APRIL 14, 2024

Third 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.

Organ Prelude

Christopher Henley

Fanfare by William Matthias

Call to Worship

Sanctuary Choir

Christ Is Risen! Alleluia! by John F. Wilson

Christ is risen! Alleluia! Risen our victorious Head! Sound his praises! Alleluia! Christ is risen from the dead! Death and hell before him bending, he doth rise the victor now, angels on his steps ascending, glory round his sacred brow. Christ is risen! Alleluia! Sound his praises, Alleluia! Alleluia! Risen our victorious Head! Alleluia! Christ is risen from the dead! Amen!

*Opening Sentences of Worship

Kely Hatley and Congregation

Leader: The Lord be with you, People: and also with you.

Leader: The Lord who calls us to worship him today is the same Jesus

who refused temptation to worship the evil one. Rather than receive the glorious kingdoms of this world, he endured the shame of the cross, and today is Lord of lords and King of kings. Now are gathered in him all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge, glory and power. With the saints of all ages we say,

People: "Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and

praise!" -based on Colossians 2:3 and Revelation 5:12

*Hymn of the Resurrection No. 202

Congregation

Jesus, Prince and Savior BRITTANY

*Invocation & Welcome to Worshipers

Amy Hirsch

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Wayne Splawn

*Offertory Hymn No. 493

Congregation

Have Thine Own Way, Lord
ADELAIDE

Offertory Reading

Ecclesiastes 11:1-2 (NIV)

- ¹ Ship your grain across the sea; after many days you may receive a return.
- ² Invest in seven ventures, yes, in eight; you do not know what disaster may come upon the land.

Mission Partner of the Week & Prayer

Amy Hirsch

Ruba Abbassi (Arab Center for Consulting and Training Services)

Ruba Abbassi works with the Arab Center for Consulting and Training Services (ACCTS) as the head of Arab Women Today (AWT). ACCTS exists to see the Arab community live in peace and harmony with one another and to empower individuals to live in freedom. The center provides moral and material support to those most affected by crises in the Middle East by providing a safe place to dialogue and encourage others, education and training opportunities, and resources to help them flourish in their environment. Recently, AWT/ACCTS has provided an evangelism training and a trauma healing training for young adults in the region. For more information, contact Mark Rector (mark@mbbc.org).

*We Present Our Offerings to God No. 706

Congregation

The Doxology
Old 100th (altered)

(All children are invited to meet Mrs. Mary at the front of the Sanctuary during The Doxology for the Children's Message. Children 3K-5K will go to Preschool Worship following the Children's Message. If you are a guest and would like for your preschooler to go to Preschool Worship, please meet Mrs. Mary in the Narthex to be sure your child has a check-in label for security purposes.)

Children's Message

Mary Splawn

The Reading of God's Word

Amy Hirsch

1 Corinthians 15:50-54 (NIV)

⁵⁰ I declare to you, brothers and sisters, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. ⁵¹ Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed— ⁵² in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. ⁵³ For the perishable must clothe itself with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality. ⁵⁴ When the perishable has been clothed with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality, then the saying that is written will come true: "Death has been swallowed up in victory."

Leader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

Choral Anthem

Sanctuary Choir

Changed by Linda Lee Johnson and Tom Fettke

In only a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the sound of the trumpet, we will see him come. In only a moment, we'll behold him in the sky, and the Lord himself will quickly take us home.

Refrain: We shall all be changed, caught up to heaven in a cloud of glory. We shall all be changed transformed in victory. Death, where is thy sting? God conquered death and hell. We shall all be changed. We shall all be changed.

In only a moment, Jesus Christ will call his own, with the voice of the angel and the trump of God. In only a moment, we'll be raised from earth to heaven, and will live in peace forever with the Lord. *Refrain*

*Affirmation of Faith

Amy Hirsch and Congregation

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only begotten Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. The third day he rose from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and now sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from whom he shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian Church, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and everlasting life. Amen.

Message Wayne Splawn

"We Shall Be Like Him"

1 John 3:1-7 pg. 863 (pew Bible)

*Hymn of Response No. 560

Congregation

Listen, Now We Tell a Mystery
HYMN TO JOY

Closing Words Wayne Splawn

*Choral Benediction

Sanctuary Choir

Proclaim the Good News! by Kely Hatley

Go and tell the world that Jesus, the Lord, is risen, is risen from the dead!

Organ Postlude

Christopher Henley

Allegro Vivace from Organ Sonata No. 2, op. 50 by Alexandre Guilmant

*Congregation standing

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Prayer List

RIRTHS

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

DEATHS

Barry Clark Austin Dolores Martin (mother of Redonda Broom) Herbert Neal Moore Jr. Bryan Cooper Patton (brother-in-law of Barbara Patton) Winford Yarbrough

MBBC MEMBERS

Chris Burch, Dot Burnett, Dot Carroll, Chris Clark, Kay Davidson, Greg Dobbins, Sandy Eichelberger, Judy Ellis, Chad Fooshee, Ginna Gardner, Anne & Grady Gibbons, Betty Jo Gwin, Mirian Habshey, Anna Lu Hemphill, Martha Isom, Karen Johnson, Ruffin Jordan, Nancye Lawrence, Billy McDonald, Ann & Mike McGuire, Caroline Mears, Martha Miklic, 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 19-21 Amy Hirsch – (205) 704-3500

PROJECT 119 BIBLE READING PLAN

Sunday, April 14 - Saturday, April 20

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

Ways to Give IN PERSON ONLINE Place your gift in the designated spot in the Narthex. 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 14

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

11 a.m. Contemporary Worship | Sanctu

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5 p.m. Students | Chapel Choir Rehearsal | Choir Room

MONDAY, APRIL 15

12 p.m. 3rd Monday Book Club | Conference Room

6 p.m. Deacons' Executive Committee Meeting | Conference Room

7 p.m. Deacons' Meeting | Heritage Hall

TUESDAY, APRIL 16

6:45 a.m. Students | Junior High Bible Study | Hudson Hall

9:30 a.m. ACTIVE Christian Living | Stretch and Fitness | Narthex

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17 _

3 p.m. Cooks On A Mission | Pick Up

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 18

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

SUNDAY, APRIL 21

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

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

For the full list of our church staff, please see mbbc.org/staff.