

September 6, 2026  
Ten O'clock in the Morning

Memorial Baptist Church  
Buies Creek, North Carolina

~ Ad. fr. "The Preacher's Mistake," by Brewer Mattocks (1841-1934), Minnesota physician, author and public health advocate.

PRELUDE                      *All Creatures of Our God and King*  
Anne McClain, organ                      Anna Laura Page

CHORAL INTROIT *Freedom Is Coming* Trad. South African

**Then let us draw near to the fire that does not consume,  
and worship the God who hears, sees, delivers, calls, and goes with us.**

† GATHERING HYMN 395      *God of Grace and God of Glory*      CWM RHONDDA

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| GOSPEL | Matthew 26: 17-20, 26-30<br>The Last Supper. | Charlotte Riewestahl, <i>Deacon</i> |
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1. I will feast at the table of the Lord.  
I will feast at the table of the Lord.  
I won't hunger anymore at his table.

2. There is peace at the table of the Lord . . .  
I won't worry anymore at his table. *Chorus*
3. There is healing at the table of the Lord . . .  
I won't suffer anymore at his table. *Chorus*

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| OLD TESTAMENT | Exodus 2: 23-3: 12<br>The Burning Bush. | Mr. Beddingfield |
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SERMON *God Still Hears and Sees* Mr. Beddingfield  
(Third in a Lectionary series from the Book of Exodus.)

SONG OF RESPONSE               *I Am Not Alone*               Jobe/Davis/Fieldes/Sampson  
Ms. Conrad  
*Please join in singing the chorus.*

*Chorus 3.* We are not alone, we are not alone  
God will go before us, God will never leave us. *(repeat)*

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.

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| CALL TO GIVE and OFFERTORY                   | Mr. Beddingfield  |
| <i>Meditation on “Veni Creator Spiritus”</i> | Douglas E. Wagner |
| Mrs. McClain                                 |                   |

HOLY COMMUNION Mr. Beddingfield

*All who will are welcome to join in the taking of communion.*

*Please take a cup and pass the tray to the person next to you.*

*Gluten-free elements are located in the center of the tray.*

Invitation to the Lord's Table  
Institution of the Supper I Corinthians 11: 23-25  
The Lord Jesus, on the night when he was betrayed . . .

Prayer of Consecration  
 Passing of the Bread and Cup  
*Lord, Be Glorified* arr. Dan Forrest  
 Mrs. McClain

The Bread

Exodus 2: 25  
God looked upon the Israelites,  
and God took notice of them.

The Cup

Exodus 2: 24  
God heard their groaning, and God remembered  
the covenant with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

POSTLUDE                      *To God Be the Glory*                      Robert Lau  
Mrs. McClain

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

Nursery Today: Chloe Clayton  
Nursery September 13: Chloe Clayton

TODAY, September 6<sup>th</sup>  
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

MONDAY, September 7<sup>th</sup>  
Church Office Closed for Labor Day Holiday

WEDNESDAY, September 9<sup>th</sup>  
Children’s Choir Resumes: 5:30 p.m. (Choir Room)  
Simple Supper - Tex-Mex Night: 5:45 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)  
Elementary and Middle School Students: 6:30 p.m. (Mission Kids Class)  
Youth Activity: 6:30 p.m. (Library)  
Bible Study: 6:30 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)  
Chancel Choir Rehearsal: 7:30 p.m. (Sanctuary)



### Usher Ministry

**USHERS NEEDED**

If you would be interested in serving on this team, see Bob Cisneros or Linda Lunney today!



### CHURCH SECURITY TEAM

In response to recent events around churches and campuses, including locally, the deacons recommend that Memorial Baptist Church increase our security awareness and procedures. Specifically, the deacons seek volunteers to form a security team for Sunday morning and Wednesday evening services.

The team will:

- \* rotate watch duties in the narthex and halls during services;
- \* on Sunday morning, lock external doors to the building 15 minutes after the worship service begins;
- \* alert church members and/or call law enforcement as necessary; but
- \* WILL NOT provide active physical intervention; and
- \* will report to the deacons evaluating on-going security needs.

As the team's duties are to observe and report but not intervene, any adult is invited to help. If you're interested, please contact Ashley in the church office and she will pass your name to the deacons.

| Financial Position as of 7/31/2026                          |              |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| » Total support                                             | \$ 238,919   |
| » Total expenditures                                        | \$ (248,155) |
| » Total expenditures exceed support                         | \$ (9,236)   |
| » Total 2026 Budget Proposal                                | \$ 418,220   |
| » Percent of year passed                                    | 58%          |
| » Undesignated support needed to meet budget                | \$ 242,911   |
| » Undesignated support received as of 7/31/2026             | \$ 208,311   |
| » 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          | \$ (26,300)  |

**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.





For September, we are collecting

**INDIVIDUALLY WRAPPED CANDY \***  
*(no chocolate or candy with nuts)*

AND

**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 2025. \**

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 September - -  
**Canned Sweet Peas & Macaroni & Cheese**  
*Monetary donations to MBC are also welcome; designate as ‘Food Pantry.’*
- **Buddy Backpack:** collecting **sandwich crackers “nabs”**  
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Church Office Hours: Monday - Friday: 9am - 5pm  
Other Staff: By Appointment



# MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

*Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
*Observing the Lord’s Supper*  
*September 6, 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