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NEWSLETTER OF  
MOUNTAIN BROOK  
BAPTIST CHURCH  
55+ MINISTRY

# ACTIVE Christian Living



(Ministry for Adults 55+)

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## Easter Sunday, April 20, 2025: *Our Return to the Sanctuary*

This year, we have four opportunities for worship on Easter Sunday. Please note the change in times from our normal Sunday schedule. In order to accommodate a large crowds for Easter, we will offer three services in the Sanctuary. Sunday School classes WILL NOT meet.

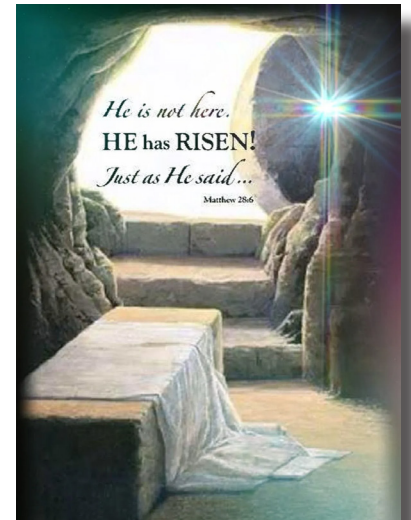
Due to the crowds we anticipate, please register for the service you plan to attend (members of the praise band and choir do not need to register). Register via Realm or by calling the church office (205-871-0331).

6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service at MBBC

8 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service | Sanctuary

9:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Service | Sanctuary

11 a.m. Traditional Worship Service | Sanctuary



### Current Registration Figures as of April 1st

6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service | No Registration Needed

8 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service | 34 out of 660

9:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Services | 353 out of 660

11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Services | 147 out of 660

We suspect that many will not register and merely show up, or register the week prior. We are happy to have them, but we would like to give you a chance to predetermine the crowd size you may be able to handle. The Sanctuary redesign seats approximately 660 people. Please take this into account when selecting a service to attend!



## Sarah Cate Hatley Violin Recital

**Sunday, April 27, 2025**

**Meet: 1:15 p.m.**

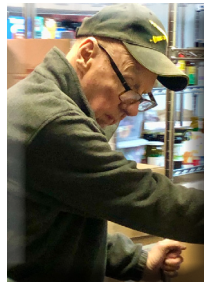
**Depart at 1:30 p.m.**

**Recital Begins at 4:00 p.m.**

Join us on Sunday April 27th as we head to Florence, Alabama to hear Sarah Cate Hatley perform her Junior recital. This recital is an important step as she approaches completion of her degree in Violin performance at UNA! She will be accompanied by Ms. Laurelie Gheesling on piano and joined by Cade Garcia on second violin. Composers featured on this recital include: Richter, Paganini, Sarasate, and Tchaikovsky.

We will meet at the church at 1:15 p.m. and leave shortly after at 1:30 p.m. We will hear the program and have dinner in Florence afterward.

**Please reserve your minibus seat online through Realm or  
Call the church office by Friday, April 25th.**



## Faith Church Leaf Food Pantry

**Friday, May 16, 2025**

**Meet: 7:45 a.m.**

**Depart at 8:00 a.m.**

**Cost: Lunch at Bob  
Sykes Barbecue**

On Friday, May 16th, we will take the minibus over to Faith Church to help them set up for their food pantry give away on the next day. Faith Church in Midfield has been blessed with receiving official certification from the Community Food Bank of Central Alabama. Every third Saturday, Faith Church opens Leaf Food Pantry and gives away free food, fresh produce, and household essentials to those in need.

Several classes in our church are involved in providing household supplies and birthday cake kits. Some members go on their distribution Saturday to help Faith members meet the needs of their community. There is a way in which you can help them. Check their website for schedule and needs: [www.theleafpantry.org](http://www.theleafpantry.org)

**Please reserve your minibus seat on-line through Realm or  
Call the church office by Wednesday, May 14th.**



## **Holy Week Worship Opportunities** **TAKE NOTE OF THIS UPDATED SCHEDULE** **April 14,15,16,18**

**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday**

**7:00 A.M. – 7:30 A.M.**

**Friday**

**12:00 P.M. – 12:30 P.M.**

We are so pleased to welcome Jacob Simmons as our Holy Week Speaker. Jacob is pastor of Hope Community Church (Formerly McIwain Baptist Church). He is originally from Hendersonville, TN. He has a B.S. in Business Management from Samford University, an MBA from Samford's Brock School of Business, and a Master of Divinity from Beeson Divinity School. He is currently pursuing a Ph.D. in Preaching from Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He has served on staff at churches in Hendersonville, Birmingham, London, and Chicago. Jacob is married to Suzanne, a hospital chaplain at UAB Hospital, and is the father of John and Bea.

