

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.

Today's Revised Common Lectionary Readings:

Jeremiah 8:18-9:1; Psalm 79:1-9; 1 Timothy 2:1-7; Luke 16:1-13

Children's Worship:

Today's Children's Church leaders are Kelly Pearce and Mary Carla Babb. The children (K-3) will be learning about the parable of the dishonest manager in Luke 16. The preschoolers in the nursery will be learning that God created people.

Next week's (Sept 25) Extended Session leaders are:

Kim Odishoo, Brenda Moore, Rod Tharrington, and Forrest Nidiffer
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.

Altar Flowers:

The 2016 Flower Calendar for the Altar flowers is now 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, September 18th

Children's Choir	9:00 am - 10:40 am
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
Instrumental Ensemble	12:15 pm - 12:45 pm
Handbells Rehearsal	2:00 pm
Animal Blessing	4:30 pm

Tuesday, September 20th

Adult Bible Study (new attendees welcome!) <i>Meets in Kairos Classroom</i>	10:00 am
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Wednesday, September 21st

Dorcas Sewing	3:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Family Dinner & Fellowship <i>Chicken Tetrizzani, Vegetable Medley, Salad Bar, Yeast Rolls & Assorted Desserts</i>	5:30 pm - 6:15 pm
Wednesday Program: Forums Meeting	6:15 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 **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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September 18, 2016

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

We Worship Our Lord



Marinus van Reymerswaele
The parable of the unjust steward

No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.

Luke 16:13

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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

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord in worship!

Patti Lingafelt

ENTERING INTO WORSHIP

Prelude

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

Lopez

Lighting of the Candles

Choral Introit

Standing On the Promises

arr. Edwards

MBC Men's Chorus

Invocation

Cecil Greene

†Call to Worship

Lord how shall we pray for those in positions of authority?

We pray that their decisions lead to a peaceful and Christlike world.

Which groups of people deserve to be affected by this peace?

God wants all people to be saved and come to a knowledge of the truth.

To whom should we turn when in times of strife in this world?

The One God appointed: Jesus Christ, the mediator.

†Hymn 315

MIT FREUDEN ZART

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

†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

Epistle Lesson 1 Timothy 2:1-7 (*NT p.208)

Grady Moss

This is the gift of Holy Scripture.

Thanks be to God.

†Hymn 49

As the Deer

AS THE DEER

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

Worship in Giving

†Offertory Prayer

Ellen Hinton

Offertory Anthem

arr. Shafferman

Peace Like a River/Kumbaya

MBC Men's Chorus

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.

†Gospel Lesson Luke 16:1-13 (*NT p.79)

Ellen Hinton

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Andrea Dellinger Jones

Not Your Usual Investment Advice

Discipline of Reflection

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

GOING FORTH

†Hymn of Response 674

CHARLESTOWN

All Who Love and Serve Your City

†Blessing

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

†Postlude

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

arr. Hopson

* 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.