

# May Memorial Baptist Church



*August 8, 2021  
11:00 a.m.*

*This is the House of God, All Are Welcome!*

## *The Community Gathers for Worship*

Prelude

*Happy Are They Who Walk with the Lord*

Peter Edison

Daniel Gawthrop

Greeting and Announcements

Michael Edwards

\* Call to Worship (based on Ephesians 4)

Josh Deal

Lead a life worthy of the calling  
to which you are called:

**We cannot do this alone,  
we dare not try this alone,  
so we gather as God's people.**

Lead a life worthy of your calling,  
a life filled with service and meekness.

**We come to build up Christ's Body,  
in humility and gentleness,  
with patience and love.**

Lead a life which reflects your calling,  
that life of peace grounded in the Spirit.

**We rejoice in our oneness in Christ;  
we would share the grace offered to us.**

Live a life worthy of the calling  
to which you have been called.

**We gather as God's family  
in this holy space,  
waiting to be nourished by the Word of life.**

\* Hymn of Praise No. 15

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

Robert Robinson

\* Invocation

Andrew Snead

## *The Community Proclaims and Hears God's Word*

Vacation Bible School Presentation

Ashley Edwards  
and Children

(After the presentation, the children will remain in worship and leave for Extended Session after the Doxology.)

Prayer of the People

Sharing of Prayer Concerns and Words of Celebration

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Josh Deal and Michael Edwards

\* Hymn No. 43

*This Is My Father's World*

Maltbie Babcock

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

\* Offertory Prayer

Constance Deal

Giving of Tithes and Offering

\* *Doxology No. 253*

New Testament Reading

Michael Edwards

*Ephesians 4:1-11*

Choir Anthem

*Held by His Grace*

Patricia Mock

Sermon

Michael Edwards

*The Church's Pronoun*

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

\* Hymn of Response No. 146

*O How He Loves You and Me*

Kurt Kaiser

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

\* Benediction

Michael Edwards

\* Postlude

Peter Edison

*Rise Up and Serve the Lord*

Patricia Lou Harris

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\* Please stand as you are able.

### ***Sanctuary Flowers***

*The flowers are placed by Gwen and Gerald Hagen  
in honor of Eva's 6<sup>th</sup> birthday.*

*Michael Edwards, Pastor*

*(804) 922-0101*

*Peter Edison, Organist*

*Ashley Edwards, Minister of Youth/Children*

*Andrew Snead, Minister of Music*

*Trish Hutchinson, Financial Secretary*

*Diana Schmitz, Church Secretary*

*(804) 598-3098*

**Blessing of the Backpacks – August 22 during worship at 11:00 a.m.**

**Annual Church Meeting – August 22 at 6:00 p.m. at the church.**

**May Memorial Team Signup Has Begun!** - The May Memorial Ministry Teams under the ministries of: Missions, Hospitality, Stewardship, Spiritual Formation and Worship are now forming. There will be a sign up board in the Commons Area. If you were on a team last year and want to remain on that team or to change to a different team, you may either sign up on the board at church, or contact Debbie Elam at [debelam1@aol.com](mailto:debelam1@aol.com) or call her at (804) 397-5375.

**Wednesday Night Activities Returning in September!** - Starting September 1, we will be gathering together each Wednesday night for children's programs, choir practice, fellowship, food, and Bible study. On third Wednesday nights we will have a full meal and special program.

**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 a 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!

**Salt Shakers Event – September 26** - You're invited to join with our Salt-Shakers evening to meet new friends and connect with old friends outside the walls of MMBC. This is an event for adults (couples, singles, married, divorced) to fellowship with each other over a meal in a casual, off-site setting. Sign up begins soon!

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

#### **Sunday, August 8**

9:45 a.m. Koinonia Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Worship  
and VBS Celebration

#### **Wednesday, August 11**

5:00 p.m. Choir Practice

### **Upcoming Church Events**

- September 1 – *Desserts and Discussion*
- September 12 – All Church Breakfast by the Baptist Men
- September 20 – Leadership Training with Central VA Baptist Ministries
- September 26 – *Salt Shakers*

### **Upcoming Children's Events**

September 1 – Kingdom Kids begins.

3:30 – 5:00 at the church

See Ashley for more details

### **Upcoming Youth Events**

September 5 – Youth Soul Food begins.

5:30 – 7:00 at the Youth House

See Ashley for more details