

October 18, 2009 / **Pastor Appreciation Sunday**

J. William Harris, Pastor

John G. Hipp, Pastor Emeritus

Remembering that Psalm 8:5 tells us that we are all “crowned ... with glory and honor,” let us show our appreciation for the life of each person present. Welcome to all!

We Turn Our Thoughts Toward God

PRELUDE
CALL TO WORSHIP *“O, How He Loves You and Me”* Choir
WELCOME & COMMUNITY SHARING *(Please register your attendance.)*
MOMENT OF SILENT CENTERING
INVOCATION
*Hymn of Praise: 185 *“When Morning Gilds the Skies”*

Proclaiming the Word

*Psalter: 826 – Psalm 104:1 - 9, 24, 35c
*Affirmation of Faith: 881 – The Apostles’ Creed
*The Gloria Patri: 70 – *“Glory Be to the Father”*

KIDS OF THE KINGDOM

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS:
THE OFFERTORY PRAYER
THE OFFERTORY
*THE DOXOLOGY: 95 – *“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”*

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD’S PRAYER

*Hymn of Preparation: 453 *“More Love to Thee, O Christ”*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (in unison):
Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

THE READING OF THE EPISTLES: 965 – Hebrews 5:1 - 10

ANTHEM *“If It Had Not Been for the Lord”* Choir

THE READING OF THE GOSPELS: 806 – Mark 10:35 - 45
This is the Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON: ***“Doing Great Things for God”*** Dr. Bill Harris

Responding to the Word

*Hymn of Commitment: 530 *“Are Ye Able”*
*BENEDICTION
*CHORAL RESPONSE *“Bless His Holy Name”* Choir
*RECESSIONAL

***Please stand (if your health permits), as a means of giving honor to God.**

OPPORTUNITIES FOR FELLOWSHIP ...

TODAY:

09:30am Altar Prayer
10:00am Sunday School
11:00am Morning Worship
12:00pm 3rd Sunday Fellowship Meal
1:00pm Web Ministry Committee Meeting
1:30pm Field Trip to Corn Ma’i’ze

THIS WEEK: *****

Mon., Oct. 19, 7:00pm – Art Class
Tues., Oct. 20, 6:30pm – Cub Scouts 7:00pm – Wisewood Neighborhood Meeting
Wed., Oct. 21, 7:00pm – Bible Study 7:45pm – Choir Practice

NEXT WEEK: *****

Sun., Oct. 25, 4:30pm – Charge Conference at Harris UMC
Mon., Oct. 26, 7:00pm – Art Class
Tues., Oct. 27, 6:30pm – Cub Scouts
Wed., Oct. 28, 7:00pm – Bible Study 7:45pm – Choir Practice
Sat., Oct. 31, 6:00pm – Trunk or Treat Event

SERVING OUR LORD:	<u>Today</u>	<u>Next Week</u>
Nursery:	Volunteer	Volunteer
Acolyte:	Andrew Joseph	Andrew Joseph

Preparation for Worship: *As we worship today, may we all be filled with your love, dear Lord. And may your love flow from us into the lives of those who don't know you. Amen.*

Mathews UMC received a gift to the budget from John G. Hipp “...in honor, memory and appreciation of former, present and future members, pastors and friends, and to the Glory of God.”

Memorials for Margaret Maddox were received from:

Willing Workers Class	Betty Stewart	Ed & Dot Driggers
Jimmie Hodges	Lula M. Smith	Jane & Blake Barfield
Jan & Harry Herring	Mrs. Barbara Mason	Ms. Mollie Ashley Dolly Bain
Marvin & Elizabeth Rush	Mr. & Mrs. Joe Yeargin	Mr. Joey Tooley
Kathleen McDowell	Mr. & Mrs. Frankie Tooley	Mr. & Mrs. Dan Childers

3rd Sunday Fellowship Meal & Pastor Appreciation Meal is today. We invite everyone to stay after the service for a great meal, a great time of fellowship, and come to show your appreciation for Bill and the ministry he is doing for our Lord.

Web Ministry Committee will meet today after the 3rd Sunday Fellowship Meal to discuss the needs of the church relating to the church’s website. Members of this committee are: Dale, Beau, Chip, Harriett, Ann, and David.

*To Dr. Harris and the Congregation of Mathews UMC,
The family of Margaret Maddox would like to express their gratitude for your prayers, cards, calls, visits and delicious food. Mother loved the Lord, pastor, church and church family. We will miss her. A special blessing to everyone.
In God’s Love, Betty, Marie & family*

Saturday, Oct. 31 – ‘Trunk or Treat’ – We will be hosting a ‘Trunk or Treat’ event for the Mathews Community on Halloween night from 6:00pm to 8:00pm in the back parking lot. This event involves lots of people volunteering to decorate the trunks of their vehicles, buying candy and giving that candy out to the children who come to ‘trick or treat.’ We’ll also have games with prizes. We’ll need volunteers for the games, too. We’re going to need lots & lots of candy! If you can’t be here but still want to help, please buy as much candy as you can afford and bring it to the church office by Sunday, Oct. 25.

