May Memorial Baptist Church

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

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From The Pastor

Good Morning May Memorial Baptist Church. Today is Monday, June 22, and I am coming to you today to offer a word of explanation and encouragement about what I put in today's Newsletter.

Several years ago we identified together as a church family the 5 ministries to which God is calling us as May Memorial Church: Worship, Missions, Spiritual Formation, Stewardship and Hospitality. Under those big ministries, we have formed teams. And those teams are simply ways we work together to accomplish God's work in our community and in our world. We normally spend a lot of time each summer signing up for teams for the coming church year. And this year it is a strange time in the life of the church because we are physically distanced because of Covid 19. So I want to let you know a couple of things that we are doing differently this summer.

First, if you have served on a team for this church year, we are going to keep your name on that team for next year. If you feel that God is calling you to do something different this coming year, and you no longer want to serve on the team that you were on for this year, if you do not want to be on that team for 2021, simply call the church office or email Diana and your name will be removed. We want you to serve the way that God is calling you to serve this coming year. But unless you contact us, we're going to keep your name on your current team.

Second, please identify and prayerfully consider how God is calling you to serve our church and our community for the upcoming church year. God has called you and he has gifted you in a particular way that you can serve others and serve Him in the world. How is it that God has called you to serve? Think about that, pray about that, and you can sign up for a new team for the new church year. Now of course, you can be on more than one team. We have many people that serve many different ways. So please let us know which team you would like to be added to for the church year 20-21.

The third thing I'm going to ask you to do is prayerfully consider if God would have you to lead a team? Is there something that you are passionate about? It is a burden on your heart that this has happened in our church and in our community. Maybe God's calling you to lead a team. Or maybe you have watched someone in their work and their passion for a team, you have a strong sense that maybe God is calling them to lead a team. Let one of our deacons know. (continued on page 2)



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Our new church year begins September 1 and we would like to have a good team list together by that time. God is calling you to do something in this world.

Look through our team list. And see if that is one of the things that God is calling you to do. Maybe God has laid something on your heart and we do not have team for that, let us know that as well. God is doing wonderful things and God is calling us to be a part of his work. How will you serve in this coming church year? I hope you have a wonderful week. God Bless You.

The Way We Do God's Work

May Memorial has identified Five Ministries that God has given us to do in our work and life together. These are:

- 1. Worship Ministry—Our Grateful Response to God's Work is Worship.
- 2. Stewardship Ministry—How we take care of what God has given us.
- 3. Hospitality Ministry—How we welcome each other and newcomers into our church.
- 4. Missions Ministry—How we take good news in words and actions into our world.
- 5. Spiritual Formation Ministry—How our "inner journey" is formed by formation and education.

To accomplish these Five Ministries, teams have been formed. Teams can change from time to time. New teams are easily formed, and teams who have lived their useful life are allowed to dissolve. Our currents teams are:

Worship:

- 1. Baptism (assisting with the "nuts and bolts" of Baptisms at MMBC)
- 2. Flowers and Candles (creating a visually beautiful space for worship with flowers and candles)
- 3. Safety and Security (help with issues that affect the safety and security of those who attend MMBC)
- 4. Audio/Visual (Sound System and Computer Operators for Worship)
- 5. Ushers (Greet worshipers and ensure each person is welcomed into our sanctuary)
- Creative Arts (lead MMBC in creative ways to share God's beauty and creativity in our life together.

Stewardship:

- 7. Building and Grounds (support the work of the Facilities Coordinator by helping maintain the building and property)
- 8. Memorials (identify appropriate Memorial Gifts for the Church)
- 9. Library (help the church librarian maintain a user-friendly library for church and community use)
- 10. Recycling (Carry recyclable items from the church building to the appropriate location to be recycled)

Hospitality:

- 11. Mid-Week Meal (Lead and coordinate Wednesday night meals for the church)
- 12. Bereavement (plan/lead receptions that are held after/before funerals)
- 13. Kitchen and Fellowship (maintain the kitchen and lead church-wide receptions)

Missions:

