

# May Memorial Baptist Church



*Christmas Day*

*December 25, 2022*

*10:00 a.m.*

# The Community Gathers for Worship

Prelude

Stuart Joerg

*Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*

Welcome

Michael Edwards

\* Call to Worship

Volunteer

Christ is born!

**Christ is born!**

Because of this birth, life is full of promise for you and for me.

**Life is full of promise for our community.**

We celebrate today the presence of God's promise in our midst.

**The promise of a small child coming into a crowded, hurting world,  
and growing to be our Savior.**

It's the promise of you and me, struggling and stumbling together,  
growing and celebrating, reading out to make a new presence in our world.

**Let us worship God together!**

\* Carol No. 87

ANTIOCH

*Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come*

*(The Advent and Christ Candles will be lighted during the hymn by a volunteer)*

\* Invocation

Carlisle Davidhizar

## The Community Proclaims and Hears the Word of God

Children's Sermon and Three Cents a Meal Offering

Carlisle Davidhizar

*(As Jesus Loves Me 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.*

* Carol No. 96 <i>Good Christian Men, Rejoice</i>	IN DULCI JUBILO
Worship in Stewardship Offertory Prayer Giving of Tithes and Offering * <i>Doxology</i> No. 253	Juston Sanudo OLD 100 <sup>TH</sup> (ALTERED)
Gospel Reading <i>John 1:1-2</i>	Volunteer
Anthem <i>Run, Shepherds Run</i>	Adult Choir
Gospel Reading <i>John 1:3-5</i>	Volunteer
* Carol No. 93 <i>It Came Upon the Midnight Clear</i>	CAROL
Gospel Reading <i>John 1:6-8</i>	Volunteer
* Carol No. 95 <i>Go, Tell It on the Mountain</i>	GO TELL IT
Gospel Reading <i>John 1:9-11</i>	Volunteer
Anthem <i>Glory in the Highest</i>	Adult Choir
Gospel Reading <i>John 1:12-14</i>	Volunteer

## The Community Responds to the Word of God

* Carol No. 98 <i>I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day</i>	WALTHAM
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## The Community Goes Forth to Serve God

* Benediction	Michael Edwards
* Postlude	Stuart Joerg

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\* Please stand as you are able.

## Announcements

**New Year's Day Worship** at 10:00 a.m., no Sunday School.

**Church Office Holiday Closures**—The church office will be closed on the following days in December and January:

**Office Schedule for December 26-29:**

Monday, December 26—Office Open  
Tuesday, December 27—Office Closed  
Wednesday, December 28—Office Closed  
Thursday, December 29—Office Open

**Holiday Office Closures for January:**

Monday, January 2—Office Closed  
Monday, January 16—Office Closed

### **New Bible Study: Embracing Joy in Philippians**

Of all of Paul's letters, his epistle to the church in Philippi may be the most engaging, most emotional, and most life-transforming. "I can do all things through Christ," "do not be anxious about anything," "I have learned, in whatever state I find myself, there to be content." These are a few of the many memorable quotes that have encouraged Christians from the book of Philippians, all of them pointing toward JOY. We will begin a six week study of the book on Wednesday, January 25. You will be invited to read and reflect each week and then we will come together and consider how this JOY that Paul speaks of can be a reality in our lives and in our church.

**Holiday Tea—January 8**—Join us for a Holiday Tea directly after the church service. Please RSVP to the church office. Cost is \$15.

**Teams Night—January 18 at 5:45.** Anyone who has signed up for a team is invited to the Wednesday Night meal on 1/18. This is a going to be a meal where team members meet each other, plan, and fellowship.

**Quarterly Business Meeting**—January 18th at 6:30 p.m.

**Young Adults Dining Around**—All young adults are invited to go to dinner on Saturday, January 21 (and each third Saturday) at 6:30. In January we will eat at El Cerro Azul in Powhatan, and each month we will choose a different local restaurant. Childcare will be provided at the church from 6:15 until 15 minutes after the meal is over. You make the call, if you consider yourself a "young adult," you are welcome to join us!

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