

AUGUST 20, 2023

Welcome to 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

Jim Dorroh

Aria
by Flor Peeters

Call to Worship

Sanctuary Choir

Cry Out and Shout
by Knut Nystedt

Cry out and shout, ye people of God! The Lord is strength and song!
Therefore with joy shall ye draw water from the wells of salvation.
Therefore with joy shall ye draw water from the wells of salvation. Cry
out and shout, ye people of God! Cry out and shout, ye people of God!

*Opening Sentences of Worship

Kely Hatley and Congregation

Leader: The Lord be with you,

People: and also with you.

Leader: Called to be branches in Christ's body,

People: we yearn to be connected to the vine.

Leader: Called to be mustard bushes offering shade to God's creatures,

People: we search for places to plant the seeds of faith.

Leader: Called to be growing with God in the midst of this world's
painful questions,

People: we seek God's nurturing presence.

*All: As we worship God this day, may we give him our best and
highest praise as we confess our sins and declare him to be worthy
of all praise and glory! Amen.*

*Hymn of Worship No. 22

Congregation

How Great Our God's Majestic Name
DUKE STREET

*Invocation and Welcome to Worshipers

Ethan McVay

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Wayne Splawn

Offertory Reading and Prayer**Ethan McVay**

Acts 10:4 (NIV)

⁴ Cornelius stared at him in fear. "What is it, Lord?" he asked. The angel answered, "Your prayers and gifts to the poor have come up as a memorial offering before God."

MBBC Renewal Campaign Emphasis**Wayne Splawn*****We Present Our Offerings to God No. 706****Congregation**

The Doxology
Old 100th (altered)

(Children 3K-5K will meet Mrs. Sharon in the back of the Sanctuary during The Doxology to go to Preschool Worship.)

Choral Anthem**Sanctuary Choir**

A Clean Heart
by Benjamin Harlan

Create in me a clean heart, O God. Create in me a clean heart. Renew my spirit, renew my spirit. Create in me a clean heart. Create in me a clean heart, O God. Create in me a clean heart. Renew my spirit, renew my spirit. Create in me a clean heart.

A heart that's free to give as you have given me, a heart that's free to love as you have loved me, a heart that really cares, a heart that always shares, create in me a clean heart.

Create in me a clean heart, O God. Create in me a clean heart. Renew my spirit, renew my spirit. Create in me a clean heart.

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**Wayne Splawn****"Soil Suited for Growth"**

Luke 8:4-15
pg. 731 (pew Bible)

Hymn of Response No. 274*Congregation**

As Grain on Scattered Hillsides
MERLE'S TUNE

The Communion of Christ With His Church

(If you have gluten allergies, a tray of gluten-free wafers has been placed in the Narthex on the credenza. Please take one to your seat so you may participate.)

Song of Distribution**Sanctuary Choir**

At the Table of the Lord
by Jay Althouse

At the table of the Lord bread is broken. At the table of the Lord we are fed. We remember now the words that Christ has spoken: "This is my body," he said.

At the table of the Lord, in thanksgiving, we have come to drink the wine which is poured. We remember him, who died for us, now living. We remember Christ, our Lord.

At the table of the Lord we are meeting. In communion we are many in one. For wherever we are gathered, there our Lord will be, there our Lord will be. At the table of the Lord, we shall be free.

We Receive the Bread and Cup

***The Exchange of the Peace of Christ**

Wayne Splawn

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.")

Closing Words

Wayne Splawn

***Choral Benediction**

Sanctuary Choir

Benediction
by Ouida W. Harding
Kely Hatley, soloist

May the good Lord bless and keep you; may his countenance shine upon you. May his love forever abide with you, may God grant you peace. May he grant you peace, may God grant you peace. May God's love forever be with you, may he grant you, grant you, may God grant you peace.

Organ Postlude

Jim Dorroh

O God, Beyond All Praising
by Gustav Holst

*Congregation standing

Amplified-hearing devices are available in the Narthex. Please see an usher for assistance.

Prayer List

BIRTH

Salter Willoughby Hails (parents Kelley & Barrett Hails, grandparents Beth & Andy Joiner)

MBBC MEMBERS

Anne Peyton Baker, Janie Barnes, Sally & Bob Berryhill, Dona Boone, Buck Brock, Chris Burch, Dot Burnett, Diane Burns, Amy Carr, Dot Carroll, Kay Davidson, Taylor Davis, Greg Dobbins, Will Dobbins, Sandy Eichelberger, Judy Ellis, Chad Fooshee, Cal Frey, Anne Gibbons, Wayne Gowens, Mirian Habshey, Anna Lu Hemphill, Martha Isom, Karen Johnson, Jo & Furnie Johnston, Nancye Lawrence, Nancy Lewis, Billy McDonald, Ann & Mike McGuire, Caroline Mears, Martha Miklic, John Montgomery, Larry Moon, Walter Pittman, Marjorie Randleman, Missy Roper, Ken Sanders, Beverly McGill Shaffer, Holli Simon, Anita Skelton, Irene Stutts, Mark Tucker Jr., Harryette Turner, Rachel Walton, Tom Walton, Jim Watkins, Doris Wayman, Lamar White, Winford Yarbrough, Marcella Zeigler

HEALTH CARE CENTERS

Peggy Abbott, Eugenia Anderson, Betty Bowen, Bob Compheer, Jerry Edwards, Bill Johnson, Neal Moore, Sarah Moler, Glaydell Pinson, Roger Pugh, Gailya Sargent, Nancy Stephens, Juanelle Strain

Weekly Information

MINISTER ON CALL: AUGUST 25-27

Mark Rector – (205) 568-2743

PROJECT 119 BIBLE READING PLAN

Sunday, August 20 - Saturday, August 26

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, AUGUST 20

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

MONDAY, AUGUST 21

- 12 p.m. Third Monday Book Club | Conference Room

TUESDAY, AUGUST 22

- 9:30 a.m. ACTIVE Christian Living | Stretch and Fitness | Room 321
- 10 a.m. American Red Cross Blood Drive at MBBC | Heritage Hall

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23

- 7 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal | Choir Room

THURSDAY, AUGUST 24

- 9:30 a.m. ACTIVE Christian Living | Stretch and Fitness | Room 321

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27







- 9 a.m. Traditional Service | Sanctuary
- 10 a.m. Sunday Morning Bible Study
- 11 a.m. Contemporary Service | Sanctuary
- 5:30 p.m. Fall Ministry Kickoff Events for Women, Men, & Children

MINISTERIAL STAFF

- Dr. Wayne Splawn, Senior Minister
- Mr. Larry Bearden, Deacon Chair
- Mr. Vince Blackerby, Director of Operations
- Miss Micaiah Bolton, Associate Minister of Music
- 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
- Mr. Ethan McVay, Minister for Preteen and Junior High Students
- Mr. Mark Rector, Associate Minister
- Mrs. Mary Splawn, Minister of Connections

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