- 14. Backpacks of Love (meets monthly to pack backpacks with food for school children)
- 15. Food Pantry (works at the COPC Food Pantry)
- 16. Lonesome Dove (volunteers at the Therapeutic Riding Stable for Veterans and injured active duty military)
- 17. Firewood (helps gather firewood and supplies it to the needy in our community)
- 18. Prayer (prays daily for MMBC and those on our prayer list)
- 19. Amelia Nursing Home (participates quarterly with MMBC's outreach to the residents)
- 20. Sewing (sews lap blankets and other handmade goods for others)
- 21. Handyman (available to help with simple home repairs/maintenance)

Spiritual Formation

- 22. Children's Team (supports the Youth/Children's minister in planning and leading of children's ministry)
- 23. Youth Team (supports the Youth/Children's minister in planning and leading of youth ministry)
- 24. Scholarship (promote and assist in awarding of MMBC College Scholarship)

Connecting to Each Other...Fellowship



You may also call the church office at 598-3098 and Diana will help you with sign up.

Sign Up Today for VBS!

MMBC 2020 **Virtual VBS** will be July 6-10.

Please Join Us For Our Amazing VIRTUAL VBS! We will spend the week learning all about how JESUS' LOVE IS ONE OF A KIND and even if you feel LEFT OUT, DIFFERENT or AFRAID, JESUS LOVES YOU! All of your materials will be provided for you for each day of VBS. We will meet online daily to sing, hear the Bible Story and play games.

Click on the sign up button below to sign up! We will contact you later on how to pick up your box of VBS supplies.

Ashley Edwards, Youth/Children's Minister

VBS 2020 Sign Up!!

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

Join Zoom Meeting by clicking this link, then follow the directions by Zoom: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2770321474

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

Mid-Week Gathering this Week: The May Memorial Gathering Room

The time is changed to 8 p.m.

Join us for The Gathering Room on Zoom this Wednesday night. Click the link https://zoom.us/j/286978612 on your computer or mobile device and the Zoom meeting will automatically open. Be sure your camera and microphone are turned on! You can click on the link anytime this week to be sure it will work. If you experience problems email or call Pastor Michael at (804) 922-0101.

To join with any phone: Call (312) 626-6799

Enter this code: 286 978 612

Church Wide Zoom Sunday School:

Sunday Morning, 9:45

New Sunday School Class:

"They Have Unspeakable Joy": Encountering the Desert Christians

Though they lived in simple poverty, the fourth-century Christian men and women who withdrew from the Roman Empire into the Egyptian desert--some scholars and aristocrats, a few brigands, but mostly uneducated peasants--were transformed by their encounter with God. They found "unspeakable joy." As word of this got out, the Church around them was changed forever. We will read their insightful sayings and stories--some whimsical, others bothersome--in order to meet these unforgettable desert Christians and, through them, the God who so loved them and us.

Bob Kruschwitz will lead a church-wide Sunday School lesson this coming Sunday morning at 9:45. Click the link

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87174870259

and Zoom Sunday School will automatically open. Be sure your camera and microphone are turned on! If you experience problems email or call Pastor Michael at (804) 922-0101.

To join by phone: Call (312) 626-6799 Enter: 871 7487 0259







Enjoy these pictures from past social events at MMBC. (L) Salt Shakers, (Top) Celebration of Creativity, (Bottom) Blessing of the Animals



Prayer List June 22, 2020 For any changes, please call Diana at 598-3098

CHURCH FAMILY: FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

Barbara Barden Stephen Breeden, Son of Martha Oberg Estelle Davis, Debbie Elam's mother Susie Brock

Margaret Carter Lacie Baggett

Bob Cosby Libby Gregg, daughter-in-law of Carol Gregg

Bob Cox Stuart Yeorge

Ben Spoon, friend of Juli Garrett Snead DeNoon

Lee Duncan Suzi and Steve McClung

Matthew Berger, friend of Joy&Juston Sanudo Nick Elam

Clyde Martin, brother of Esther Fitch Esther Fitch Bea Gallier Jeff Crews, Susie Brock's brother-in-law Rick Gallier Sheri Sadie, Nancy Flower's Daughter Sharon Baltimore, friend of the Bradbury's Jean Hall Bill Casper, Bill Karnolt's brother-in-law Bill Ketron Justin Yancey, Grandson of Irma Alvis Jeanan Krueger

Paul Lindsey Stephanie Hay, Karen and Ray's daughter-in-law

Fran O'Donnell Jodi Erpelding, friend of Jeanan Krueger

Janie Dean Jim Pinkley

Jeff Spoon Phyllis Lester, Ed Utt's sister

David&Susan Shawn Neugent, friend of the Sheltons

Terry Lennox Family

Frances Tilman Helen Fitzgerald, friend of Diana and B.J. Smith Nancy Wilkinson Chloe, granddaughter of Amy&Bill Karnolt

Janice Worsham Nurses, Erin and Melissa, relatives of the Karnolt's

Logan Cook, grandson of Wilford and Linda Poore.

