

Reaching Pastor Randy or Wife, Cathy
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Events / News / Announcements

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

May

- 8 - Deacon meeting @ 6:00pm
- 9 - Website team meeting @ 5:30pm
- 10 - Choir Practice @ 5:30pm, Bible Study @ 6:30pm (New Study)
- 13 - Prayer Breakfast @ 8:30am, MWM & MMM meeting @ 9:30am
- 14 - Mother's Day
- 14 - God's Table
- 16 - Session meeting @ 5:30pm
- 19 - BBQ Chicken Dinner, MMM Fundraiser, 11:30a till 2:30p
- 21 - VBS planning session after church, for anyone wanting to help.
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 downstairs. Please help as you can.

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 \$5,891.00

YTD \$65,561.75

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

So Pilate entered his headquarters again and called Jesus and said to him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you say this of your own accord, or did others say it to you about me?" Pilate answered, "Am I a Jew? Your own nation and the chief priests have delivered you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would have been fighting, that I might not be delivered over to the Jews. But my kingdom is not from the world." Then Pilate said to him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world - to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice." Pilate said to him, "What is truth?"

After he had said this, he went back outside to the Jews and told them, "I find no guilt in him."

John 18:33-38

ENTER TO WORSHIP

SENT FORTH TO SERVE

**Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 7, 2023**

Welcome/Announcements/Prayer Request: Pastor Randy Foster

Gathering

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** "All the Way My Savior Leads Me" #605

***Confessional Prayer**

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 in hope. Teach us to live in hope. Teach us to work in hope. Bring your kingdom. We need it and our world needs it in Jesus name we pray. Amen

***Assurance of Pardon**

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.**

Anthem

"We Remember"

Choir

***Passing the Peace of Christ**

Children's Presentation

Jill Peterson

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."

***Prayer of Dedication**

Scripture Reading

John 18:33-38

Sermon

"What Is Truth?"

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Hymn

"Faith of Our Fathers" Hymnal 570, vv. 1,2

Words Of Institution

Responsive Reading

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Minister: Together through the timelessness of the Holy Spirit we proclaim the mystery of the faith:

People: Christ in your dying, you destroyed our death;

Minister: In your rising you restored life.

People: And one day soon you will come again in glory.

Minister: Christ, our Passover, is sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore, let us keep the feast.

Prayer of Blessing/Lord's Prayer

Merciful God, pour out your Holy Spirit on these gifts of bread and wine, that in eating and drinking we may be made one with Christ and one another. That the sharing of the bread that we break and the cup that we bless may be for us the communion of the body and blood of Christ. Grant that, being joined together in him, we may attain to the unity of the faith and grow up in all things into Christ, our Lord. And as this grain has been gathered from many fields into one loaf, and these grapes from many hills into one cup, grant, O Lord, that your whole church may soon be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom fully come. Even so, come, Lord Jesus Who taught us to pray:

The Giving and Receiving of the Elements

Prayer of Dedication

Hymn

"Faith of Our Fathers" Hymnal 570 vv. 3,4

Benediction

*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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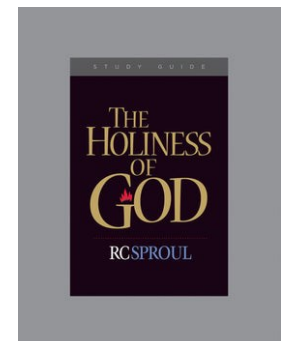
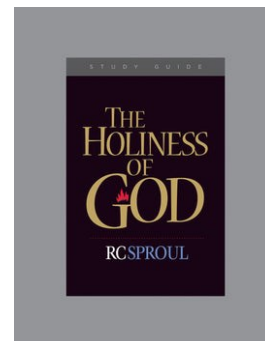
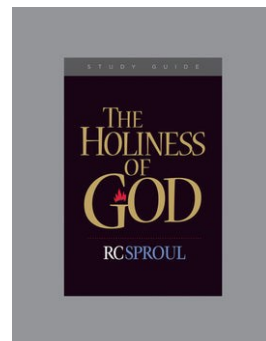
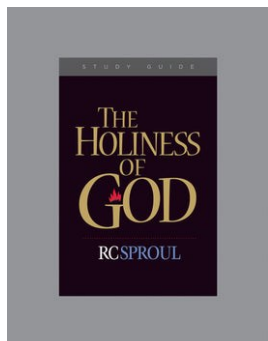
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