

SEPTEMBER 13, 2026

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. We're thankful you have chosen to worship the Lord with us this morning.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

CONGREGATION

Holy Forever

Chris Tomlin

A thousand generations falling down in worship to sing the song of ages to the Lamb. And all who've gone before us, and all who will believe, will sing the song of ages to the Lamb.

Your name is the highest, your name is the greatest, your name stands above them all. All thrones and dominions, all powers and positions, your name stands above them all.

Chorus: And the angels cry, "Holy!" All creation cries, "Holy!" You are lifted high. Holy, holy forever. Hear your people sing, "Holy!" to the King of kings. Holy. You will always be holy, holy forever.

If you've been forgiven and if you've been redeemed, sing the song forever to the Lamb. If you walk in freedom and if you bear his name, sing the song of ages to the Lamb. We'll sing the song, forever and Amen. **Chorus**

CCLI Song # 7201044

OPENING PRAYER & WELCOME TO WORSHIPERS

MARK RECTOR

OFFERTORY READING & PRAYER

MARY SPLAWN

Deuteronomy 15:7-11 (NIV)

*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.

(There is no Children's Message today. Children 3K-5K may meet Mrs. Sharon in the Narthex to go to Preschool Worship as the congregation sings the Doxology. Guests with preschoolers attending Preschool Worship should meet Mrs. Sharon in the Narthex to receive a security check-in label.)

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

WAYNE SPLAWN

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****All Sufficient Merit***The Worship Initiative*

All sufficient merit, shining like the sun, a fortune I inherit by no work I have done. My righteousness I forfeit at my Savior's cross, where all sufficient merit did what I could not.

In love he condescended, eternal now in time; a life without a blemish, the Maker made to die. The law could never save us, our lawlessness had won, until the pure and spotless Lamb had finally come.

Chorus: It is done, it is finished! No more debt I owe. Paid in full, all sufficient merit now my own.

I lay down my garments, any empty boast, good works now all corrupted by the sinful host. I'm dressed in my Lord Jesus, a crimson robe made white. No more fear of judgment, his righteousness is mine.

Chorus

All sufficient merit, firm in life and death; the joy of my salvation shall be my final breath. When I stand accepted before the throne of God, I'll gaze upon my Jesus and thank him for the cross. ***Chorus***

CCLI Song # 7212933

MESSAGE**WAYNE SPLAWN****"A Personal Experience of God's Love"**

Psalm 136:23-26 (NIV)

pg. 444 (pew Bible)

SONG OF RESPONSE**CONGREGATION****In Christ Alone***Passion*

In Christ alone my hope is found; he is my light, my strength, my song. This cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease. My comforter, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I stand.

CCLI Song #7126847

THE COMMUNION OF CHRIST WITH HIS CHURCH**We Receive the Bread & Cup**

(Prepackaged gluten-free communion elements are available on the altar table.)

SONG OF DISTRIBUTION & RESPONSE**MBBC PRAISE BAND****The Blood***Kingdom Culture*

Everything changed. It's getting harder to recognize the person I was before I encountered Christ. I don't walk like I used to; I don't talk like I used to. I've been washed from the inside, I've been washed from the inside out.

Chorus: Hallelujah, hallelujah! I know it was the blood, could have only been the blood. Hallelujah, hallelujah. I know it was the blood, could have only been the blood.

I cannot explain, but nothing's more real than this. In the presence of God, oh, what my heart experienced when my shame hit the wayside and my sin met the Most High! I was washed from the inside; I was washed from the inside out. **Chorus**

It's never been about performance, perfection, or striving for acceptance. Let me tell you: it's only by the blood. It's never been about deserving or earning; it's a gift that's freely given. Let me tell you: it's only by the blood.

