

# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

February 9, 2025  
Ten O'clock in the Morning

Memorial Baptist Church  
Buies Creek, North Carolina

Creator Spirit, by whose aid  
The World's foundations first were laid:  
Come, visit every searching mind,  
And pour your joys on human kind;  
From sin and sorrow set us free,  
And make us temples worthy Thee.

Immortal honor, endless fame,  
Attend the Almighty Father's name!  
The Savior Son be glorified,  
Who for the World's redemption died!  
And equal adoration be,  
O Holy Spirit, unto Thee!

~ A 4th Century Latin hymn, ad. fr. a translation by  
John Dryden (1631-1700), appointed the first English  
poet laureate in 1668.

## GATHERING

PRELUDE *My Faith Has Found a Resting Place* arr. David Hamilton

WELCOME and † INVOCATION Meredith Lanier Craddock, *Associate Pastor*

† HYMN OF PRAISE 32 *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven* LAUDA ANIMA

PSALM OF PRAISE Edward Beddingfield, *Pastor* (pulpit side)  
and CALL TO PRAYER (*responsively*) and Mrs. Craddock (organ side)  
Selected Verses from Psalm 104

Bless the Lord, O my soul; O Lord my God, you are very great.

*You are clothed with honor and majesty, wrapped in light as with a robe.*

You stretch out the heavens like a tent, and set their columns on the waters.

*You make the clouds your chariot, and ride upon the wings of the wind.*

You set the earth on its foundations, so that it shall never be shaken.

*You cover it with the deep like a blanket,*

*and set a boundary that the waters may not pass.*

You make springs to gush forth in the valleys, giving drink to every wild animal.

*You cause grass to grow for the cattle, and plants for people to use.*

You have made the moon to mark the seasons; the sun knows its time for setting.

*O Lord, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all.*

The earth is full of your creatures, and the sea, great and wide.

*Creeping things without number are here, and living things great and small.*

They all look to you to give them their food in due season;

*When you open your hand, they are filled with good things.*

When you take away their breath, they die, and return to the dust;

*But when you send forth your spirit, they are created,*

*and you renew the face of the ground.*

May the glory of the Lord endure forever; may the Lord rejoice in all these works.

*May our meditation be pleasing to God, for we rejoice in the Lord.*

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE Colossians 1: 19-20 Mr. Beddingfield

In Christ all the fulness of God was pleased to dwell, and  
through Christ God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things,  
whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

† *The congregation is invited to stand.*

## PROCLAIMING

ANTHEM *How Firm A Foundation* arr. Hal H. Hopson

GOSPEL Luke 3: 23-38 Mr. Beddingfield  
The Genealogy of Jesus.

Jesus was about thirty years old when he began his ministry, being  
the son (as was supposed) of Joseph, the son of Heli, the son of Matthat,  
the son of Levi, the son of Melchi, the son of Jannai, the son of Joseph,

the son of Mattathias, the son of Amos, the son of Nahum, the son of Esli,  
the son of Naggai, the son of Maath, the son of Mattathias,

the son of Semein, the son of Josech, the son of Joda, the son of Joanan,  
the son of Rhesa, the son of Zerubbabel, the son of Shealtiel,

the son of Neri, the son of Melchi, the son of Addi, the son of Cosam,  
the son of Elmadam, the son of Er, the son of Joshua,

the son of Eliezer, the son of Jorim, the son of Matthat, the son of Levi,  
the son of Simeon, the son of Judah, the son of Joseph,

the son of Jonam, the son of Eliakim, the son of Melea, the son of Menna,  
the son of Mattatha, the son of Nathan, the son of David,

the son of Jesse, the son of Obed, the son of Boaz, the son of Sala,  
the son of Nashon, the son of Amminadab, the son of Admin,

the son of Arni, the son of Hezron, the son of Perez, the son of Judah,  
the son of Jacob, the son of Isaac, the son of Abraham,

the son of Terah, the son of Nahor, the son of Serug, the son of Reu,  
the son of Peleg, the son of Eber, the son of Shelah,

the son of Cainan, the son of Arphaxad, the son of Shem, the son of Noah,  
the son of Lamech, the son of Methuselah, the son of Enoch,

the son of Jared, the son of Mahalaleel, the son of Cainan, the son of Enos,  
the son of Seth, the son of Adam, the son of God.

