

MARCH 2, 2025

Eighth Sunday of Epiphany 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 lobby on your way out. We're thankful you have chosen to worship the Lord with us this morning.

Organ Prelude

Christopher Henley

Prelude in C, BWV 547
by Johann Sebastian Bach

Call to Worship

Sanctuary Choir

Let All the Nations Praise the Lord
by Vlockmar Leisring

Let all the nations praise the Lord, Lord, God of Hosts, in heav'n above. Alleluia! Lift up your hearts and let them sing, sing unto God the heav'nly King, Alleluia!

*Opening Sentences of Worship

Mark Rector and Congregation

Leader: Let us direct our hearts and mind to the Lord praying to him through the voice of the Psalmist:
O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth.

People: When we look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars—why do you think of us?

Leader: For you have made us with glory. You have created us with honor and joy.

People: O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

All: In the wisdom of all ages, God gives us life with honor and glory!
We shall praise him for the works of wonder around us!

*Processional Hymn of Worship

Congregation

When Morning Gilds the Skies
LAUDES DOMINI

*Invocation and Welcome to Worshipers

Mark Rector

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Wayne Splawn

*Offertory Hymn

Congregation

Take My Gifts and Let Me Love You
MADILL

Offertory Reading*Joel Burks**

Matthew 6:1-4 (NIV)

¹ “Be careful not to practice your righteousness in front of others to be seen by them. If you do, you will have no reward from your Father in heaven. ² So when you give to the needy, do not announce it with trumpets, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and on the streets, to be honored by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. ³ But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, ⁴ so that your giving may be in secret. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.”

Mission Partner of the Week and Prayer**Joel Burks****Alabama Baptist Children's Homes**

The mission of the Alabama Baptist Children's Homes is to protect, nurture, and restore children and families through Christ-centered services so that they might experience hope and wholeness through knowing God. By providing homes, counseling, educational services, and various family assistance programs, the ALBCH seeks to meet the needs of some of the most vulnerable among us. If you would like to know more about the Alabama Baptist Children's Homes, email Mark Rector (mark@mbbc.org).

We Present Our Offerings to God*Congregation**

The Doxology
Old 100th (altered)

(All children are invited to meet Mrs. Sharon 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. Sharon in the lobby to be sure your child has a check-in label for security purposes.)

Children's Message**Sharon Howard****The Reading of God's Word****Amy Hirsch**

1 Corinthians 4:1-13

Choral Anthem**Sanctuary Choir**

Lay Up Your Treasures in Heaven
by Pepper Choplin
Matt Rich, soloist

“Lay up your treasures in heaven, O people, lay up your treasures in glory where nothing in this world can take them away.” O listen, people, hear the Master say, “Come and lay up your treasures in heaven, O people, lay up your treasures in glory. Your treasures in this world will fade away, but the things of the Lord will last forevermore!”

Solo: Well, the Lord looked out and saw the people there, tied up with worry and burdened with care. He said, “Seek first the kingdom and you will see the things that will last for eternity! Come and...” **Refrain**

Solo: Some people trust in their silver and gold, they put their faith in the wealth they hold. But fortunes will fade and kingdoms will fall, so put your trust in the Lord of all! “Won't you...” **Refrain**

Affirmation of Faith*Ethan McVay 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

“Where Is Your Heart?”
Matthew 6:19-24

Wayne Splawn

***Hymn of Response**

I Surrender All
SURRENDER

Congregation

Closing Words

Wayne Splawn

***Choral Benediction**

In Your Love, Dear Lord
by David Justice

Sanctuary Choir

In your love, dear Lord, dismiss us, and your wings our shelter be. Let your Spirit dwelling in us bind and keep us close to thee. Amen.

Organ Postlude

Menuet Gothique
by Léon Boëllmann

Christopher Henley

*Congregation standing

Amplified-hearing devices are available in the back of the gym. Please see a greeter for assistance.

Are you interested in attending one of our Sunday School Classes at 10 a.m.?
Scan the QR code below or visit mbbc.org/smbc to view class options and locations.



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Prayer List

DEATHS

Dot Burnett

Gary Pitts (brother of Sherman Pitts)

Joyce Rogers (mother of Louis Coppedge)

Nancy Walter (mother of Hollie Chitty)

Steve Wells (stepfather of Aimee Turner)

MBBC MEMBERS

Bill Austin, Bob Baker, Charlene & Milton Berryhill, Chris Burch, Richard Compton, Kay Davidson, Joyce Dawkins, Greg Dobbins, Sandy Eichelberger, Chad Fooshee, Anne & Grady Gibbons, Betty Jo Gwin, Tallulah Hargrove, Martha Isom, Karen Johnson, Lauren Johnston, Judy Long, Eddie Mae McDanal, Billy McDonald, Caroline Mears, Martha Miklic, Phyllis Mitchell, Carolyn Nowlin, Jennie Pickett, Walter Pittman, Joyce Ratliff, Missy Roper, Ann Sanders, Irene Stutts, Judy Taylor, Mark Tucker Jr., Rachel Walton, Doris Wayman, Laura Zarembo

HEALTH CARE CENTERS/INDEPENDENT LIVING

Peggy Abbott, Eugenia Anderson, Betty Bowen, Bob Compher, Mary Kate Dyer, Bill Johnson, Louise Martin, Sarah Moler, Glaydell Pinson, Roger Pugh, Gailya Sargent, Juanelle Strain, Helen Thrasher-Long, Harryette Turner

Weekly Information

MINISTER ON CALL: MARCH 7-9

Amy Hirsch – (205) 704-3500

PROJECT 119 BIBLE READING PLAN

Sunday, March 2 - Saturday, March 8

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

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

Matthew 6:21 (NIV)

²¹ "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

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, MARCH 2 (EIGHTH SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY)

- 9 a.m. Traditional Worship | Gym
- 10 a.m. Sunday School
- 11 a.m. Contemporary Worship | Gym
- 5 p.m. Chapel Choir Rehearsal | Chapel Music Suite

TUESDAY, MARCH 4

- 6:45 a.m. Students | Junior High Bible Study | Student Ministry Area
- 9:30 a.m. ACTIVE Christian Living | Stretch and Fitness | Rm. 354 2A

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5 • ASH WEDNESDAY

- 5 p.m. Wednesday Night Family Dinner | Hudson Hall
- 6 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service | Gym
- 7:15 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal | Chapel Music Suite

THURSDAY, MARCH 6

- 9:30 a.m. ACTIVE Christian Living | Stretch and Fitness | Rm. 354 2A
- 10:30 a.m. Mellow Brook Singers | Rehearsal | Chapel Music Suite
- 11:30 a.m. Mellow Brook Singers | Lunch | Hudson Hall

FRIDAY, MARCH 7

- 7 p.m. Students | LifeWeek Begins

SUNDAY, MARCH 9 (FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT)

- 9 a.m. Traditional Worship | Gym
- 10 a.m. Sunday School
- 11 a.m. Contemporary Worship | Gym
- 5 p.m. Chapel Choir Rehearsal | Chapel Music Suite

MINISTERIAL STAFF

- Dr. Wayne Splawn, Senior Minister
- Dr. John Piede, 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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