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WORSHIP SERVICE TIME

Sundays: 10 am

LAST SUNDAY

Worship Attendance: 90

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Weekly Goal

\$5,442.11

Received

\$6,152.10

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

March 28 – April 3

Dan Horton

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

March 28

Kelcie Horne

NURSERY

March 28

Jamie and

Elizabeth McAlhany

Baylynn Riley

MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday, March 28, 2021

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, March 28

Palm Sunday and Communion

Revitalization Presentation 11 am

Family Easter Egg Hunt and

Picnic at Pecan Grove Noon

Wednesday, March 31

Revitalization Presentation 6 pm

Sunday, April 4

Easter Sunrise Service at

Indian Field Campground 7 am

Easter Sunday – Flowering the Cross

Sunday, April 11

Church Conference – Revitalization

Plan Vote

Monday, April 12

Deacons Meeting 7 pm

Friday-Saturday, April 23-24

Youth Yard Sale at Church

Sunday, May 2

Sunday School resumes **9 am**

REVITALIZATION REPORT PRESENTATIONS

Our deacons have given their unanimous endorsement of the Church Revitalization Report and have requested two congregational presentations. The presentations will be held on **Sunday, March 28**, immediately after the worship service and **Wednesday, March 31**, at 6:00 pm in the Dining Hall. Childcare and nursery will be provided for the Sunday meeting. Copies of the multi-page report will be distributed to those attending the presentations. We strongly encourage participation in the presentation to fully grasp the depth and interpretation of the data and recommendations. We will have a **Called Church Conference on Sunday, April 11** to consider approval of the report. Please continue to pray for this critical revitalization process.

NORTH AMERICAN MISSIONS AND ANNIE ARMSTRONG OFFERING

Every penny given to the offering is used to support missionaries in the United States and Canada.

Memorial's goal \$2,500.00

Received 2,661.25

OVER GOAL \$ 161.25

PASTORAL PONDERINGS

Dr. Bert Welch, Interim Pastor

Most conversations now-a-days eventually includes the question, "Have you had your shot?" Perhaps the next question is, "Did you have a reaction?" And the third question may be, "Which shot did you get?" I think that becomes a part of many conversations because we are all anxiously awaiting the end to this ugly pandemic. I received my first vaccination in mid March and my second is scheduled for April 13. I received the Moderna shot which is supposed to be about 94.1% effective and nearly 100% effective against severe symptoms of COVID, hospitalization, and death. Personally, I am not overly concerned about the virus symptoms or even hospitalization, but I am concerned about **DEATH!** So with my inoculation I am feeling more and more secure.

Friend, if you want to be **ABSOLUTELY SURE** of never dying, let me give you some spiritual advice. The **ONLY** absolute assurance of everlasting life is by placing your trust in Jesus Christ. Let me remind you of the promises of Jesus Himself:

John 3:16 "For God so loved the world (you) that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."

John 3:36 "Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life."

John 5:24 "I tell you the truth, whoever hears my words and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be condemned."

These words of truth come from the Great Physician, not Dr. Fauci, some government bureaucrat, or even our Governor. These words are directed at you by the perfect Lamb of God who dies for you on the cross. You can place your confidence in Him. Maybe we should spend more time talking about Jesus and less time about a shot!

We will observe Holy Communion on **Palm Sunday, March 28**. The bread and juice elements are prepackaged and may be picked up at the entrances when you arrive

FLOWERING THE CROSS

One of the most beautiful church traditions at Easter is the “Flowering of the Cross” before the Easter Sunday worship service. Worshipers are invited to bring flowers or greenery clippings and attach them to the cross located on the front lawn. The message is that Easter is a day of rejoicing and victory for our Lord and for all believers. Many people love to take family photos of their Easter celebration together.



SANCTUARY SEATING - We have a very positive problem. Our COVID friendly sanctuary seating capacity is being stretched to the limit with our current worship attendance. With Easter upon us and Sunday School resuming on May 2 (9:00 am), we do anticipate more folks participating in our worship services. Therefore, your church leadership has decided to expand the seating capacity by altering our protocols a bit. Beginning Easter Sunday, one side of the sanctuary pews will no longer be taped off. Folks that feel comfortable sitting closer to others are encouraged to choose the open seating side and reserve the taped off side for those who desire some distancing. We realize this may displace some folks from their regular seats, but also know that we must all make some adjustments for the sake of others until we return to normalcy. We will continue to encourage masks as we gather and depart and continue our parking lot, dining hall, and on-line broadcast of the services. Thank you for your sweet spirit of cooperation and understanding.

