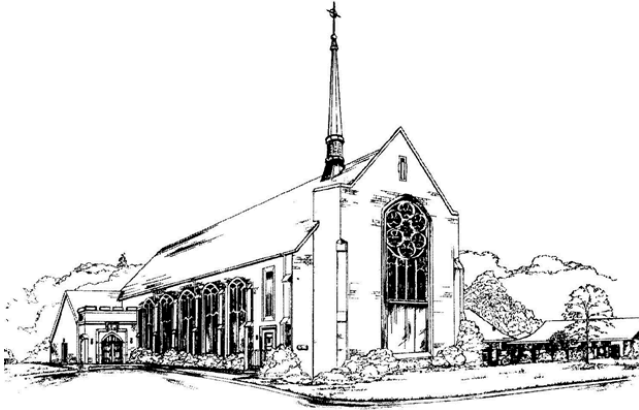


MOUNTAIN BROOK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Living a Friendly Faith
"We love because God first loved us." 1 John 4:19

May 18, 2025

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Prayer of Preparation

Heavenly Father,
how I praise and thank You
that I have been called to pray without ceasing
in the knowledge that You hear and answer
the prayers and petitions of all Your people.
It is wonderful to think that my prayers are like sweet incense to You,
ascending up to Your throne.
May I never forget what a precious blessing it is
to have full access to Your throne of grace
where I can place my prayers at Your feet.
Thank You, in Jesus' name, Amen.

**Please stand as you are able.*

ORDER OF WORSHIP

May 18, 2025

✠ GATHERING ✠

*We **gather together** to praise God, confess our sins, and receive forgiveness in Jesus Christ.
We celebrate God's gift by passing the peace and joy of Christ to our neighbors.*

PRELUDE

Trumpet Voluntary

J. Travers

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

INTROIT

Sing Out with Joy to God Our Strength

Hymn 56

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Karen Ogle

***HYMN 1**

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

NICEA

***CONFESSION AND PARDON**

CALL TO CONFESSION

CONFESSION OF SIN

God of mercy,

your command to love one another across all differences

opens us to new horizons,

yet we often respond with fear and judgment

that hinders your goal for humanity.

Forgive our sins, we pray,

and give us a true repentance

that leads to life for all creation.

We pray in Jesus' name.

(A time of private confession) Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

***GLORIA**

Glory to God

GLORIA (TAIZÉ)

Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!

Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia!

***THE PEACE**

CONGRATULATE GRADUATES

Rebecca Roberts

William Wellman, William Kaiser, and Tripp Robinson

✠ PROFESSION, PRAYER, AND PROVISION ✠

*We **profess** what we believe to God's Word by stating what we believe.*

*We **pray** for our church, community, and the world.*

*We **provide** for our Gospel ministry to sustain God's Kingdom work on earth
by offering our talents and tithes.*

*PROFESSION OF FAITH

Apostle's Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended to the dead;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand
of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Shall We Gather at the River

arr. G. R. Smoke

*DOXOLOGY

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below; Alleluia!
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost; Alleluia!**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN 347

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

PICARDY

✠ THE WORD ✠

We hear the Word of God read and proclaimed through Scripture, music, and preaching.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

1st READING

Psalm 148 (NRSV)

Pew Bible p. 546

- ¹ Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights!
- ² Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his host!
- ³ Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars!
- ⁴ Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens!
- ⁵ Let them praise the name of the Lord, for he commanded and they were created.
- ⁶ He established them forever and ever; he fixed their bounds, which cannot be passed.
- ⁷ Praise the Lord from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps,
- ⁸ fire and hail, snow and frost, stormy wind fulfilling his command!
- ⁹ Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars!
- ¹⁰ Wild animals and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds!
- ¹¹ Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth!
- ¹² Young men and women alike, old and young together!
- ¹³ Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted; his glory is above earth and heaven.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

arr. G. Smoke

¹When the Lamb opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven for about half an hour. ²And I saw the seven angels who stand before God, and seven trumpets were given to them. ³Another angel with a golden censer came and stood at the altar; he was given a great quantity of incense to offer with the prayers of all the saints on the golden altar that is before the throne. ⁴And the smoke of the incense, with the prayers of the saints, rose before God from the hand of the angel.

⁵Then the angel took the censer and filled it with fire from the altar and threw it on the earth; and there were peals of thunder, rumblings, flashes of lightning, and an earthquake.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

The Sound of Silence

Rev. Roberts

✠ SENDING ✠

We leave the service taking the peace and joy of Jesus Christ into the world.

