

**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. There is a nursery available for children who are 4 and under. All of our friendly nursery volunteers are fully background-checked. The nursery is located behind the sanctuary through the doors behind the organ. Children who are in Kindergarten and up are encouraged to stay with their families to participate in community worship. Children's activity bags with coloring and puzzles are available in the narthex and outside of the office across from the nursery.

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.

**Guest Information**

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

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

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

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

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

**Our Staff:**

**Michael Edwards**

*Pastor*

**Carlisle Davidhizar**

*Associate Pastor*

**Stuart Joerg**

*Organist/Interim Director of Music*

**Sandra Parker**

*Pianist and Choral Accompanist*

**Diana Schmitz**

*Church Secretary*

**Trish Hutchinson**

*Financial Secretary*

**Arlie Thomas**

*Facilities Coordinator*

**Clara James**

*Custodian*

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**Announcements:**

**The Community Thanksgiving Service** will be on tonight at May Memorial at 5:00 p.m. Father David Arnold will be preaching and there will be musicians from Unity Community Church, Mount Zion Baptist Church and St. Cyprians Orthodox Church. Everyone is welcome to join us! Following the service, You are cordially invited downstairs for a time of food and fellowship.

**Offering Envelopes for 2023** will be available beginning November 21 on the table in the Common's Area. Many of our members now give online and by check without an envelope, so envelopes will be prepared only for those who have used an envelope this year. Also, the offering envelopes this year will not come in a box, but will be in book form. We have additional sets of envelopes if you would like a set, and to get those contact Trish in the Finance Office.

**Communion for the Home Bound**—Would you like to receive home communion? Our deacons would be happy to bring communion to your home. Please contact the church office at (804) 598-3098.

**Wrapping Supplies Roundup**—This year, the Youth Sunday School class will be offering a gift-wrapping service on several Sundays leading up to Christmas. If you have any old wrapping paper rolls, scraps, and supplies (tape, bows, ribbons, name tags, etc.) laying around from prior years, please consider donating them to this effort. Supplies may be left in the Youth Sunday School room or given to any stray Sparrow family member. We will be collecting supplies November 6 to 27. On November 27, December 4, 11, and 18th, we will be wrapping packages to assist you with your holiday tasks - you can just call us the May Memorial Elves!

**COPC Christmas Tour** - Tickets will be sold at May Memorial in the Commons Area on Saturday, December 3 from 9-5. Participating churches will be Mt. Zion, Providence Presbyterian, Hollywood Baptist and Mt. Moriah.

**Youth Christmas Party**—December 4 from 5:30-7:30 at the home of Andrew, Annie and Jeff Sparrow.

**The Choir Cantata** will be on December 11 during worship. The choir will have a dress rehearsal on Saturday, December 10, at 9:30 in the Sanctuary.

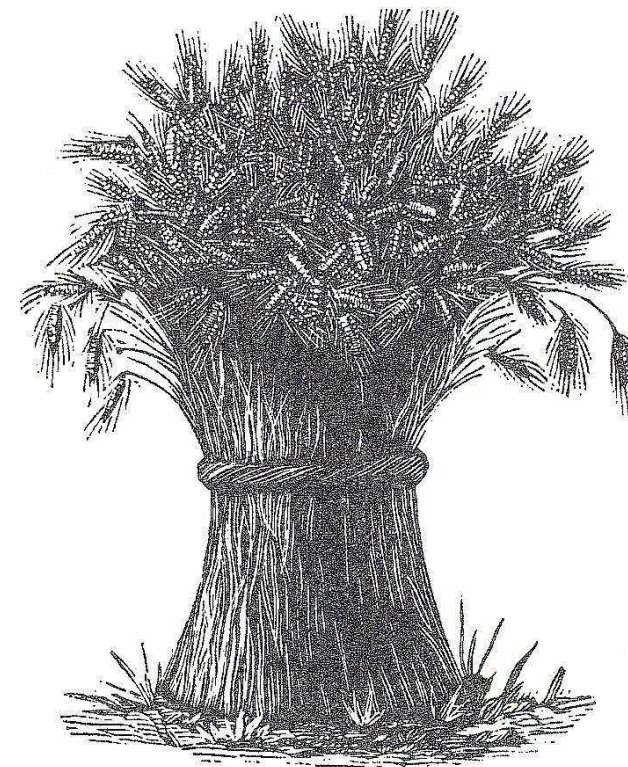
**Inter-Generational Christmas Pageant**—Sunday, December 11 at 4:00 p.m. This wonderful Christmas Tradition will take place during morning worship at 11:00 a.m.