Does anybody want to be holy? Righteous? Purified and spotless? Let me tell you: it's only by the blood. Does anybody want to be worthy? Forgiven? Justified, really living? Let me tell you: it's only by the blood. **Chorus**

CLI Song #7204970

***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.")

***BENEDICTION**

WAYNE SPLAWN

May your love abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God. Amen. *(based on Philippians 1:9-11)*

*Congregation standing

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

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



If you are in need of prayer or have a prayer request today, members of our Prayer Ministry Team will be available by the baptistry following the service to pray with you.



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Prayer List

BIRTHS

Audrey Elizabeth Eber (parents Annie & Jackson Eber, grandmother Lori Reich, great-grandmother Janet Wilson)

DEATHS

Jeanette Paxton (great-aunt of Mary Splawn)
John Saunders (grandfather of Daniel Saunders)

MBBC MEMBERS/REGULAR ATTENDERS

Ann & Don Adams, Walter Andrews, Claudette Bearden, Milton Berryhill, Chris Burch, Tom Burns, Amye Carle, Dot Carroll, Colby Clark, Peggy & Ralph Coleman, Kay Davidson, Joyce Dawkins, Greg Dobbins, Sandy Eichelberger, Chad Fooshee, Grady Gibbons, Wayne Gowens, Betty Jo Gwin, Martha Isom, Karen Johnson, Nancy Kelley, Eddie Mae McDanal, Caroline Mears, Phyllis Mitchell, Jean Nunnelley, Mallory Pritchard, Joyce Ratliff, Greg Robinson, Ann Sanders, Anita Skelton, Irene Stutts, Judy & Ron Taylor, Mark Tucker Jr., LuAnne Wall, Laura & Jack Zaremba

HEALTH CARE CENTERS

Peggy Abbott, Eugenia Anderson, Norma Barron, Betty Bowen, Mary Kate Dyer, Peggy Lawler, Kay Merrill, Martha Miklic, Glaydell Pinson, Roger Pugh, Gailya Sargent, Juanelle Strain, Helen Thrasher-Long

Weekly Information

MINISTER ON CALL: SEPTEMBER 18-20

Amy Hirsch - (205) 704-3500

MEMORY VERSE

Matthew 22:37-39 (NIV)

Jesus replied: “Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’ This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’”

FOR PARENTS

Nursing Moms’ Rooms & Changing Stations

If you are a nursing mom in need of a quiet place to feed your child, we have two nursing moms’ rooms: one outside the Narthex and the other in Room 204. There are changing stations in the restrooms by the Sanctuary.

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, SEPTEMBER 13

- 9 a.m. Traditional Worship | Sanctuary
- 10 a.m. Sunday School
- 11 a.m. Contemporary Worship | Sanctuary
- 4 p.m. Women | Mahjong Free Play | Heritage Hall

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

- 9:30 a.m. ACTIVE Christian Living | Vulcan Park & Museum Day Trip

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Sharpen Up Breakfast | Heritage Hall
- 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, SEPTEMBER 16

- 5 p.m. Wednesday Night Family Dinner | Heritage Hall
- 6 p.m. Children's Missions Activities
- 6:30 p.m. Children's Music Activities
- 7:15 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal | Chapel Music Suite

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

- 9:30 a.m. ACTIVE Christian Living | Stretch and Fitness | Rm 356 2A
- 10:30 a.m. Mellow Brook Singers | Rehearsal & Lunch | Chapel Music Suite

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

- 9 a.m. Traditional Worship | Sanctuary
- 10 a.m. Sunday School
- 11 a.m. Contemporary Worship | Sanctuary

MINISTERIAL STAFF

- Dr. Wayne Splawn, Senior Minister
- Mr. Mark Tucker, Deacon Chair
- Mr. Joel Burks, Minister to Students
- Mrs. Wendy Calvert, Associate Children's Minister
- 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, Family and Administrative Minister
- Mrs. Libby Phillips, Associate Minister of Music
- Mr. Mark Rector, Associate Minister
- Mrs. Mary Splawn, Minister of Connections
- Mr. Doug Steele, Director of Operations

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