



May Memorial Baptist Church

Newsletter 6/28/21

Reaching...Teaching...Touching in the Heart of Powhatan

3922 Old Buckingham Road, Powhatan (804) 598-3098

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Independence Day in Montreat, N.C.

The Montreat Scottish Society leads the parade with dozens of bagpipers. And all children are invited to be a part of the parade. People place their chairs along the parade route the night before to get a seat for the event. The parade is followed by a huge barbecue, and later in the evening there is a square-dance in the “barn,” a large 100-year-old structure in the heart of that mountain community. Montreat’s Fourth of July celebration could be a Norman Rockwell painting.

I love the Fourth of July for all these reasons. But the main reason I love it is the statement, “**we hold these truths to be self evident, that all men are created equal.**” It is bold and revolutionary. It is a hope rooted in our hearts for which individuals have given their lives. It has always been and continues to be a work in progress, and it is a shining watchword representing what we will be when we are at our best. We are not there yet, but we are working to make it truer now than it ever has been.

This year we have the opportunity to spend the Fourth of July in worship together, and we will rightfully pause to thank God for all that is good about our nation and to pray that all of the broken places will be whole.

Spending some time in worship on Independence Day will give us time to pause and consider what this day is all about, especially for Christians. To consider freedom that is not simply “from” powers we seek to be independent from, but a freedom in Christ that is freedom to new life that God offers to each of us.

I look forward to seeing you Sunday in worship, invite a friend, and Happy Fourth of July!

From the Pastor...

“We hold these truths to be self evident, that all men are created equal.”

So begins the declaration that was issued on July 4, 1776 to create our independent nation. Each year, we celebrate this wonderful venture into freedom, and I must admit it has become one of my favorite holidays.

I love the Independence Day because it is a *summertime* holiday, and I have grown to love warm, even hot weather, more than the dark cold of winter. I love being outside, and swimming with my family, and barbecues. Quite often my family and I celebrate July 4th in Montreat, NC, and there is nothing better than the July 4th parade in Montreat. The Boy Scouts raise the American Flag. Brass quintets play from the back of vintage pick up trucks. Veterans march.

Connecting to God...Worship



Worship in the Sanctuary on Sunday

Please join us this Sunday,
Independence Day, July 4
at 11:00 a.m.

Connecting to Each Other...Fellowship



Vacation Bible School!

We are looking for volunteers! Please contact Ashley by clicking [HERE](#) if you would like to help!

This year VBS will be on
July 19-22
from 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REGISTRATION HAS
BEGUN! Go to our Website to register:

Maymemorialchurch.org

Please join us for an IN PERSON VBS this summer at May Memorial Baptist Church. (3922 Old Buckingham Rd) All children, K-6th grade, are invited to Knights of North Castle for a Quest for the King's Armor. Children grow strong in the Lord and in the strength of God's power by exploring how we put on the armor of God. Brave Knights (boys and girls) begin their quest each session by opening the King's Book. They explore Old and New Testament stories and discover different pieces of protective armor - the Belt of Truth, the Breastplate of Justice, the Shoes of Peace, the Shield of Faith, and the Helmet of Salvation - at work in the lives of familiar Bible characters, and explore how that armor works in their own lives as they follow and serve God.



Youth Day at the Lake

The youth will gather at the lake at the home of
Bob and Nancy Wood on

July 10.

We will meet at their house at 11:00. Lunch is provided. We
will spend the day kayaking, swimming, paddle boarding...etc.

Pick up is at 4:00



Koinonia Class Sunday School has resumed for the Koinonia
Class in the adult classroom behind the sanctuary. We will study
Daniel "Faith Under Fire". Copies of this study are available in the
classroom. We welcome **ALL** who would like to attend. There are
4 teachers who rotate teaching the lesson, each style of
presentation very unique. For more information, please contact
Juston Sanudo (804-393-0235).



May Memorial Baptist Church July Fellowship Cookout

Wednesday, July 14, 6:00 p.m.

On the church front lawn.

*Grilled Hamburgers and Hotdogs provided, please bring
sides and desserts to share. In case of rain, we will move
inside to the Fellowship Hall.*

Bring a friend!



Choir Summer Schedule: June and July

This Week on Wednesday, 6/30, Rehearsal 5:00 p.m.

7/4 Choir Sings in Worship

7/7 Choir Rehearsal at 5:00 p.m.

7/11 Choir Sings in Worship

7/14 No Rehearsal (church picnic)

7/18 Andrew out No Choir (choir will sit in loft to lead congregational
singing)

7/21 Rehearsal 5:00 p.m.

