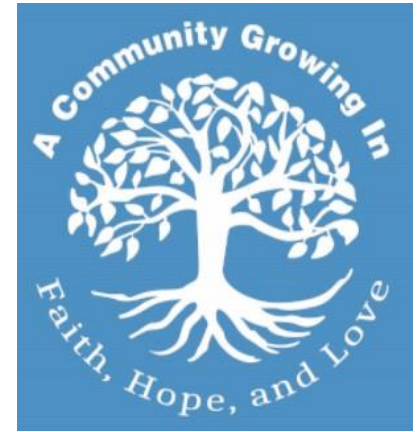


May Memorial Baptist Church

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

3922 Old Buckingham Rd.
In the heart of the Courthouse Village
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Merry Marymas?

The story (legend) is told that on September 8, about 430 A.D., a man in Angers, France, had a vision. The vision was of a celebration in heaven. The angels were singing and rejoicing, their hearts were filled with happiness and joy. Upon seeing such a celebration, the man asked what the celebration was about. The answer came from an angel, and the message was that they were celebrating Mary's birthday, that she was born on the night of September 8.

For Catholics and some Protestants this has become a feast day. Today, September 8, is celebrated as the day that Mary, the Mother of Jesus, was born.

We're not exchanging gifts or having a party at my "Blessed Assurance-singing-Baptist" household today for Marymas, but this morning I have been considering Mary. Normally Baptists give a little more thought to Mary closer to Christmas, on that fourth Sunday of Advent when we tell her story. The Visitation by the Angel, the Annunciation, the visit with Elizabeth, the Magnificat, and the birth of Jesus. We consider this at Christmas, but September is not the time I normally think of Mary.

Today I think of Mary's life, her life before the Angelic Visit, and her life after. I consider that her life is, in a way, divided into two parts, life before the angel, and life after the angel. And those two parts hinge on one simple word. Yes. Mary was willing to say yes to the Angel, yes to God, and because of that "yes" her life, and our lives, are forever changed. Because of her yes.

God still gives us chances to say yes to participate in God's work in the world. Yes to being agents of peace and justice, agents of reconciliation and compassion. We can say yes to being light in dark places. And we can say yes for our life together to be a foretaste of what it will look like when "God's kingdom comes on earth as it is already in heaven."

Say yes to God today. May that be our first response when a messenger comes and tells us that God is at work.



The youth
enjoyed Day
at the Lake
last week as
well as a trip
to Drive
Shack.



Connecting to God...Worship



Please join us for

Worship at 11:00

This Sunday in the Sanctuary!

You don't need a reservation, but would you please let us know you are coming by contacting the church office?

Connecting to Each Other...Fellowship

Bible study will resume with a new study **on Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.**

You can read the passages that we will focus on each week:

To join with any phone: Call (312) 626-6799
Enter this code: 286 978 612

Wednesday, September 9 -- Matthew 9:35-10:8
"Sacrificing Ourselves for Others"
Wednesday, September 16 -- Matthew 10:24-39
"Solidarity with the Suffering"

Wednesday, September 23 -- Matthew 10:40-42
"Choosing a Braver Faith"
Wednesday, September 30 -- Genesis 24:34-67
"A Love that Makes Neighbors"



Lighthouse Parade - October 25

Join us as each family will make a cardboard box jack-o-lantern and we will "light" them. Kids will wear costumes and parade through Powhatan.

More information to follow!



Kingdom Kids meeting on ZOOM!!
Wednesdays at 3:30 p.m.

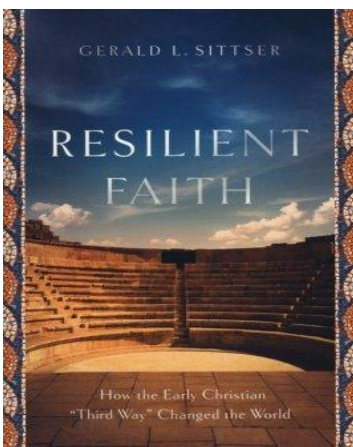
To join with any phone: Call (312) 626-6799
Enter the meeting code: 277 032 1474



Contact Information for our College Students

Below is a list of college addresses, or home addresses if the student is learning virtually from home.

Name	College	College Address	Home Address (for virtual learners)
Hanna Crump	UVA	Hannah Crump 508 16th Street NW Charlottesville, VA 22903	
Rebekah Crump	VA Tech	Cadet Rebekah Crump Room 335 Pearson Hall East 260 Alumni Mall Blacksburg, VA 24061	
Josh Deal	JMU	JMU 1390 Devon Lane Harrisonburg, VA 22801	2660 Setting Sun Drive, Powhatan
Alexander <u>Doughtery</u>	John Tyler		10712 Bethany Ridge Road N. Chesterfield, VA 23236
Jane Duncan			
Anna Edwards	<u>Campbell University</u>	(she lives near campus) P. O. Box <u>3240</u> , <u>Buies Creek</u> , NC 27506	
Peyton Edwards	JTCC	13806 Bach Ct., Midlothian 23114	
Walker Edwards	TCC	1545 <u>Odman Dr.</u> , Chesapeake, VA 23321	
Dylan O'Quinn	William and Mary	CSU 5589 PO Box 8793 Williamsburg VA 23187	
Taylor Stewart	Longwood		5574 Old Buckingham Road Powhatan
Kayla Tibbs	John Tyler		2973 Trenholm Rd, Powhatan
Tristan Wills	VCU		2824 Valley Springs Road Powhatan



Church Wide Zoom Sunday School: Sunday Morning at 9:15 a.m.

