

ORDER OF WORSHIP
19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 COMMUNION
 August 7, 2011

✠ **GATHERING** ✠

PRAYER OF PREPARATION (silent prayer)

O God, we gather to hear of the mighty acts you perform, of how you deal justly with your people. You have led them from peril and delivered them from persecution. By the hands of Christ you lift us up to safe places, and give us a vision of how we may dwell secure in your love. Hear us now as we give thanks for your providence and praise for your mercy. Amen

Worship begins with the chiming of the hour.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

As the session gathers at the chancel steps to pray for our worship, we invite you to join us in prayer.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Adagio* Hesse

* **INTROIT** *Praise Ye the Lord of Hosts* Saint-Saens

* **CALL TO WORSHIP** Alfred Rose

Leader: The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart.

People: If we confess with our lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in our hearts that God raised him from the dead, we will be saved.

Leader: For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved.

People: Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

Leader: Let us worship God!

* **PROCESSIONAL HYMN 150** *Come, Christians, Join to Sing*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, when trials beset us it is natural to fear. Called to be courageous, we find our faith lacking. When asked to take risks, we confess our complacency. By ignoring injustice, we hope that it will subside. You have shown us how you are a God to be trusted. Leading your people, you have stayed by their side. Even Christ overcame his enemies as he hung on the cross. Forgive our reluctance to believe in your guidance, and grant us the wisdom to seek refuge in Christ. Hear now our silent confession.

(A time of private confession.)

Amen.

KYRIE (sung in unison) Healey Willan

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

* **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

✠ **THE WORD** ✠

FIRST LESSON Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28 (p. 32)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM *In Thee O Lord Have I Trusted* Handel

SECOND LESSON Matthew 14:22-33 (p. 849)

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, O Christ.

* **HYMN 515** *Now to Your Table Spread* LOVE UNKNOWN

SERMON Stepping Out Cary Speaker

✠ **RESPONSE TO THE WORD** ✠

* **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Nicene Creed (Ecumenical), Hymnal p. 15

OFFERING

Offertory Statement

Offertory *Andante con moto* Becker

* Doxology Lasst uns erfreuen

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God all creatures here below;

Alleluia, Alleluia

Praise God above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost;

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

* Prayer of Dedication

COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

{ Congregational response }

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

SANCTUS (Choir) Healey Willan

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Leader: Great is the mystery of faith:

People:

COMMUNION ANTHEM *Lead Me Lord* Wesley

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

✠ **SENDING** ✠

* **HYMN 517** *We Come as Guests Invited*
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* **CHARGE AND BLESSING**

* **RESPONSE** *Lead Me Lord* Wesley

POSTLUDE *Allegretto* Hesse

*Those who are able, please stand. The Congregation stands with the choir.

PRAYER REQUESTS

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| ❖ Harriet Anne Menzel | ❖ Jane Long | ❖ Emil Menzel |
| ❖ Jon Horton | ❖ Calvin Long | ❖ Dot Clark |
| ❖ Lamar Osment | ❖ Dot McCraney | |

If you have requests for prayer for the Prayer Team or the congregation, please fill out the pew card and place it in the offering plate or call Mary Frances Whitmer (967-8046) or the Church Office (967-5037).

We welcome visitors who are worshipping with us today We hope you feel and experience the love that makes Mountain Brook Presbyterian Church a unique and warm Christian family. If you are seeking a church home and would like to follow Jesus Christ through the fellowship of this congregation, we invite you to membership. For more information please speak with our pastor after worship or call the church office 967-5037.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Nursery is provided for birth to age 3 from 9:30 until noon.

Sunday School

Sunday School is offered at 9:30 and 11:00 for children age 3 through grade 6. During the summer all ages combine and use the *Live B.I.G.** One Big Room curriculum. Both the 9:30 and 11:00 classes meet in Room 109 (next to the nursery) in the Main Building.

On the first Sunday of each month there is no 9:30 or 11:00 Children's Sunday School. We encourage children to attend worship with their parents and join in the celebration of communion.

*LIVE B.I.G. curriculum helps children see, hear and live their Belief In God.

