

ORDER OF WORSHIP
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 13, 2011

✠ **GATHERING** ✠

PRAYER OF PREPARATION (silent prayer)

Gracious Creator, your day draws near with deliberate haste. We prepare ourselves for the providence that you promise to us in Christ. As we gather in this place to give you all praise and glory, fill us so with the Holy Spirit that we may discern your will. May we thereby be led to worship you in all that we do, with thanksgiving to Jesus who shows us the way. 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

Andante

G. W. Harvey

*** INTROIT**

O Come Ye Servants of the Lord

Tye

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

Margaret Nichols

Leader: To you I lift up my eyes, O you who are enthroned in the heavens!

People: As the eyes of a maid look to the hand of her mistress, so our eyes look to you, Giver of every good gift.

Leader: Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us.

People: Look with favor upon us, O Lord, and be pleased with our praise and thanksgiving.

Leader: Let us worship God!

*** PROCESSIONAL HYMN 108**

Christ is Alive!

TRURO

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, have mercy upon us as we confess our sin. Christ calls us stewards, but we squander your gifts. He gives us tasks to perform, yet we do as we please. He sends us to minister on behalf of those suffering; we are slow to respond until our own needs are met. He expects us to praise you in all that we do; we take all the credit for those things we do well. Forgive us and help us to be more obedient. Hear now our silent confession.

(A time of private confession.)

Amen.

KYRIE (sung in unison)

Organ Congregation G. R. Smoke
Lord, have mer - cy up -
on - us. Christ have mer - cy up - on us.
Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

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

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*** GLORIA PATRI**

(traditional)

*** 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 go to their Sunday school classes.

✠ **THE WORD** ✠

FIRST LESSON

Judges 4:1-7

(p. 211)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Psalm III

Lee

SECOND LESSON

Matthew 25:14-20

(p. 860)

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, O Christ.

HYMN 413

All Who Love and Service Your City

CHARLESTOWN

SERMON

Risky Business

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 *Adagio*

W. A. Mozart

* 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 533**

O Perfect Love

PERFECT LOVE

*** CHARGE AND BLESSING**

*** RESPONSE**

Jesus Make My Heart Rejoice

Pfahl

POSTLUDE

Fugue in D Major

J. Pachelbel

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

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Christian sympathy to Lavern Bramer and family for the loss of Jack.

Christian sympathy to the family of Ben McKinnon.

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 – 12

Children's Sunday School

There is no 9:30 Sunday school class for children

2 and 3 Year Old Class 11:00-Noon

This new class uses curriculum based on Godly Play by Jerome Berryman, but written specifically for our MBPC children. This class meets in Room 109 next to the Nursery.

Step x Step Kids Learn 2 Live B.I.G.* 11:15-12-15

Following the Passing of the Peace in the worship service, children age 4 through grade 6 are invited to leave with their teachers for Sunday school. (*On the first Sunday of each month, there is no Sunday School for age 4 through grade 6.* Families are encouraged to worship together and join in the celebration of communion.)

Age 4 through Grade 2 meet in Room 201 St. Stephen
Grades 3 through 6 meet in Room 208 St. Stephen

**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 curriculum (*BLAY* — Bible Lessons for Youth) focuses on how Scripture relates to our lives and covers the entire Bible in six years. The teachers are Ralph Cook, Traci Finch, Ev Gunn, and Rosh Plugge.

Adult Sunday School 9:30-10:30

The *Adventure Class* led by Larry Harper meets in the Reception Room. They are studying the book of Genesis. They are using *The Mighty Acts of God* by Arnold Rhodes as a resource, but go into more detail in their study.

The *Other Class* meets in the Pastor's Classroom in the Administration Building and is led by Rev. Cary Speaker. We are studying *Year of Plenty: One Suburban Family, Four Rules, and 365 Days of Homegrown Adventure in Pursuit of Christian Living* by Craig L. Goodwin. In 2008, Pastor Craig Goodwin and his young family embarked on a year-long experiment to consume only what was local, used, homegrown, or homemade. In Year of Plenty, Goodwin shares the winsome story of how an average suburban family stumbled onto the cultural cutting edge of locavores, backyard chickens, farmer markets, simple living, and going green. More than that, it is the timely tale of Christians exploring the intersections of faith, environment, and everyday life.

