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.

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

Wednesday, January 8

10:00 a.m. COPC office open to 2pm 10:00 a.m. Powhatan Women's Club

open to 2pm

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

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+

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!

The Community Gathers for Worship

Welcome and Announcements

Michael Edwards

Prelude

O Love Divine

arr. Robert A. Hobby

* Call to Worship

Jane Duncan

The Star still beckons.
We follow the Light
that was before, is now, and ever will be.

We seek the Light's ancient wisdom.

The Star still beckons. We seek the Light that is God's continuing gift.

We live into the Light's new wisdom.

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.

* Carol of Praise No. 94

Angels from the Realms of Glory

REGENT SQUARE Henry T. Smart

* Invocation

Michael Edwards

The Community Proclaims and Hears God's Word

Children's Sermon

Ashley Edwards

Children are invited to move to the front of the sanctuary as all sing *Jesus Loves the Little Children*. After the *Doxology*, children ages 3 through Kindergarten who remained in worship with their families may exit for Extended Session.

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

* Stewardship Hymn No. 113

We Three Kings of Orient Are

KINGS OF ORIENT John Henry Hopkins, Jr.

Worship in Stewardship Offertory Prayer Offertory Solo

Offertory Solo Joan M I Wonder as I Wander Tradition

* Doxology No. 253

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

Old Testament Reading *Isaiah 60:1-6*

Sarah Seaman

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

Les Miller, solo

Gospel Reading *Matthew 2:1-12*

Paula Duncan

Sermon *Big Tent Christianity*

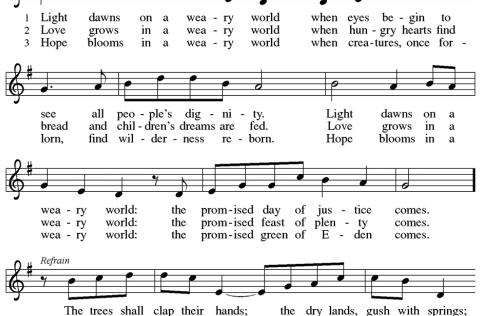
Michael Edwards

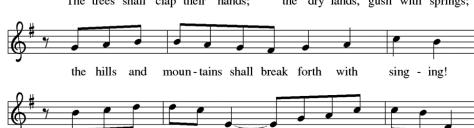
The Community Responds to God's Word

* Communion Carol

Light Dawns on a Weary World

TEMPLE OF PEACE William Rowan







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Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table
Words of Institution
Prayer (ending with the Lord's Prayer)
Sharing of Bread and Cup
Music During Communion

Taste and See

TASTE AND SEE James E. Moore, Jr.





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The Community Departs for Ministry

* Benediction Michael Edwards

* Congregational Response No. 387

Blest Be the Tie

DENNIS J. G. Naegeli

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

* Postlude

Three Kings' March

arr. Michael R. Barker

* Please stand as you are able.

Wednesday Night Dinner

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

Breakfast for Dinner

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.