# May Memorial Baptist Church



July 18, 2021 11:00 a.m.

# The Community Gathers for Worship

Prelude

I Love Thee, My Lord

Peter Edison Douglas Wagner

Greeting and Announcements

Michael Edwards

\* Call to Worship

Kayla Tibbs

With great rejoicing, we enter the house of the Lord!

We come to praise the One who is our refuge and our strength.

Lift up your eyes, for God comes to us with compassion and love.

We bring our burdened and broken spirits, seeking God's presence and healing.

Rejoice! For the God who created you comes to redeem you and make you whole.

We joyfully celebrate the Living God, who embraces us with mercy and calls us to new life.

\* Hymn of Praise No. 27

All Creatures of Our God and King

Francis of Assisi

\* Invocation Michael Edwards

# The Community Proclaims and Hears God's Word

Children's Sermon

Ashley Edwards

(As *Jesus Loves Me* is sung, the children will come down to the front during the children's sermon. After the sermon, they will follow Ashley to Extended Session.)

Prayer of the People

Sharing of Prayer Concerns and Words of Celebration

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer Michael Edwards

The Lord's Prayer

\* Hymn No. 273

Freely, Freely Carol Owens

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

\* Offertory Prayer Giving of Tithes and Offering

\* Doxology No. 253

Ed Utt

Special Music *Amazing Grace* 

**Scott Richards** 

Sermon

Leaving Stones Behind

Michael Edwards

# The Community Responds and Departs for Ministry

\* Hymn of Response No. 307

Just As I Am

Charlotte Elliot

(as we come to the end of the hymn, the pastor will lead the congregation in exiting the sanctuary so we may respond by "leaving our stones behind.")

\* Postlude

Praise My Soul the King of Heaven

Peter Edison James Mansfield

## Sanctuary Flowers

The flowers are placed by Snead DeNoon and family in loving memory of Gail DeNoon.

Michael Edwards, Pastor (804) 922-0101
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Ashley Edwards, Minister of Youth/Children
Andrew Snead, Minister of Music
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<sup>\*</sup> Please stand as you are able.

## Vacation Bible School - <u>VBS begins Monday</u> from 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

You may register by going to our website at: maymemorialchurch.org. If you are not able to register on-line, you may register at the door.

Wednesday Night Activities Returning in September! - Starting September 1, we will be gathering together each Wednesday night for fellowship, food, and Bible study. On third Wednesday nights we will have a full meal and special program (the program will vary each month), and on the remaining Wednesdays we will have "dessert and discussion." "Dessert and Discussion" will be a time of sweet fellowship and refreshments followed by a Bible-based discussion. (We will also have a full meal on the nights of quarterly church business meetings, second Wednesday in Oct., Jan., March, and June.)

Pastor Michael will be away for the next two Sundays for vacation. Next Sunday Andrew Snead will deliver the sermon, and on August 1 Jonathan Kruschwitz, son of Billy and Marlis Kruschwitz, will be the guest preacher.

An Evening with Paul Armstrong-Wednesday, September 15. This will be the first in our "third Wednesday" nights, beginning with a wonderful meal and followed by an engaging program for Church and Community. Paul Armstrong is a "professional storyteller" from Chatham, VA. Paul has been a Methodist Pastor, a Dairy Farmer, a Leadership Consultant, and now is a part of the Virginia Storytelling Alliance. Don't miss this wonderful evening with Paul Armstrong!

#### This Week at May Memorial

#### Sunday, July 18

9:45 a.m. Koinonia Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship, Extended Session

#### **Monday July 19**

9:00 a.m. Vacation Bible School

## Tuesday, July 20

9:00 a.m. Vacation Bible School 7:00 p.m. COPC Meeting

#### Wednesday, July 21

9:00 a.m. Vacation Bible School

5:00 p.m. Choir Practice

## Thursday, July 22

9:00 a.m. Vacation Bible School

#### **Upcoming Church Events**

August 22 – Annual Church Meeting

September 1 – First Wednesday Night back

September 20 – Leadership Training with

Central VA Baptist Ministries

September 26 – Salt Shakers Event

October 3 – Blessing of the Animals

November 9-10 BGAV Annual Meeting

December 19 – Christmas Cantata in Worship