

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Trinity Sunday

May 31, 2026
Ten O'clock in the Morning

Memorial Baptist Church
Buies Creek, North Carolina

“The greatest disease facing humanity right now is
our profound and painful sense of disconnection.”
~ Richard Rohr, *The Divine Dance*

GATHERING

PRELUDE
Holy, Holy, Holy
Anne McClain, *organist*
Karen Martin, *piano*
David H. Hegarty

WELCOME
Meredith Lanier Craddock, Associate *Pastor*

CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsively*)
Based on James 4:8
Quino Mills

Draw near to God,
And God will draw near to you.
Come near with your joys and burdens.
God welcomes us with mercy and grace.
Come near through Christ,
Who gives us peace with God.
Come near through the Holy Spirit,
Who pours God's love into our hearts.
Let us worship the Triune God together.

† INVOCATION
Mrs. Craddock

† GATHERING HYMNS
208
Love Divine, All Loves Excelling
Stanzas 1, 2 and 4
Mariamarta Conrad, *leader*
HYFRYDOL

We Believe
Hooper/Fike/Ryan

We believe in God the Father, we believe in Jesus Christ
We believe in the Holy Spirit and He's given us new life.
We believe in the crucifixion, we believe that He conquered death
We believe in the resurrection and He's coming back again.
We believe.

CONFESSION and ASSURANCE
Mrs. Craddock

Jeremiah 31:33-34 (NET)
I will make a new covenant, says the Lord...For I will forgive their sin and
will no longer call to mind the wrong they have done.

PROCLAMATION

SCRIPTURE
John 17: 20-26 (NET)
Nancy Sills Harrell
Jim Sills, Jr.

† *Worshippers are invited to stand.*

ANTHEM
Jesus Paid It All
Marianne Forman

SERMON
Life in Relationship: The Divine Dance
(Eighth in a series for the Easter season: *Life*)
Mrs. Craddock

John 1: 1-4, 14
Genesis 1: 1-2
Matthew 3: 16-17
David Vess
Mrs. McClain
Joyce Sills

RESPONDING

VOCAL WITNESS
Trust in God
Ms. Conrad, *vocalist*
Lake/Brown/Wong/Furtick

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine.
He's been my fourth man in the fire time after time.
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood
and what He did for me on Calvary is more than enough.

I trust in God, My Savior
the One who will never fail. He will never fail.

Perfect submission. All is at rest.
I know the author of tomorrow has ordered my steps.
So this is my story and this is my song
I'm praising my risen King and Savior all the day long.

I sought the Lord and He heard and He answered
That's why I trust Him.

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

**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
The Lord of the Dance
Mrs. McClain
Mrs. Craddock
Ronan Hardiman

SENDING

† HYMN OF SENDING FORTH
Be Still, My Soul
FINLANDIA

Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side.
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;
leave to your God to order and provide;
in every change God faithful will remain.

Be still, my soul: your God will undertake
to guide the future, as in ages past.
Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake;
all now mysterious shall be bright at last.

† LIFE IN THE COMMUNITY
Mrs. Craddock

† BENEDICTION
II Corinthians 13: 13
Mrs. Craddock

POSTLUDE
Toccata on OLD HUNDREDTH
Mrs. McClain
James J. Stanley

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of Jim Sills
and in celebration of Jim's birthday
by his wife, Joyce Sills,
daughter, Nancy Sills Harrell and son, Jim Sills, Jr.*

PRAYER FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

Members: Melanie Joyner, Kay Hedgepeth, Will & Christine Roberts, Marshall & Jeanie Kornegay, Charlie & Jeanne Lewis, David & Trula Gray, Betty Wallace, Doris Eller, Linda Smith

Family and Friends: Robbie Southerland (*sister of Donna Haynes*); Linda W. Smith (*cousin of Donna Haynes*); Jason Lee (*friend of Cornbread West*); Kenny Upchurch (*friend of Cornbread West*); Linda Bass (*friend of Susan Johnson*); Arlo Yates (*great-nephew of David and Angie Vess*); Ann Warren (*sister-in-law of Donna Haynes*); Betty Alford (*friend of Donna Haynes*); Heather Livesay (*friend of Charlotte Riewestahl*); Harriet Whiteman; International teachers & families

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 May 2026: Charlotte Riewestahl and Scotty Scarborough
Deacons for June 2026: Dayna Scarborough and Tom Spainhour

Ushers Today: Cherry DeVane, Chad Godwin, Derek Hogan and Jeff Pope
Ushers June 7: Randall Johnson, Susan Johnson, Linda Lunney and Siu-Ki Wong

No Kids' Church Today
No Kids' Church June 7

Nursery Today: Carrie Royal
Nursery June 7: (*need volunteer*)

TODAY, May 31st

Sunday School

- Friends Class:** 9:00 a.m.
- Sarah's Open Door Class:** 9:00 a.m.
- Children:** 9:00 a.m. (Library)
- Youth:** 9:00 a.m. (Family Life Center)
- Worship Service:** 10:00 a.m. (Sanctuary)
- Kids' Church:** during worship (Library)

WEDNESDAY, June 3rd

No Wednesday Night Activities

SATURDAY, June 6th

Saturday of Service: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (DUMA Food Pantry)

JUNE 2026

7 Sunday School

- Friends Class:** 9:00 a.m.
- Sarah's Open Door Class:** 9:00 a.m.
- Children:** 9:00 a.m. (Library)
- Youth:** 9:00 a.m. (Family Life Center)
- Worship Service:** 10:00 a.m. (Sanctuary)
- No Kids' Church**

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

10 Summer Choir Rehearsal I: 6:30 p.m. (Sanctuary)
No Other Wednesday Night Activities

14 Sunday School

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17 No Wednesday Night Activities

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24 Summer Choir Rehearsal II: 6:30 p.m. (Sanctuary)

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.



Members of Memorial Baptist Church,
An anonymous donor has offered to match up to \$1,000 towards the cleanup costs associated with the Lanier Property the church maintains.

We deeply appreciate this generous offer and need your help to make it a reality. If you would like to contribute, please denote on your offerings today that they're for the 'Lanier Property Cleanup' so we can continually show our gratitude for the blessings we've been given.

Yours in Faith,
MBC Finance Committee



For May, we will collect:
Shampoo, Brushes and Deodorant (for both men & women)



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

- **Harnett Food Pantry:** collecting **non-perishable foods**
Needed for May -- **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.'

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MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

Trinity Sunday

May 31, 2026

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
Xiomara Felix, Custodian