

MARCH 10, 2024

## Fourth Sunday In Lent *Student Ministry Sunday*

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*If this is your first time at MBBC, please take a moment to fill out the "For Guests" card on the opposite page and drop it in the Narthex on your way out. If this is your first time to worship with us via livestream, visit [mbbc.org/guests](http://mbbc.org/guests) to let us know of your attendance. We're thankful you have chosen to worship the Lord with us this morning.*

### Organ and Flute Prelude

**Christopher Henley  
and Debra Saunders**

*A Lenten Prelude*  
by Charles Callahan

### WE GATHER

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#### Call to Worship

**Chapel Choir**

*The Power of God*  
by Cliff Duren and Jeremy Johnson

I am not ashamed. I am not ashamed. I am not ashamed of the gospel. I am not ashamed. I am not ashamed of the gospel of Jesus Christ. *(repeat)*

**Refrain:** For it is the power of God. It is the power of God. It is the power of God for those who believe. It is the power of God. It is the power of God. It is the power of God alive in me.

I am not ashamed. I am not ashamed. I am not ashamed of the gospel. I am not ashamed. I am not ashamed of the gospel of Jesus Christ.  
**Refrain**

**Ending:** I have the power of God. I have the power of God. I have the power of God— Yes! I believe! I have the power of God. I have the power of God. I have the power of God alive in me. *(repeat)*

#### \*Opening Sentence of Worship

**Ed Wells and Congregation**

**Leader:** The Lord be with you,

**People:** and also with you.

**Leader:** O God, you have been my hope, O Sovereign Lord, my confidence since my youth.

**People:** From birth I have relied on you; you brought me forth from my mother's womb. I will ever praise you.

**Leader:** My mouth is filled with your praise, declaring your splendor all day long.

**People:** Do not cast me away when I am old; do not forsake me when my strength is gone.

**Leader:** But as for me, I will always have hope: I will praise you more and more.

**People:** My mouth will tell of your righteousness, of your salvation all day long, though I know not its measure.

**Leader:** I will come and proclaim your mighty acts, O Sovereign Lord, I will proclaim your righteousness, yours alone.

**People:** Since my youth, O God, you have taught me. And to this day I declare your marvelous deeds.

**Leader:** Even when I am old and gray, do not forsake me, O God, until I declare your power to the next generation, your might to all who are to come.

**People:** Your righteousness reaches to the skies, O God, you who have done great things. Who, O God, is like you?

*(based on Psalm 71:5-6; 8-9; 14-19 NIV)*

**\*Hymn of Foundation No. 569**

**Congregation**

*In Christ Alone*  
IN CHRIST ALONE

**\*Invocation and Welcome to Worshipers**

**Ed Wells**

**Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer**

**Wayne Splawn**

## **WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

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**Offertory Reading and Prayer**

**Ed Wells**

Psalm 112:5, 9 (NIV)

<sup>5</sup> Good will come to those who are generous and lend freely, who conduct their affairs with justice.

<sup>9</sup> They have freely scattered their gifts to the poor, their righteousness endures forever; their horn will be lifted high in honor.

**\*We Present Our Offerings to God No. 706**

**Congregation**

*The Doxology*  
Old 100th (altered)

*(All children are invited to meet Mrs. Sharon at the front of the Sanctuary during The Doxology for the Children's Message. Children 3K-5K will go to Preschool Worship following the Children's Message. If you are a guest and would like for your preschooler to go to Preschool Worship, please meet Mrs. Sharon in the Narthex to be sure your child has a check-in label for security purposes.)*

**Children's Message**

**Sharon Howard**

**The Reading of God's Word**

**Gideon Newell**

Isaiah 26:1-4

<sup>1</sup> In that day this song will be sung in the land of Judah: We have a strong city; God makes salvation its walls and ramparts. <sup>2</sup> Open the gates that the righteous nation may enter, the nation that keeps faith.

<sup>3</sup> You will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are steadfast, because they trust in you. <sup>4</sup> Trust in the LORD forever, for the LORD, the LORD himself, is the Rock eternal.

**Leader:** The Word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

**Choral Anthem**

**Chapel Choir**

*Jesus, My Rock of Ages*  
by Richard Kingsmore

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee; let the water and the blood, from thy wounded side which flowed, be of sin the double cure, save from wrath and make me pure.

**Refrain:** Jesus, my Rock of Ages, my hope, my steadfast love. Your cross, my only covering, for sin your grace, enough. Jesus, my Rock of Ages, the place where I must hide. You are my only refuge, in you, Lord, I abide.

Nothing in my hands I bring, simply to the cross I cling. Lord, I come to the fortress, hold me in your righteousness. Wash me, Savior, from my sin. Let new life in me begin. *Refrain*

While I draw this fleeting breath, when my eyes shall close in death, when I soar to worlds unknown, I'll stand in grace before your throne!  
*Refrain*

**\*Affirmation of Faith**

**Laura Spann and Congregation**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only begotten Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. The third day he rose from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and now sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from whom he shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian Church, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and everlasting life. Amen.

**The Reading of God's Word**

**Kinleigh Freeman**

Isaiah 30:1-2

<sup>1</sup> "Woe to the obstinate children," declares the LORD, "to those who carry out plans that are not mine, forming an alliance, but not by my Spirit, heaping sin upon sin; <sup>2</sup> who go down to Egypt without consulting me; who look for help to Pharaoh's protection, to Egypt's shade for refuge."

