

BEYOND SUNDAY...

Get Involved at Mallard Creek!

THIS WEEK

— Adult Bible Study —

LIVING BACKWARD:

reading and practicing
— Ecclesiastes —

Wednesday evenings at 6:00 beginning Sept. 23
Sunday evenings via Zoom at 6:00 beginning Sept. 27

Backpack Blessings

Canned Chicken
Macaroni & Cheese
1 lb bags of rice
Hunts Pasta Sauce
Fruit Cups
Canned Beans
Spaghettios
Top Ramen

Current Needs



Help Us Feed Hungry Children

Welcome newcomers!

Are you ready to take the next step?

Joining Sunday
October 11th

For more information, speak to
Pastor Rich or any church officer



Fall Festival!

A Fun Family Celebration for All Ages

Sunday, September 27

Noon – 2 PM | Free Admission
Hot Dogs • Games • Bounce Houses

RSVP: aprilp@mallardcreekchurch.org



"Fun for the Whole Family –
Everyone is Welcome!"

Ways to give at Mallard Creek



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Mallard Creek

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

1600 West Mallard Creek Church Rd.
Charlotte, North Carolina 28262

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The Lord's Day
10:30 Service

Is There Any Reason?...

Acts 8:26-40

September 20, 2026



A Service of Worship

PRELUDE	Reflection	Arr. By Mark Hayes
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS		Pastor Rich Lambert
CHORAL INTROIT	We Have Come to Worship the Lord	Charles Yannerella

†CALL TO WORSHIP (adapted from Hebrews 11:1, 8-9)

Leader	Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.
People	By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance, and he set out, not knowing where he was going.
Leader	By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents,
People	and so did his sons, who were heirs with him of the same promise.
Leader	By faith Abraham did not regard this life as his home, but he looked for the city that is to come, whose architect and builder is God.
People	By faith, let us do the same, and follow God to our true home. AMEN.

†PRAYER OF INVOCATION

†HYMN Lord of the Dance

CALL TO CONFESSION Pastor Rich Lambert

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious and merciful God,
Forgive us for our coldness and hardness toward your Spirit. We ignore your Spirit’s many promptings and directives-we refuse to listen when you speak from your word; we refuse to leave our comfort and ease when your Spirit sends us; we refuse to enter the inconvenience of our neighbors’ worlds for Jesus’s sake; we refuse to interrupt our busyness and self importance to follow Jesus. For all of this we are truly sorry and we humbly repent. Pour out to us once again your Spirit, and rekindle our hearts, that we may turn from our ways, to walk in yours. AMEN.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PASSING OF THE PEACE followed by the Blessing of the Children and Release to Children’s Church

OFFERING Offering Paul Baloche

†DOXOLOGY

SCRIPTURE LESSON Acts 8:26-40 Pastor Rich Lambert

SERMON Is There Any Reason? Pastor Rich Lambert

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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 sitteth 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.

SPECIAL MUSIC There Was Jesus Z. Williams, D. Parton
MCPC Worship Team

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD’S PRAYER

†HYMN Open the Eyes of My Heart

BENEDICTION Pastor Rich Lambert

CHORAL BENEDICTION May the Peace of the Lord Go With You Charles Yannerella

POSTLUDE Blessed Assurance Crosby/Knapp

✠ All who are able are invited to stand.

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Sunday School Classes & Locations

Age 0-2 – Nursery
Age 3-5 – Preschool room
1st-4th grade – Youth Club room
7th-12th grade – Teen room
Younger Adults – Garrison-Martin room
Older Adults – Spencer-Morrison room
Confirmation Class– Upstairs, Education Bldg

This week at Mallard Creek

Sunday, September 20

9:00 am Coffee Fellowship
9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship Service in Sanctuary
3:00 pm Ordination of Richard Lambert
4:00 pm Reception (Dining Hall)

Monday, September 21

6:30 pm Cub Scout Pack 148 (Dining Hall)

Tuesday, September 22

6:00 pm Session Meeting (Garrison-Martin)
6:30 pm BSA Troop 148 (Community House)

Wednesday, September 23

6:00 pm Bible Study (Dining Hall)
6:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
6:30 pm BSA Troop 248 (Community House)
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 24

6:30 pm Boy Scout Crew 148 (Comm House)

Friday, September 25

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

Please remember to sign the attendance book with all the names of your family that are attending church today.

Thank you!

OFFICERS ON DUTY

ELDERS:

Jamie Garrison, Alan Garrison,
Greg Armistead

DEACONS:

Lynn Davidson, Susan Mach,
Debbie Dowling, Felix Tangyie

A Note For Parents With Small Children:

Jesus said, “Let the little children come to me.” We celebrate these words as we welcome ALL ages in worship with us. Our desire is to help you make the most of this worship experience. Here are a few reminders:

1. There are Children’s Worship Bags and Bibles available in the back of the church.
2. There is a cry room in the Gathering Space, if you need to take a quick “time out” during the service.
3. There is a nursery for infants through age 4 downstairs from 9:30 am

Please let a Deacon know if you have any questions..



PRAYER LIST

Bobby & Nina Brown
Donny Brown
Christian Busch
Alex Busch
Bill Cochran
Doris DeArmon
Sheila DeArmon
Mary Jean Dowling
Guy Eberhart
Rima Frika

Jane Geracimos
Ben Hatton
Jean Helms
Daisy Huber
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Betsy Killian
Merle King
Sharon Kinman
Sheila Letica

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