

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 lavender 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.

A Word about the Season (or Sundays) after Pentecost:

The Season after Pentecost begins with the day after Pentecost and continues until Advent. During the Season after Pentecost, emphasis is generally focused on the quality of our personal and spiritual lives as well as our growth in the Christian life. More specifically, it is a time to meditate upon our empowerment through the Holy Spirit to be instruments of God's grace and peace in our homes, community and world. This is a time to reflect on creation and what it means to be created by God and to be co-creators with God. This is a season for learning about our faith as we discover whether we have "eyes that will see" and "ears that will hear" and try our best to follow Jesus and the guidance of the Holy Spirit in the ways of justice, peace, and loving service.

Liturgical Color: Green

Green symbolizes life, growth, hope and the Christian life and is used in the Seasons after the Epiphany and after Pentecost, spans of time usually referred to as Ordinary Time. During these seasons, special days call for the use of white or red.

November Doxology:

For the month of November, as we think on thanking God for our blessings and our response of giving back a portion of our material wealth, our talents, and our time, we will sing the third stanza of "Now Thank We All Our God" as the Doxology following the offering. Originally a table grace, the hymn was written in 1636 by Martin Rinkart in the midst of the Thirty Years War and comes to us via translation by Catherine Winkworth in 1858. The stanza we will use as our Doxology is a version written in 1985.

Flowers:

The flowers on the altar were given by Lacy Maddox in memory of her father Herbert Mason.

Today's Revised Common Lectionary Readings:

1 Samuel 1:4-20; 1 Samuel 2:1-10; Hebrews 10:11-14 (15-18) 19-25; Mark 13:1-8

Children's Worship:

Children's Worship Leaders: Brent Jones & Ryan Newson
Children (K-2) will be learning about how God is in control and will be studying Mark 13:1-8. Our preschoolers will learn about Samuel anointing Saul when he is chosen by God to be king.
Wee Worship Bags and Children's Bulletins are available in the vestibule. Please return the bags after worship.

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.

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

Calendar

Sunday, November 15th

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
Youth Choir Rehearsal	12:15 pm
Women's Ministry Fall Gathering	12:30 pm
Youth Instrumental Rehearsal	3:30 pm
Children/Youth Singing Rehearsal	4:00 pm

Tuesday, November 17th

Staff Meeting	11:00 pm - 12:00 pm
Adult Bible Study (new attendees welcome!) <i>Meets in Heritage Classroom</i>	12:00 pm

Wednesday, November 18th

Dorcas Sewing	3:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Family Dinner & Fellowship <i>Turkey & Dressing, Candied Yams, Green Bean Casserole Salad Bar, Yeast Rolls, Assorted Desserts</i>	5:30 pm - 6:30 pm
Gospel Trio Concert	6:30 pm - 7:15 pm
Choir Rehearsal	7:15 pm - 8:45 pm

Deacon of the Week

If you are in need of prayer, comfort, or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact **Rod Tharrington (919) 812-0228**

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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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November 15, 2015

Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Commitment Sunday

We Worship Our Lord



Hanna Varghese
Hope in God

Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, because the one who made the promises is reliable.

And let us consider each other carefully, for the purpose of sparking love and good deeds.

Don't stop meeting together with other believers, which some people have gotten into the habit of doing. Instead, encourage each other, especially as you see the day drawing near.

Hebrews 10:23-25

WELCOME

GATHERING

Ringling 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 *Larghetto* Handel

Lighting of the Candles

Invocation Molly Shoulta

†Call to Worship
Come, let us present ourselves before our God.
Bring all your troubles and anxiety to God in prayer.
**Surely God knows our thoughts and hears our prayers.
We find strength for living as we praise God.**

Lay down your arrogance and false pride.
Admit your needs as you seek God's favor.

**We pour out our souls before the living God.
We do not withhold from God our misery and distress.**

God Grants our petitions and gives us peace.
The counsel of our God gladdens our hearts.

**In God's presence there is fullness of joy.
As we meet together, we are encouraged and comforted.¹**

†Hymn 466 *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing* AZMON

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

Prayer Anthem *Be Thou My Vision* arr. Forrest
Youth Choir

*Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart,
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art,
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.*

*Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word,
I ever with Thee and thou with me, lord;
Thou my redeemer, my love Thou hast won,
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.*

*Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance, now and always,
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,
Great God of heaven, my treasure Thou art.*

*Great God of heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun,
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.*

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

Children's Invitation to Gather JESUS LOVES ME

**Jesus loves me! This I know, For the Bible tells me so;
Little ones to Him belong; They are weak, but He is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.**

Children's Message Brent Jones
*(Kindergarten-2nd Grade will go to the Sonshine Room,
2nd floor, Education Building for Children's Church.)*

†Hymn *All Things Are Yours* O WALY WALY

**All things are Yours: we make that true When we return
our gifts to You; And so we give, and so we share, In Christ's
strong name expressing care.**

**"Give out of love" Your Word commands; We are Your head,
Your heart, Your hands. Your Word you underscore with deeds
By using us to answer needs.**

**O what a joy to give, and then Out of compassion give again.
You have no needs—though that be true, The gifts we share
are given to You.**

**All things are Yours: we make that true When we return our
gifts to You; And so we give, and so we share, In Christ's
strong name expressing care.²**

Worship in Giving

†Offertory Prayer Rod Tharrington

Offertory *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* Lopez

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings
(Signing of the Attendance Register may be done at this time.)

†Doxology NUN DANKET

**All praise and thanks to God, Who reigns in highest heaven,
To Father and to Son And Spirit now be given.
The one eternal God, Whom heav'n and earth adore,
The God who was, and is, and shall be evermore. Amen.**

Epistle Lesson Hebrews 10:11-22 (*NT p.224) Rod Tharrington
This is the gift of Holy Scripture.
Thanks be to God.

Responsive Lesson Hebrews 10:23 Andrea Dellinger Jones
Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering,
because the one who made the promises is reliable.

Bearing Witness to Commitment Karen Emmerton

Responsive Lesson Hebrews 10:24 Andrea Dellinger Jones
And let us consider each other carefully,
for the purpose of sparking love and good deeds.

Bearing Witness to Commitment Chad Ingham

Responsive Lesson Hebrews 10:25 Andrea Dellinger Jones
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people have gotten into the habit of doing.

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day drawing near.**

Bearing Witness to Commitment Helyn Watson

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

GOING FORTH

†Dedication Hymn 414 FOREST GREEN
As Those of Old Their Firstfruits Brought

Offering of Commitment Cards

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

†Postlude *The Rejoicing* Handel

* 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.