

# May Memorial Baptist Church



*October 4, 2020  
11:00 a.m.*

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

## *The Community Gathers for Worship*

Prelude

Sandra Parker

Greeting/Announcements

Michael Edwards

Prayers of Confession

Call to Confession

Silent Confession

Corporate Confession (in unison)

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.**

Assurance of Pardon

Solo

Sandra Parker

*Cross Medley*

Prayer of the People

Sharing of Prayer Concerns and Words of Celebration

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

Michael Edwards

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

Scripture Reading

Dawna Minton

*Philippians 3:4b-14*

If someone else thinks they have reasons to put confidence in the flesh, I have more: <sup>5</sup>circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; in regard to the law, a Pharisee; <sup>6</sup>as for zeal, persecuting the church; as for righteousness based on the law, faultless.

<sup>7</sup> But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. <sup>8</sup> What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ <sup>9</sup> and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in <sup>[a]</sup> Christ—the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith. <sup>10</sup> I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his

sufferings, becoming like him in his death,<sup>11</sup> and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead.

<sup>12</sup> Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. <sup>13</sup> Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, <sup>14</sup> I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

Children's Sermon

Ashley Edwards

Sermon

Michael Edwards

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

Solo

Scott Richards

***Lamb of God***

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution

Prayers and the Lord's Prayer

Solo

Sophie Edwards

***In Remembrance of Me***

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

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

\* Congregational Benediction

Michael Edwards

Live simply

Care deeply

**Love generously**

**Speak kindly**

Pray daily

**And...leave the rest to God.**

\* Sung Response

Scott Richards

***Blest Be the Tie that Binds***

\* Postlude

Sandra Parker

## **Announcements:**

**Extended Session will start back on October 11th!** We will take every precaution and meet outside...weather permitting. On day's we can't, we will meet in the Fellowship Hall. Parents can drop K-5th graders off with me in the parking lot near the Youth House. Let them dress more casually if you'd like! We will play, craft, and study about Jesus! It will last the full worship hour. Please have kids bring masks.

**Blessing of the Animals -Sunday, Oct. 11** - Join us at 2 p.m. on the front steps of the sanctuary with your pet! Bring a lawn chair if you like.

**Rachael Circle on Zoom – October 13** The Women's Missionary Union Rachael Circle will meet on Tuesday, October 13, at 12:00 noon on Zoom. All Ladies are welcome to join us. To connect by phone call: (312) 626 6799 Enter Meeting ID: 864 7089 6628. For online Zoom instruction, please see Monday's newsletter.

**Lighthouse Parade - October 25** - Join us as each family will make a cardboard box jack-o-lantern and we will "light" them. Kids will wear costumes and parade through Powhatan. More information to follow.

**All Saint's Sunday - November 1** On Sunday, November 1, during the 11am worship service the church family of May Memorial will rejoice and honor our family members and friends who have passed away over the last year. This will be a time to remember and rejoice for the lives and faith of those who have led by word and example in our community's journey of faith. If you would like, you may email a picture of your loved one and we will add it to our photo display. Send to maymem@verizon.net.

**Weekly Offerings** (for details on how to connect online, see Monday's Newsletter)

- **Kingdom Kids on Zoom** – The children are meeting by Zoom at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesdays.
- **Wednesday Night Group Study on Zoom 6:30 p.m.**
- **Sunday School on Zoom** – at 9:15 a.m. the Sunday School class is continuing a series of lessons based on the early Christian church centered around the book *Resilient Faith: How the Early Christian "Third Way" Changed the World* by Gerald L. Sittser.
- **Youth Soul Food** – Sunday's at 5:30 p.m.

**Let Your "Dimmable-Thirty-Year" Light So Shine** – Lester Oberg is leading a project to replace the light bulbs in the sanctuary with dimmable, thirty-year bulbs. The cost to replace all of the bulbs in one fixture is \$100. Would you be willing to pay for one fixture to have "dimmable thirty year light?" If you are willing to let "the light so shine," write "thirty year light" on the memo line of your check.

**Sound Crew Schedule:** Oct. 4 David Deal, Oct. 11 Les Miller, Oct. 18 Karl Schmitz

Ashley Edwards, Youth/Children's Minister

Sandra Parker, Interim Music Minister

Michael Edwards, Pastor (804) 922-0101