

Luke 24:44-53 (NRSVUE)

Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.” Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised, so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.” Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

Acts 1:1-11

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus began to do and teach until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem but to wait there for the promise of the Father. “This,” he said, “is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.” So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?” He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

Welcome to
King Moravian Church



Graduate Sunday
May 17, 2026

228 W. Dalton Rd, King, NC 27021
336-283-5322

www.kingmoravianchurch.org
Church Office Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. (Mon. - Fri.)
Zach Dease Office Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. (Mon., Tues., Thurs.)

Our church's watchword for this year:

Jesus said, "Abide in my love."

*As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love.
John 15:9*

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Order of Worship

Welcome and Announcements

Please record your visit in the friendship pads located in the pews.

Greeting & Celebration of Graduates

Prelude - "Largo from "Xerxes"

George Frideric Handel (1685-1759)

Call to Worship - "I To The Hills Will Lift My Eyes"

Mendelssohn/Hopson

I to the hills will lift my eyes; O whence shall come my help?
It comes from the Lord, Maker of all, He will not let thy feet stumble.
With watchful eye He slumbers not.

Yet, will the Lord thy keeper be. A shade upon thy righthand.
Sun by day, Moon by night, neither shall smite; the Lord keeps thee.
From this time forth, and ever more.

*Hymn 719 - "Be Thou My Vision"

Liturgy - Celebration p. 43

Offertory - "Dreams"

Geroges Bizet (1938-1875)

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen.

Anthem - "Write Your Blessed Name"

K Lee Scott

Write Your blessed name, O Lord, upon my heart,
there to remain so indelibly engraved
that no prosperity, that no adversity shall ever ever move me from Your love.

Be to me a strong tower of defense,
a comforter in tribulation, a deliverer in distress,
and a faithful guide to the courts of heaven
through the many temptations and dangers of this life.

O Jesu, my only Savior!

Scripture - Luke 24:44-53

Acts 1:1-11

Sermon

Rev. Zach Dease

*Hymn 729 - "To The Hills I Lift My Eyes"

Benediction

Postlude - "A Festive Trumpet Tune"

Douglas Wagner (b. 1952)

*Please stand if able

Prayers



church members

Ken Alley
 Kathleen Anderson
 Pat Anderson
 Linda Bowman
 Carolyn Byerly
 Bonnie Crouch
 Jay Donathan
 Hillary Douglas
 Jennifer Dunn
 Rachel Falls
 Margie Hall
 Paula Hall
 Sally Hartgrove
 Ray Horner

Amy Jackson
 Steve Kincade
 Don Lucas
 Terri Lyda
 Carolyn Newsome
 O'Connell Family
 Jim Picket
 Charlie Reeves
 The Seckman Family
 Jozi Stevens
 Stephanie Stewart
 Gale Stone
 Jim Wilson
 Nancy Witt

family and friends

Patty Agee
 Eleanor Ashburn
 Trevor Bass
 Terri Bias
 Scott Bice
 Lauryn Boisvert
 Bonnie Campbell
 Zakkerie Collins
 Leigha Davis
 Peggy Dickerson
 Cassie Flincham
 Vickie Gallien
 Doris Gilbert
 Nathan Godwin
 Belle Hall
 Betsy Hall
 Kathryn Hartgrove
 Mike Helms
 Beky Ingle
 Katie Jeffords
 David Kincaid
 Lucille Martin

Charles McClellan
 Roman Nelson
 Garry Norman
 Paul Norman
 Karen Krysak
 Ayla Oseguera
 Patty Pollard
 The Porter Family
 Ron Prisby
 Pat Riddle
 John Sampsel
 Brent Sevier
 Betty Shamel
 Larry Shamel
 Bill Smith
 Susan Taylor
 Brad Tedder
 Joyce Terry
 Meriella Vanzant
 Doyle Watson
 Mike Weatherman
 Steve Williams
 Pattie Whitaker

Attendance 5/10/26: 188

Pastor: Zach Dease (zdease36@gmail.com)

Trustees Chair: Chris Bullin (chriskbullin@gmail.com)

Elders Vice-Chair: Meredith Smith (meresmith73@gmail.com)

Today, May 17 - Graduate Sunday

Circle of Faith meeting after church on the church patio.

Monday, May 18

Handbell practice at 6:00 p.m. in the old sanctuary.

Wednesday, May 19

Circle of Help meeting at StoCo at 6:30 p.m.

Circle of Joy meeting at 11:30 a.m. in the fellowship hall. Please bring your own lunch.

Dessert and beverage will be provided.

Choir rehearsal in the sanctuary at 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, May 21

KMP End-of-Year Program at 11:00 a.m. in the sanctuary

KMP Graduation at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary

Friday, May 22

KMP End-of-Year Program at 11:00 a.m. in the sanctuary

Blessing Box

We are in need of small packs of Saltine crackers for the blessing box. If you would like to donate, please drop them off at the church office.

KMP 2026-2027 Registration

We open enrollment for the 2026-2027 school year on Monday, March 30, to church members and siblings of current families. If you would like a copy of the registration forms, you can find them in the narthex or with Tina in the KMP office this week and next from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 PM. Please return this as soon as possible, along with the immunizations and the \$175 registration fee. If you have any questions, please contact Tina Pratt. We are excited for the next school year!

Blood Drive - June 4th

American Red Cross Blood Drive in the fellowship hall from 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Concert on the Lawn

The Stokes County Art Council is hosting a concert on the lawn of KMC on June 14th at 6:00 p.m. featuring John Barry. Bring a lawn chair or blanket. Admission is \$20 for adults and free for 21 and under.

Youth Mission Trip

Youth Mission Trip to the Dominican Republic from June 20th - 26th

Serving Today

Bible Time & Nursery:

Karen Gordon

Greeters: C. W. Hill and Lisa Ingram

Serving Next Week

Bible Time & Nursery:

Holly Mathis

Greeters: Barbara Sudol

Financials through March

- Offerings \$89,076.68
- Budget expenses \$99,952.36
- Provincial share (Mar.) \$4,956.44

Graduate Sunday

High School Graduates

Tyler Doby - West Stokes, attending Forsyth Tech with hopes of later transferring.

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