

Reaching Pastor Randy or Wife, Cathy
Pastor's Cell--704-798-7098 **Cathy's Cell--704-773-0350**

Events / News / Announcements

Submit bulletin news to Ruth's email - r-b13@msn.com or text/call 704-213-1161

May

- 3 - Choir Practice @ 5:30pm, Bible Study (Movie-The Insanity of God) @ 6:30pm
 - 8 - Deacon meeting @ 6:00pm
 - 9 - Website team meeting @ 5:30pm
 - 10 - Choir Practice @ 5:30pm, Bible Study @ 6:30pm (New Study - see insert)
 - 13 - Prayer Breakfast @ 8:30am, MWM & MMM meeting @ 9:30am
 - 16 - Session meeting @ 5:30pm
 - 14 - Mothers Day
 - 19 - BBQ Chicken Dinner, MMM Fundraiser, 11:30a till 2:30p
- RHM** - Please remember to help as you are able with donations to Rowan Helping Ministries and One Church One Child.
Non-perishable donations should be in cans, boxes or plastic containers...anything that is non-glass.
One Church One Child's list of needs are on the bulletin board

SAVE THE DATE:

MMM BBQ CHICKEN FUNDRAISER

May 19, 2023, 11:30a - 2:30p

Ticket Cost: \$10.00 Take Out Only

**See a MMM member for tickets &
ask friends to order too!**



2023 Annual Budget **\$146,599.00**
General Tithes/Offerings **Last week \$4,621.00** **YTD \$59,670.75**

Welcome to Maupin Avenue Presbyterian Church
maupin.church

We are delighted you came to join us in worship this morning. We are happy to have you as our guest and hope you experience God's love and joy in a meaningful way as we worship together.
Please accept our sincere invitation to return. SS 9:30am, Worship 11am

You May Reach Us At

100 Maupin Avenue, Salisbury, NC 28144 Office: 704-633-9101

Organized February 21, 1926

Maupin Avenue Presbyterian Church

ASSOCIATE REFORMED
100 Maupin Avenue
Salisbury, North Carolina

The Word Of God

Then they led Jesus from the house of Caiaphas to the governor's headquarters. It was early morning. They themselves did not enter the governor's headquarters, so that they would not be defiled, but could eat the Passover. So Pilate went outside to them and said, "What accusation do you bring against this man?" They answered him, "If this man were not doing evil, we would not have delivered him over to you." Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and judge him by your own law." The Jews said to him, "It is not lawful for us to put anyone to death." This was to fulfill the word that Jesus had spoken to show by what kind of death he was going to die.

John 18:28-32

ENTER TO WORSHIP

SENT FORTH TO SERVE

**Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 30, 2023**

Welcome/Announcements/Prayer Request: Pastor Randy Foster

Gathering

We give thanks to the Lord for this is the day that he has made so let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Responsive Call to Worship

Psalm 98:1-4

Sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things. His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him. The LORD has made his salvation known and revealed his righteousness to the nations. He has remembered his love and his faithfulness to the house of Israel; all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth, burst into jubilant song with music.

***Opening Hymn**

“Now Thank We All Our God”

Hymnal 98

***Call to Confession**

1 John 1:5-7

This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. If we claim to have fellowship with him yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live by the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.

***Prayer of Confession**

Father in heaven, you have brought your kingdom into the world through Jesus. Your kingdom has begun to spread its healing reign into our lives and into our world. We have begun to taste of your goodness. Yet there is much that remains broken in our lives and in our world. You have told us to live in the hope of your kingdom continuing its spread. Yet we have often lost hope. We have given up the fight in many ways. We have often settled for the mediocre kingdoms of this world: power, image, fame, money, pleasure. Forgive us and renew us. Teach us to wait, to live and to work in hope. Bring your kingdom for we need it and our world needs it. In Jesus name we pray. Amen

***Words of Forgiveness**

Psalm 103:1-5

Praise the LORD, my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name. Praise the LORD, my soul, and forget not all his benefits who forgives all our sins and who redeems our lives from the pit and crowns us with love and compassion, who satisfies our desires with good things so that our youth is renewed like the eagle's. **Thanks be to God.**

***Affirming Our Faith Together**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell*; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Anthem

“In Times Like These”

Choir

***Passing the Peace of Christ**

Children's Presentation

Jill Peterson

The Word of the Lord

John 18:28-32

Morning Prayer/Lord's Prayer

WORSHIPPING THE LORD WITH HIS TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

Offertory

Gale Spry

***Doxology** *“Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all Creatures here below. Praise Him above all heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.”*

Sermon

“The Roman Trial Begins”

***Hymn**

“Showers of Blessings”

Hymnal 130

***Benediction**

***Please Stand**

***Children under 6 years may go to the Children's Nursery. After Children's Moment, children 1st—5th grade may go downstairs for Children's Church. *this refers to the realm of the dead, not the place of punishment.
"catholic" means "universal" church, the true church in all times and places.

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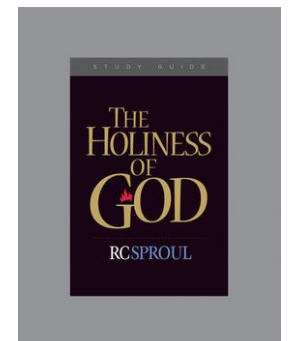
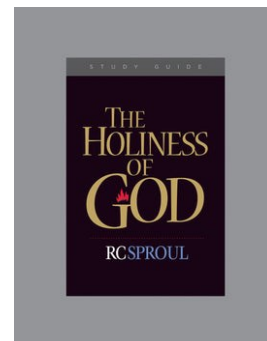
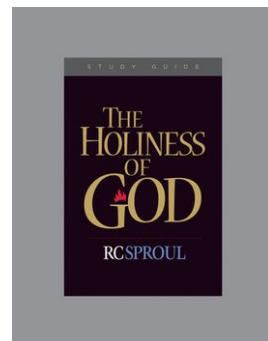
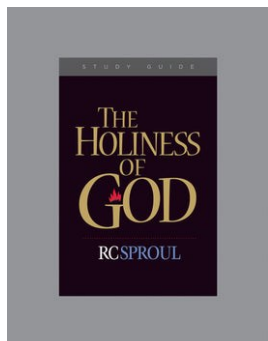
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The Importance of Holiness

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