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WORSHIP SERVICE TIME

Sundays: 10 am

LAST SUNDAY

Worship Attendance: 81

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Weekly Goal

\$5,442.11

Received

\$5,617.00

If you would like to give on-line (safe and secure) open your camera and focus on the QR code below for the Memorial giving link



DEACON OF THE WEEK

February 28 – March 6

Dean Ilderton

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

February 28

Kristin Patrick

Jason Dulaney

NURSERY

February 28

MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday, February 28, 2021

WORSHIP SERVICE 10 O'CLOCK

Nursery and Children's Church will be offered.

MASK AND SOCIAL DISTANCING PROTOCOLS WILL BE OBSERVED.

We will continue the 90.5 FM Radio with reserved lots and on-line broadcast.

SYMPATHY EXPRESSED

We extend our sincere Christian sympathy to Mrs. Delaine Walters and family in the passing of her brother, Mr. Victor Infinger, on February 19, 2021. May God comfort this family in their sorrow.

REVITALIZATION TEAM

Please continue to pray for our Revitalization Team: Jerry Beard, Maria James, Jamie McAlhany, Dixie Meyer, and Lisa Steward.

PASTOR SEARCH COMMITTEE

Please continue to pray for the Pastor Search Committee: Heath All, Jerry Beard, Shannon Dulaney, Wayne Eadon, Samuel Horne, Dixie Meyer, and Susan Patrick.

CLEAN-UP – TAKE HOME

After three clean up days, now we are ready for the final disposition of the unused or un-needed items. We want to give the congregation an opportunity to look over the items before we donate or dispose of them. Please come by the fellowship hall today and take a look. Thanks to all who worked so very hard to tidy up the church facility.

WORKER/CHILD PROTECTION TRAINING

A Worker/Child Protection Training session will be held on **March 14**, 11:00, in the sanctuary.

ATTENTION YOUTH

Youth Summer Camp will be held at Look Up Lodge June 20-25. The cost is \$339 per student, and a \$125 deposit is due by April 15. We will have two fundraisers to help offset the cost, dates and details on those to come. Please contact Jason or Shannon if you plan to attend.

PASTORAL PONDERINGS

Dr. Bert Welch, Interim Pastor

BACK TO THE FUTURE MEETING

With our re-entry to live worship, we need now to address the phased in future plans for our Sunday School, discipleship groups, Wednesday night, and special events for the immediate and long term future. We will have a **"BACK TO THE FUTURE" meeting on Sunday, March 7 immediately after the worship service in the Sanctuary.** This meeting will include our Church Staff, Church Council, Deacons, Sunday School Director, Discipleship Director, WMU Director, Youth/Children Council, Children's Church and Nursery Coordinators, and Re-Gathering Team. Actually anyone who wants to attend is invited. It is important that we anticipate and prepare for well planned re-planned re-opening. We want to receive input and then develop a flexible working plan for our anticipated re-start of various ministries. If you are unable to attend, please be sure to have your ministry area represented by someone.

OCC SHOEBOX UPDATE

Breaking news! The 2020 Operation Christmas Child shoebox totals are in. Here is the great news:

Worldwide Total: 9,113,853

United States: 7,809,410

Carolinas Region (SC/NC): 778,898

Memorial Church: 218

Thank you Memorial family for sharing Jesus with the world!

REVITALIZATION REPORT: The report will be presented to our Deacons on Monday, March 8, at 7:00 pm, for their prayerful endorsement. If approved by our Deacons, we will then make a presentation to the entire congregation during a special meeting on a Sunday afternoon for a final vote to accept or reject the report and recommendations. The final report will be made available to every church member prior to the congregational vote.

ATTENTION OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD CONTRIBUTORS: It's never too early to start shopping for and making shoebox gifts. By preparing shoebox gifts all year long, we can send the Good News of Jesus Christ and the great joy of receiving an Operation Christmas Child shoebox to more boys and girls around the world! We will have containers set up all year long to collect these items. For the remainder of February and March, we will be focusing on quality toys. Please DO NOT include war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures; breakable items such as snow globes or glass container; liquids. For more information on what can and cannot be included, please visit www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/what-goes-in-my-shoebox-suggestions.

NEW GIVING OPTIONS: The church has established an on-line giving option that can be found on our web-site at mbcsg.com or may be accessed via the QR code located on the bulletin. This giving platform is user-friendly, safe, and secure. Simply click "GIVE" in the menu and follow the simple instructions. Each transaction does carry a 2.49% plus 30 cents fee (credit/debit cards) and 1.00% plus 30 cents (ACH/eCheck) which the donor may choose to cover. You may choose to make your offering a recurring gift to the church and you can also make designated gifts to different ministries of the church. Again, this on-line giving is simply an option for those who desire to use it. Church member, Seth Phillips, is serving as point-man for our on-line giving option, so please contact him if you have questions. Thank you again for your faithful giving to the mission and ministries of your church.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY: Now that the new year has begun and we are able to come back for worship services, we hope and pray that some of you will feel led to help lead Children's Church or help with the Nursery. Please contact Sharon McAlhany by text or voice mail (843-560-0590) for Children's Church or Wendi Lynn Riley (843-296-2299) for Nursery. Lessons and activity sheets will be provided for Children's Church. Thank you for helping with our children's ministry. Sharon McAlhany

WORKER/CHILD PROTECTION TRAINING: A Worker/Child Protection training session will be held on Sunday, March 14, 11:00, in the sanctuary. Memorial's policy is if you plan to work with children in any capacity (Sunday School teacher or helper, youth leader or worker, nursery, camp, VBS, chaperone, etc.) you have to have the training. NO EXCEPTIONS. If you have not had the training, it will take about an hour to view a video and fill out paperwork. If you have had the training, it will take about 20 minutes to review part of a video and fill out paperwork. Have your driver's license number with you.

February 28, 2021 BLUEPRINT FOR A HEALTHY CHURCH: Living in the Past or Pardoned?

TEXT: Titus 3:3-7 At one time we too were foolish, disobedient, deceived and enslaved by all kinds of passions and pleasures. We lived in malice and envy, being hated and hating one another. But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life.

1) REMEMBER THE PAST: Verse 3 At one time we too were foolish, disobedient, deceived and enslaved by all kinds of passions and pleasures. We lived in malice and envy, being hated and hating one another.

- **Foolish:** Ephesians 4:18 They are darkened in their understanding and separated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them due to the hardening of their hearts.
- **Disobedient:**
- **Deceived:** I Peter 2:25 For you were like sheep going astray, but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

Proverbs 4:23 Above all else, guard your heart, for everything you do flows from it.

- **Enslaved to passions and pleasures:** John 8:34 Jesus replied, “I tell you the truth, everyone who sins is a slave to sin.
- **Living in malice:**
- **Envious:** Proverbs 14:30 A heart at peace gives life to the body, but envy rots the bones.
- **Being hated and hating others:**

2) REMEMBER WHO YOU ARE: VERSES 4-7 But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life.

3) RESULTS OF RECEIVING: Verse 7 “...so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life.”

“A pardon is an act of grace. A pardon is a parchment whose only value must be determined by the receiver of the pardon. It has no value apart from that which the receiver gives it.”

(Chief Justice John Marshall)