

Worship Notes

We extend a warm welcome to our guests this morning!

We are very happy that you are in worship with us. Your presence has made this day more meaningful!

If this is your first time at Millbrook Baptist, or if you are a regular visitor, please sign the welcome card located in the pew card rack and include the requested information so that we may welcome you more personally and provide you with information about our church. You may fold the card and place it in the offering plate when passed, or hand it to an usher.

The Season of Easter (April 16—June 4, 2017):

The "high and holy" time of Holy Week culminates in the Season of Easter, sometimes known as the Great Fifty Days, because it is a fifty-day celebration of the resurrection of Jesus. This is a season of great astonishment, celebration, and joy!

The season ends with the day of Pentecost when the gift of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the church is celebrated.

Liturgical Color: **White**

White is generally considered a joyous and festive color and is used on special days such as Baptism of the Lord, Transfiguration, Trinity, All Saints and Reign of Christ. This color is virtually always used with weddings and funerals. White symbolizes divinity, purity, holiness, joy, innocence and victory.

Today's Revised Common Lectionary Readings:

Acts 1:6-14; Psalm 68:1-10; 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11; John 17:1-11

Children's Worship: Rebecca Hewitt-Newson and Brent Jones

Please return the Wee Worship Bags after today's worship service. Children are encouraged to take his/her drawings and papers home.

DVDs of the Worship Service:

DVDs are available on loan from the church library. If you'd like a personal copy, at no cost, please email or call the church office. There is also a link to sermons on the website.

Altar Flowers:

The 2017 Flower Calendar for the Altar flowers is on the small bulletin board in the hallway intersection near the library. Arrangements are \$52.50. Please make your check payable to Millbrook Baptist Church with Altar Flowers in the memo line. Please fill out a dedication form which can be found on the table by the church office or at the welcome desk. You can place it in the offering plate or drop it off in the church office.

Calendar

Sunday, May 28th

Sunday School for All Ages	9:30 am - 10:30 am
Chancel Choir Gathering	10:30 am - 11:00 am
Worship Service	11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Monday, May 29th

Memorial Day (OFFICE CLOSED)

Tuesday, May 30th

Adult Bible Study (new attendees welcome!) <i>Meets in Kairos Classroom</i>	10:00 am
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Deacon of the Week

If you are in need of prayer, comfort, or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact **Ellen Hinton (919) 632-6110**

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The Millbrook Mission



Millbrook Baptist Church shares God's love by being an open and inclusive community of faith, developing Christian disciples through spiritual growth, and serving the world through mission and ministry.

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May 28, 2017

Ascension Sunday
We Worship Our Lord



Linda G. Heineman
Looking Out

While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven.

Luke 24:51

Please silence all cell phones and pagers during the worship service.
Please do not bring beverages into the sanctuary.

GATHERING

Ringing of the Hour

Greeting and Community Life Rebecca Hewitt-Newson
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord in worship!

ENTERING INTO WORSHIP

Prelude Give Me Jesus arr. Davis

Lighting of the Candles

Invocation Tim Huber

†Call to Worship

In awe and wonder, we lift our eyes to the heavens.

We raise our songs of joy to the Ruler of all time and space.

Sing praises to God, sing praises;

Shout to God with loud songs of joy.

We gather to remember the One who shared our common lot.

Jesus Christ, who visited this earth, dwells in heaven.

We celebrate the life and ministry of Jesus.

We rejoice in the hope to which Christ has called us.

We open ourselves to baptism with the Holy Spirit.

We expect to be empowered as witnesses in today's world.

We seek a spirit of wisdom and revelation.

We are here to be filled with power from on high.¹

†Hymn 223 Crown Him With Many Crowns DIADEMATA

†Passing of the Peace Andrea Dellinger Jones
May the Peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

Morning Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.

**Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil;

for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever.

Amen.

Words of Assurance

PROCLAIMING

†Gospel Lesson Luke 24:44-53 (*NT p.91) Emma Tharrington
This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Children's Invitation to Gather Jesus Loves the Little Children

Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world.

Every color, every race, all are covered by God's grace.

Jesus loves the little children of the world.

Children's Message Rebecca Hewitt Newson
(Kindergarten-3rd Grade will go to the
2nd floor, Education Building for Children's Church.)

†Hymn 569 In Christ Alone IN CHRIST ALONE

Worship in Giving

†Offertory Prayer Ellen Hinton

Offertory Chorale Karg-Elert

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

(Signing of the Attendance Register may be done at this time.)

†Doxology LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the Trinity of Love.

Praise God, within, beside, above.

We praise You! We praise You!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen.

Anthem Because He Lives Gaither

Epistle Lesson Ephesians 1:15-23 (*NT p.192) Ellen Hinton
This is the gift of Holy Scripture.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon Your Place on the Arc Andrea Dellinger Jones

Discipline of Reflection

(The Discipline of Reflection is a brief, quiet time for personal reflection.)

GOING FORTH

†Hymn of Response 194 EASTER HYMN
Christ The Lord Is Risen Today

†Blessing

"We, the light of Christ, return to the world."

†Postlude The Old Hundredth Walther

* Pew Bible

† Please stand as you are able.

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or would like to make a public profession of faith,
we invite you to present yourself during the Hymn of Response.
The ministerial staff is available for consultation and would
welcome your inquiry.