We are working with a new schedule. Our Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday services will be at 7:00 A.M.-7:30 A.M. in the Chapel Music Suite.

### **Journey to the Cross**

**Wednesday April 16th**

**5:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.**

**Mountain Brook Baptist,  
Gym**

Join us for an interactive family experience to reflect on the life of Jesus and the events that led up to his crucifixion and resurrection. We will enjoy family dinner from 5-6 p.m., followed by music and activities for families. Registrations are encouraged so we can make plans for food.

### **Maundy Thursday**

**Thursday April 17th**

**Mountain Brook Baptist,  
Gym 6:30 P.M.**

At this year's Maundy Thursday service, Mary Splawn will preach and we will celebrate the Lord's Supper. The Sanctuary Choir will also present special music for the evening. Childcare for 2K and under will be provided.

### **Good Friday**

**Friday April 18th**

**Mountain Brook Baptist,  
Gym 12:00 P.M.**

On Friday, April 18, we will gather in the Chapel at 12 p.m. for our Good Friday Service. Dr. Wayne Splawn will be preaching.

Following the service, Eugene's Hot Chicken will be catering lunch! The menu will be: Fried catfish or fried chicken tenders (gluten-free chicken option available), macaroni and cheese, slaw, baked beans, cookies

Lunch will be served in Hudson Hall. Registrations are encouraged so we can make plans for food. Childcare for 2K and under will be provided.





**Make Your  
Reservations  
TODAY!**

#### ACTIVITY SCALE

Level	Definition
	<b>Easy:</b> minimal walking
	<b>Moderate:</b> walk up to a mile
	<b>Active:</b> walk as much as two miles
	<b>Challenging:</b> spend most of the day on the go

## Calendar At A Glance

- **Holy Week Morning Services - April 14th, 15th, 16th** 7:00 A.M.- 7:30 A.M. Mountain Brook Baptist, Chapel Music Suite
- **Journey to the Cross Wednesday April 16th** 5:00 P.M.- 7:00 P.M. Mountain Brook Baptist, Gym
- **Maundy Thursday Service - Thursday April 17th** 6:30 P.M. Mountain Brook Baptist, Gym
- **Good Friday Service - Friday April 18th** 12:00 P.M. Mountain Brook Baptist, Gym
- **Easter Sunday Services - Sunday April 20th** Sunrise Service 6:30 a.m., Contemporary Service 8:00 a.m., Traditional Services 9:30 & 11:00 a.m. . **Please Register for your desired service on Realm**
- **Sarah Cate Hatley Junior Recital - Sunday April 27th** Meet 1:15 p.m. Depart: 1:30 p.m. Dinner in Florence
- **Volunteering at Faith Church Leaf Food Pantry - Friday, May 16,** Meet: 7:45 a.m. Depart: 8:00 a.m. Lunch at Bob Sykes BBQ

*Any third Friday or Saturday volunteers are welcomed at Faith Church!*

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## FOUNDATION

The Mountain Brook Baptist Church / James D. Moebes Foundation is delighted to provide financial support for the ministries, events, and activities of Active Christian Living.

If you'd like to learn more about the foundation and how you can give to it, please contact Debbie Hix or Baker Crow.

## ACTIVE Christian Living Service Teams

### Monthly Luncheon Team:

Peggy Holmes, Joy Cooper, Carol Perez, Kay Formby, Clyde McCain, Bob Formby, Louise Gore, Jane Green

### Mail Team:

Jane Green, Tallulah Hargrove, Gail Moebes, Royce Tinsley, Larry Moon, Linda Moon, Lowell Broom, Cathy Benton, Lawson Hubert

### Day Trips Team:

Sale Calhoun, John Calhoun, Carol Perez, Charles Stover, Louise Gore

### Missions Team:

David Jackson, Cathy Benton, Sue Watkins, Bob Formby

### At-Home Visitation Team:

Cathy Benton, Cecil Avery, Jane Green, Anna Lu Hemphill, Retta Dean, Greg Robinson, Lowell and Redonda Broom

### Decorator's Team:

Nancy Lewis, Ina Faye Anderson, Claudette Bearden, Emma Laura Patrick, Carol Perez, Chris Clark,

### ACL Advisory Council:

Sale Calhoun, John Calhoun, Carol Perez, Louise Gore, Clyde McCain, Shirley McCain, Redonda Broom, Lowell Broom, Claudette Bearden, Larry Bearden, Jane Green,