# 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.

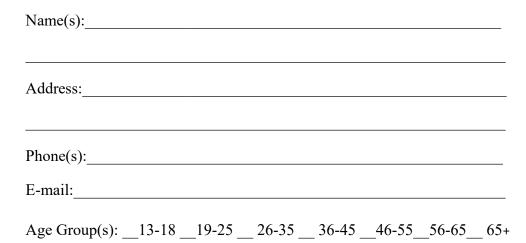
At May Memorial, we welcome children of all ages to worship with their families. We do provide a nursery for infants through the age of two. The nursery is located behind the sanctuary and to your left at the very end of the hall. We also have volunteers available in the classroom directly behind the 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**



This Week at May Memorial

### Sunday, March 1

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

### Tuesday, March 3

10:00 a.m. Women's
Bible Study

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

# Wednesday, March 4

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

10:00 a.m. Powhatan
Women's Club

4:00 p.m. Kingdom Kids

5:45 p.m. Mid-Week Meal 6:30 p.m. Bible Study

7:30 p.m. Adult Choir

# Friday, March 6

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

### Saturday, March 7

9:30 a.m. Food Pantry Ministry

# St. Patrick's Day Dinner and Concert - March 15 - Only 2 weeks away!!! Please sign up on the attached reservation form. 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. Promotional materials are available in the Commons Area to help you invite friends and family.

### CALLING ALL LEPRECHAUNS AND HAPPY VOLUNTEERS...

Our Annual St. Patrick's Day Open House and Dinner is quickly approaching. We need some help making this event the best mission to bring our community neighbors to our beautiful church. Please email the church office at maymem@verizon.net or call (804) 598-3098. Together we can make a difference and show God's Love to each other and our neighbors. Here are the teams:

\*\*DECORATING TEAM - Meet in the Fellowship Hall on Thursday, March 12 at 10:00 am. We have all of the supplies, we just need willing hands and happy smiles.

\*\*FOOD PREPARATION TEAM - Shepherd's Pie - We need to ask that anyone who is making Shepherd's Pie bring it to the kitchen by 4:00 pm. We are asking some of the volunteers who made a Shepherd's Pie last year to help us out again this year and other members who would like to make a dish for us to serve.

Corn Bread - we need at least 90 servings of corn bread Soda Bread - we need a volunteer to provide this bread Dessert Assortment - "pick up" type desserts.

\*\*CLEAN UP TEAM - We need volunteers to help with putting our Fellowship Hall back into service after this event. We plan to meet back at Church on Monday, March 16, 2020 at 10:00 am to finish cleaning up if needed.

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.

Ashley Edwards, Youth/Children's Minister Joan Maples, Minister of Music Mary Ellen Balarzs, Organist Michael Edwards, Pastor (804) 922-0101 maymemorialchurch.org Office phone: (804) 598-3098 Office email: maymem@verizon.net

# May Memorial Baptist Church



March 1, 2020

THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

This is the House of God, All Are Welcome!

# The Community Gathers for Worship

Welcome Michael Edwards

Prelude Sophie Edwards

Confession of Sin

Michael Edwards

Call to Confession Silent Confession Corporate Prayer of Confession

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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 hearts; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

Choral Response

**SINGAPURA** 

Lord, Have Mercy Swee Hong Lim, Singapore (20th century) Assurance of Forgiveness

\* Hymn of Praise No. 263 Break Thou the Bread of Life

BREAD OF LIFE William F. Sherwin

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

\* Stewardship Hymn No. 233 Behold the Lamb

BEHOLD THE LAMB Dottie Rambo

Worship in Stewardship Offertory Prayer Offertory

Jeff O'Donnell

O Living Bread from Heaven \* Doxology No. 253

**Donald Busarow** OLD 100<sup>TH</sup> (ALTERED) Gospel Reading Matthew 4:1-11

Lord, Be Glorified

Anthem

Adult Choir Arr. Benjamin Harlan

Bill Graham

Michael Edwards Sermon Rooted in Scripture

# The Community Responds to God's Word

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table Words of Institution Prayer (ending with 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.





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# The Community Departs for Ministry

\* Announcements for the Week

Blest Be the Tie

Michael Edwards

\* Benediction

Michael Edwards

\* Congregational Response No. 387

**DENNIS** J. G. Naegeli

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love; the fellowship of kindred minds, is like to that above.

\* Postlude

Slane

Gordon Young

\* Please stand as you are able.

#### Announcements

Join us on Wednesday Nights: Soul Searching for Lent

Beginning Wednesday, March 4, we will be looking closely at Matthew 26-27 and considering those poignant encounters Jesus experienced during the last days before the crucifixion. These stories will lead us to search our souls during the Lenten Season. Join us on Wednesday nights at 6:30 (following the meal) for a wonderful time of learning and formation.

**Quarterly Business Meeting** - March 11 - 6:30 in the Gathering Room. Please send reports to Cindy Wilkinson or the church office.

WMU Rachael Circle Meeting - Tuesday, March 10 at 12 noon in the Phoenix classroom. All Ladies are welcome to join us.

## Don't Miss! Front Porch Thursdays at May Memorial

Four delightful Thursday mornings this spring with friends, old and new, sharing hobbies, relaxing reflection, and prep for healthy living. Thursday Mornings, April 23 – May 14. More information coming soon.

(Announcements are continued on the back...)

# St. Patrick's Day Dinner - Sunday, March 15th 5:00 p.m.

Corned Beef and Cabbage, Shepherds Pie, Corn Bread, Soda Bread. Specialty desserts. Cost \$8.00/person, \$25.00/family. Make your reservation, before March 11

Name:		# Adults	#Children
Names of visitors in your g	group:		
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# Wednesday Night Dinner

Join us for Supper @ 5:45 this Wednesday, March 4 "Stan Cakes" by the Pancake Guy

Please note family name below. \$20 max per family.

\$6 Adult	\$4 Children	