

# May Memorial Baptist Church



*September 26, 2021  
11:00 a.m.*

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

# *The Community Gathers for Worship*

Gathering Music

Peter Edison

Greeting and Announcements

Michael Edwards

Prelude

*Consider and Hear Me*

Peter Edison  
by Carl Pflueger

The Confession of Sin

Call to Confession

Silent Confession

Corporate Confession

**Holy and merciful God,  
in your presence we confess  
our sinfulness, our shortcomings,  
and our offenses against you.  
You alone know how often we have sinned  
in wandering from your ways,  
in wasting your gifts,  
in forgetting your love.  
Have mercy on us, O Lord,  
for we are ashamed and sorry  
for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our sins,  
and help us to live in your light  
and walk in your ways,  
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

Assurance of Forgiveness

\* Hymn of Praise No. 200

*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*

by Edward Perronet

\* Prayer

Michael Edwards

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

Three Cents a Meal Offering

Ashley Edwards

(As *Jesus Loves Me* is sung, the children will come down to the front during the children's sermon. After the children's sermon, the children will remain in worship and follow Ashley out for Extended Session after the Doxology.)

Spiritual Formation Ministry Announcement

Constance Deal

New Testament Reading  
***James 5:13-20***

Bob Kruschwitz

Prayer of the People  
Sharing of Prayer Concerns and Words of Celebration  
Silent Prayer  
Pastoral Prayer  
The Lord's Prayer

Michael Edwards

\* Hymn No. 423

***Though I May Speak with Bravest Fire (The Gift of Love)***

by Hal Hopson

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

\* Offertory Prayer

Jeanne Matthews

Giving of Tithes and Offering

\* ***Doxology No. 253***

Gospel Reading

Michael Edwards

***Mark 9:38-50***

Choir Anthem

***God of the Ages***

by Pepper Choplin

Sermon

Michael Edwards

***Avoiding Hell***

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

\* Hymn of Response No. 489

***Lord, I Want to Be a Christian***

by John Work, Jr.

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

\* Benediction

Michael Edwards

\* Postlude

***To Greet the Morning***

Peter Edison  
by David Paxton

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### ***Sanctuary Flowers***

*The flowers are placed by Gerald and Gwen Hagen and Eva Mitchell  
in memory of Janice Ashley.*

**Blessing of the Animals – October 3 – 4:00 p.m.** - On the front lawn of the church. Our pets are a blessing to us so bring your dog, cat, hamster, horse, goat, chicken, etc., and pray for God's blessing on them!

**Community Organization Night - Dinner and Program - October 20.** The meal will be Johns Baily's Fish Fry. Meal begins at 6 with program at 6:45. Reservations are required for the meal. We will hear from a number of community organizations, their work and how we can be a part including: Powhatan County Ride Assist Services, Caritas, The Coalition of Powhatan Churches and The Free Clinic of Powhatan.

### **COVID Practices at May Memorial**

Because of the increased COVID cases in our community, the Leadership Council (Pastor, Ministerial Staff, Deacon Chair, Treasurer, President of Board of Directors, Clerk, and two at-large members) offer the following guidance for our church.

1. While masks are optional at May Memorial for individuals who are fully vaccinated, our children are safer when we wear masks. Please consider wearing a mask.
2. If you work with children, please wear a mask.
3. If you are not vaccinated, please wear a mask.
4. Children (ages 5-11), because they are not eligible for a vaccine, will be asked to wear masks when participating in children's activities (Extended Session, Kingdom Kids, Children's Sermon).
5. According to the CDC, responsible steps toward ending and controlling the pandemic is to wear a mask in public places indoors and get vaccinated.

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

#### **Sunday, September 26**

9:45 a.m. Koinonia Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Worship, Extended Session  
5:00 p.m. Salt Shakers  
Home of Nancy & Bob Wood  
5:30 p.m. Youth Soul Food

#### **Tuesday, September 28**

10:00 a.m. Ladies Bible Study

#### **Wednesday, September 29**

3:30 p.m. Kingdom Kids  
5:00 p.m. Choir Practice  
6:00 p.m. (Sandwiches) Desserts, & Discussion

#### **Saturday, October 2**

9:30 a.m. Food Pantry Ministry

### **Upcoming Children and Youth Events**

Youth Harvest Movie Night – Oct 30

Fall Festival at Scottville – Oct 31

### **Upcoming Church Events**

Business meeting and Pasta Night – Oct 13

Johns Bailey's Fish Fry and Program – Oct 20

Coalition of Powhatan Church's Fall Festival  
October 23, 9-6

*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*