



Can you believe that it is already May? May is that time of the year where we do a lot of remembering. Mother's Day and Memorial Day are two major holidays where we remember and honor people in our lives that have given of themselves. We also honor graduations from different schools. A big part of graduation is looking back at how far the graduate has come, growing up physically, emotionally, knowledgeable, and spiritually. Lots of memories and tears looking back at the life of that child.

As we do that, we are often told in Scripture to *remember* or to *memorialize* different acts of God. The Israelites were told to always remember that it was God, Yahweh, that delivered them from Egyptian slavery, led them through the wilderness, and fought the battles to conquer the Promised Land. We are told in the New Testament to remember what Christ has done for us on the cross, and we do that often through our partaking of the Lord's Supper.

**In Luke 19:19-20 (ESV) it says**

***And he took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood."***

Every time we partake of the Lord's Supper, we are remembering what Christ has done for us. But not only during the Lord's Supper, but every day, we must remind ourselves of the sacrifice of Jesus Christ and His resurrection. It reminds us that we were once lost in sin, but now we have been cleansed and forgiven. It reminds us that we are no longer dead, but alive in Christ. It reminds us of the high cost of our sin, for it required the perfect Son of God's sacrifice. It reminds us that we are transformed as new creations, called to live forth as His disciples. It reminds us that we are called to proclaim His death until He comes again to all people, starting in our homes and going outward.

So, as we remember our Mother's, the men and women who sacrificed their lives for our country and its freedom, our graduates and their accomplishments, let us also, in a greater way, always remember what Jesus has done for us. Through the Lord's Supper and also our daily lives, we should always let what Jesus has done for us drive our lives, *to the praise of His glory!* - Pastor Chris Graving



**MAY  
BIRTHDAYS**

**MBC Family wishes HAPPY BIRTHDAY to the following who were born in May!** 3 Tammy Overton 4 Terry Hardison, Matthew Evans 6 Trent Goodwin 8 Maribelle Belangia, Sarah Goodwin 10 Lonnie Coker, Kaz Goodwin 11 Brandy Goodwin, Rebekah Goodwin, Allison May Tynch, Blake Belch, Valerie Byrum 12 Jean Griffin 14 Danny Evans, Lance Forehand 21 Cindy Coker 22 Dorothy Parrish 24 G. Michael Jones, Chris Layton, Spencer Belangia 26 Mary Evans 28 Matthew Jones, Reed Byrum 29 Heath Hughes, E.C. Toppin 30 Camdyn Forehand 31 Aaron Jones, Jennifer Simons



**May 8 - Mother's Day Breakfast 9:00 am, No Evening Services**

**May 15 - Deacons Meeting 7:15 pm**

**May 17 - Ora Harrell Prayer Group in the Fellowship Hall 11:00 am**

**May 18 - Helen Mitchell Bible Study at MBC 1:00 pm, Business Meeting 7:30 pm**

**May 20 - Fellowship Hall Reserved; Graduates Celebration**

**May 21 - June Newsletter info due**

**May 22 - Sanctuary & Fellowship Hall Reserved; NEAAAT's Baccalaureate service 6:00 pm**

*Senior*  
**ADULT  
DAY**

**Senior Adult Day will be held on Sunday May 1st. Everyone is welcome to join us immediately following morning worship service for a meal that will be provided in the fellowship hall to honor Macedonia seniors 60 and older. Everyone under 60 is asked to bring two sides and a dessert; the committee will be providing fried chicken, ham, and green beans.**

### CIA

Will not meet on Mother's Day 5/8.

May 15th: Movie Night

May 22nd: End of the Year Lunch and playing at the park. (No evening activities). Parents are asked to attend!

No CIA 29th. We will not meet for the summer.

During Morning Worship on May 22, we will be celebrating our class of 2022 graduates. Emily Huey is graduating from Northeast Academy For Aerospace and Advanced Technologies and she is planning to attend ECU. Caroline Goodwin is graduating from Northeast Academy For Aerospace and Advanced Technologies and she is planning to attend Meredith. Lucy Boffano is graduating from Lawrence Academy. Rebekah Goodwin is graduating from Martin Community College with an Associates of Science Degree in Physical Therapist Assistant.

John A. Holmes High School is planning a Fields of Faith on May 22 at 2:00pm. Come and support some of the students of one of our local High Schools.

Thank you church for your many acts of kindness and prayers during the loss of a loved one.  
- Al Walker

Thank you for the food lion gift card at Christmas time, your prayers and calls, and thank you Mike and Chris Layton for fixing the leak in my roof. It means so much to have such a loving, caring church family and I appreciate the MBC church family for all of the love and concern shown. God bless and love you all. - In Christian Love, Eveline Britton

*Please join us for dinner as we celebrate our graduates on May 20, 2022 at 6:30 pm in the fellowship hall!*

Caroline Goodwin and Emily Huey, graduates of Northeast Academy for Aerospace and Advanced Technologies and College of the Albemarle Rebekah Goodwin, graduate of Martin Community College Physical Therapy Assistant program, and Lucy Boffano, graduating from Lawrence Academy. Please RSVP to Lauren Goodwin on her cell by May 15th if you plan to attend.



Unearthing the truth about Jesus. Jeremiah 29:13

**Mark your calendar:  
Vacation Bible School will be July 10-14 6:00pm—8:30pm**

**We are looking for volunteers to help with VBS in the following areas: Teacher's Helpers & Kitchen/Snacks.**

**Please contact Joyce Jack to volunteer in any area(s) that you feel led to serve in.**

**Nominations for two people to serve on the Nominating Committee beginning September 1, 2022 through August 31, 2025 will be made at the May 18 business meeting. The nominees will be presented at the June meeting with election to be held in July.**

**Please be in prayer as we approach the selection of Deacons in the June 15 business meeting. You will be electing four Deacons to serve the next three-year term.**

The MBC Nominating Committee has begun the process of filling positions for the 2022-2023 church year. Committees are not on a rotation basis except Deacons and Nominating Committee which are nominated and voted on at church conferences. Due to this format, we are asking anyone who currently serves on a committee, is an officer, a leader in an MBC program or is a Sunday School teacher or assistant for college age down and is unable or unwilling to continue to serve in that position for the coming church year to contact a member of the Nominating Committee no later than Sunday May 15<sup>th</sup>. Adult Sunday School Classes need to select your teachers and also contact a committee member with any changes.

Thank you!

Committee Members to be contacted:

Stacey Banks  
Terry Hardison  
Karen Huey  
Heath Hughes  
Tom Bass  
Janet Respass