MILITARY: Tim Martindale, friend of Bob & Vicki Kruschwitz

Danny Myers, Brent Pam Polk Mottley, Ed Mottley's sister Templeton, Quint Sutton, Gwen Lunford, Lester Oberg's sister. David Brizendine, Debbie, Vicki Kruschwitz' sister

Jeremiah Clift, Nelson Family of Don Fitch Sutton, Justin Donnavon,

Austin, Breeden, Caleb

Hammer, Kris Curtis

HOMEBOUND:

Janice Worsham, 2041 Rocky Ford Road Frances Tilman, 3904 Old Buckingham Rd

Audrey Johnston, (currently at Kirk and Peggy Johnston's home) The Crossing at Bon Air, 9100 Bon Air Crossings Drive, Room 202, Richmond, 23235

Audrey Mann, The Laurels of Willow Oaks, 11611 Robious Road, Midlothian, 23113

Jim Pinkley, Chesterfield Woods

Announcement

Job Openings:

Part-Time Music Minister:

May Memorial Baptist Church, a congregation in Powhatan, VA, is seeking a part-time (10 hrs. per week) Music Minister/Adult Choir Director. The adult choir is comprised of 20-25 volunteer singers with paid accompanist. One Sunday service and one weekly rehearsal. Handbell Choir and Children's Choir/Music will be negotiated with additional hours. Send resumes to Pastor Michael Edwards, revmkedwards@gmail.com.

Organist: May Memorial Baptist Church is seeking an organist and choir accompanist for one Sunday morning worship service and one mid-week choir rehearsal and seasonal services through the church year. The organist will work directly with the Director of Music. Salary is dependent upon education and experience. Interested candidates should contact Pastor Michael Edwards at revmkedwards@gmail.com.

Thank You

Dear Pastor Edwards and May Memorial Baptist Church
Thank You! Thank you for your continued support of the clinic. You truly are a blessing to the clinic and our patients. To all at May Memorial stay healthy and stay safe!

The staff at the Free Clinic of Powhatan

Tentative Schedule

Sundays:

8:45 a.m. A Virtual Worship Service will be shared on Utube Premier. Will be accessible after that on website and through email (**Re-Gathered Worship begins Aug 23**)

9:45 a.m. Zoom Sunday School (Re-Gathered SS begins in October)

5:30 p.m. Zoom Soul Food (Re-Gathered Youth SF begins Aug 23)

Wednesdays:

3:30 p.m. Zoom Kingdom Kids (Re-Gathered Kingdom Kids Aug 19)

8:00 p.m. Zoom Mid-Week Gathering Note the time change (Re-Gathered Bible Study in January)

June

- 22 Omri Ware
- 24- Nancy Richards
- 27 Francis Winall
- 28 Chris Goodwyn

July

- 1-Nancy Williams
- 1-Diana Brown
- 1-Sandy Shelton
- 2-Bob Kruschwitz
- 6-Megan Crump
- 11-Susan Terry
- 13-Bob Lathrop
- 13-Zach Smith
- 13-Payton Sanudo
- 21-Marisa Claud
- 22- Constance Deal
- 22-Lauren Wilkinson
- 24-Harry Wheeler
- 25 Frances Tilman
- 25- Sandra Morrison
- 25-Bill Ketron
- 25-Laura Young
- 26-Julie Seaman
- 28-Marlis Kruschwitz



Financial Information

Our Gifts to our Lord, Week of June 21:

Regular Offering\$ 7,210.00Building Fund200.00Memorials200.00

Total \$7,610.00

Building Fund In Memory of Don Fitch by Snead Denoon

Memorials in Memory of Don Fitch

Bob and Nancy Wood Dorothy Roberts Sonny and Kaye Sawyers Shirley Johnson

E-Giving

You may contribute to missions through May Memorial's egiving site. <u>CLICK HERE</u> to access that website.

