

THE WORSHIP OF GOD  
Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Father's Day

June 21, 2026  
Ten O'clock in the Morning

Memorial Baptist Church  
Buies Creek, North Carolina

Oh, wonderful story of deathless love:  
Each child is dear to that Heart above.  
God fights for me when I cannot fight,  
God comforts us in the gloom of night.  
God lifts the burden, for he is strong;  
God stills the sigh and awakes the song.  
The sorrows that bear us down, God bears,  
And loves and pardons, because God cares.

Let all who are sad take heart again:  
We aren't alone in our hours of pain;  
Our Father stoops from that throne above  
To soothe and quiet us with his love.  
God leaves us not when the storm is high,  
And we are safe, because God is nigh.  
In all our troubles the Lord will share;  
Oh, rest in peace, for the Lord does care.

~ Ad. fr. "He Cares," by American children's author  
Sarah Chauncey Woolsey (pen name Susan Coolidge; 1835-1905).

GATHERING

PRELUDE

*Prelude on PISGAH* Gilbert M. Martin  
Associated Hymn Text: *When I Can Read My Title Clear*,  
by Isaac Watts (1707), in 1956 Baptist Hymnal, No. 468  
and Celebrating Grace (2010), No. 552  
Anne McClain, organist

WELCOME and † INVOCATION

Edward Beddingfield, *Pastor*

† HYMN OF PRAISE 54

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

FAITHFULNESS

PRAYERS FOR FATHERS

Meredith Lanier Craddock, Associate *Pastor*

ANTIPHON

*This Is the Day*  
Memorial Children's Choir

Mark Burrows

This is the day that the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

This is a day for worship, this is a day for song,  
a day to praise our gracious Lord who loves us all life long.

This is a day for sharing, this is a day for prayer,  
a day to talk with one who listens, the one who's always there.

PROCLAIMING

PSALTER READING (*responsively*)

from Psalm 116

Dayna Scarborough, *Deacon*

I love the Lord, who has heard my voice and my supplications.  
Because the Lord inclined his ear to me,  
therefore I will call on the Lord as long as I live.

**The snares of death encompassed me,  
the pangs of the grave laid hold on me; I suffered distress and anguish.  
Then I called on the name of the Lord: "O Lord, I pray, save my life!"**

† *Worshippers are invited to stand.*

Gracious is the Lord, and righteous; our God is merciful.  
The Lord protects the simple, saving me when I was brought low.  
Return, O my soul, to your rest, for the Lord has dealt bountifully with you.

**O Lord, you have delivered my soul from death,  
my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.  
I walk before the Lord in the land of the living.  
I will lift up the cup of salvation and call upon the name of the Lord;  
I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all God's people.  
I will offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and call on the name of the Lord.**

Let us pay our vows to the Lord in the presence of all God's people,  
in the courts of the house of the Lord.

**Praise the Lord!**

† SONG OF FAITH 249

*Glorify Thy Name*

GLORIFY THY NAME

Gracie Jonas, *leader*

OLD TESTAMENT

Genesis 21: 1-21

Mrs. Craddock and Mr. Beddingfield

But Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne  
to Abraham, playing with her son Isaac. So she said to Abraham,  
"Cast out this slave woman with her son."

*\* Following the Old Testament reading, children from age 4 through 2nd 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

*God Who Hears and Sees*

Mr. Beddingfield

(Third in a Lectionary-based series taken from the  
Genesis stories of the Patriarchs of Israel)

RESPONDING

† CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 55

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*Children of the Heavenly Father*

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

*My Father's World*  
Kerry Johnson, *piano*

Mr. Beddingfield

arr. Brad Jacobsen

SENDING

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Mr. Beddingfield

† HYMN OF SENDING FORTH (*insert*)

*Give to the Winds Your Fears*

STEVENS

Stanza 1 - choir

Stanza 2 - all

† LIFE IN THE COMMUNITY

Mr. Beddingfield

† BENEDICTION

Mr. Beddingfield

POSTLUDE

*Fanfare on FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH*

Douglas Wagner

Mrs. McClain

PRAYER FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

**Members:** Jerry Wallace, Earl Savage, Linda Lunney, Melanie Joyner, Kay  
Hedgepeth, Marshall & Jeanie Kornegay, Charlie & Jeanne Lewis, David & Trula  
Gray, Betty Wallace, Doris Eller

**Family and Friends:** Mary Morgan; Bob Saunders; Marcia Dickens (*sister of Lisa  
Spainhour*); Robbie Southerland (*sister of Donna Haynes*); Linda W. Smith (*cousin of  
Donna Haynes*); Ann Warren (*sister-in-law of Donna Haynes*); Harriet Whiteman;  
International teachers & families

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

**The Springs of Ballentine (Fuquay-Varina, NC):** Linda Smith

**Prayers of Comfort** are extended to the family of Greg McClain in the death of  
his aunt, Mary Ann Hawkins, on Sunday, June 14th.