**Church-Wide Christmas Party** - December 18 - At the home of Pastor Michael and Beverley Edwards. Food and fellowship. From 5 to 7 pm.

**All Choirs Christmas Party** - Wednesday, December 21, at 6:00 p.m., at the home of Stuart and Frank Joerg.

**Candlelight Communion Service Christmas Eve** at 5:00 p.m. A service of traditional carols, the scripture of the Christmas Story, Communion and Candles. A yearly favorite not to be missed.

# May Memorial Baptist Church



O GIVE THANKS  
TO THE LORD

Sunday, November 20, 2022

11:00 a.m.

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

## ***The Community Gathers for Worship***

*“When life is hard it’s easy to focus only on the bad things and forget all about the good things God has given us. But God has blessed every one of us in ways we often overlook. No matter what you might be going through right now, God has blessed you far more than you probably imagine—not just with material goods, but with family, with freedom and with the ability to enjoy His gifts.”*

- Billy Graham

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Prelude	Sandra Parker and Stuart Joerg
Welcome	Michael Edwards
* Call to Worship	Graham Bilthuis
Come into God’s presence with thanksgiving in your hearts.	
<b>We will enter his gates with praise.</b>	
He has made us glad.	
<b>His love endures forever.</b>	
We join with all of creation,	
<b>To sing a new song. Rejoice, oh my soul, again I say, “Rejoice!”</b>	
<b>Let us worship God together.</b>	
* Hymn of Praise No. 637	ST. GEORGE’S WINDSOR
<b><i>Come, Ye Thankful People, Come</i></b>	
* Invocation	Carlisle Davidhizar

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

Children’s Sermon	Carlisle Davidhizar
(As <i>Jesus Loves Me</i> is sung, the children will come down to the front for the children's sermon. After the children's sermon, they are invited to sit with their families and participate in worship with their children's bulletins.)	

Prayers of the People	
Sharing of Prayer Requests	
Silent Prayer	
Pastoral Prayer	Michael Edwards
The Lord’s Prayer	

***Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.***

* Offertory Hymn No. 636	KREMSER
<b><i>We Gather Together</i></b>	
Worship in Stewardship	
Offertory Prayer	Mike Koelzer
Giving of Tithes and Offering	
Music During Offertory	Scott Richards
<b><i>What a Friend We Have in Jesus</i></b>	
* <b><i>Doxology</i></b> No. 253	OLD 100 <sup>TH</sup> (ALTERED)

Old Testament Lesson	Kerri Bilthuis
<b><i>Deuteronomy 26:1-11</i></b>	
Anthem	Choir
<b><i>Give Thanks</i></b>	
New Testament Lesson	Kerri Bilthuis
<b><i>Colossians 3:12-17</i></b>	
Sermon	Michael Edwards
<b><i>Grateful</i></b>	

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

* Hymn No. 44	DIX
<b><i>For the Beauty of the Earth</i></b>	

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

* Announcements	Michael Edwards
* Benediction	Michael Edwards
* Postlude	Stuart Joerg
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* Please stand as you are able.	

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given in memory of Bob Cox  
by his family.

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## **This Week at May Memorial**

**Sunday, November 20**  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Worship  
5:00 p.m. Community  
Thanksgiving Worship  
5:30 p.m. Youth Soul Food

**Monday, November 21**  
2:00 p.m. Celebration of Life  
for Bob Cox  
5:00 p.m. Adult Choir Practice  
5:30 p.m. COPC Meeting

**Tuesday, November 22**  
9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting  
10:00 a.m. Just Kids Open

**Wednesday, November 23**  
9:30 a.m. Food Pantry Team  
*No other church activities*

**Thursday, November 24**  
*Church office closed*

**Saturday, November 26**  
9:00 a.m. Deacons put up  
Chrismon Tree



***There is no dinner this week.  
Happy Thanksgiving Everyone!***