

# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

## *Eighth Sunday after Pentecost*

July 14, 2024  
Ten O'clock in the Morning

Memorial Baptist Church  
Buies Creek, North Carolina

“Give us a clear vision that we may know where to stand and what to stand for, because unless we stand for something, we shall fall for anything.”

~ Chaplain Peter Marshall, United States Senate  
prayer for April 18, 1947.

### GATHERING

PRELUDE *All Creatures of Our God and King* John Purifoy  
Anne McClain, organ

CALL TO WORSHIP *This Is the Day the Lord Has Made* Mark Hayes

WELCOME and † INVOCATION Edward Beddingfield, *Pastor*  
Ad. fr. *The Book of Common Prayer*, Proper 10

O Lord, we gather today to worship you in praise, prayer, and proclamation. Inspire our songs, that they may be sweet music in your ears; empower our speech, that we may be faithful witnesses to your grace and mercy; and receive our prayers, that we may be assured of your constant love and care, for us and for all the world. Grant that, in our worship here, we may know and understand what things we ought to do, and also have the power and will to accomplish them faithfully; through Jesus Christ, who knew the way, and taught the way, and is the way, and the truth, and the life. **Amen.**

† HYMN OF PRAISE 338 *How Firm a Foundation* FOUNDATION

PSALTER READING (*responsively*) Psalm 24 Mr. Beddingfield

**Leader:** The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it;  
**Choir:** *The world, and all who live in it.*  
**People:** **For the Lord has founded it upon the seas, and established it upon the rivers.**

**Leader:** Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord?  
**Choir:** *And who shall stand in God's holy place?*  
**People:** **Those who have clean hands and pure hearts, who do not lift up their souls to what is false, or swear deceitfully.**

**Leader:** They will receive a blessing from the Lord;  
**Choir:** *They will receive vindication from the God of their salvation.*  
**People:** **So it is with all those who seek God, who seek the face of the God of Jacob.**

**Leader:** Lift up your heads, O you gates, and be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in!  
**Choir:** *Who is the King of glory?*  
**People:** **The Lord, strong and mighty; the Lord, mighty in battle.**

**Leader:** Lift up your heads, O you gates, and be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in!  
**Choir:** *Who is this King of glory?*  
**People:** **The Lord of hosts! The Lord is the King of glory.**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION FOR PASSPORT CAMPERS Meredith Lanier Craddock,  
*Associate Pastor*

Campers: Madison Godwin, Grant Johnston, Emily Karlinski, and Ellie Rich.  
Chaperones: Meredith Craddock, Sonya and Chad Godwin.  
Governor's School Attendees: Campbell Rouse and Lee Williams.

*Following the prayer, Passport campers and chaperones will leave for camp in order to arrive for evening activities.*

SOLO *Laudate Dominum* W.A. Mozart  
from *Vesperae Solennes de Confessore*, K 339  
Julianne Vance, *soprano*  
Praise the Lord, all ye nations,  
praise him, all ye peoples.  
For his loving kindness  
has been bestowed upon us,  
and the truth of the Lord endures for eternity.  
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Ghost.  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen.

### PROCLAIMING

OLD TESTAMENT Amos 7: 7-15 Trinity Kelly, *Deacon*  
The Plumb Line vision.

GOSPEL Mark 6: 14-29 Greg McClain, *Reader*  
The death of John the Baptist.

SERMON *Stand for Something or You'll Fall for Anything* Mr. Beddingfield

### RESPONDING

† SONG OF RESPONSE 305 *I Have Decided to Follow Jesus* ASSAM

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and The Lord's Prayer (*unison*) 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.**

INVITATION TO GIVE and OFFERTORY Mr. Beddingfield  
*Fairest Lord Jesus* CRUSADERS' HYMN  
Mrs. McClain

### SENDING

INVITATION TO FAITH AND DISCIPLESHIP Mr. Beddingfield

† HYMN OF SENDING FORTH *Let Justice Flow Like Streams* ST. THOMAS

Let justice flow like streams  
of sparkling water, pure,  
enabling growth, refreshing life,  
abundant, cleansing, sure.

Let righteousness roll on  
as others' cares we heed,  
an ever-flowing stream of faith  
translated into deed.

So may God's plumb line, straight,  
define our measure true,  
and justice, right, and peace pervade  
this world our whole life through.

