



May Memorial Baptist Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Sunday, July 3, 2022

11:00 a.m.

This is the House of God. All are Welcome!

The Community Gathers for Worship

Prelude

Stuart Joerg

Greeting and Announcements

Michael Edwards

* A Litany for Independence Day

Carlisle Davidhizar and Michael Edwards

For the women and men who braved the long journey by sea to come to this new world,

We thank you Lord.

For the tribes and nations who inhabited this land for generation upon generation,

We thank you Lord.

For patriots who dreamed of, and fought for, a free nation,

We thank you Lord.

For the men and women who laid the foundation of our democracy,
and who pledged liberty and justice for all,

We thank you Lord.

For those who built this country brick by brick, road by road, and town by town,

We thank you Lord.

For the brave soldiers who have fought for our country, for all who paid for our freedom by their
service, and those who paid by their sacrifice,

We thank you Lord.

For the innovators and artists, poets and teachers, farmers and factory workers;
for all who labor and provide for the common good,

We thank you Lord.

For this land, with its peaks and valleys, coasts and deserts, fields and meadows,

We thank you Lord.

For our own community, for those who came before us in this place,
and for our neighbors near and far,

We thank you Lord.

Lord, we pray for The United States, that we might be a nation which defends and
promotes liberty and freedom, truth and justice.

We pray to you Lord.

That we might always be a nation where all are free to worship and pray,

We pray to you Lord.

That we might be a beacon of freedom to all those who live under
the shadow of terror and hopelessness,

We pray to you Lord.

That those who are elected to govern and lead, would be guided by you,
and be ever aware of the trust that has been given them,

We pray to you Lord.

That we would be a people who repent from our sins, and who always return to you and to your grace,

We pray to you Lord.

Gracious God (*the prayer will continue*)...through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

* Hymn of Praise

God Bless America

Irving Berlin

*God bless America, land that I love, stand beside her and guide her
through the night with the light from above.*

From the mountains to the prairies, to the oceans white with foam:

God bless America, my home sweet home.

God bless America, my home sweet home.

* Invocation

Michael Edwards

The Community Proclaims and Hears God's Word

Children's Sermon

Carlisle Davidhizar

(As *Jesus Loves Me* is sung, the children will come down to the front for the children's sermon.

After the doxology children are invited to leave sanctuary for Children's Church.)

* Hymn No. 277

HENDON

Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

* Offertory Prayer

Judy Boelt

Giving of Tithes and Offering

Music During the Offering

* *Doxology No. 253*

OLD 100TH (Altered)

Scripture Reading

Michael Edwards

Micah 6:1-8

Anthem

Adult Choir

O Lord, Most Holy

Sermon

Michael Edwards

Justice, Kindness, and Humility

The Community Responds to God's Word

* Hymn No. 374

HAMBURG

Your Supper, Lord, Before Us Spread

(During the Hymn, we invite you to publicly profess your belief in Jesus Christ. If you have not made a profession of faith, we invite you to do so and receive believer's baptism. You may also respond by moving your membership to May Memorial, or you may respond by rededicating yourself to Christ. The pastor will be available for prayer and consultation and would welcome your response.)

Celebration of the Lord's Supper
Invitation to the Table
Words of Institution
Prayer (Ending with the Lord's Prayer)
Sharing of the Bread and Cup

The Community Departs for Ministry

* Benediction Michael Edwards
* Congregational Response
Blest Be the Tie
* Postlude Stuart Joerg

* Please stand as you are able.

Announcements

This Year's Vacation Bible School is July 18-21...Children are already registered for this Summer's Vacation Bible School, and we need volunteers! Are you willing to help with crafts? Recreation? Refreshments? Bible Stories? If so, let Liz know in the church office!

Summer Study...this summer we will meet and learn more about our Christian neighbors in Powhatan. We will meet three times at May Memorial, and then will take "field trips" to other churches in our county where we will meet with pastors and other leaders. This coming week we will have an introduction to the Anabaptist tradition, and then the following week we'll visit Powhatan Mennonite Church. The additional dates for our summer study are August 3, 10, and 17.

This Week at May Memorial

Sunday, July 3

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Sunday Worship

Wednesday, July 6

9:30 a.m. Food Pantry Team
6:30 p.m. Bible Study at MMBC

Monday, July 4, Independence Day

MMBC Office Closed

Thursday, July 7

Staff Retreat at Richmond Hill

Tuesday, July 5

6:30 p.m. Building & Grounds Committee
7:30 p.m. Zoom Bible Study

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, July 13

Bible Study Field Trip to Powhatan
Mennonite Church

Sunday, August 14

5:00 p.m. Church Cookout and
Bluegrass Concert

Monday, July 18

Vacation Bible School Begins