

APRIL 21, 2024

Fourth Sunday of Eastertide at Mountain Brook Baptist Church

If this is your first time at MBBC, please take a moment to fill out the "For Guests" card on the opposite page and drop it in the Narthex on your way out. If this is your first time to worship with us via livestream, visit mbbc.org/guests to let us know of your attendance. We're thankful you have chosen to worship the Lord with us this morning.

CALL TO WORSHIP

MBBC PRAISE BAND

WELCOME

MARK RECTOR

WORSHIP THROUGH SONG

CONGREGATION

It Was Finished Upon That Cross

CityAlight

How I love the voice of Jesus on the cross of Calvary. He declares his work is finished. He has spoken this hope to me. Though the sun had ceased its shining, though the war appeared as lost, Christ had triumphed over evil. It was finished upon that cross!

Now the curse, it has been broken. Jesus paid the price for me. Full, the pardon he has offered. Great, the welcome that I receive. Boldly I approach my Father clothed in Jesus' righteousness. There is no more guilt to carry. It was finished upon that cross!

Death was once my great opponent. Fear once had a hold on me, but the Son who died to save us rose that we would be free indeed. Yes, he rose that we would be free indeed!

Free from every plan of darkness, free to live and free to love. Death is dead and Christ is risen. It was finished upon that cross!

Onward to eternal glory, to my Savior and my God. I rejoice in Jesus' victory. It was finished upon that cross!

CCLI Song #7171907

OFFERTORY READING

MARK RECTOR

Malachi 3:10 (NIV)

¹⁰ "Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the LORD Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it."

Mellow Brook Singers Mission Tour

The Mellow Brook Singers choir was formed in February 2013 with 13 people at the first rehearsal. The choir is for adults ages 55+ and is open to all who like to sing. No choral experience is necessary. The only requirement is to have a good attitude and to enjoy working with others to achieve musical goals that can't be attained alone. The Mellow Brook Singers exist to be a ministry arm for our church that goes out into the community to sing at local retirement centers, assisted living facilities, and nursing homes. We spread the love of Christ to all who will listen to us. For more information, email Kely Hatley (kely@mbbc.org).

DOXOLOGY*CONGREGATION**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

(There is no Children's Message today. Children 3K-5K can meet Mrs. Sharon in the back of the Sanctuary to go to Preschool Worship as the congregation sings the Doxology. If you are a guest and would like for your preschooler to go to Preschool Worship, please meet Mrs. Sharon in the Narthex to be sure your child has a check-in label for security purposes.)

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER**MARK RECTOR*****WORSHIP THROUGH SONG****CONGREGATION****Take My Heart With Altar Fire**

Advent Birmingham

All-seeing God, you see my deeds; you see my faults by light of day. You see my sins concealed in darkness: turn my deeds to holy ways; turn my deeds to holy ways.

All-hearing God, you hear my words; you hear each lie, each hurtful phrase. You hear my pride in secret slander: turn my tongue to truth and grace, turn my tongue to truth and grace.

Chorus: Take away my love of sinning, straighten every bent desire. Fix my soul upon your promise: take my heart with altar fire, take my heart with altar fire.

All-knowing God, you know my heart; you know my yearnings deep inside. You know my hidden motivations: turn my heart to pure delight, turn my heart to pure delight.

Fire of God, consume my heart. Burn it down to only faith, 'til all that's left of me is only you: Christ my glory, Christ my praise.

CCLI Song #2169609

MESSAGE**ETHAN MCVAY****"Relationship Check"**

1 John 3:16-24
pg. 863 (pew Bible)

TIME OF RESPONSE*CONGREGATION****Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy**

Hart

I will arise and go to Jesus, he will embrace me in his arms; in the arms of my dear Savior, O there are ten thousand charms.

CCLI Song #7103391

THE COMMUNION OF CHRIST WITH HIS CHURCH

We Receive the Bread and Cup

(If you need a gluten-free option, there are prepackaged elements marked gluten-free on the altar table.)

*SONG OF DISTRIBUTION

PRAISE BAND

Build My Life

Stanfill | Barrett

Worthy of every song we could ever sing. Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring. Worthy of every breath we could ever breathe. We live for you.

Jesus, the name above every other name. Jesus, the only one who could ever save. Worthy of every breath we could ever breathe. We live for you.

Chorus: Holy, there is no one like you. There is none beside you. Open up my eyes in wonder. Show me who you are and fill me with your heart and lead me in your love to those around me.

I will build my life upon your love. It is a firm foundation. I will put my trust in you alone, and I will not be shaken!

CCLI Song # 7070345

*THE EXCHANGE OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

MARK RECTOR

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

(Please greet one another saying: "The peace of Christ to you." / "And also with you.")

