

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 29, 2024
Ten O'clock in the Morning

Memorial Baptist Church
Buies Creek, North Carolina

O Thou, best gift from heaven,
Who Thine own self hast given,
For Thou hast died –
I long to serve Thee more:
Reveal an open door,
Savior, to me.
This Thou hast done for me;
What have I done for Thee,
O Crucified?
Then, counting all but loss,
I'll glory in Thy cross,
And follow Thee.

~ *Author unknown, in James Dalton Morrison, ed.,
Masterpieces of Religious Verse, Harper & Bros., 1948 (ad.)*

GATHERING

PRELUDE *Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken* Robert J. Hughes
Anne McClain, organ

WELCOME and † INVOCATION Meredith Lanier Craddock, Associate Pastor

† HYMN OF PRAISE 4 *To God Be the Glory* TO GOD BE THE GLORY

CONFESSION and ASSURANCE OF GRACE Mrs. Craddock
Ad. fr. Psalm 103: 8, 10-12 and II Corinthians 9: 15

PROCLAIMING

PSALTER (responsively) Psalm 126 David Steegar, Deacon

When the Lord brought back those who returned to Zion, it was like a dream.
Then our mouths were filled with laughter, and our tongues with shouts of joy;
then it was said among the nations, "The Lord has done great things for them."

The Lord has done great things for us, and we are glad.

Restore our fortunes again, O Lord, like the steams in the desert.
May those who sow in tears reap with shouts of joy;
those who go out weeping, bearing seeds for sowing,
will come home with shouts of joy, bringing their sheaves with them.

The Lord has done great things for us, and we are glad.

† SONGS OF TESTIMONY Mariamarta Conrad, Leader

Open My Eyes Jesse Manibusan

Open my eyes, Lord, help me to see your face
Open my eyes, Lord, help me to see.

Open my ears, Lord, help me to hear your voice
Open my ears, Lord, help me to hear.

And the first shall be last, and our eyes are opened
And we'll hear like never before
And we'll speak in new ways and we'll see God's face
In places we've never known.

Open my heart, Lord, help me to love like you
Open my heart, Lord, help me to love.

Your Grace Is Enough

Matt Maher

Great is your faithfulness, O God
You wrestle with the sinner's restless heart
You lead us by still waters into mercy
And nothing can keep us apart.

So remember your people, remember your children
Remember your promise O God.

Your grace is enough, your grace is enough
Your grace is enough for us.

GOSPEL

Mark 10: 46-52

Joaquin Mills, Reader

As [Jesus] and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho,
Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside.
When he heard it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say,
"Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!"

* Following the Gospel Reading, children from age 3 through 3rd grade may meet
Mrs. Meredith 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

Edward Beddingfield, Pastor

What Do You Want Me to Do for You?
(Third in a series: "Divine Questions.")

RESPONDING

ANTHEM

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

arr. Mark Hayes

Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, help me stand.
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn. Through the storm, through the night,
lead me on to the light. Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When my way grows drear, precious Lord, linger near, when my life is almost gone.
Hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall.
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

I need Thee ev'ry hour, most gracious Lord.
No tender voice like Thine can peace afford.

I need Thee, O I need Thee. Ev'ry hour I need Thee!
O bless me now, my Savior; I come to Thee, I come to Thee.

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

Sweet Hour of Prayer
Mrs. McClain

Mr. Beddingfield
Patricia Lou Harris

SENDING

INVITATION TO FAITH AND DISCIPLESHIP

Mr. Beddingfield

† HYMN OF SENDING FORTH *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

AZMON

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!

He breaks the power of canceled sin, he sets the prisoner free;
His blood can make the foulest clean, his blood availed for me.

He speaks, and listening to his voice, new life the dead receive;
The mournful, broken hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe.

Hear him, you deaf; his praise, you dumb, your loosened tongues employ;
You blind, behold your Savior come, and leap, you lame, for joy.

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad the honors of your name.