Zoom Sunday School class has begun a series of lessons based on the early Christian church. Mr. Bob Kruschwitz will be leading us in a discussion centered around the book *Resilient Faith: How the Early Christian "Third Way" Changed the World* by Gerald L. Sittser.

To join by phone: Call (312) 626-6799

Enter: 871 7487 0259



May Memorial's Team and
Organizational List
for the church year 2020-2021
Is attached to the end of this
Newsletter.



Backpacks of Love leader Jesse Bilthuis has announced they will NOT be packing in September. They will likely begin the 2nd Tuesday in October at Aerations Plus at 7:00 p.m. If you are not on Jesse Bilthuis's email list, please contact the church office. With concerns around Covid, Jesse completely understands if anyone would rather skip the first month or more.

Prayer List September 8, 2020

For any changes, please contact Diana at (804) 598-3098

CHURCH FAMILY:

Barbara Barden
Susie Brock
Joann Cole
Bob Cosby
Bob Cox
Snead DeNoon
Lee Duncan
Paula Duncan
Nick Elam
Ester Fitch and Family
Bea Gallier
Rick Gallier
Bill Ketron
Paul Lindsey
Fran O'Donnell
Jim Pinkley
David&Susan
Terry
Frances Tilman
Karen Utt
Nancy Wilkinson
Janice Worsham

MILITARY:

Danny Myers, Brent Templeton, Quint Sutton, David Brizendine, Jeremiah Clift, Nelson Sutton, Justin Donnavon, Austin, Breeden, Caleb Hammer, Kris Curtis, Adam and Hunter Mitchell

FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

Stephen Breeden, Son of Martha Oberg
Estelle Davis, Debbie Elam's mother
Lacie Baggett
Libby Gregg, daughter-in-law of Carol Gregg
Stuart Yeorge
Ben Spoon, Juli Spoon's son-in-law
Matthew Berger, friend of Joy&Juston Sanudo
Clyde Martin, brother of Esther Fitch
Jeff Crews, Susie Brock's brother-in-law
Sheri Sadie, Nancy Flower's Daughter
Sharon Baltimore, friend of the Bradbury's
Bill Casper, Bill Karnolt's brother-in-law
Justin Yancey, Grandson of Irma Alvis
Stephanie Hay, Karen and Ray's daughter-in-law
Janie Dean
Phyllis Lester, Ed Utt's sister
Shawn Neugent, friend of the Sheltons
Lennox Family
Helen Fitzgerald, friend of Diana and B.J. Smith
Chloe, granddaughter of Amy&Bill Karnolt
Nurses, Erin and Melissa, relatives of the Karnolt's
Logan Cook, grandson of Wilford and Linda Poore.
Tim Martindale, friend of Bob & Vicki Kruschwitz
Pam Polk Mottley, Ed Mottley's sister
Debbie, Vicki Kruschwitz' sister
Randy Kope, grandson of Les and Dianne Miller
Brian Sullivan, nephew of Mike and Bernice Koelzer
Mary, Annie Sparrow's Aunt
Lisa and David Davis, Gladys Rabon's daughter and son-in-law
Matt Bennett
Mary Ann David, Debbie Elam's sister-in-law
Teresa Fields (knee replacement surgery)

HOMEBOUND PRAYER and CONTACT LIST:

Janice Worsham, Westport Rehab. Center., 7300 Forest Ave, Room 111, Richmond 23226
Frances Tilman, 3904 Old Buckingham Rd
Audrey Johnston, 3901 S. Fairway Drive, Powhatan, VA 23139
Audrey Mann, The Laurels of Willow Oaks, 11611 Robious Road, Midlothian, 23113
Jim Pinkley, Currently with Billy and Marlis Kruschwitz
Jean Hall, 1748 Old Powhatan Estates

Thank You

Personnel Committee and Church Family,

I am most appreciative of the recognition given to me Sunday, August 30. I have loved playing the piano for you for many years, but after much thought and soul-searching, it is time for me to “step away” as Constance so beautifully put it. The bouquet of flowers was greatly appreciated. I have enjoyed them and thought of you each time I passed by them.

May God continue to bless May Memorial in the days ahead.

Carol Williams

Tentative Schedule

Birthdays

Sundays:

9:15 a.m. Zoom Sunday School
(Re-Gathered SS begins in October)

11:00 a.m. Worship in the sanctuary
Also, a Live Streaming Worship Service
will continue to be shared on
YouTube Premier at 11:00

5:30 p.m. Soul Food

Wednesdays:

3:30 p.m. Zoom Kingdom Kids

6:30 p.m. Zoom Mid-Week Gathering
(Re-Gathered Bible Study in January)

September

8-Diana Smith
8-Marjorie Cave
8-Zach Bilthuis
10-Kayla Tibbs
10-Ben Cunningham
13- Ewell Flippo
16-Kerri Bilthuis
18 - Ray Hay
23 - David Deal
24-Debbie Elam
27-Fran O'Donnell
27-Juston Sanudo
28-Joann Cole
29 - Bernice Koelzer
30-Diane Miller

Financial Information

Our Gifts to our Lord, Week of September 6, 2020

Regular Offering	\$ 6,787.01
Scholarships	25.00

Total \$ 6,812.01