*BENEDICTION

ETHAN MCVAY

Hebrews 13:20-21 (NIV)

²⁰ Now may the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, ²¹ equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

*Congregation standing

Amplified-hearing devices are available in the Narthex. Please see a greeter for assistance.



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Prayer List

BIRTHS

Maggie Jean Burks (parents Sara & Joel Burks, grandparents Tracy & Allen Spradling)

Marshall Graham Towns (parents Lilly Beth & Spencer Towns, grandparents Tracey & Perry Towns, great-grandmother Nancy Becker)

DEATHS

Barry Austin (son of Shirley & Bill Austin)

F. Robert "Joey" Gleason

Bryan Cooper Patton (brother-in-law of Barbara Patton)

Joyce Ruffin Prater (sister of June Matsos)

MBBC MEMBERS

Chris Burch, Dot Burnett, Dot Carroll, Chris Clark, Kay Davidson, Greg Dobbins, Sandy Eichelberger, Judy Ellis, Chad Fooshee, Anne & Grady Gibbons, Betty Jo Gwin, Mirian Habshey, Anna Lu Hemphill, Martha Isom, Karen Johnson, Nancy Kelley, Nancye Lawrence, Billy McDonald, Ann & Mike McGuire, Caroline Mears, Martha Miklic, Larry Moon, Bertha Noland, Carolyn Nowlin, Walter Pittman, Missy Roper, Samantha Sellers, Anita Skelton, Glenn Slye, Irene Stutts, Judy Taylor, Bobby Trammell, Mark Tucker Jr., Harryette Turner, Rachel Walton, Jim Watkins, Doris Wayman, Marcella Zeigler

HEALTH CARE CENTERS

Peggy Abbott, Eugenia Anderson, Betty Bowen, Bob Compher, Joyce Dawkins, Mary Kate Dyer, Bill Johnson, Sarah Moler, Glaydell Pinson, Roger Pugh, Gailya Sargent, Nancy Stephens, Charles Stevens, Juanelle Strain, Helen Thrasher-Long

Weekly Information

MINISTER ON CALL: APRIL 26-28

Mary Splawn – (205) 834-3205

PROJECT 119 BIBLE READING PLAN

Sunday, April 21 - Saturday, April 27

Please visit mbbc.org/project119 for this week's readings.

Ways to Give



IN PERSON

Place your gift in the designated spot in the Narthex.



ONLINE

To give online, visit mbbc.org/give.



TEXT

Text STOREHOUSE to 73256.

To access our Wi-Fi network, choose MBBC Guest (password 803-3452).

This Week

Offices are open Monday – Friday from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 21

- 9 a.m. Traditional Worship | Sanctuary
- 10 a.m. Sunday Morning Bible Study
- 11 a.m. Contemporary Worship | Sanctuary

TUESDAY, APRIL 23

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Sharpen Up Breakfast | Heritage Hall
- 6:45 a.m. Students | Junior High Bible Study | Hudson Hall
- 9:30 a.m. ACTIVE Christian Living | Stretch and Fitness | Narthex

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24

- 5 p.m. Wednesday Night Family Dinner | Heritage Hall
- 5:30 p.m. Children's Missions Activities
- 6:15 p.m. Children's Music Activities
- 7:15 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal | Choir Room

THURSDAY, APRIL 25

- 9:30 a.m. ACTIVE Christian Living | Stretch and Fitness | Narthex
- 10:30 a.m. Mellow Brook Singers | Rehearsal | Hudson Hall
- 11:30 a.m. Mellow Brook Singers | Lunch | Heritage Hall
- 1 p.m. Cooks On A Mission | Cook Day

FRIDAY, APRIL 26

- 9 a.m. Cooks On A Mission | Cook Day

SUNDAY, APRIL 28

- 9 a.m. Traditional Worship | Sanctuary
- 10 a.m. Sunday Morning Bible Study
- 11 a.m. Contemporary Worship | Sanctuary
- 5 p.m. Students | Chapel Choir Rehearsal | Choir Room
- 6 p.m. Students | The Brook | Heritage Hall

MINISTERIAL STAFF

- Dr. Wayne Splawn, Senior Minister
- Mr. Eddie Elliott, Deacon Chair
- Mr. Vince Blackerby, Director of Operations
- Mr. Joel Burks, Minister to Students
- Dr. Kely Hatley, Minister of Music and ACTIVE Christian Living
- Mrs. Amy Hirsch, Associate Minister for Membership and Pastoral Care
- Mrs. Sharon Howard, Minister to Children and Families
- Mrs. Micaiah Kelly, Associate Minister of Music
- Mr. Ethan McVay, Minister to Preteen and Junior High Students
- Mr. Mark Rector, Associate Minister
- Mrs. Mary Splawn, Minister of Connections

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