

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.

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+

This Week at May Memorial

Sunday, February 9

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship
5:30 p.m. Youth Soul Food

Tuesday, February 11

10:00 a.m. COPC office
open to 2pm
12:00 p.m. Rachael Circle
7:00 p.m. Backpacks at
Aerations Plus

Wednesday, February 12

10:00 a.m. COPC office
open to 2pm
4:00 p.m. Kingdom Kids
5:45 p.m. Mid-Week Meal
6:30 p.m. Special Called
Business Meeting
Bible Study
7:30 p.m. Adult Choir

Thursday, February 13

10:00 a.m. Christmas Mother
Meeting

Friday, February 14

10:00 a.m. COPC office
open to 2 pm

Saturday, February 15

9:30 a.m. Food Pantry
1:00 p.m. Children meet
for Missions Day

CHILDREN'S MISSION DAY - UPDATE- The Children will be participating in WMU's Children's Missions Day on Saturday! We are going to play BINGO with the residents of Amelia Nursing Home and pass out the toiletry bags that we will prepare at church. All we need is for your children and you to join us on this fun missions adventure! We do not need any donations, all will be funded by THRIVEANT! Meet at the church on Saturday at 1 pm. As soon as we finish assembling the bags we will caravan over and deliver them. Parents will need to attend with kids. RSVP by 2/10/2020 (tomorrow) to Ashley Edwards, Youth/Children's Minister.

Men's Breakfast - You are invited to join for breakfast on Thursday, February 20 at 8:30 at County Seat. This will be a good time of fellowship with other men in the church. RSVP to the church office so we can make a reservation for our group. Sign up on the attached dinner card.

Women's Missionary Union - The next meeting for the WMU Rachael Circle will be this Tuesday, February 11th at 12 noon. All Ladies are welcome to join us!

Ash Wednesday Service on February 26 at 7:00 p.m.

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. Donations to this fund are welcomed at any time as it is entirely supported through donations.

St. Patrick's Day Dinner and Concert - March 15th. The special St. Patrick's meal will begin at 5:00 p.m. and concert at 6:15 p.m. Corned Beef and Cabbage as well as Shepherds Pie and Soda Bread. Cost \$8.00/person, \$25.00/family. Make your reservation, before March 11, by emailing maymem@verizon.net or calling the church office at (804) 598-3098. Promotional materials are available in the Commons Area to help you invite friends and family.

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

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February 9, 2020

This is the House of God, All Are Welcome!

The Community Gathers for Worship

Welcome Michael Edwards

Prelude Mary Ellen Balarzs, organ & Carol Williams, piano
Come, Thou Fount arr. Ted Smith and Don Hustad

* Call to Worship Ashley Edwards

If you are filled with conviction, welcome home:
here we proclaim that the world is beautiful and God is good.

If you are filled with heartbreak, welcome home:
here we offer comfort to those who weep and rest to those who are weary.

If you are filled with questions, welcome home:
here we nurture belief and make space for doubt.

If you are filled with skepticism, welcome home:
here we trust old words while listening for new understanding.

If you are filled with hope, welcome home:
here when we worship, God is among us, and everything is possible.

* Hymn of Praise No. 56 CWM RHONDDA
Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah John Hughes

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

Prayers of the People
Silent Prayer
Pastoral Prayer Michael Edwards and Juston Sanudo
The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on 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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

* Stewardship Hymn No. 611 WYE VALLEY (abridged)
Let Your Heart Be Broken James Mountain

Worship in Stewardship
Offertory Prayer Ed Utt
Offertory Mary Ellen Balarzs, alto, Joan Maples, soprano, Steve Shaw, baritone

I’m Gonna Shine
* *Doxology* No. 253 Traditional Spiritual
OLD 100TH (ALTERED)

Old Testament Reading Anna Edwards
Isaiah 58:6-10

Anthem Adult Choir
O Lord, Most Holy Jay Althouse

Gospel Reading Anna Edwards
Matthew 5:13-20

Sermon Michael Edwards
This Little Light of Mine

The Community Responds to God’s Word

* Hymn of Response KEEP YOUR LAMPS
Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning African-American Spiritual

*Keep your lamps trimmed and burning;
keep your lamps trimmed and burning;
keep your lamps trimmed and burning,
for the time is drawing nigh.*

The Community Departs for Ministry

* Announcements for the Week Michael Edwards

* Benediction Michael Edwards

* Postlude
Benedictus on ‘Sicilian Mariners’ Gordon Young

* Please stand as you are able.

Sanctuary Flowers
The flowers are placed by Debbie and Lee Howard in memory of Debbie’s aunt Paula Harper who passed away too soon.

Announcements

Special Called Business Meeting - This Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in the Gathering Room to entertain a motion from the Personnel Committee to increase the Minister of Music's salary. Bible study will begin following the brief business meeting.

Valentine’s Dinner - Bring Your Sweet Heart to the Wednesday Night Meal - The SWEET HEART POTATO BAR! Potatoes with all the fixin's, fellowship and fun! Sign up below.

Family Game Night! - Saturday 2/29 from 6-7:30 for ALL AGES! A fun time for families to gather and play games with young and old. A \$5 donation is suggested to cover pizza and snacks.

Wednesday Night Dinner

Join us for Supper @ 5:45 this Wednesday, February 12

Sweet Heart Potato Bar

Sponsored by the Rachael Circle
Proceeds support WMU Missions
Main Meal—\$6.00 Kid’s Meal—\$4.00

Name: _____ # Adults _____ #Children _____

Family Meals will not exceed \$20.00. First Time Visitors Eat Free.

Men’s Breakfast - February 20

Name: _____