*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 June 2026:** Dayna Scarborough and Tom Spainhour

**Deacons for July 2026:** Carrie Royal and Joe Turlington

**Ushers Today:** Randall Johnson, Ron McLamb, Scotty Scarborough and Joe  
Turlington

**Ushers June 28:** Cherry DeVane, Chad Godwin, Derek Hogan and Jeff Pope

**Kids' Church Today:** Meredith Craddock

**Kids' Church June 28:** Meredith Craddock

**Nursery Today:** Charlotte Riewestahl

**Nursery June 28:** (*need volunteer*)

**TODAY, June 21<sup>st</sup> - *Happy Father's Day***

**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)

**TUESDAY, June 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**Summer of Service Ministry Opportunity:** 12:30 p.m.

Church Family,

*Please consider joining us for a time of service!*

*We'll meet at Harnett Food Pantry at 12:30 p.m.*

*for instructions, followed by food distribution from 1-3 p.m.*

*Let's continue to be the hands and feet of Jesus in our community.*

*Address: 413 West Old Road (Hwy 27 West) Lillington*

**WEDNESDAY, June 24<sup>th</sup>**

**CALLED CHURCH BUSINESS MEETING:** 6:00 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)

A presentation will be made regarding proposed modifications to the church by-laws and copies of the proposals will be provided. This is an informational session and no voting on the proposals will take place.

Modifications to be presented include proposals from the Committee Structure Assessment Team, the Constitution & Bylaws Committee, and the deacons concerning the organization of church committees, deacon terms of office, frequency of church business meetings, denominational affiliations, and other administrative updates to the bylaws.

**Summer Choir Rehearsal II:** 7:30 p.m. (Sanctuary)

**JUNE 2026**

**28 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)

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**JULY 2026**

**1 No Wednesday Night Activities**

**3 Church Office Closed for Independence Day Holiday**

**Financial Position as of 5/31/2026**

» Total support	\$ 165,430
» Total expenditures	\$ (164,978)
» Total support exceeds expenditures	\$ 452
» Total 2026 Budget Proposal	\$ 418,220
» Percent of year passed	41%
» Undesignated support needed to meet budget	\$ 173,017
» Undesignated support received as of 5/31/2026	\$ 146,361
» Operating expenses offset received from Stokes Day Care	\$ 5,100
» Shortfall undesignated giving compared to budget	\$ (21,556)

**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.



**APPALACHIAN CHRISTMAS BACKPACKS**



For June, we will collect:  
**Shampoo and Washcloths**



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 June -- **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.'*

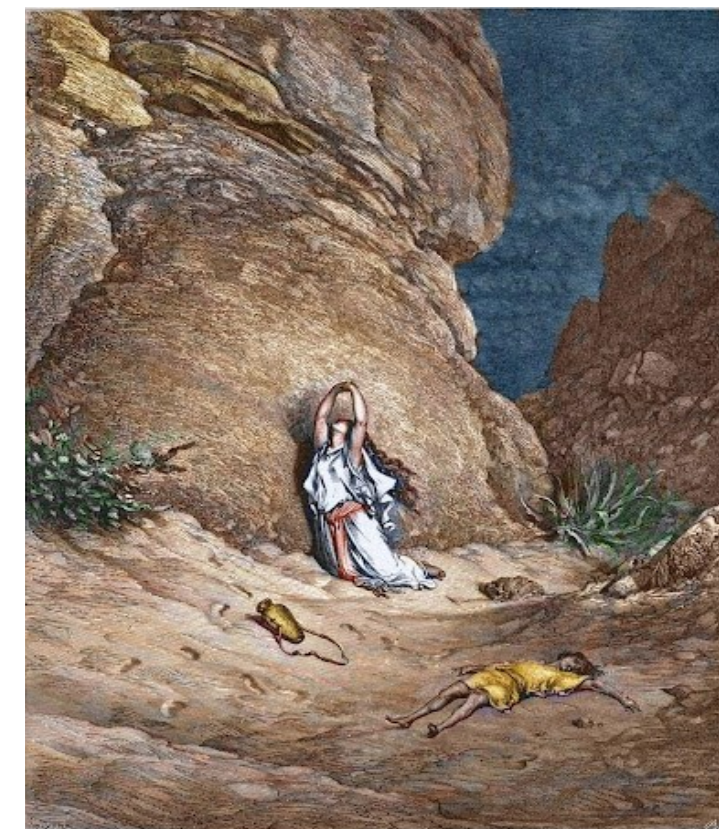
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Church Office Hours: Monday - Friday: 9am - 5pm  
Other Staff: By Appointment



*"Hagar and Ishmael in the desert after being expelled by Abraham." One of 241 woodcut engravings by French artist and printmaker Gustav Doré (1832-1883) that appear in La Grande Bible de Tours, an 1866 French edition of the Latin Vulgate (also called The Doré Bible). The original engraving has been colorized digitally in this reproduction.*

**MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH**

*Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

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*June 21, 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