***HYMN 643**

Now Thank We All Our God

NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

***BENEDICTION**

RESPONSE

Where Charity and Love Prevail

Hymn 316

POSTLUDE

Ricerare cromatico per Organo

T. Merula

CHILDCARE AND CHILDREN

During the worship service, children in Kindergarten through 6th grade, are invited to participate in Sunday School. They will leave the worship service after the Children’s Moment.

On Sundays when Communion is offered, children attending Sunday School will rejoin the worship service to receive Communion.

2025 ACOLYTES

Avery Faircloth	Charlotte Kears	Sara Turnley Robinson
Beckett Faircloth	Paul Kears	Tripp Robinson
Vera Johnson	Emily Kim	Rushton Robinson
Hazel Johnson	Audrey Kim	Jackson Robinson
Jesse Horton	Hosford Roberts	William Wellman
William Kaiser	Pryor Roberts	Katherine Wellman
Luke Kaiser	Carolyn Roberts	Mary Claire Wilson

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

The Congregational Care team is here for you! If you or anyone you know is experiencing hardship from death, illness, hospitalization, or anything else, please let us know.

We care and want to help!

Diane Beck (205) 915-0903	Karen Ogle (585) 267-6140
Becca Roberts (404) 861-8387	Bill Heslop (972) 743-3426
Mindy Faircloth (919) 389-0038	Katherine Robinson (205) 706-4506
Molly Trueb (205) 540-5769	Judy Wilson (205) 967-8935
Nancy Harper (205) 956-6634	

WEEKLY EVENTS

SUNDAY MORNINGS	
Nursery 9:00 AM–12:00 AM	Childcare Provided (Ages 0–4 yrs.)
Reception Room 9:00 AM–10:15 AM	Adult Sunday School
Choir Room 9:30–10:00 AM	Children’s Choir (Grades 3–7)
During Worship Service 10:45 AM	<p>Children’s Sunday School: (Kindergarten–6th) 10:45 AM in the Fellowship Hall, following the Moment with Children.</p> <p>7th grade and up stay in the service and worship with their parents on Sundays.</p>

SUNDAY NIGHT	
Fellowship Hall 5:00 PM	<p>Sunday Night Supper: <i>Cost is \$10/person or \$20/family.</i></p> <p>*On Select Sundays: <i>January 26th, February 2nd, March 16th, April 6th, August 24th, October 5th, November 16th</i></p> <p>New Starting: January 26th</p>
Youth Room (in the Admin Office) 6:00–7:30 PM	<p>Youth Group (Grades 7–12)</p> <p>Starts Back: January 26th</p>

WEDNESDAY NIGHT	
Choir Room 6:30–8:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Sanctuary Balcony 5:00–6:00 PM	Handbell Rehearsal



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2025

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4th

Communion Sunday

15th

Meet at the Well

6:00 PM

4524 Old Leeds Rd, Birmingham, AL 35213

Host: Diane Beck (205) 915-0903

16th

King's Home Donation Pick Up

9:00 AM- 12:00 PM

18th

Grad Sunday

Reception to Follow

25th

Memorial Sunday Service

***BARONS' BASEBALL GAME
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18TH | 6:00 PM***



Join us for a fun evening at the ballpark as we cheer on the Birmingham Barons! We'll meet at the church at 6:00 PM and head to the game together. All ages welcome—bring your friends and your team spirit!

RSVP by May 25th

WILL YOU BE JOINING US?

Name _____

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JOYFULLY ACCEPTS

NUMBER OF GUESTS

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REGRETFULLY DECLINES

THE STAFF

Pastor

Rev. Madison Roberts

Director of Preschool

Morgan Rogers

Director of Music & Organist

Gary Smoke

Children's Choir Director

Allison Sanders

Administrative Assistant

Gabby Donohue

Clerk of Session

Karen Ogle

Boy Scout Troop 320

Scoutmaster: Dave Caskey

Cub Scout Pack 320

Cubmaster: Aaron Bennett

THE SESSION

The governing board of our church is called the "Session." The current members of the Session are listed below. Please don't hesitate to communicate with them about any matter concerning the church.

<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Rebecca Roberts Jimmy Ogle Karen Ogle	Ralph Cook Bill Heslop Jonathan Jordan	Diane Beck Debbie Crumpton Leslie Kears

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WELCOME VISITORS!

We are so glad that you could join us today. We would love to get to know you, and if you would like to learn more about our church, please take a moment to fill out the form below. Again, welcome!

Visitor Information

Name: _____

E-Mail: _____

I would like to receive MBPC's Weekly Email Newsletter ("Monday Mentions") _____

Address: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____

Questions or Comments:
