

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sixth Sunday in Lent

Palm Sunday/ Passion Sunday

April 13, 2025
Ten O'clock in the Morning

Memorial Baptist Church
Buies Creek, North Carolina

”No pain, no palm; no thorns, no throne;
no gall, no glory; no cross, no crown.”

~ William Penn

GATHERING

PRELUDE *Hosanna to the Son of David* Gilbert Martin
Anne McClain, *Organist*

† CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsively*) Meredith Lanier Craddock, *Associate Pastor*
Psalm 118: 19-24, 26-28

Open to me the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.

This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it.

I thank you that you have answered me, and have become my salvation.

**The very stone which the builders rejected
has become the head of the corner.**

This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes!

This is the day which the Lord has made;

let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Blessed be the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

We bless you from the house of the Lord.

The Lord is God, who has given us light.

Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar!

You are our God, and we will give thanks to you;

You are our God, and we will honor you with praise.

† PROCESSION OF THE PALMS
Hymn 130 *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna* ELLACOMBE

GREETING and INVOCATION Mrs. Craddock

GOSPEL FOR PALM SUNDAY Garrett Riewestahl and Amos Royal
Luke 19: 28-38

DISTRIBUTION OF THE PALMS

PROCLAIMING

ANTHEM *In the Name of the Lord* arr. Mary McDonald
Crowds have lined the narrow street to see this man from Galilee;
just a carpenter some say, leading fools astray, yet many kneel to give him praise.

And in his eyes they glimpse the pow'r that sees the heart of all men,
and he knows the Father's mind, he speaks the Father's words,
for he comes in the name of the Lord.

There is strength in the name of the Lord, there is pow'r in the name of the Lord,
there is hope in the name of the Lord. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

When my plans have fallen through and when my strength is nearly gone;
when there's nothing left to do but just depend on you, and the power of your name.
And when we call upon your name, your strength through weakness to show,
we can know the Master's plan, extend the Master's hand
when we come in the name of the Lord.

His name will be worshipped forever:
Creator, Redeemer, and King!

SERMON *The King is Coming* Michael Cogdill

RESPONDING

PASSION HYMN *The Walk to Calvary* Norma Sateren Anderson
Memorial Children's Choir

One night the Lord went out to pray alone in that dark garden, Gethsemane.
And as he knelt there, he asked for strength to bear his heavy burden, Gethsemane.

Oh, yes, my Savior, oh, how he suffered there in that dark garden, Gethsemane!
He knew the path that he must travel then as he walked on to Calvary.

By friends rejected, he was betrayed that night near that dark garden, Gethsemane,
the people mocked him, they shouted, "Crucify!" as he walked on to Calvary.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; Lamb of God, you bring us peace.

GOSPEL FOR PASSION SUNDAY Philippians 2: 5-11 Dr. Cogdill

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

**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 *In the Garden* Mrs. Craddock
Mrs. McClain arr. Jennifer Cook

SENDING

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP Mrs. Craddock

† HYMN OF SENDING FORTH 547 *I Stand Amazed* MY SAVIOR'S LOVE

† LIFE IN THE COMMUNITY Mrs. Craddock

† BENEDICTION Dr. Cogdill

POSTLUDE *Voluntary on ALL GLORY, LAUD, AND HONOR* Phil Lehenbauer
Mrs. McClain

PRAYER FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

Members: Ed Beddingfield, Tricia Carr, Shea Cunningham, Doris Eller, Linda Smith, Betty Wallace

Family and Friends: Albert Colville; Paul Stiller (*father of Susan Morrow*); Nathanne Sarita (*student at CEMS*); Teresa Roberts; Rob Gilchrist; Lee Lanier (*father of Meredith Craddock*); Debbie Johnson (*friend of Cindy Avrette*); Kelly McLamb (*daughter of Jerry & Betty Wallace*); International teachers & 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 April 2025: Steve DeVane and Tammy Scarborough
Deacons for May 2025: Randall Johnson and Carrie Royal

Ushers Today: Brandon Brown, Bob Cisneros, Adam English and Miles West
Ushers April 20: Randall Johnson, Ron McLamb, Scotty Scarborough and Lee Turlington

No Kids' Church Today
No Kids' Church April 20

No Nursery today
Nursery April 20: Charlotte Riewestahl

† *The congregation is invited to stand.*

TODAY, April 13th

PALM SUNDAY

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)
*** No Kids' Church**

BUILDING UP TO EASTER: 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Children's Easter program and egg hunt
For ages 3 - 5th grade (see insert for more details)

Palm Sunday Concert: 4:00 p.m. (Hobson Performance Center)
Featuring the Campbell University Choral Society and the University Choir. Program includes *O Sing Unto the Lord*, a short walk by G.F. Handel, and a cantata based on African American Spirituals entitled *Feel the Spirit* (Rutter). Featured soloists are Sally Thomas, soprano; Jeffrey Price, tenor; Jackie Lloyd, mezzo-soprano; and Vicky Matthews, contralto. Hobson Performance Center (D. Rich building), on Campbell campus.

MONDAY, April 14th

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

TUESDAY, April 15th

Phi Delta Chi Lasagna Dinner Fundraiser: 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
(Fellowship Hall)
Properties Committee Meeting: 7:00 p.m.
(Sarah's Open Door Sunday School Class)

WEDNESDAY, April 16th

Chancel Choir Rehearsal: 7:00 p.m. (Sanctuary)
*** No Other Wednesday Night Activities**

THURSDAY, April 17th

Maundy Thursday Service: 6:30 p.m. (Sanctuary)
Communion service and "Celebrate Life!" a service for Holy Week led by the Chancel Choir

APRIL 2025

20 Easter Sunday
Easter Sunrise Service: 7:00 a.m. (Buies Creek Cemetery)
Easter Sunrise Breakfast—immediately following Sunrise Service
(Fellowship Hall)
Worship Service: 10:00 a.m. (Sanctuary)
*** No Sunday School**
*** No Kids' Church**

21 Church Office Closed for Easter Holiday

23 * No Wednesday Night Activities

Financial Position as of 3/31/25

» Total support	\$ 141,497
» Total expenditures	\$ (130,762)
» Support exceeds expenditures	\$ 10,735
» Total 2025 Budget Proposal	\$ 418,220
» Percent of year passed	25%
» Support needed to meet budget	\$ 103,123
» Undesignated support received as of 3/31/25	\$ 104,465
» Operating expenses offset received from Stokes Day Care	\$ 2,550
» Support exceeds budgeted needs as of 3/31/25	\$ 3,892

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 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 April, we are collecting:
Toothbrushes and Toothpaste



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:** Date TBA
- **Harnett Food Pantry:** collecting **non-perishable foods**
(Egg cartons are not needed at this time.)
Needed for April -- **Sliced Peaches**
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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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