LIFE IN THE COMMUNITY Mr. Beddingfield

† BENEDICTION Mr. Beddingfield

POSTLUDE *Postlude on LAUDES DOMINI* Robert J. Hughes  
Mrs. McClain

### PRAYER FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

**Members:** Joe Turlington, Elva Scarborough, Jac Whatley, Lorrie Pope, Debbie Appel, Jean Powers, Donna Haynes, Doris Eller, Linda Smith, Catherine King, Carolyn Walker, Betty Wallace, Pauline Calloway

**Family and Friends:** Family of Ann Long (*aunt of Ashley Nelson*); Family of Michael Lester; Casey Capps (*niece of Tammy Scarborough*); Edith DeVane (*mother of Steve DeVane*); Christopher Hoyle (*son of Ofelia Rockholt*); Mary McClain (*mother of Greg McClain*); Tonya Taylor (*sister-in-law of Carrie Royal*)


**Aldersgate Senior Living Center (Charlotte, NC):** Louise Taylor

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

**Deacons for July 2024:** Theresa Batten and Trinity Kelly  
**Deacons for August 2024:** Cherry DeVane and Earl Savage

**Ushers Today:** Brandon Brown, Bob Cisneros, Adam English and Miles West  
**Ushers July 21:** Beverley Howard, Ron McLamb, Scotty Scarborough and Lee Turlington

*No Kids' Church during July*  
*Nursery today:* Charlotte Riewestahl  
*Nursery July 21: (need volunteer)*

 We are excited to have two of our youth, Campbell Rouse and Lee Williams, attending Governor's School this summer! We want them to feel loved while they are away. Their addresses are posted on the Missions Bulletin Board if you would like to send them a note.

† The congregation is invited to stand.

### VBS Help Needed!

Please let Meredith know if you are able to take posterboard home to make Monopoly cards.

Other help is needed to:

- ♦ Glue colored paper on white posterboard
- ♦ Blow up balloons and assemble balloon towers (week of VBS)
- ♦ Help with food and snacks

*"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me!"*  
Philippians 4:13

### VBS 2024

### I WiN with HiM:

Following Jesus Changes the Game

**AUGUST 2 - 4**

Aug. 2 4 - 7:30 pm  
Aug. 3 10 am - 2:30 pm  
Aug. 4 10 am - Lunch



### Financial Position for the Period 1/1/24 - 5/31/24

» Total support, 1/1/2024 - 5/31/2024	\$ 166,763
» Total expenditures	\$ (192,424)
» Expenditures exceed Support	\$ (25,661)
» Total 2024 Budget Proposal	\$ 418,220
» Percent of year passed	42%
» Support needed to meet budget	\$ 174,163
» Undesignated support received as of 5/31/24	\$ 144,703
» Budget support shortfall as of 5/31/24	\$ (29,460)

Memorial Baptist Church,

The finance committee would like to express our gratitude for your constant giving to the ministries of this church. We are in peak summer mode and with that we'd like to challenge you to constantly give throughout the entire year. The ministries of this church operate all year long and your faithful giving is not taken for granted. It provided the ability for our properties committee to install new HVAC units in our fellowship hall and a new concrete pad near the playground that needed replacing. We are truly thankful for you believing and giving to this church as we strive to know Christ and make him known with its ministries!

Thank you!  
MBC Finance Committee



**APPALACHIAN CHRISTMAS BACKPACKS**

For July, we are collecting **POP-TOP Canned Food Items** such as ravioli, tuna, beef stew, Vienna sausages, vegetables, fruit, etc. *(no plastic containers)*

*\* Please make sure the expiration date is after December 2024. \**

Place items in the plastic tote in the narthex.

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

### Brittany Montgomery's Address

2020 Fernwood Drive  
Henderson, NC 27536

*She would love to hear from you!*

### CHURCH MISSION PROJECTS

- **Clothes Closet:** August 2024
- **Harnett Food Pantry:** collecting non-perishable foods and egg cartons  
Needed for July - - **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

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*July 14, 2024*

*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  
Ashley Nelson, Administrative Assistant  
Wayne Smith, Custodian

### TODAY, July 14<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. (Family Life Center)
- Worship Service: 10:00 a.m. (Sanctuary)
- \* No Kids' Church in July

### TODAY, July 14<sup>th</sup> – FRIDAY, July 19<sup>th</sup>

**YOUTH PASSPORT CAMP**

### WEDNESDAY, July 17<sup>th</sup>

\* No Wednesday Night Activities

### JULY 2024

- 21 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. (Family Life Center)
- Worship Service: 10:00 a.m. (Sanctuary)
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- 23 Missions Committee Meeting: 6:30 p.m. (Library)
- 24 Summer Choir Rehearsal IV: 7:00 p.m. (Sanctuary)
- 28 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)
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