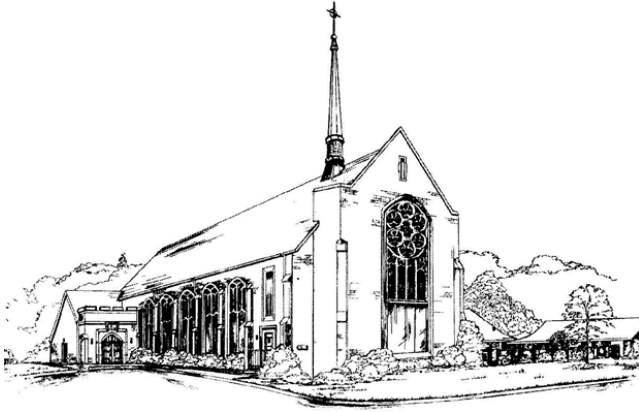


MOUNTAIN BROOK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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

May 11, 2025

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Prayer of Preparation

Almighty God, to whom all honor belongs,
you have gathered a people
from every tribe and language
to praise your name eternally.
Join our song with all of heaven
as we worship you this day
in the glorious light of Christ. Amen.

**Please stand as you are able.*

ORDER OF WORSHIP

May 11, 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

Dearest Jesus, We Are Here

J. S. Bach

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

INTROIT

Sing Out with Joy to God Our Strength

Hymn 56

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Karen Ogle

***HYMN 819**

Be Still, My Soul

FINLANDIA

***CONFESSION AND PARDON**

CALL TO CONFESSION

CONFESSION OF SIN

Holy God,

we confess that we have strayed

from your paths of right relationship and peace,

and we have dishonored you, ourselves, and your creation;

we repent of these hurtful ways.

Forgive us, we pray, as we learn to forgive others,

and guide our feet into the way of peace.

(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**

MOMENT WITH CHILDREN

Rebecca Roberts

While the organist plays, children are invited to come up front for the Children's Moment.

⌘ 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

Praise to the Lord
Handbell Choir

K. McChesney

*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 804** *Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!*

MARION

✠ THE WORD ✠

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

1st READING

Psalm 23 (NRSV)

Pew Bible p. 476

- ¹ The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.
² He makes me lie down in green pastures;
he leads me beside still waters;
³ he restores my soul.
He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.
⁴ Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil;
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff—they comfort me.
⁵ You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD my whole life long.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Treasures in Heaven

J. Clokey

⁹After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands.

¹⁰They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne,
and to the Lamb!”

¹¹And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God,
¹²singing,

“Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?”

¹⁴I said to him, “Sir, you are the one that knows.”

Then he said to me, “These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

¹⁵For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

¹⁶They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; ¹⁷for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

No More Tears

Rev. Roberts

✠ SENDING ✠

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

*HYMN 475	<i>Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing</i>	NETTLETON
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*BENEDICTION

RESPONSE	<i>Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing</i>	Hymn 546
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POSTLUDE	<i>Magnificat Fugue No. 5</i>	J. Pachelbel
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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

MAY

MCH DONATION ITEM: BOX OF JELLO OR PUDDING

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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

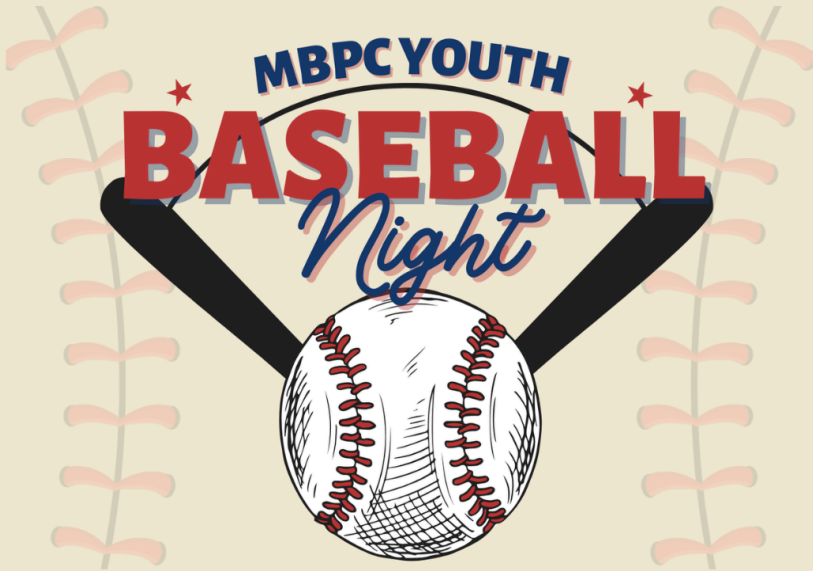
Grad Sunday

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:
