheese, Baked Apples & Roll:**  
5:45 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)  
**Mission Kids:** 6:30 p.m.  
Mission Kids will visit residents at Emerald Rehab and hand out soap that was made as a mission project during VBS.  
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)

FRIDAY, November 3<sup>rd</sup>

**Campbell University Choir Fall Concert:** 7:00 p.m. (Scott Concert Hall)  
"American Poets and the Human Condition"

SATURDAY, November 4<sup>th</sup>

Appalachian Backpack Delivery to local collection site  
Need volunteer with a truck or van to deliver backpacks to our drop off location. Please let Meredith know if you can help.

NOVEMBER 2023

**5 Friends Class - Sunday School:** 9:00 a.m.  
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**Worship Service:** 10:00 a.m. (Sanctuary)  
**\* No Kids' Church**

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	75%
» 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

CAPITAL DEBT CAMPAIGN



A generous donor has agreed to match, dollar-for-dollar, any donations made to our capital debt between Oct. 1 and Dec. 31 up to \$20,000. That means every dollar we give will turn into two!

An opportunity like this doesn't come along very often.  
Thanks to the donor, and to all of you for your faithful giving to Memorial.

Goal	\$20,000.00
Gifts Received as of 10-22-23	\$6,723.00
	34%



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



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

The 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.'*

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Church Office Hours: Monday - Friday: 9am - 5pm

Other Staff: By Appointment



MEMORIAL  
BAPTIST CHURCH

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 29, 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