

June 2020

Congratulations Graduates!

Conor Montanye

D H Conley High School

Conor will attend Appalachian State University in the fall to pursue a Bachelor of Science degree in Cellular/Molecular Biology with plans of attending graduate school in Physical Therapy.

Conor is the son of Michael and Tonya Montanye and Robert and Shelly Racine.



Olivia Grubb

J H Rose High School

Olivia will attend The University of Mississippi in the fall.

Olivia is the daughter of Lee and Leah Grubb and Kelly Grubb.



Kelsey Alexander

Associate Degree
Nursing
Pitt Community College

Stephanie Bullock

Masters Degree
Business Administration
East Carolina University

Summer Chegash

Bachelor of Science
University Studies
East Carolina University

Lakin Prescott

Masters Degree
Forensic Science
Townson University

Lauren Walsh

Bachelor of Music
Voice
East Carolina University

Rachel Wilson

Bachelor of Music
Music Therapy
East Carolina University

From the COVID-19 Response Team

As distancing restrictions are relaxed under the phased approach in our state, we are considering how we will open our campus for in-person Sunday worship. We believe gathering for worship is still weeks away and face-to-face Sunday School on campus is even further in the future.

When we are able to meet again on campus, we realize we cannot eliminate all risks, but we will be asking the congregation to take what we believe are reasonable and important precautions.

We anticipate:

1. An abbreviated worship service: 10:55 a.m. (possibility of an additional service depending on number of possible attendees gathered from deacon calls)
 - a) Seating will be defined to maintain social distancing. Families will sit together. Cleaning of the building will take place following the service(s).
 - b) We will seek to have special seating arrangements for those members who are most at risk.
 - c) Extended Session, Junior Church and other childcare options will not be available at this time, so that you can worship as a family.
 - d) Restrooms and facility entrances will be limited. (Entrances will be the three access points to the narthex, the entry by the church office, and the entry under the steeple/bell tower for those who do not use steps.)
 - e) Elevator will NOT be used as upstairs will be vacant.
2. The social distancing guidelines of six feet that we have grown accustomed to will be expected.
3. We will ask everyone to perform a self-screen before entering the facility. The complete list will be provided before we return, but these guidelines will include things such as:
 - a) No known exposure to COVID-19 within the past 14 days;
 - b) No flu like symptoms, including fever, cough, sore throat, respiratory illness or difficulty breathing in the past 14 days.
 - c) High risk due to previous health issues.
4. While inside the buildings, we will ask everyone to wear a mask, covering their nose and mouth.

For those who cannot or choose not to attend, live streaming of the worship services will continue via Facebook. Those who wish, can still view our recorded services on our church website.

As we continue to refine and implement our plans, your flexibility and patience is appreciated as we seek to be faithful to God and one another in this difficult time.

In His Grace,

COVID-19 Response Team

Sharon Lee

Dr. Brad Smith

Stuart Hardy

Dr. Andy Roby

Dr. Dale Newton

Rev. Abbi Mullens

Vickie Carden

Music and Worship Arts in a Time of Pandemic

You may have heard or seen some of the public health reports and observational studies that have shown an evident high risk to singing together in groups. Studies are going on this summer to determine how we may be able to reduce the risk and there is hope that we can find a way to protect the health of our singers and our congregation when we are once again able to sing the great songs and hymns of our faith together. Just as the psalmist who expressed the depth and breadth of our human response to God, so today we find that singing together is a powerful way to give witness to our faith, to declare our deepest aspirations, our hopes, our dreams, and to show our unity as the Body of Christ on mission in the world.

I can't say for sure what our in-person worship will look like when we return to the Sanctuary soon. Some things will look and sound different than before, and some new approaches to our worship life will be necessary. But the One to whom our worship is offered, the One who is with us, the One who is the very reason for our worship will still be at the center of our gathering.

Many of our choir members have recorded videos at home to help us compile a "virtual choir" singing the great spiritual, "Give Me Jesus." This may be a model for one way we can continue to employ the gift of singing in our worship together. I have learned many new skills during the completion of this project, and I look forward to using them in the coming weeks to facilitate the ministry of our choirs. I envision the voices and even the instruments of all age-groups being shared in this way. With God's help we will find ways to sing and to make music to the Lord, to rejoice in the presence of the Lord with song, and to give "everything that has breath" the opportunity to praise the Lord!

Soli Deo gloria,

Andy Roby

MEMORIAL MATTERS!

TMBC has been blessed during much of the recent “stay-at-home” season by the work of Greg Nelson, one of the Media Ministry team members, who has provided both the equipment and expertise to help with online worship services. Thank you to Greg for the many hours he has spent in this way.

Much to our sadness, Greg has taken a new position in Salt Lake City, Utah, and will be moving there soon. His wife Susan, who also helps with providing music for our virtual services, will remain in Greenville for awhile longer. Our prayers go with them.



TMBC's services will continue to be available virtually, in the same ways you have become accustomed to watching them during this time.

TMBC Preschool Drive By Goodbye, May 27

Thank you to The Memorial Baptist Church for allowing this ministry to continue serving our community as we minister to our toddlers through PreK children and their families!