ATTENTION YOUTH

1) **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 1 more fundraiser to help offset the cost. Please contact Jason or Shannon if you plan to attend.
2) **Fundraiser for Camp** – a yard sale will be held Friday and Saturday, April 23-24. If you have any items to donate, please leave them on stage in fellowship hall. Questions – contact Jason or Shannon (843-563-1571).

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE – Everyone is invited to the Easter Sunrise Service on Sunday, April 4, 7:00 am, at the Indian Field Campground. Rev. Melvin Bell will bring the message. Memorial Church will lead the worship service and music.

EASTER EGG HUNT: **Everyone** is invited to join us **today** at noon (or immediately following the Revitalization meeting) at the Pecan Grove for a picnic, games, and Easter Egg Hunt. Bring your lawn chairs, picnic blankets, and picnic lunch and join us for some fun and fellowship. Chips and sweets will be provided. In case of rain, the children will have an egg hunt in the church.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING: Pastor Search Com.: Heath All, Jerry Beard, Shannon Dulaney, Wayne Eadon, chm., Samuel Horne, Dixie Meyer, and Susan Patrick
Revitalization Team: Jerry Beard, Maria James, Jamie McAlhany, and Dixie Meyer

ATTENTION OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD CONTRIBUTORS -- OCC Year-Round Shopping:

March: 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 containers; liquids)

April: Stuffed animals

May: Hygiene items (toothbrushes, combs, brushes, deodorant, soap, washcloths – NO toothpaste)

June: Coloring books, crayons, crafting items

July: Clothing

August: School supplies

September: Games and balls

October: Letters and photos

November: \$9 donation per box

December: Prayer

For more information on what can and cannot be included, please visit:

www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/what-goes-in-my-shoebbox-suggestions

ATTENTION GRADUATES: If you will be graduating from high school or any institution of higher learning, please call the church office (843-563-3058), or tell Mary, Shannon, or Jason.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY - We need adults and youth to help with Children’s Church and in the nursery on Sunday mornings at 10:00 o’clock. Please contact Sharon McAlhany (843-560-0590) if you would be willing to help lead Children’s Church, and contact Wendi Lynn Riley (843-296-2299) if you can help in the nursery. You don’t have to choose one or the other. You may help with both.

Memorial BC March 28, 2021 WHAT THE CROSS MEANS TO THE CHURCH

TEXT: Ezekiel 3:17-20

Ezekiel 3:16-19 At the end of seven days the word of the LORD came to me: “Son of man, I have made you a watchman for the house of Israel; so hear the word I speak and give them warning from me. When I say to a wicked man, ‘You will surely die,’ and you do not warn him or speak out to dissuade him from his evil ways in order to save his life, that wicked man will die for his sin, and I will hold you accountable for his blood. But if you do warn the wicked man and he does not turn from his wickedness or from his evil ways, he will die for his sin; but you will have saved yourself.

1) Sound the Alarm: Verse 17a Son of man, I have made you a watchman for the house of Israel;

Romans 3:23 For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 3:23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

Romans 5:12 Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all men, because all sinned—

2) Sound the alarm again: Verse 19 But if you do warn the wicked man and he does not turn from his wickedness or from his evil ways, he will die for his sin; but you will have saved yourself.

2 Corinthians 5:18-20 All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting men’s sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. We are therefore **Christ’s ambassadors**, as though God were making his appeal through us.

Hebrews 9:27 Just as man is destined to die once, and after that to face judgment,

2 Timothy 4:2 Preach the Word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage—with great patience and careful instruction.

3) Sound the Alarm Clearly: Verse 17b ...so hear the word I speak and give them warning from me.

1 Corinthians 14:8 If the trumpet does not **sound a clear call**, who will get ready for battle?

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. Please contact Seth Phillips if you have questions.

CHURCH CONFERENCE: A Church Conference will be held on Sunday, **April 11**, 10:00 am, to consider a recommendation from the deacons that the Revitalization Plan be approved.

LOVE THOSE BABIES! We have a need for someone to serve our precious infants (birth-one year) during the **Sunday School hour** (9:00-10:00 am) beginning May 2. If you are interested in helping with these bundles of joy, please see Dan Horton or call the church office.