

May Memorial Baptist Church

March 7, 2021 11:00 a.m.

The Third Sunday in Lent

This is the House of God, All Are Welcome!

The Community Gathers for Worship

Prelude *I Am Thine*, *O Lord*

Peter Edison Joseph Prentis

Greeting and Announcements

Michael Edwards

* Congregational Prayer

Andrew Snead

O God of all ages and all generations, we come to worship you. Women, men, youth, and children bow before you, the only wise God.

Our foreparents led the way for spiritual awareness and growth.

We try to follow in their footsteps recognizing you as God of all.

As we worship you, all your attributes of glory, mercy, and love show forth. We humble ourselves in your holy presence, because you are awesome. Holy, holy, holy is the name of the Lord.

Prayers of Confession

Based on Exodus 20:1-17, The Ten Commandments

Holy and righteous God, we confess that like Isaiah, we are a people of unclean lips. But it is not only unclean lips we possess. We are people with unclean hands and unclean hearts. We have broken your law times without number, and are guilty of pride, unbelief, self-centeredness and idolatry. Affect our hearts with the severity of our sin and the glory of your righteousness as we now acknowledge our sins in your holy presence.

We have had other gods before you.

We have worshipped and served the creature rather than the creator.

We have sought satisfaction in this world's pleasures rather than in You.

We have loved to praise our own glory more than yours.

We have taken your name in vain.

We have prayed religious prayers to impress others.

We have uttered your name out of habit, frustration, or anger countless times without reverence or love.

We have listened to others use your name in vain without grieving. REFRAIN

We have murdered in our hearts.

We have often destroyed our neighbor with our tongues.

We have been quick to uncharitably judge others.

We have considered revenge when we were sinned against.

We have committed adultery with our eyes.

We have loved temptation rather than fighting it.

We have lusted after unlawful and immoral pleasures.

We have justified our lusts by using the world as our standard.

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We have stolen what is not ours and coveted what belongs to others.

Our lives overflow with discontent, ungratefulness, and envy.

We have complained in the midst of Your abundant provision.

We have sought to exalt ourselves through owning more.

We have lied to you and to others.

We have told distorted truths, half-truths, and untruths.

We have despised the truth to make ourselves look better.

Even in our confession, we look for ways to hide our guilt.

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O God, we have sinned against your mercy times without number. We are ashamed to lift up our faces before you, for our iniquities have gone over our heads. If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? How shall we answer you?

We lay our hands on our mouths. We have no answer to your righteous wrath and just REFRAIN judgment.

We have no answer. But God Himself has mercifully provided one for us.

"All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all." (Is. 53:6)

Children's Sermon Ashley Edwards

(The children will come down to the front during the children's sermon. After the sermon, they will follow Ashley out for extended session.)

Prayer of the People

Sharing of Prayer Concerns and Words of Celebration

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

Michael Edwards

The Community Proclaims and Hears God's Word

Small Ensemble

Every Moment of Each Day

Bob Moore

Gospel Reading

John 2:13-22

Michael Edwards Sermon

Angry Jesus

The Community Responds to God's Word

Solo **Andrew Snead** My Tribute André Crouch

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution

Prayers and the Lord's Prayer

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

The Community Departs for Ministry

Benediction Michael Edwards

Response Small Ensemble

Blest Be the Tie

* Postlude Gloria In Excelsis Deo

Peter Edison Todd Kendall

Andrew Snead, Minister of Music
Ashley Edwards, Youth/Children's Minister Peter Edison, Organist
Michael Edwards, Pastor (804) 922-0101

The Rachael Circle invites all ladies to join the Zoom meeting Tuesday at noon and catch up with others in the church. We hope to see you then! The link will be in Monday's *Newsletter*.

Small Missions Project for March – Easter themed goody bags for the homebound. Complete information will be in Monday's *Newsletter*.

Scholarship Applications for 2021 – Scholarship applications are ready to pick up. Please complete and return to the church office before March 31st.

This Week at May Memorial

Sunday, March 7

9:15 a.m. Zoom Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Sanctuary Worship, Extended Session

5:30 p.m. Youth Soul Food

Tuesday, March 9

12:00 p.m. Rachael Circle Zoom

6:30 p.m. Virtual Choir Practice

Wednesday, March 10

4:00 p.m. Small Ensembles

4:30 p.m. Zoom Kingdom Kids

6:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Gathering "The Pandemic Vices"

Saturday, March 13

10:30 a.m. Youth Mission Madness

Youth Events

March 13-14 - Mission Madness in a Box. Saturday we will meet at the youth house at 10:30 am for breakfast and Bible study. Meet Sunday after church for mission work.

Upcoming Children's Events

April 4 - Egg Hunt – On Easter Sunday we will hold an egg hunt with the children between the two services

Upcoming Church Events

On Easter Sunday, April 4, there will be two worship opportunities in the Sanctuary, one at 9:00 a.m. and one at 11:00 a.m.

^{*} Please stand as you are able.