

**Welcome to May Memorial Baptist Church!**  
May Memorial is a wonderful church family that provides opportunities for people of all ages to nurture their faith and pursue their faith story through worship, Sunday School, youth (6th through 12th grade) and children's (infants through 5th grade) programs, adult choir, mission groups, and Bible study.

The Sunday worship schedule and weekly events are printed in the bulletin. If this is your first visit or you are a returning guest, we welcome you!

Restrooms are located through the doors beside the organ. Once in the hall, go down the steps to the right and the bathrooms will be directly in front of you. A water fountain is available in the hallway behind the sanctuary. Ushers are nearby to provide any assistance or information you may need. The pastor would like to meet you following the service. He will be at the door in the Narthex.

At May Memorial, we welcome children of all ages to worship with their families. We do provide a nursery for infants through the age of two. The nursery is located behind the sanctuary and to your left at the very end of the hall. We also have volunteers available in the classroom directly behind the sanctuary for children who are three and older but not yet in kindergarten. During the Doxology, all children are invited to exit the sanctuary with the Children's Minister. At that time, Extended Session (3 years - Kindergarten) and Children's Church (1st - 4th grade) begins. On the first Sunday of each month, there is no Children's Church.

Thank you for choosing to worship with us today. We pray God's blessing on you and your family.

**Welcome to our Guests!**

So that we can get to know you as you get to know us, please complete the following and place it in the offering plate later in worship.

**Connection Card**

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone(s): \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Age Group(s): \_\_13-18 \_\_19-25 \_\_26-35 \_\_36-45 \_\_46-55 \_\_56-65 \_\_65+

**This Week at May Memorial**

**Sunday, January 5**

9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Worship  
2:00 p.m. Deacons Meet  
5:30 p.m. Youth

**Tuesday, January 7**

10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study  
10:00 a.m. COPC office open to 2pm

**Wednesday, January 8**

10:00 a.m. COPC office open to 2pm  
10:00 a.m. Powhatan Women's Club  
4:00 p.m. Kingdom Kids  
5:45 p.m. Mid-Week Meal  
6:30 p.m. Business Meeting  
7:30 p.m. Adult Choir

**Thursday, January 9**

10:00 a.m. Christmas Mother meeting

**Friday, January 10**

10:00 a.m. COPC office open to 2 pm

**Church Business Meeting** – Wednesday at 6:30 in the Gathering Room. Please send reports to Cindy Wilkinson or Diana Schmitz. At this meeting the church will vote on the In Safe Hands policy. A paper copy is available from the church secretary. A copy may also be emailed by request from the church secretary at maymem@verizon.net.

**WMU Rachael Circle Meeting** – All ladies are welcome to join us at 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 14 at the church.

**Winter Bible Study** - Beginning Wednesday, January 15 our Wednesday night adult Bible Study will be "Being a Good Neighbor: The Faith of Mr. Rogers." This will be a lighthearted and fun study of the Christian themes found in the teachings and practices of TV's Fred Rogers. Join us on Wednesday nights, beginning January 15, for this wonderful study.

**MMBC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS**

Applications for the MMBC scholarships for the 2020-21 school year are available in the church office. Completed applications with required attachments should be returned to the church office no later than March 31, 2020 for consideration by the scholarship team. Previous scholarship recipients do not need to include attachments but should update the application form. If you have questions, please contact Jackie Lindsey, team leader, at prlindsey1@verizon.net or 804-598-3038. The Koinonia Class will be sponsoring the Wednesday night meal on January 22nd to benefit the Scholarship Fund. Donations to this fund are welcomed at any time as it is entirely supported through donations.

**Richmond Symphony at Powhatan High School – January 26**

The Powhatan Education Foundation is once again sponsoring the Richmond Symphony Matinee Performance at Powhatan High School on Sunday, January 26th at 3 p.m. The Symphony will perform a blend of classic as well as contemporary pieces. All proceeds from this event will support PEF's mission of supporting innovation and creativity in Powhatan County Public Schools. See Lynne Bradbury for tickets. Tickets are \$25 each and she will be happy to deliver them to you. Please email her at lynnebradbury@verizon.net or call her at 804-683-6008. You may also stop by New Horizon Bank at 1870 Stoneridge Commerce Drive and purchase them.

Ashley Edwards, Youth/Children's Minister  
Joan Maples, Minister of Music  
Mary Ellen Balarzs, Organist  
Michael Edwards, Pastor (804) 922-0101  
Church Office (804) 598-3098  
Website: maymemorialchurch.org

# May Memorial Baptist Church



January 5, 2020

ARISE, SHINE, YOUR LIGHT HAS COME

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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

## Welcome and Announcements Michael Edwards

Call to Worship Jane Duncan

We awake to the Light  
In our world, emerging anew each day.  
**We seek to share this wisdom,  
nurtured in the Light over Bethlehem's cradle.**

\* Invocation Michael Edwards

Children's Sermon Ashley Edwards

*Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world-  
red, brown, yellow, black and white, they are precious in his sight!  
Jesus loves the little children of the world.*

Worship in Stewardship  
 Offertory Prayer  
 Offertory Solo  
*I Wonder as I Wander*  
 \* **Doxology** No. 253

Debbie Elam  
 Joan Maples, mezzo-soprano  
 Traditional Appalachian Melody  
 OLD 100<sup>TH</sup> (ALTERED)

Anthem Adult Choir  
*Saw You Never, In the Twilight* Joseph M. Martin/GREENSLEEVES  
 Les Miller, solo

Sermon Michael Edwards  
*Big Tent Christianity*

\* Communion Carol  
*Light Dawns on a Weary World*  
TEMPLE OF PEACE  
William Rowan

as all the world in won - der ech - oes sha - lom.

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TASTE AND SEE  
James E. Moore, Jr.

taste and see, taste and see the good-ness of the Lord, of the Lord.

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## \* Benediction Michael Edwards

*Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;  
the fellowship of kindred minds, is like to that above.*

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\* Please stand as you are able.

Join us for Supper @ 5:45 this Wednesday, January 8

Sponsored by the Baptist Men

Main Meal—\$6.00    Kid's Meal—\$4.00

Name: # Adults #Children

Family Meals will not exceed \$20.00

## First Time Visitors Eat Free.