

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## Day of Pentecost

June 12, 2011

### ✠ GATHERING ✠

#### **PRAYER OF PREPARATION** (silent prayer)

We sing psalms of adoration, O God, we gather in praise of your name. You send your Spirit into our midst filling us with the promise of new life. We are aglow with the light that Christ shines on the new day, dispelling the darkness of the night that has passed. Be among us to gather our words of devotion and be in us as we seek to obey your will. 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** *Nun bitten wir den heiligen Geist* D. Buxtehude

\* **INTROIT** *Spirit of the Living God*

\* **CALL TO WORSHIP** Alfred Rose

Leader: O Lord, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

**People: I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being.**

Leader: May my meditation be pleasing to you, O God, for I rejoice in the Lord.

**People: Bless the Lord, O my soul. Praise the Lord!**

Leader: Let us worship God!

\* **PROCESSIONAL HYMN 371** *Lift High the Cross*

#### **CALL TO CONFESSION**

#### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**With new life all about us, O God, we still cling to old ways. In spite of your promises we seek self-assurance. You send the Holy Spirit to enliven our existence. The darkness of doubt dispels the new light the Spirit brings. We are afraid to admit what it might mean if we surrendered our selves. So we continue to pursue our flights of fancy, and pretend that we can go it alone. Hear now our silent confession.**

*(A time of private confession.)*

**Amen.**

#### **KYRIE** (sung in unison)



#### **DECLARATION OF PARDON**

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

**People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

\* **GLORIA PATRI** AMAZING GRACE, Hymn 280  
(First verse only)

#### \* **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**The Peace of Christ be with you.**

**And also with you.**

*Children age 3 years through grade 6 and teachers gather at the chancel steps to follow the crucifer to their Sunday school classes.*

### ✠ THE WORD ✠

**FIRST LESSON** Joel 2:28-32 (p. 788)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**ANTHEM** *I Will Not Leave You Comfortless* Titcomb

**SECOND LESSON** Acts 2:1-21 (p. 948)

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to you, O Christ.**

\* **HYMN 510** *Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts* QUEBEC

**SERMON** Pentecost Cary Speaker

### ✠ RESPONSE TO THE WORD ✠

\* **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Apostles' Creed (traditional), Hymnal p. 14

#### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

#### **OFFERING**

Offertory Statement

Offertory *Voluntary* Elgar

\* 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

### ✠ SENDING ✠

\* **HYMN 356** *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* NETTLETON

#### \* **CHARGE AND BLESSING**

\* **RESPONSE** *Open My Eyes to See* Smoke/Thompson

**POSTLUDE** *Fugue in C Major* Pachelbel

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

### PRAYER REQUESTS

❖ Harriet Anne Menzel ❖ Jane Long ❖ Emil Menzel  
❖ Jon Horton ❖ Calvin Long ❖ Dot Clark

Christian sympathy to the family of Ruth Kelly.

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).

**Please welcome Alfred Rose**, our summer seminary intern.

Here is a brief introduction from Alfred:

I'm Alfred Rose, the seminarian intern at MBPC for this summer. I've just finished my third year at Union Presbyterian Seminary in Richmond, VA. I grew up in Crestline and now share a house there with one housemate. I've been a member of First Presbyterian downtown since 2002. While I'm here I'll be participating in leading Sunday worship, preaching occasionally, doing some teaching and pastoral calling, and generally getting to know you all and your shared life together at MBPC.

**W**e 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.*

#### **Children's 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.

#### **parenTeen Sunday School 9:30-10:30**

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, June 12 – Day of Pentecost**

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

#### June Ushers

Chris Carter, head  
Memory Cummins  
Rhett Joesy  
Bob Gunn  
(Alt) Charles Foster

### **Monday, June 13**

8:00 am Body Works

### **Tuesday, June 14**

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

### **Wednesday, June 15**

8:00 am Body Works  
12:00 pm AA Meeting  
**6:00 pm Dinner & a Movie: *The Fantastic Mr. Fox* (PG)**

### **Thursday, June 16**

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

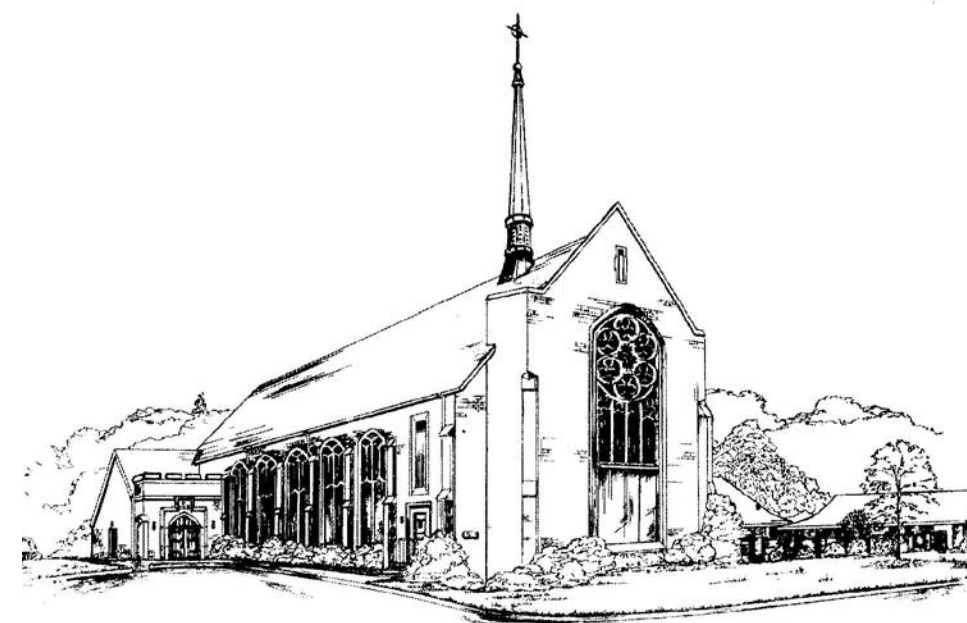
### **Friday, June 17**

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

### **Saturday, June 18**

### **Sunday, June 19 – Trinity Sunday**

9:30 am Sunday School  
11:00 am Worship Service  
11:00 am Sunday School  
**12:00 pm Pot Luck Lunch!**  
5:30 pm First Light Dinner



#### **Our Mission**

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



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#### 2011

Tom Barr  
Katherine Brown  
David Copeland  
Ann Dudelston  
Kelli Eshleman  
Nancy Harper

#### THE SESSION

##### 2012

Suzanne Cook  
Lloyd Gathings  
Bill Hester  
Dot McCraney  
Charles McKell  
Michael Melvin

##### 2013

Joseph Bonatz  
Margaret Nichols  
Donna Speaker  
Drew Spransy  
Mike Terry

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