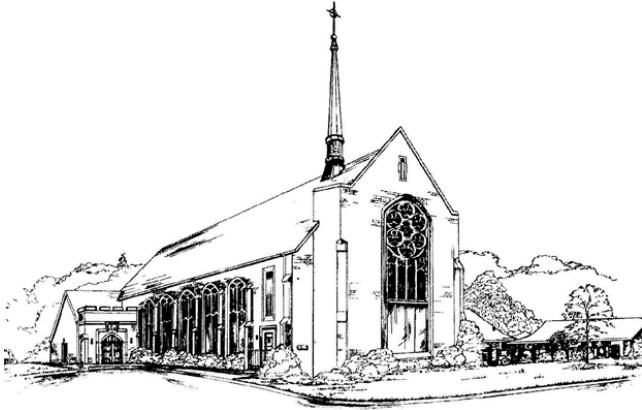


# MOUNTAIN BROOK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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

April 13, 2025

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## **Prayer of Preparation**

You raise your hand  
and gently begin  
the concerto of creation:  
birds carry the melody  
while stars keep the beat;  
mountains dance in merriment  
and little children clap  
their hands with joy.  
Love's Composer,  
our new songs are lifted to you. Amen.

### **Brass Quartet**

Dr. Joe Ardovino, trumpet  
Dr. Brad Sargent, trumpet  
Dr. Mark Foster, trombone  
Mike Lingo, trombone

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 13, 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**

*L'Olica*

C. Merulo

**CHIMING OF THE HOUR**

**INTROIT**

*All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

Hymn 196

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Karen Ogle

**\*HYMN 197**

*Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*

ELLACOMBE

**\*CONFESSION AND PARDON**

CALL TO CONFESSION

CONFESSION OF SIN

**Holy God,**

**We confess that we fear what is different.**

**We confess that it's easier to lock the doors of our community  
than to receive those who don't look like we look, or love like we  
love.**

**We confess that we have not lived out your call to share in abundant  
life and unconditional love.**

**We ask you to give us the courage to change.**

**We ask that you give us the energy, intelligence, imagination, and  
love to be your people in all we say and do.**

*(A time of private confession) Amen.*

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

**\*GLORIA**

*Glory Be to the Father*

GLORIA PATRI

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, amen.**

**\*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 *Ride On! King Jesus!* Spiritual / arr. Johnson

\*DOXOLOGY OLD HUNDREDTH

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

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*HYMN 269 *Lead On, O King Eternal!* LANCASHIRE

## ✠ THE WORD ✠

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

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**1<sup>st</sup> READING**

Psalm 31:1-5 (NRSV)

Pew Bible p. 479

- <sup>1</sup> In you, O LORD, I seek refuge;  
do not let me ever be put to shame; in your righteousness deliver me.
- <sup>2</sup> Incline your ear to me; rescue me speedily.  
Be a rock of refuge for me, a strong fortress to save me.
- <sup>3</sup> You are indeed my rock and my fortress;  
for your name's sake lead me and guide me,
- <sup>4</sup> take me out of the net that is hidden for me,  
for you are my refuge.
- <sup>5</sup> Into your hand I commit my spirit;  
you have redeemed me, O LORD, faithful God.

*Leader: The Word of the Lord.*

***People: Thanks be to God.***

**ANTHEM**

*All Praise to Christ*

K. Lee Scott

<sup>28</sup> After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

<sup>29</sup> When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, <sup>30</sup> saying, “Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. <sup>31</sup> If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ just say this, ‘The Lord needs it.’” <sup>32</sup> So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. <sup>33</sup> As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, “Why are you untying the colt?” <sup>34</sup> They said, “The Lord needs it.” <sup>35</sup> Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. <sup>36</sup> As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. <sup>37</sup> As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, <sup>38</sup> saying,

“Blessed is the king  
who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Peace in heaven,  
and glory in the highest heaven!”

<sup>39</sup> Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, order your disciples to stop.” <sup>40</sup> He answered, “I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.”



<sup>41</sup> As he came near and saw the city, he wept over it, <sup>42</sup> saying, “If you, even you, had only recognized on this day the things that make for peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes. <sup>43</sup> Indeed, the days will come upon you, when your enemies will set up ramparts around you and surround you, and hem you in on every side. <sup>44</sup> They will crush you to the ground, you and your children within you, and they will not leave within you one stone upon another; because you did not recognize the time of your visitation from God.

*Leader: The Word of the Lord.*

*People: Thanks be to God.*

**SERMON**

*The Lord Needs It*

Rev. Roberts

✠ **SENDING** ✠

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

**\*HYMN 82**

*Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*

HYFRYDOL

**\*BENEDICTION**

**RESPONSE**

*Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!*

Hymn 198

**POSTLUDE**

*Sonata*

Anonymous

## CHILDCARE AND CHILDREN

During the worship service, children in Kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> 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 Kearse	Sara Turnley Robinson
Beckett Faircloth	Paul Kearse	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	Children's Sunday School: (Kindergarten-6th) 10:45 AM in the Fellowship Hall, following the Moment with Children.  <b>7th grade and up stay in the service and worship with their parents on Sundays.</b>

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

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**

# APRIL

**MCH DONATION ITEM: SPAGHETTI**

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6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

**6<sup>th</sup>**

**Communion Sunday  
 Sunday Night Supper**

5:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall

**9<sup>th</sup>**

**Preschool Wednesday-Art Show**

5:30 PM

**13<sup>th</sup>**

**Palm Sunday & Lenten Luncheon**

5:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall

**17<sup>th</sup>**

**Maundy Thursday**

Service at 6:00 PM

**18<sup>th</sup>**

**Good Friday**

Service at 6:00 PM

**King's Home Donation Pick Up**

9:00 AM- 12:00 PM

**20<sup>th</sup>**

**Easter Sunday**

Sunrise Service 6:30 AM

Worship Service 10:30 Am

**Easter Egg Hunt & Continental Breakfast**

9:15 AM, Breakfast to follow

**27<sup>th</sup>**

**Sunday Reception**

Reception to follow Worship Service



# Easter Lilies

If you would like to place an Easter Lily in the sanctuary in memory or in honor of loved ones on Easter Sunday, April 17, please fill in the information listed below or phone the church office at 967-5037 **by** April 10. **The cost will be \$14.00 each.** Please indicate on your check that it is for *Easter Lilies*.

Number of Plants \_\_\_\_\_

I will be taking the plant(s) home.

I wish to give plant(s) to New Beacon Hospice.


In memory of **OR** In honor of : \_\_\_\_\_  
(Circle one)

\_\_\_\_\_  
In memory of **OR** In honor of : \_\_\_\_\_  
(Circle one)

\_\_\_\_\_  
In memory of **OR** In honor of : \_\_\_\_\_  
(Circle one)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Given by \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_



Join us for a special night of fellowship and  
flavor as we gather for an

# INDIAN CUISINE DINNER

**Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup> | 6:00 PM**

3120 Ryecroft Rd, Mountain Brook, AL 35223

Enjoy an authentic Indian meal prepared by  
Jim Truesdell from Frontier Fellowship and a warm  
evening of community and connection.

RSVP by April 21st to secure your spot!

**HOSTED BY THE JOHNSON FAMILY**

## *WILL YOU BE JOINING US?*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

JOYFULLY ACCEPTS

NUMBER OF GUESTS \_\_\_\_\_

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 Kearse

Please access the church website at [www.mbpccusa.org](http://www.mbpccusa.org)  
to view the church calendar and video of portions of our weekly services.

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or feel free to take it home and refer to it during the week.*

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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:**

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