

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

March

- 1-31 Bake-less Bake Sale**
- 15 - Choir Practice @ 5:30pm, Bible Study @ 6:30pm**
- 13 - Joint Session/Deacons meet @ 6:00pm**
- 14 - Website Team meeting @ 5:30pm**
- 27 - Missions Team @ 6:00pm**
- 29 - Monthly Movie at 6:30 in sanctuary, 'The Insanity of God.'**

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.

Holy Week Events

- *Palm Sunday Worship 11:00am, April 2nd**
- *Maundy Thursday Communion Service 7:00pm, April 6**
- *Good Friday, Jews For Jesus Presentation - 7:00pm, April 7th**
- *Egg-Extravaganza 11:00am til 2:00pm, Saturday, April 8th**
- *Easter Sunday, April 9th - Sunrise Service 7:30am,**
- *Sunrise Breakfast 8:00am, Easter Worship 10:00am**

2023 Annual Budget **\$146,599.00**
General Tithes/Offerings **Last week \$4,540.50** **YTD \$37,018.50**

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

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Maupin Avenue Presbyterian Church

ASSOCIATE REFORMED
100 Maupin Avenue
Salisbury, North Carolina

The Word of God

'When Jesus had spoken these words, he went out with his disciples across the brook Kidron, where there was a garden, which he and his disciples entered. Now Judas, who betrayed him, also knew the place, for Jesus often met there with his disciples.

John 18:1-2



ENTER TO WORSHIP

SENT FORTH TO SERVE

Our Lord's Day
March 12, 2023
Third Sabbath In Lent

Welcome/Announcements/Prayer Requests Pastor Randy Foster

Gathering Joel 2:12-13

Yet even now," declares the Lord, "return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; and rend your hearts and not your garments." Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

Responsive Call to Worship Psalm 104

Leader: Praise the LORD, my soul.

All: LORD my God, you are very great; you are clothed with splendor and majesty.

Leader: May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in his works—he who looks at the earth, and it trembles, who touches the mountains, and they smoke.

***Opening Hymn** "Come Thou Fount Of Every Blessing" No. 457

***Call to Confession** Psalm 34:18

The Lord is near to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit. Let us admit our brokenness to God.

***Prayer of Confession**

Father God, we confess that we remain captivated by the things of this world that promise so much but deliver so little. We live as if we were our own gods. We do not believe that you could be calling us to something more noble and beautiful than our own self-rule. So we settle for lives of rebellion against your reign over us. We quickly forget that your grace is infinite and that your rule over us is one of love and compassion. Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hate, may we bring love; where offense, may we bring pardon and union in place of discord. Help us to remember that Jesus came, not to call the righteous, but the unrighteous. Forgive us, King of mercy. Invade our lives by your Spirit and make us new. Grant that we may know the joy of abundant life given in Jesus Christ, the promised king. In whose name we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon Galatians 4:4-5, 7

When the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons ... So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God. **Thanks be to God.**

***Apostle's Creed**

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 "His Eye Is On The Sparrow" Choir

***Passing the Peace of Christ**

Children's Presentation Jill Peterson

Scripture Reading John 18:1-2

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."

***Prayer of Dedication**

Sermon "The Garden"

Hymn "What Wondrous Love Is This" No. 261

***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.