

MOUNTAIN BROOK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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

July 13, 2025

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Prayer of Preparation

Holy God,
you call us to live out
your justice and righteousness.
Help us to walk in your footsteps,
so that we never lose our way.
Enable us to live and love
in the way that you have taught us,
so that we can act in grace,
even with those who we consider our enemies.
In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

**Please stand as you are able.*

ORDER OF WORSHIP

July 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

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CHIMING OF THE HOUR

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God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

Hymn 716

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

***HYMN 12**

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

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***CONFESSION AND PARDON**

CALL TO CONFESSION

CONFESSION OF SIN

**Holy God, we are your sons and daughters,
yet, we do not behave to honor you
and our actions belittle the love you have for us.
We do not defend the weak or those without fathers or mothers.
We do not uphold the poor or the oppressed.
We do not commit to efforts to rescue the weak and the needy;
we sometimes deliver them into solitude and neglect.
Rise up to judge us, O God.
We prefer your merciful justice, than living with guilt and fear.
Straighten our path, so that we can be guided
as a mother or a father guides beloved children.**

(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

Isaiah Causey

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

Meditation

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 39

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

✠ THE WORD ✠

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

1st READING

Psalm 25:1-10 (NRSV)

Pew Bible p. 476

- ¹⁶ Come and hear, all you who fear God,
and I will tell what he has done for me.
- ¹⁷ I cried aloud to him, and he was extolled with my tongue.
- ¹⁸ If I had cherished iniquity in my heart,
the Lord would not have listened.
- ¹⁹ But truly God has listened;
he has given heed to the words of my prayer.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Who at My Door Is Standing
Ty Davis, soloist

arr. K. L. Scott

² For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle.

³ If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. ⁴ Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs.

⁵ So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits. How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! ⁶ And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell.

⁷ For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, ⁸ but no one can tame the tongue - a restless evil, full of deadly poison.

⁹ With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. ¹⁰ From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so.

¹¹ Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water?

¹² Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Words CAN Hurt

Rev. Roberts

✠ SENDING ✠

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

*HYMN 263	<i>All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!</i>	CORONATION
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*BENEDICTION

RESPONSE	<i>God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending</i>	Hymn 716
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POSTLUDE	<i>Allegro</i>	J. S. Bach
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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	

SUMMER WEEKLY EVENTS

Starting June 1st

SUMMER SUNDAY
WORSHIP SERVICE

10:00 AM

SUNDAY MORNINGS	
Nursery 9:00 AM-12:00 AM	Childcare Provided (Ages 0-4 yrs.)
Reception Room 9:00 AM-9:45 AM	Adult Sunday School
During Worship Service 10:15 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>



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2025

JULY

MCH DONATION ITEM: 12 OZ BOX OF MAC & CHEESE

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27	28	29	30	31		

June & July

Summer Worship Service- 10:00 AM

6th

Communion Sunday

18th

King's Home Donation Pick Up

9:00 AM- 12:00 PM

21st

VBS 2025: Magnified

1:00 PM- 4:00 PM

25th

Children ages 4-10 will explore the amazing details of God's world and learn how to magnify His greatness.

27th

Youth: Top Golf Night

5:00 PM

\$15.00 per person



MBPC: VBS 2025
JULY 21ST-25TH
1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

We are excited to invite your children to an inspiring week at VBS 2025: Magnified!

From Monday, July 21st to Friday, July 25th, children ages 4–10 will explore the amazing details of God's world and learn how to magnify His greatness.

**To learn more
about VBS 2025 or to
register your child scan
the QR code!**



For any questions contact: Isaiah Causey, isaiah@mbpcusa.org



TOP GOLF

YOUTH NIGHT

SATURDAY, JULY 27TH AT 5:00 PM
1111 24TH ST N, BIRMINGHAM, AL 35234

RSVP IS REQUIRED

Join us on Saturday, July 27th at 5:00 PM for a fun night at Top Golf! Youth ages 14 and up are encouraged to bring a friend, and parents are invited to join the fun too. The cost is \$15 per person and includes food and drinks. Don't miss out on this great evening of community and connection!



SCAN HERE TO
RSVP



\$15
PER PERSON

HELP RESTORE OUR CHURCH'S BEAUTY

Mountain Brook Presbyterian Church is raising funds to replace the protective window covering for our cherished stained glass windows. These vibrant works of art hold not only historical and spiritual significance but also serve as a beacon of light and inspiration to all who live in our community.

Why We Need Your Support: Over the years, the protective covering has weathered and now needs replacement to ensure the stained glass remains preserved and secure for generations to come. The new window covering will be clear so the stained glass windows can be viewed from the street. Your generosity will directly contribute to maintaining this important part of our church's legacy.

Together, we can keep the light shining through.
Thank you for your support and dedication to preserving the heart of our worship space.

Contact Us:

For more information, contact the church office at (205) 967-5037 or email us at info@mbpcusa.org.

Ways to Contribute:

Monetary Donations:
No gift is too small! Contributions can be made in person, through our church office, or online. Scan the QR code below or visit the website.



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<https://onrealm.org/MountainBrookPr/give/Windows>



THE STAFF

Pastor

Rev. Madison Roberts

Director of Youth

Isaiah Causey

Director of Music & Organist

Gary Smoke

Director of Preschool

Morgan Rogers

Administrative Assistant

Gabby Donohue

Children's Choir Director

Allison Sanders

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>
Ralph Cook Bill Heslop Jonathan Jordan	Diane Beck Debbie Crumpton	Kelly Morrison Lisa Wilson Katherine Robinson

Please access the church website at www.mbpcusa.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:
