



# May Memorial Baptist Church

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY  
Sunday, July 17, 2022  
11:00 a.m.

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*This is the House of God. All are Welcome!*

# *The Community Gathers for Worship*

Prelude	Stuart Joerg
Greeting and Announcements	Michael Edwards
Gathering Song	

*Come, bring your burdens to God, For Jesus will never say no.*

* Call to Worship	Amanda Seaman
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Come, let us celebrate the forgiving, reconciling love of God.  
**For once we were lost and felt so far away;  
now we have been found and welcomed home.**  
Know that God's love is lavished upon you forever.  
**We rejoice at the news of forgiveness and hope!**  
Come, let us celebrate and praise the God of Love.  
**AMEN!**

* Hymn of Praise 227	JOYFUL SONG
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*Praise Him! Praise Him!*

* Invocation	Michael Edwards
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## *The Community Proclaims and Hears God's Word*

Children's Sermon	Carlisle Davidhizar
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(As *Jesus Loves Me* is sung, the children will come down to the front for the children's sermon. After the children's sermon, they are invited to sit with their families and participate in worship with their children's bulletins.)

Prayers of the People	
Sharing of Prayer Concerns	
Silent Prayer	
Pastoral Prayer	Carlisle Davidhizar, Laura Edwards and Sarah Seaman
The Lord's Prayer	

* Hymn No. 535	HYFRYDOL
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*I Will Sing the Wondrous Story*

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings	
* Offertory Prayer	Debbie Elam
Giving of Tithes and Offering	
Music During the Offering	Stuart Joerg
* <i>Doxology No. 253</i>	OLD 100 <sup>TH</sup> (Altered)

Passport Camp Reflection

Carlisle Davidhizar

Scripture Reading

*Luke 15: 11-32*

Sophie Edwards

Solo

*His Eyes on the Sparrow*

Linda Pomfry

Sermon

*The Prodigal Father*

Michael Edwards

Liturgical Dance

*Instrument of Peace*

Sophie Edwards, Laura Edwards and Amanda Seaman

## ***The Community Responds to God's Word***

\* Hymn No. 312

*Softly and Tenderly*

THOMPSON

(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.)

## ***The Community Departs for Ministry***

\* Benediction

Michael Edwards

\* Postlude

Stuart Joerg

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\* Please stand as you are able.

**The flowers on the altar are given by Snead DeNoon  
in loving memory of Gail DeNoon.**

We welcome Linda Pomfry as our guest soloist this morning. We are grateful she has come to share her love for God through her gift of music. Linda grew up in Hopewell, VA and lives in the Lakeside area of Richmond. She is active in several choruses and choirs and shares her talents with Richmond Churches.

## **Announcements**

**Summer Study...** This summer we are meeting and learning more about our Christian neighbors in Powhatan. The next dates for our summer study are August 3, 10, and 17.

**May Memorial Wednesday Nights...**After Labor Day we will resume a Wednesday night schedule of food, fellowship, Bible study and music!

**Summer Picnic and Bluegrass Concert...**On Sunday August 14 at 5:30 p.m. we will have music from Little Mountain Boys and gather on the front lawn for a meal and music! The deacons are providing the hamburgers, hot dogs and beverages, everyone else is asked to bring a side and/or a dessert. Please RSVP to the church office if you plan to attend.

**Michael on vacation...**Michael will be out of the office on vacation from 7/24-7/31. Carlisle will be preaching in his absence.

**Water Fun Day...**All children and youth are invited to a water fun day on August 10 at 10:00 a.m. Please make sure to wear water shoes and bring a towel. And invite a friend! Please let the church office know if you plan on attending.

### **This Week at May Memorial**

#### **Sunday, July 17**

9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Sunday Worship  
12:00 p.m. Decorate for VBS  
3:00 p.m. "Deacon's" Softball Game

#### **Monday, July 18**

9:00 a.m. VBS Begins  
5:30 p.m. COPC Meeting

#### **Tuesday, July 19**

7:30 p.m. Zoom Bible Study

#### **Wednesday, July 20**

9:30 a.m. Food Pantry Team  
5:00 p.m. Choir Practice

#### **Thursday, July 21**

5:00 p.m. End of VBS Event &  
Community Picnic

#### **Saturday, July 23**

9:30 a.m. Food Pantry Ministry

### **Upcoming Events**

#### **Wednesday, August 3**

6:30 p.m. Summer Study: "100 Questions  
Most Baptists Would Love to  
Ask a Catholic Priest"

#### **Wednesday, August 10**

10:00 a.m. Water Fun Day

#### **Sunday, August 14**

5:30 p.m. Church Cookout and  
Bluegrass Concert

*Michael Edwards, Pastor*

*Carlisle Davidhizar, Associate Pastor for Families and Community*

*Stuart Joerg, Organist and Interim Minister of Music*

*Mary Ellen Balarzs, Interim Choir Accompanist*

*Liz Shepperson, Church Secretary*

*Trish Hutchinson, Financial Secretary*

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