

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

21 - VBS planning session after church, for anyone wanting to help.
Please come and share your thoughts on the program. Lunch will be served.

24 - Choir Practice @ 5:30pm, Bible Study @ 6:30pm

June

4 - Church Yard Sale. 7am till 1pm.

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.

Women's Ministry News

- * Yard Sale June 3rd, 7am till 1pm
- * VBS is Saturday June 24th see Jill P. or Lisa B. for more details and to volunteer.
Planning session after church, 5/21.
- * The Women's Seminar on Grace, Gratitude, Joy is on September 23rd.

2023 Annual Budget **\$146,599.00**
General Tithes/Offerings **Last week \$2,609.00** **YTD \$71,160.75**

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

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. But you have a custom that I should release one man for you at the Passover. So do you want me to release to you the King of the Jews?" They cried out again, "Not this man, but Barabbas!"
Now Barabbas was a robber.

Then Pilate took Jesus and flogged him. And the soldiers twisted together a crown of thorns and put it on his head and arrayed him in a purple robe. They came up to him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" and struck him with their hands. Pilate went out again and said to them, "See, I am bringing him out to you that you may know that I find no guilt in him." So Jesus came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe. Pilate said to them, "Behold the man!" When the chief priests and the officers saw him, they cried out, "Crucify him, crucify him!" Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and crucify him, for I find no guilt in him." John 18:38-19:6

ENTER TO WORSHIP

SENT FORTH TO SERVE

Seventh Sunday of Easter
May 21, 2023

Welcome/Announcements/Prayer Request: Pastor Randy Foster

Call To Worship

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing! Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name! For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

+Opening Hymn "We Have Heard the Joyful Sound No. 448

+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.

+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 eagles.

Thanks be to God.

+Please Stand

+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

Choir

+Passing the Peace of Christ

Children's Presentation

Jill Peterson

Scripture Reading

John 18:38-19:6

Morning 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

"Look, Behold the Man!"

+Closing Hymn

"Come Thou Fount"

No. 457

+Benediction



Our Lord is
Shining all
around us!!



Children under 6 years may go to the Children's Nursery. After Children's Moment, children K—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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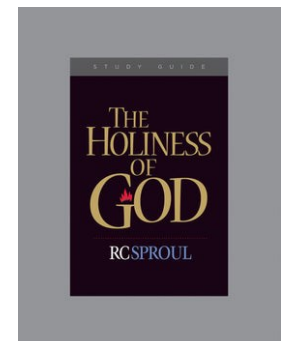
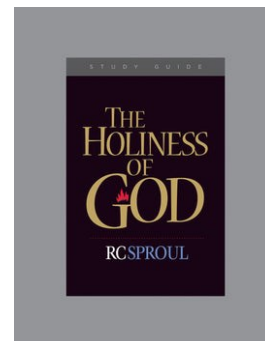
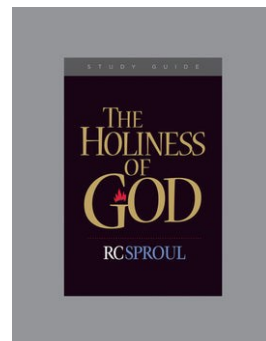
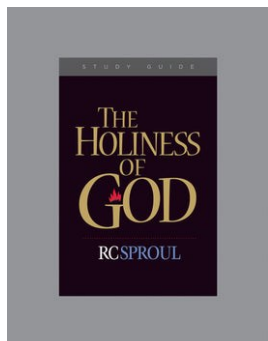
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LEARNING GOALS

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KEY IDEAS

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