LIFE IN THE COMMUNITY

Mr. Beddingfield

† BENECTION

Mr. Beddingfield

POSTLUDE

God of Grace and God of Glory
Mrs. McClain

Douglas E. Wagner

*The altar flowers are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of Katie Morgan
for her September 22nd birthday
by Mary Morgan, Margaret Morgan Holmes and Rupert Tart.*

PRAYER FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

Members: Doris Eller, Linda Smith, Carolyn Walker, Jeanne Barker, Lorrie Pope,
Betty Wallace

Family and Friends: Melody Mcgee (*director of Coats Senior Center & friend of Linda
Lunney*); Lee Lanier (*father of Meredith Craddock*); Tom Patton (*neighbor of Ed
Beddingfield*); Peter Conrad (*father of Mariamarta Conrad*); Teachers from the
Philippines and their families; Edith DeVane (*mother of Steve DeVane*); 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

Prayers of Comfort are extended to the family of Catherine King who died
Sunday, September 22nd.

Prayers of Comfort are also extended to the family of Skyler Patillo who died
Friday, September 27th. She was living in Wilmington.

† The congregation is invited to stand.

FIVE FACETS OF



Memorial Baptist Church
Fall 2024 Wednesday Night Bible Study

Sanctifying Grace (Oct 2)
Strengthening Grace (Oct 9)
Sharing Grace (Oct 23)
Serving Grace (Nov 6)

Deacons for September 2024: Trinity Kelly and Dave Steegar
Deacons for October 2024: Steve DeVane and Tammy Scarborough

Ushers Today: Randall Johnson, Susan Johnson, Linda Lunney and Siu-Ki Wong
Ushers Oct. 6: Randall Johnson, Susan Johnson, Linda Lunney and Siu-Ki Wong

Kids' Church Today: Meredith Craddock
No Kids' Church Oct. 6

Nursery today: Carrie Royal
Nursery Oct. 6: Charlotte Riewestahl

TODAY, September 29th

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)
Kids' Church: during worship (Library)

WEDNESDAY, October 2nd

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

OCTOBER 2024

6 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 Today**

Financial Position as of 8/31/24

» Total support, 1/1/2024 - 8/31/2024	\$ 264,830
» Total expenditures	\$ (294,908)
» Expenditures exceed Support	\$ (30,078)
» Total 2024 Budget Proposal	\$ 418,220
» Percent of year passed	67%
» Support needed to meet budget	\$ 279,577
» Undesignated support received as of 8/31/24	\$ 223,719
» Operating expenses offset received from Stokes Day Care	\$ 7,650
» Budget support shortfall as of 8/31/24	\$ (48,208)

Ways to Donate to MBC:

- **Offering plates** during the Offertory portion of our service.
- Our website at www.memorialbcnc.org by clicking the *Donate* tab.
- Mailing a **check** payable to: *Memorial Baptist Church*
P.O. Box 485
Buies Creek, NC 27506
- Scanning the **QR Code** shown here on your mobile device.
(If you want 100% of your donation to benefit MBC, please increase your gift by 3% to help cover the transaction expenses.)



For September, we are collecting:

POP-TOP CANNED FOOD Items *(no plastic containers)*

such as ravioli, tuna, beef stew, Vienna sausages, vegetables, fruit, etc.
and

FRESH, WRAPPED CANDY *(no chocolate or peanut butter)*

Place items in the plastic tote in the hallway or basket in the narthex.

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

CHURCH MISSION PROJECTS

- **Clothes Closet:** Next date: TBD
- **Harnett Food Pantry:** collecting **non-perishable foods** and **egg cartons**
Needed for September - - **Peanut Butter**
Monetary donations to MBC are also welcome; designate as 'Food Pantry.'
- **Buddy Backpack:** collecting **sandwich crackers "nabs"**
Monetary donations to MBC are also welcome; designate as 'Buddy Backpack.'
- **Belts for HCMS:** *Donations of used men's or boys' belts that can be used for students at the school.*

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Other Staff: By Appointment



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
Ashley Nelson, Administrative Assistant
Wayne Smith, Custodian