THE WORSHIP OF GOD
Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Vacation Bible School Sunday

August 2, 2026
Ten O'clock in the Morning

Memorial Baptist Church
Buies Creek, North Carolina

GATHERING

PRELUDE *Waves of Mercy* David Ruis

WELCOME Meredith Lanier Craddock, Associate *Pastor and VBS Director*

† INVOCATION VBS Beachgoer

† PRAISE HYMN *Shout to the Lord* Darlene Zschech
Anne McClain and Mariamarta Conrad, *leaders*

My Jesus, my Savior, Lord there is none like You.
All of my days, I want to praise
The wonders of Your mighty love.
My comfort, my shelter, tower of refuge and strength.
Let every breath, all that I am, never cease to worship You.

Shout to the Lord all the earth let us sing
Power and majesty praise to the King.
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar
At the sound of Your name.
I sing for joy at the work of Your hands.
Forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand.
Nothing compares to the promise I have in You.

PROCLAIMING

HIGH TIDE – BUIES CREEK BEACH
Riding The Waves Of God's Power
Vacation Bible School 2026

PSALM OF PRAISE Psalm 93 VBS Beachgoers
The sound of the water is loud;
the ocean waves are powerful,
but the LORD above is much greater.

VBS SUMMARY and SONG *Waves of Mercy* David Ruis
Mrs. McClain and Ms. Conrad, *leaders*

Every move I make I make in You, You make me move Jesus.
Every breath I take I breathe in You.
Every step I take I take in You, You are my way Jesus.
Every breath I take I breathe in You.

Waves of mercy, waves of grace.
Everywhere I look, I see Your face.
Your love has captured me.
Oh my God, this love how can it be?

GOSPEL READING Matthew 14: 22-33 VBS Beachgoer
The storm at sea; walking on water.

SERMON *Singing in the Rain* Edward Beddingfield, *Pastor*

RESPONDING

† MUSICAL RESPONSE *Cornerstone* Mote/Liljero/Myrin/Morgan/Bradbury
Ms. Conrad, *leader*

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness.
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Chorus
Christ alone, Cornerstone, weak made strong in the Savior's love.
Through the storm he is Lord, Lord of all.

When darkness seems to hide his face, I rest on his unchanging grace.
In every high and stormy gale my anchor holds within the veil.

Chorus

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 Mr. Beddingfield
and OFFERTORY *Oceans* Houston/Crocker/Ligthelm
Ms. Conrad with Beachgoers

SENDING

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP Mr. Beddingfield

† HYMN OF SENDING FORTH Tomlin/Cash/Reeves
How Great is Our God
Mrs. McClain and Ms. Conrad, *leaders*

The splendor of the King, clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice.
He wraps Himself in light and darkness tries to hide
And trembles at His voice, and trembles at His voice.

Chorus
How great is our God, sing with me
How great is our God, and all will see
How great, how great is our God.

And age to age He stands and time is in His hands,
Beginning and the End, Beginning and the End.
The Godhead three in one, Father, Spirit, Son,
The Lion and the Lamb, the Lion and the Lamb.

Chorus

Name above all names, worthy of all praise,
My heart will sing how great is our God.

† LIFE IN THE COMMUNITY Mr. Beddingfield

† BENEDICTION Mr. Beddingfield

POSTLUDE *How Majestic Is Your Name* arr. Glenda Austin
Mrs. McClain

PRAYER FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

Members: Joe Turlington, Stephanie Shaffer, Earl Savage, Jim Roberts, Jerry Wallace, Melanie Joyner, Kay Hedgepeth, Marshall & Jeanie Kornegay, Charlie & Jeanne Lewis, Trula Gray, Betty Wallace, Doris Eller

Family and Friends: James Blackwell & Mission Team *(brother of Anne McClain);* Captain Eugene (Red) McDaniel *(brother-in-law of Beverley Howard);* Kim Downs; John Wiggins *(friend of Joe Turlington);* Kay Brennan *(friend of Tricia Scarboro);* Mike Hodgin *(brother-in-law of Tricia Scarboro);* Jake Eller *(neighbor of Beverley Howard);* Ann Warren *(sister-in-law of Donna Haynes);* Lee Robinson *(uncle of Trinity Kelly);* Mary Johnson *(mother of David & Kerry Johnson);* Shirley Pope *(mother of Jeff Pope);* Carol Hoeg *(sister of Susan Cannady);* 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 Mila Johnson Moore in the death of her son, Al Moore.

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 August 2026: Lisa Lanier and Dave Steegar
Deacons for September 2026: Charlotte Riewestahl and Scotty Scarborough

Ushers Today: Randall Johnson, Susan Johnson, Linda Lunney and Siu-Ki Wong
Ushers August 9: Bob Cisneros, Adam English and Miles West

No Kids' Church Today
Kids' Church August 9: Meredith Craddock

Nursery Today: Chloe Clayton
Nursery August 9: Carrie Royal

† *Worshippers are invited to stand.*

TODAY, August 2nd

Sunday School

Friends Class: 9:00 a.m.
Sarah's Open Door Class: 9:00 a.m.
Youth: 9:00 a.m. (Family Life Center)
No Children's Class

HIGH TIDE VBS 2026 and Worship Service:
10:00 a.m. (Sanctuary)
Covered dish lunch in the Fellowship Hall following service.
Everyone is invited to attend!

MONDAY, August 3rd

Memorial In Action Committee Meeting: 6:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, August 4th

Memorial Service for Kathryn King: 11:00 a.m. (Sanctuary)

WEDNESDAY, August 5th

Nominating Committee Meeting: 6:00 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)

AUGUST 2026

9 **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)

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

12 **Summer Choir Rehearsal V and Choir Cookout**: 6:30 p.m. (Sanctuary)

15 ***Summer of Service Ministry Opportunity***:
Campbell University Move-In Day: details coming soon

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18 **Campbell University Street Fair**: details coming soon

19 ***No Wednesday Night Activities***

Financial Position as of 6/30/2026

» Total support	$ 211,619
» Total expenditures	$ (214,383)
» Total expenditures exceed support	$ **(2,764)**
» Total 2026 Budget Proposal	$ 418,220
» Percent of year passed	50%
» Undesignated support needed to meet budget	$ 207,391
» Undesignated support received as of 6/30/2026	$ 181,737
» Operating expenses offset received from Stokes Child Care	$ 5,100
» Air conditioner replacement offset from MBC Growth Endow.	$ 3,200
» Shortfall undesignated giving compared to budget	$ **(17,354)**

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.

APPALACHIAN CHRISTMAS BACKPACKS

For August, we are collecting
POP-TOP Canned Food Items *
such as Vienna sausage, ravioli, beef stew, tuna, vegetables, fruit, etc. *(no plastic containers)*

*** [3 canned food items are required for each backpack] ***

** Please make sure all expiration dates are **after December 2026**. **

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 August - - **Canned Vegetables**
  *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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Other Staff: By Appointment

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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
Xiomara Felix, Custodian