

APRIL 19, 2026

Third Sunday of Eastertide  
at Mountain Brook Baptist Church

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**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**MBBC BAND**

**\*WORSHIP THROUGH SONG**

**CONGREGATION**

**All Creatures of Our God and King**

Westlake | Wright | Fox

All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing.  
O praise him, alleluia! Thou burning sun with golden beam, thou  
silver moon with softer gleam, O praise him, O praise him. Alleluia,  
alleluia, alleluia!

Thou rushing winds that art so strong, ye clouds that sail in heav'n  
along, O praise him, alleluia! Thou rising morn in praise rejoice, ye  
lights of evening find a voice. O praise him, O praise him. Alleluia,  
alleluia, alleluia!

And all ye saints of tender heart, forgiving others take your part.  
O sing ye, alleluia! Ye who long pain and sorrow bear, praise God and  
on him cast your care. O praise him, O praise him. Alleluia, alleluia,  
alleluia!

Let all things their creator bless, and worship him in humbleness. O  
praise him, alleluia! Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise  
the Spirit, Three in One. O praise him, O praise him. Alleluia, alleluia,  
alleluia!

CCLI Song # 7273211

**OPENING PRAYER & WELCOME TO WORSHIPERS**

**AMY HIRSCH**

**OFFERTORY READING & PRAYER**

**JOEL BURKS**

1 Corinthians 13:3 (NIV)

**MISSION PARTNER OF THE WEEK & PRAYER**

**JOEL BURKS**

**Arab Baptist Theological Seminary**

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*service. Founded in 1960 in the hills overlooking Beirut, the Arab Baptist Theological Seminary (ABTS) equips servant-leaders for the ministry challenges arising in the Middle East and North Africa—be it theology, apologetics, communication, pastoral care, ethics, society, or culture. For more information about the seminary’s mission and ministry, contact Martha Isom (marthagisom@gmail.com).*

**\*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.

*(All children are invited to meet Mr. Ethan at the pulpit 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. Wendy in the Narthex to be sure your child has a check-in label for security purposes.)*

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

**ETHAN MCVAY**

**PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**MARK RECTOR**

**THE READING OF GOD’S WORD**

**AMY HIRSCH**

Mark 7:14-23 (NIV)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

**LIBBY PHILLIPS & 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.

**\*WORSHIP THROUGH SONG**

**CONGREGATION**

**Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me**

Robinson | Farren | Thompson

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer, there is no more for heaven now to give. He is my joy, my righteousness and freedom, my steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace. To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus, for my life is wholly bound to his. Oh, how strange and divine, I can sing: “All is mine. Yet not I, but through Christ in me.”

The night is dark, but I am not forsaken. For by my side, the Savior, he will stay. I labor on in weakness and rejoicing. For in my need, his power is displayed. To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me. Through the deepest valley, he will lead. Oh, the night has been won, and I shall overcome, yet not I, but through Christ in me.

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven. The future sure, the price it has been paid. For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon, and he was raised to overthrow the grave. To this I hold, my sin has been defeated. Jesus now and ever is my plea. Oh, the chains are released, I can sing, "I am free, yet not I, but through Christ in me."

With every breath, I long to follow Jesus. For he has said that he will bring me home. And day by day, I know he will renew me until I stand with joy before the throne. To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus. All the glory evermore to him. When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat: "Yet not I, but through Christ in me."

CCLI Song # 7121852

### Abide

Keys | William | Fauber

For my waking breath, for my daily bread, I depend on you. I depend on you. For the sun to rise, for my sleep at night, I depend on you, I depend on you.

***Chorus:*** You're the Way, the Truth, and the Life. You're the well that never runs dry. I'm the branch and you are the vine. Draw me close and teach me to abide.

Where the Spirit leads, as I'm following, I depend on you, I depend on you. For the victories still in front of me, I depend on you, I depend on you.

***Chorus:*** You're the Way, the Truth, and the Life. You're the well that never runs dry. I'm the branch and you are the vine. Draw me close and teach me to abide. Be my strength, my song in the night. Be my all, my treasure, my prize. I am yours, forever you're mine. Draw me close and teach me to abide.

When I pass through death, as I enter rest, I depend on you, I depend on you. For eternal life, to be raised with Christ, I depend on you, I depend on you. ***Chorus***

CCLI Song #7168160

MESSAGE

MARK RECTOR

### "Tending Your Heart"

Deuteronomy 4:9-14

pg. 128 (pew Bible)

**\*SONG OF RESPONSE****CONGREGATION****Speak, O Lord**

Getty | Townend

Speak, O Lord, as we come to you to receive the food of your holy word. Take your truth, plant it deep in us. Shape and fashion us in Your likeness. That the light of Christ might be seen today in our acts of love and our deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us all your purposes for your glory.

Teach us Lord full obedience, holy reverence, true humility. Test our thoughts and our attitudes in the radiance of your purity. Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see your majestic love and authority. Words of power that can never fail, let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds. Help us grasp the heights of your plans for us. Truths unchanged from the dawn of time, that will echo down through eternity. And by grace we'll stand on your promises, and by faith we'll walk, as you walk with us. Speak, O Lord, till your church is built and the earth is filled with your glory.

CCLI Song #4615235

**\*BENEDICTION****MARK RECTOR**

Depart now, in the fellowship of God the Father, and as you go, remember that by the goodness of God you were born into this world, and by the grace of God you have been kept all the long even until this very hour. And by the love of God, fully revealed in the face of Jesus, you have been redeemed and you are being redeemed, and so go, pour your heart unto him, so that he may lift you up. Amen.

*The flowers on the altar are given in celebration  
of the marriage of Ansley Platt Bennett and James Boyd Dobson Jr.  
at Mountain Brook Baptist Church on April 18, 2026.*

\*Congregation standing

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