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This class for youth (grades 7-12) and their parents meets in the St. Stephen Youth Room. Parents and their teens get to discuss and learn together in a friendly setting. The teachers are Traci Finch, Ev Gunn, Rosh Plugge, and Ralph Cook.

Adult Sunday School 9:30-10:30

The Adventure Class meets in the Reception Room and is taught by Larry Harper. This summer they are studying the book of Genesis. Larry always welcomes the hard questions. They are using "The Mighty Acts of God" by Arnold Rhodes as a resource, but will go into more detail in their study.

If you enjoy thinking outside the box, join The Other Class taught by Rev. Cary Speaker. They meet in the Pastor's Classroom in the Administration Building. This summer they are watching a video series: Saving Jesus - A revolutionary exploration of Jesus Christ for the third millennium. The video features some of the most prominent religious voices of our day: Amy-Jill Levine, Marcus Borg, John Shelby Spong, Matthew Fox, Walter Brueggemann, Rebecca Ann Parker and John Dominic Crossan . . . to name a few. After viewing the video the class discusses what has been presented.

CALENDAR

Sunday, August 7– 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship - Communion

Monday, August 8

8:00 am Body Works

Tuesday, August 9

8:00 am Body Works
9:00 am Preschool Summer Fun

Wednesday, August 10

8:00 am Body Works
12:00 pm AA Meeting

Thursday, August 11

8:00 am Body Works
9:00 am Preschool Summer Fun
6:00 pm AA Meeting

Friday, August 12

7:30 am Bible Study
8:00 am Body Works

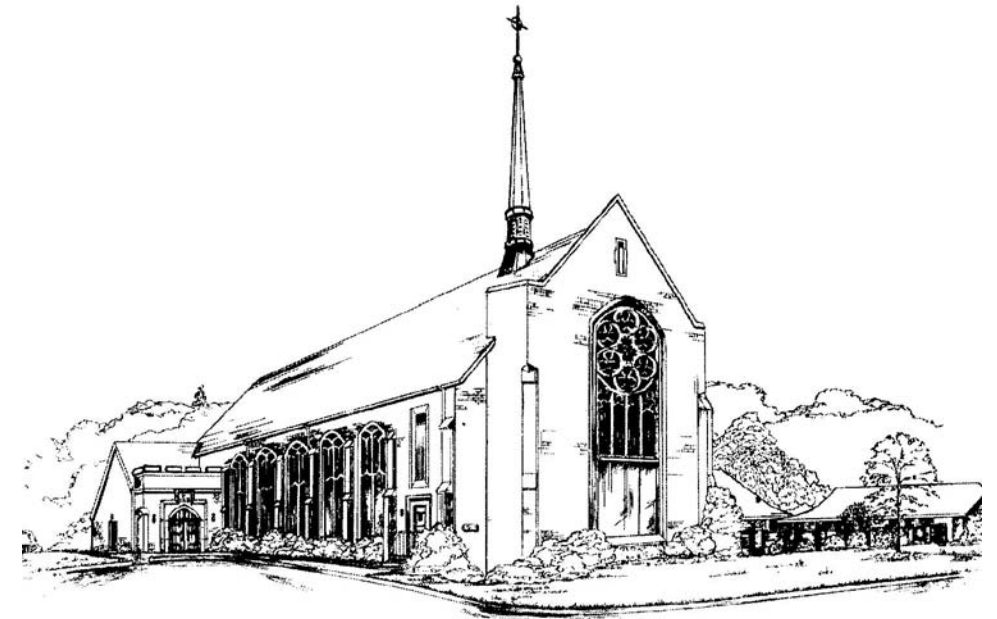
Saturday, August 13

Floors being stipped and waxed
9:30 am MAIN EVENT – South Highland Presbyterian Church

Sunday, August 14 – 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship
11:00 am Sunday School
5:30 pm Session Meeting

August Ushers
Bill Whitmer, head
David Copeland
Alexandria Parrish
Catherine Carter
(Alt) Julie Clark
Emil Menzel



Our Mission

We are a congregation filled with Christ's love, nurturing and serving from God's abundance.



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STAFF

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