

# May Memorial Baptist Church



*November 8, 2020*

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

*America is more than a place to hang your hat. It represents a value system most of us believe in very strongly. That value system has to do with the worth of human beings, wherever they are. We believe that lives are worth saving.*

**John Danforth, Ordained Pastor and former U. S. Senator**

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*10:45 a.m.*

***A Mini-Concert in Honor of Veteran's Day***

Solo Mark Worsham  
*Where the Stars and Stripes and the Eagle Flies*

Solo Sandra Parker  
*A Patriotic Medley*

Solo Mark Worsham  
*Arlington*

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*11:00 a.m.*

***The Community Gathers for Worship***

Greeting/Announcements Michael Edwards

Prayer for Veteran's Day Michael Edwards and Jon Flower  
*Holy God...We Ask Your Blessing*

Solo Mark Worsham  
*Bleed Red*

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

Jason Young

***Matthew 25:1-13***

‘Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids\* took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom.\* <sup>2</sup>Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. <sup>3</sup>When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; <sup>4</sup>but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. <sup>5</sup>As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. <sup>6</sup>But at midnight there was a shout, “Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.” <sup>7</sup>Then all those bridesmaids\* got up and trimmed their lamps. <sup>8</sup>The foolish said to the wise, “Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.” <sup>9</sup>But the wise replied, “No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.” <sup>10</sup>And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. <sup>11</sup>Later the other bridesmaids\* came also, saying, “Lord, lord, open to us.” <sup>12</sup>But he replied, “Truly I tell you, I do not know you.” <sup>13</sup>Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.\*

Children's Sermon

Ashley Edwards

Sermon

Michael Edwards

***Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning***

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

Solo

Sandra Parker

***Seek Ye First***

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

\* Benediction

Michael Edwards

\* Postlude

Sandra Parker

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## **Announcements:**

### **Baptist General Association of Virginia Annual Meeting – On-Line – November 9-10**

To register go to: [meeting.bgav.org](http://meeting.bgav.org). There is a link in Monday's *Newsletter*.

**Handbell Choir** - Rehearsals will be on Mondays from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. through December 22nd. Practice will take place in the Fellowship Hall. This is a great opportunity for ministry and fellowship. We will have all safety precautions in place.

**Rachael Circle Zoom Meeting** – Tuesday, November 10, at 12:00 p.m. We welcome all ladies! To connect, see information in Monday's *Newsletter*. We are busy with projects including the Christmas Mother.

**Sunday School on Zoom** - During the four Sundays of Advent this year, November 29 through December 20, travel with the Zoom Sunday School to some 'houses' decorated quite differently for the birth of Jesus—the four "Gospel homes" of Mark, Matthew, Luke, and John! Bob Kruschwitz and Juston Sanudo will be team teaching the study. Our study of Mark continues through November 22, then we will begin this new study. Our guide will be Cynthia M. Campbell, *Christmas in the Four Gospel Homes* (Westminster John Knox Press, 2019). Copies of this book are available in the church office and from online booksellers. "The purpose of our journey is to experience what Christmas means from [each Gospel's] perspective and how Christmas is celebrated there," Campbell writes. Each week's study features a house drawing by architect Kevin Burns, who offers his own interpretation of how each Gospel welcomes us to "reflect on the mystery of Jesus, Son of God, born of Mary." Please join in the Zoom Sunday School class each Sunday morning at 9:15 a.m., or view it afterwards online through the May Memorial YouTube channel. They are also on our website at [maymemorialchurch.org](http://maymemorialchurch.org).

**Small Mission Projects through November** - This week, Nov. 9 through Nov. 22 the WMU Rachael Circle is sponsoring a baby shower collection. Complete details are in Monday's *Newsletter*. Also, there is a flyer in the Commons Area and a collection bin.

**Christmas Mission Project - Standing Rock Indian Reservation**—This year before Christmas we will be joining with Baptists across Virginia collecting gifts cards for children in the Cannon Ball on the Standing Rock Indian Reservation in North Dakota. WMU of Virginia staff (who are at Standing Rock) will shop for each child using the gift cards so the children there will receive what they need this Christmas. **Please bring gift cards on our collection date of December 13 during Worship** from Dollar Tree, Amazon, Walmart or Target. While any amount is appreciated, a \$25 gift card will sponsor one individual child at Standing Rock.

**Sound Crew Schedule:** Nov. 8 Les Miller, Nov. 15 Karl Schmitz, Nov. 22 Sophie Edwards