

MARCH 9, 2025

First Sunday in Lent 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

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
arr. James Biery

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

Kely Hatley and Congregation

Leader: The Lord be with you,

People: and also with you.

Leader: The Lord God cleansed the earth through forty days of flood, and he gave his guiding law through forty days of worship.

People: God revived the prophet, Elijah, through forty days of pilgrimage, and he sent his Son to fight our foe through forty days of fasting in the wilderness.

Leader: May the Lord grant us the grace to enter the flood, the fire, the desert,

People: the penitence and the journey, the emptiness and the fasting,

Leader: that leads us to Gethsemane, and the dark scene of Golgotha,

People: and leaves us at the empty tomb, to see his resurrected and risen Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ.

*Hymn of Worship

Congregation

Lift High the Cross
CRUCIFER

*Invocation and Welcome to Worshipers

Mark Rector

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Wayne Splawn

*Offertory Hymn

Congregation

O for a Closer Walk with God
AVON

Offertory Reading**Mark Rector**

Matthew 11:28 (NIV)

²⁸ “Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.”

Mission Partner of the Week and Prayer**Mark Rector****Rooted Ministries**

Rooted Ministries exists to equip and empower churches and parents to faithfully disciple students toward lifelong faith in Jesus Christ. The most influential factor in determining whether a child will attend church as an adult is an accurate understanding of the gospel—God’s unconditional love for sinners through Christ. Therefore, Rooted equips leaders and parents throughout the country to practice gospel-centered youth and family ministry through articles, podcasts, Bible study curriculum, conferences, and training sessions. For more information about their ministry, contact 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****Kely Hatley**

Romans 5:18-21

Choral Anthem**Sanctuary Choir**

Lonesome Valley
arr. Roger C. Wilson
Jacob King, soloist

Jesus walked this lonesome valley. He had to walk it by himself. Oh, nobody else could walk it for him. He had to walk it by himself.

Jesus suffered shame and sorrow. He had to suffer by himself. Oh, nobody else could share it with him. He had to suffer by himself.

We must walk this lonesome valley, but he is walking by our side; Oh, never alone in this dark valley, for he is walking by our side.

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****“When the Tempter Comes”**

Matthew 4:1-11

***Hymn of Response**

Congregation

How Firm a Foundation
FOUNDATION

Closing Words

Wayne Splawn

***Choral Benediction**

Sanctuary Choir

Jesus to Calvary Did Go
by Kurt Kaiser

Jesus to Calvary did go, his love the whole world to show; what he did
there brought hope from despair; O how he loves you; O how he loves
me; O how he loves you and me!

Organ Postlude

Christopher Henley

"Toccata" from Organ Sonata No. 1
by René-Louis Becker

*Congregation standing

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

*The flowers on the altar have been given in loving memory of Chervis Isom
by Natalie, Hugo, and Martha.*

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

BIRTHS

Mary Betts Smith (parents Liz & Matt Smith, grandparents Brenda & Brooks Knapp)

DEATHS

Beverly Bright

Dot Burnett

Gary Pitts (brother of Sherman Pitts)

Joyce Rogers (mother of Louis Coppedge)

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, Jamie Hopper, Martha Isom, Karen Johnson, Judy Long, Eddie Mae McDanal, Billy McDonald, Caroline Mears, Martha Miklic, Phyllis Mitchell, Carolyn Nowlin, Jennie Pickett, Walter Pittman, Joyce Ratliff, Ann Sanders, Irene Stutts, Judy Taylor, Mark Tucker Jr., Rachel Walton, Doris Wayman, Laura Zaremba

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 14-16

Ethan McVay – (251) 214-3592

PROJECT 119 BIBLE READING PLAN

Sunday, March 9 - Saturday, March 15

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

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

Matthew 4:4 (NIV)

⁴ Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

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 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
- 5:30 p.m. Children | Daddy/Daughter Dinner | Hudson Hall

TUESDAY, MARCH 11

- 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 12

- 5 p.m. Wednesday Night Family Dinner | Hudson Hall
- 6 p.m. Children's Missions Activities
- 6 p.m. Students | Senior High Bible Studies
- 6:30 p.m. Children's Music Activities
- 7:15 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal | Chapel Music Suite

THURSDAY, MARCH 13

- 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

SUNDAY, MARCH 16 (SECOND 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

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