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

**Message**

**Joel Burks**

**"Plans of Our Own"**

Isaiah 30:1-2

pg. 504 (pew Bible)

**WE RESPOND**

**\*Hymn of Response No. 590**

**Congregation**

*The Solid Rock*  
SOLID ROCK

**Closing Words**

**Wayne Splawn**

**WE ARE SENT FORTH**

**\*Spoken Benediction**

**Ingram Davis**

2 Peter 3:18

Leader: But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and forever! Amen.

People: Thanks be to God.

**Organ Postlude**

**Christopher Henley**

*Chant Héroïque* from *Nuef Pièces*  
by Jean Langlais

\*Congregation standing

Amplified-hearing devices are available in the Narthex. Please see an usher for assistance.

*The flowers on the altar are in loving memory of Chervis Isom, and placed by his family to commemorate his birthday on March 9.*

# Prayer List

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## **BIRTH**

Collier Elizabeth Bell (parents Anne & Brayden Bell, grandparents Betsy & David Bell)

## **DEATHS**

DeLois Hubbard Moore (grandmother of Aimee Turner)

W.F. Sanders Jr. (brother of Ken Sanders)

Brittany Davis Skinner (mother of Eli & Joseph Hyde)

## **MBBC MEMBERS**

Chris Burch, Dot Burnett, Dot Carroll, Kay Davidson, Greg Dobbins, Will Dobbins, Mary Sue Durant, Sandy Eichelberger, Judy Ellis, Chad Fooshee, Anne & Grady Gibbons, Betty Jo Gwin, Mirian Habshey, Anna Lu Hemphill, Martha Isom, Karen Johnson, Nancye Lawrence, Eddie Mae McDanal, Billy McDonald, Ann & Mike McGuire, Caroline Mears, Martha Miklic, Carolyn Nowlin, Walter Pittman, Missy Roper, Ken Sanders, Beverly McGill Shaffer, Anita Skelton, Glenn Slye, Irene Stutts, Judy Taylor, Bobby Trammell, Mark Tucker Jr., Harryette Turner, Davis Vinson, Rachel Walton, Jim Watkins, Doris Wayman, Marcella Zeigler

## **HEALTH CARE CENTERS**

Peggy Abbott, Eugenia Anderson, Dona Boone, Betty Bowen, Bob Compher, Joyce Dawkins, Mary Kate Dyer, Bill Johnson, Sarah Moler, John Montgomery, Neal Moore, Glaydell Pinson, Roger Pugh, Gailya Sargent, Nancy Stephens, Juanelle Strain, Winford Yarbrough

# Weekly Information

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## **MINISTER ON CALL: MARCH 15-17**

Kely Hatley – (205) 249-7437

## **PROJECT 119 BIBLE READING PLAN**

### **Sunday, March 10 - Saturday, March 16**

Please visit [mbbc.org/project119](http://mbbc.org/project119) for this week's readings.

## **MINISTERIAL STAFF**

Dr. Wayne Splawn, Senior Minister

Mr. Eddie Elliott, Deacon Chair

Mr. Vince Blackerby, Director of Operations

Mr. Joel Burks, Minister to Students

Dr. Kely Hatley, Minister of Music and ACTIVE Christian Living

Mrs. Amy Hirsch, Associate Minister for Membership and Pastoral Care

Mrs. Sharon Howard, Minister to Children and Families

Mrs. Micaiah Kelly, Associate Minister of Music

Mr. Ethan McVay, Minister to Preteen and Junior High Students

Mr. Mark Rector, Associate Minister

Mrs. Mary Splawn, Minister of Connections

For the full list of our church staff, please see [mbbc.org/staff](http://mbbc.org/staff).

# This Week

Offices are open Monday – Friday from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

## SUNDAY, MARCH 10 • FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT & STUDENT MINISTRY SUNDAY \_\_\_\_\_

*Daylight Saving Time Begins*

- 9 a.m. Traditional Worship | Sanctuary
- 10 a.m. Sunday Morning Bible Study
- 11 a.m. Contemporary Worship | Sanctuary
- 5 p.m. Students | Chapel Choir Rehearsal | Choir Room

## MONDAY, MARCH 11 \_\_\_\_\_

- 9 a.m. Cooks On A Mission | Scone Bake

## TUESDAY, MARCH 12 \_\_\_\_\_

- 6:45 a.m. Students | Junior High Bible Study | Hudson Hall
- 9:30 a.m. ACTIVE Christian Living | Stretch and Fitness | Narthex

## WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13 \_\_\_\_\_

- 5 p.m. Wednesday Night Family Dinner | Heritage Hall
- 5:30 p.m. Children's Missions Activities
- 6:15 p.m. Children's Music Activities
- 7:15 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal | Choir Room

## THURSDAY, MARCH 14 \_\_\_\_\_

- 9:30 a.m. ACTIVE Christian Living | Stretch and Fitness | Narthex
- 10:30 a.m. Mellow Brook Singers | Rehearsal | Hudson Hall
- 11:30 a.m. ACTIVE Christian Living | Luncheon & Program | Heritage Hall

## SUNDAY, MARCH 17 • FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT \_\_\_\_\_

- 9 a.m. Traditional Worship | Sanctuary
- 10 a.m. Sunday Morning Bible Study
- 11 a.m. Contemporary Worship | Sanctuary
- 5 p.m. Students | Chapel Choir Rehearsal | Choir Room
- 6 p.m. Students | The Brook | Heritage Hall

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