CALENDAR

Sunday, November 13 – 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 am Sunday School – Adults and Youth
11:00 am Worship
11:00 am Sunday School – Children
5:30 pm Session Meeting
5:30 pm MBPCY...G

Monday, November 14

8:00 am Body Works
8:00 am Preschool
10:00 am Grief Group
10:00 am Second Monday Missions
3:00 pm Cub Scouts – Troop 786

Tuesday, November 15

8:00 am Body Works
8:00 am Preschool
9:00 am Prayer Team
10:00 am Bible Study
5:00 pm Worship Committee Meeting

Wednesday, November 16

8:00 am Body Works
8:00 am Preschool
12:00 pm AA Meeting
5:00 pm Blessed Yoga
5:15 pm Youth Choir
6:00 pm Dinner
6:30 pm Godly Play (ages 4-6th grade)
6:30 pm MBPCY...G
6:45 pm Adult Study
7:00 pm Jubilation Choir
7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, November 17 – PRESBYTERY MEETING

8:00 am Preschool
11:30 am Third Thursday
6:00 pm AA Meeting

Friday, November 18

7:30 am Bible Study
8:00 am Body Works
8:00 am Preschool
3:00 pm Girl Scout Troop 231

Saturday, November 19

Sunday, November 20– Christ the King – HYMN SING

9:30 am Sunday School – Adults and Youth
11:00 am Worship
11:00 am Sunday School – Children
5:30 pm MBPCY...G

November Ushers

Ed Covington, head
Amy Howard
Kelli Eshleman
Lamar Williamson
(Alt) Ed Covington



Please recycle your bulletin, use the baskets in the narthex.

MENU

Santa Fe Soup
Hot Dogs
Garden Salad
Corn Muffins
Ice Cream with
Chocolate Sauce

THE STAFF

Pastor:

Cary Speaker

Director of Music:

Dewin Tibbs

Organist:

Gary Smoke

Director of Christian Education & Children's Music:

Peggy Thompson

Director of Youth Ministry:

Traci Finch

Administrative Assistant:

Bonnie Hartley

Financial Assistant:

Bernie Gregson

Preschool Director:

Kelly Huddleston

THE SESSION

2011

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

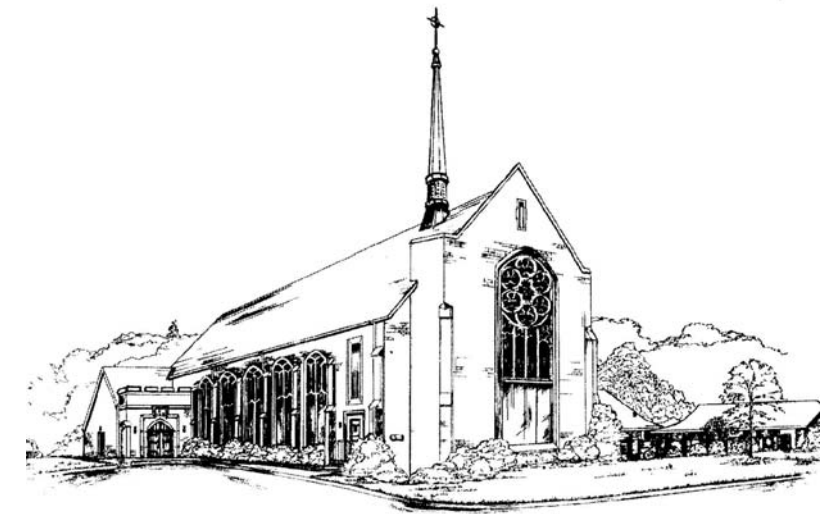
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Suzanne Cook
Lloyd Gathings
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Dot McCraney
Charles McKell
Michael Melvin

2013

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

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