7/25 Choir Sings in Worship

Connecting to the World...Missions

Pictures from last Sunday's Thrivent mission project. Youth, children and other MMBC members put together kits for the Standing Rock Indian Reservation.



Volunteers Needed!

The Food Pantry Ministry is in need of more volunteers. Please contact the church office at (804) 598-3098 or Bill Karnolt if you can help. The team assists at the Food Pantry on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month, from 9:30 a.m. until 12:00 noon.

Vacation Bible School Volunteers are needed! Please contact the church office at (804) 598-3098 or Ashley Edwards at (804) 586-0652. Let Ashley know where you would like to serve: Teacher, teacher's helper, crafts, snack, Bible story, singing, games, etc.

July Birthdays



1 - Nancy Williams
1 - Diana Brown
1 - Sandy Shelton
2 - Bob Kruschwitz
6 - Megan Crump
11 - Susan Terry

13 - Bob Lathrop
13 - Payton Sanudo
16 - Ashley Edwards
20 - Mary Ellen Balarzs
22 - Constance Deal
22 - Lauren Wilkinson

Financial Information

Our Gifts to the Lord

Week of June 27, 2021

Regular Offering	\$ 5,899.50
Building Fund	1,000.00
Children's Fund	100.00
Scholarships	705.00
Special Offering	205.61
(VBS, Standing Rock, Kingdom Kids)	

Total for Giving Period \$ 7,910.11

May Memorial's Prayer List 6/28/21

CHURCH FAMILY:

Barbara Barden
 Jan Boswell
 Joann Cole
 Bob Cox
 Paula Duncan
 Nick Elam
 Ester Fitch and Family
 Bea & Rick Gallier
 Audrey Johnston
 Amy Karnolt
 Bill Ketron
 Paul Lindsey
 Alice Miller
 Stephen Shaw
 Shirley Stephens
 David & Susan Terry
 Nancy Wilkinson
 Earl & Janice Worsham

MILITARY:

Danny Myers, Brent Templeton, Quint Sutton,
 David Brizendine, Jeremiah Clift, Nelson Sutton,
 Justin Donnavon, Austin, Breeden, Caleb Hammer,

HOMEBOUND CONTACT LIST:

- Audrey Johnston, 3901 S. Fairway Drive, Powhatan, VA 23139
- Audrey Mann, The Laurels of Willow Oaks, 11611 Robious Road, Midlothian, 23113
- Jean Hall, 1748 Old Powhatan Estates
- Nancy Wilkinson, 2116 Eastwood Ridge Dr., Moseley, VA 23120
- Earl and Janice Worsham, 18507 Harrison's Road, Amelia Court House, VA 23002

The church office makes every effort to keep the list current. Please let us know any updates or if a name can be removed.

FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

Estelle Davis, Debbie Elam's mother
 Libby Gregg, daughter-in-law of Carol Gregg
 Ami Gregg, daughter-in-law of Carol Gregg
 Ben Spoon, Juli Spoon's son-in-law
 Matthew Berger, friend of Joy & Juston Sanudo
 Sheri Sadie, Nancy Flower's Daughter
 Justin Yancey, Grandson of Irma Alvis
 Stephanie Hay, Karen and Ray's daughter-in-law
 Janie Dean
 Shawn Neugent, friend of the Sheltons
 Helen Fitzgerald, friend of Diana and B.J. Smith
 Pam Polk Mottley, Ed Mottley's sister
 Mary, Annie Sparrow's Aunt
 Mary Ann David, Debbie Elam's sister-in-law
 Kathy Kuhn, friend of Vicki and Bob Kruschwitz
 Davin Ericson, friend of the Cox's
 Jenny Johnson, friend of Kerri Bilthuis
 Kaye Edwards, Michael Edwards's mother
 Randy Kope, Grandson of Les and Diane Miller
 Michael Bryant, friend of David & Constance Deal
 James Carwile — Esther Fitch
 Clyde Martin — Esther Fitch
 Randolph Martin — Esther Fitch
 Sue Hresan, Nancy Richard's sister
 Edna Daley, Diana Schmitz' mother
 Tom Lester, Lynne Bradbury's brother
 Heather King – Annie Sparrow
 Charlie Bennett, son of Nancy Richards
 Calvin Harris, brother of Carol Williams
 Judy Ketron's mother, Freda
 Pat Lewis – Carol Gregg
 Stephen Kendal – Carol Gregg
 Tommy Hawthorn
 Donna Waller, friend of Snead DeNoon
 Fred Blevins – Janet Allen
 Jerry Hayden – Janet Allen
 Stella Mann – Jackie Lindsey
 Robin Davis – Friend of Shelton's
 Tim Vidra – son of Steve and Carol Vidra
 Kate Griffin