In Our Prayers

A new prayer list begins the first of each month.

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| Gerstle Dendy
(Larry Dendy's mother) | Edith Davenport |
| Tyler Lumley | Karen Rehm |
| Adell Prescott | Homebound/Shut-Ins |
| Nat Brackenhoff | Beverly Dickens |
| Barbara Hardy | Doris Evans |
| Verchie Vick | Norman Little |
| Harold Dew | Doris Pappendick |
| Pat and Joan Whitehurst | (Jimmy Bryant's mother-in-law) |
| Jim Laney | Pauline White |
| Russ Gray | Mary Frances Jones |

The world and its response to COVID-19. Christian sympathy is expressed to Liz and Ben Wilson on the recent deaths of friends Bill Hamratuk and Steven Lazorchak. Christian sympathy is expressed to Dave Taylor and family upon the death of his father on May 27.

June Deacons of the Week



John Sugg
May 31—June 6
252-561-5993



Lloyd Parker
June 7—13
252-355-7435



Larry Dendy
June 14—20
252-746-4818

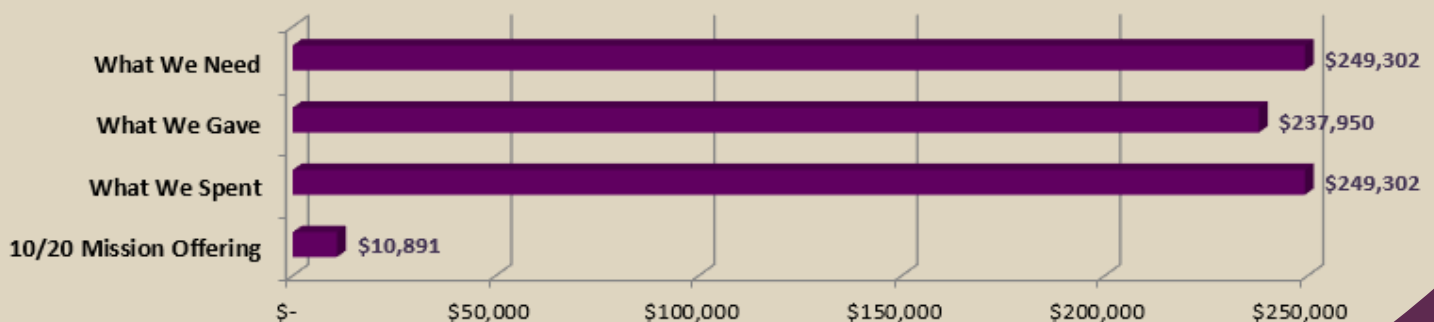


Sharon Lee
June 21—27
252-714-6537



Stuart Hardy
June 28—July 4
252-229-1261

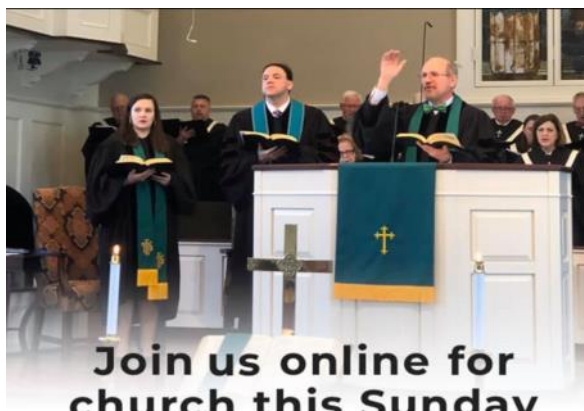
Where We Stand May 24, 2020





The Memorial Baptist Church

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Greenville, NC 27858
252-756-5314
www.tmbc.org



Join us online for church this Sunday

FACEBOOK WATCH PARTY AT 10:55 A.M.

 TMBCGreenvilleNC

Happy Anniversary

Abbi Mullens

4 Years at TMBC
May 16

(Sorry for missing the date)

Brad Smith

5 Years at TMBC
June 21



Family Ministry Zoom Calls

The zoom schedule starting next week for the summer will be different.

Tuesday at 11am Glow Kids (2s-completes kindergarten):

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89112859075> Meeting ID: 891 1285 9075

Thursday at 11am Shine and Blaze Kids (completed 1st-completed 6th):

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87453985069> Meeting ID: 874 5398 5069

Thursday at 2:30 Youth (completed 7th-12th)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/788837066> Meeting ID: 788 837 066

Youth Sunday School: Sunday's at 9:45am

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83076780241> Meeting ID: 830 7678 0241

BACKPACK BUDDIES FAMILY BOXES

Items Needed: canned meats, tuna, ravioli, peanut butter, canned vegetables, canned fruit, cans of soup, snack items, apple sauce, peanut butter crackers, cereal, poptarts, granola bars, pasta, spaghetti sauce, macaroni and cheese

All boxes will be distributed at 6:00 pm on the dates listed below.

Thursday, June 4 (families of children and youth are asked to deliver)

Thursday, July 2

Thursday, July 16

Thursday, August 6

Please let Abbi know if you are available to help.