† ANTIPHON 78 *Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming* ES IST EIN ROS'  
Stanzas 1 and 3

SERMON *ancestry.bible* Mr. Beddingfield

## RESPONDING

† SONG OF RESPONSE *My Life Is in You* Daniel Gardner  
Dayna Scarborough, *Leader*

My life is in You, Lord, my strength is in You, Lord,

My hope is in You, Lord, in You, it's in You.

My life is in You, Lord, my strength is in You, Lord,

My hope is in You, Lord, in You, it's in You.

I will praise You with all of my life.

I will praise You with all of my strength.

With all of my life, with all of my strength,

All of my hope is in You.

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

**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  
*Be Thou My Vision* John Carter  
Mrs. Scarborough, *piano*

## SENDING

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP Mr. Beddingfield

† HYMN OF SENDING FORTH 420 *I Will Trust in the Lord* I WILL TRUST  
Stanzas 1, 2, 3 and 1

† LIFE IN THE COMMUNITY Mr. Beddingfield

† BENEDICTION Mr. Beddingfield

POSTLUDE *There's Power in the Blood* arr. Lewis E. Jones

## PRAYER FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

**Members:** Carolyn Walker, Doris Eller, Rex Pope, Linda Smith, Betty Wallace

**Family and Friends:** Family of Mary McClain (*mother of Greg McClain*); Debbie Johnson (*friend of Cindy Avrette*); Paul Stiller (*father of Susan Morrow*); Tony Means (*friend of Jeff & Lorrie Pope*); Nate Lars (*step-father of Charissa English*); Shannon Farr & Melanie Anderson (*nieces of Darla Reed*); Kelly McLamb (*daughter of Jerry & Betty Wallace*); International teachers & their families

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

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

*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 February 2025:** Dayna Scarborough and Joe Turlington  
**Deacons for March 2025:** Trinity Kelly and Dave Steegar

**Ushers Today:** Brandon Brown, Bob Cisneros, Adam English and Miles West  
**Ushers Feb. 16:** Randall Johnson, Ron McLamb, Scotty Scarborough and Lee Turlington

**Kids' Church Today:** Gracie Jonas  
**Kids' Church Feb. 16:** (*need volunteer*)

**Nursery today:** Charlotte Riewestahl  
**Nursery Feb. 16:** Carrie Royal

**TODAY, February 9<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)
- Kids' Church:** during worship (Library)

**MONDAY, February 10<sup>th</sup>**

- Deacon's Meeting:** 7:00 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY, February 12<sup>th</sup>**

- 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:** 6:30 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)
- Chancel Choir Rehearsal:** 7:30 p.m. (Sanctuary)

**FEBRUARY 2025**

- 16**
- 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)
  - Chili Cook-off / Valentine's Party:** 5:30 p.m.

- 19**
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  - Simple Supper - Chili and Baked Potato:** 5:45 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)
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**Financial Position as of 12/31/24**

» Total support, 1/1/2024 - 12/31/2024	\$ 423,882
» Total expenditures	\$ (431,473)
» Expenditures exceed Support	\$ <b>(7,591)</b>
» Total 2024 Budget Proposal	\$ 418,220
» Percent of year passed	100%
» Support needed to meet budget	\$ 418,220
» Undesignated support received as of 12/31/24	\$ 374,150
» Operating expenses offset received from Stokes Day Care	\$ 10,150
» Budget support shortfall as of 10/31/24	\$ <b>(33,920)</b>

**Ways to Donate to MBC:**

- **Offering plates** during the Offertory portion of our service.
- Mailing a **check** payable to: *Memorial Baptist Church*  
P.O. Box 485  
Buies Creek, NC 27506
- \*Our website at [www.memorialbcnc.org](http://www.memorialbcnc.org) by clicking the **Donate** tab.
- \*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 January and February, we are collecting warm clothing which includes:  
**winter hats, gloves, scarves and socks.**

Place items in the plastic tote in the hallway.

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**  
*\*(Egg cartons are no longer needed at this time.)\**  
Needed for February -- **Applesauce**  
*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

*Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany*  
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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



**CHURCH LIBRARY NEWS**

Mark your calendars!  
Memorial's Library Open House  
Sunday, March 2, 2025 after worship  
More information to come!