

JANUARY 14, 2024

## Welcome to Mountain Brook Baptist Church

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### Organ Prelude

Christopher Henley

*Come All Christians, Be Committed*  
by Raymond H. Haan

### Call to Worship

Sanctuary Choir

*A Celebration of Service*  
by Joseph Martin

There are many types of talents, many gifts, and sacred calls. There are different kinds of service. Yet, one Lord is over all. In our work and in our worship, we must find our special place. Then together, as a family, give our all to share God's grace.

Jesus calls us all to service; gives each one a job to do. Help us, Lord, to work together, as we build this church with you. Grant us vision, give us mission. Fill our hearts with gratitude. Grant us courage. Give us wisdom as we seek to follow you.

Alleluia! We will follow! Alleluia! We will serve! Alleluia! Alleluia!  
God is worthy of our worship! God is worthy of praise!

There is joy in serving Jesus; just to trust him and obey. Every day a new beginning, every morn a bright new day. We are blessed to be a blessing. We are graced to share his grace. We are made to be his music; one in purpose, one in praise! Alleluia!

### \*Opening Sentences of Worship

Kely Hatley and Congregation

Leader: The Lord be with you,

People: and also with you.

Leader: The Lord God is almighty and all-powerful. To him all of our hearts are opened, all our desires are known, and from whom we cannot hide any secrets. As we worship God today, pray for the cleansing of your thoughts and of your hearts by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, so we may perfectly love God and worthily magnify his holy name.

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

### \*Hymn of Adoration No. 12

Congregation

*God, Our Father, We Adore Thee*  
BEECHER

### \*Invocation and Words of Welcome

Mary Splawn

### Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Wayne Splawn

**\*Offertory Hymn No. 483**

**Congregation**

*Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling*

ELLESDIE

(Led by the MBBC Praise Band)

**Offertory Reading and Prayer**

**Mary Splawn**

Ephesians 4:28 (NIV)

<sup>28</sup> Anyone who has been stealing must steal no longer, but must work, doing something useful with their own hands, that they may have something to share with those in need.

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

**Congregation**

*The Doxology*  
OLD 100th (altered)

*(There is no Children's Message today. Children 3K-5K can meet Mrs. Sharon in the back of the Sanctuary to go to Preschool Worship as the congregation sings the Doxology.)*

**\*Affirmation of Faith**

**Mary Splawn 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.

**Preparation for Ordination and Installation**

**Wayne Splawn**

**Deacons to Be Installed for Term of Service Beginning 2024:**

Joe Adams, Jason Avery, Stan Breaux, Emris Graham Jr., Matthew Hirsch, John Holcomb III, Elam Holley Jr., Mike Jordan, Mike McGuire, Brad Moffatt, Sherman Pitts, Willis Potts, Allison Rice, Matt Rich, Trent Scofield, Lee Smith, Wayne Thorn, Mark Tucker, Mary Watkins, Greg Whetstone, Brian White, Jack Zaremba

**Deacons to Be Ordained for Term of Service Beginning 2024:**

Brenda Atkins, Mark Powell, Amy Roberts, Kelly Rollow, Natalie Smith

**Deacons for Life Term of Service:**

Larry Bearden, David Bryan, Buck Brock, Linda Cale, Larry Howard

**Ordination Message**

**Wayne Splawn**

**"Set Apart to Serve"**

Acts 6:1-7

pp. 774-775 (pew Bible)

**Message in Song**

**Kely Hatley and the  
MBBC Praise Band**

*Serve Me on Purpose*  
by Kely Hatley

Lord of the heavens, Lord of the earth, how do I worship you fully? God our creator and our sustainer, how can I show you my love? And God said,

**"Serve me on purpose, not by accident. Take hold of small hands, teach of my righteousness. Give help where needed. Surrender your heart to me. Serve me on purpose—and not by accident."**

**"Stand at the door, and offer a smile. Read through my word with a tender small child. Be more like Christ to the friend who's in need. That's how you show them my love."**

“Serve me on purpose, not out of guilt. Teach of my love for all and of my will. Rock those small babies and sing songs of praise with them. Serve me on purpose—” (*repeat to first refrain*)

## A Litany of Commissioning

**John Piede**  
*Vice-Chair of Deacons*

Leader: These are the people whom you have asked to be your servants in ministry. Do you have anything to say to them?

Congregation: We say to each one that we hold you and your office in highest esteem. We have chosen you carefully through prayer. And we do not take lightly our desire to have you lead us with courage, conviction, compassion, and care.

*Deacons: We are honored and humbled by your confidence in our ability to be servants of this congregation. We pledge to you that we will be responsible bearers of this trust.*

Congregation: We charge you to give unselfishly to the well-being of our church. Be interpreters of our ministries to one another, to this community, and to the world. Be prophets, calling us back to the hard truth we would often forget. Be compassionate caregivers to us in our sickness and sorrow. Be friends to us in times of stress and indecision.

*Deacons: By the grace of God, with your support and encouragement, we will do our best.*

Leader: Are you, the family of God known as Mountain Brook Baptist Church, willing to give yourselves in cooperation and commitment to these Deacons and to all others who have special responsibilities in the church?

Congregation: We will work together as we work with God in the most exciting mission in the world: reaching souls for Jesus Christ and building up the Christian community.

*All: Yes, and we pray for God to bless the work we will do together for his glory alone. Amen.*

## The Laying on of Hands

**Wayne Splawn and**  
**Deacon Executive Committee**

## Ordination Prayer

**Eddie Elliott**  
*Deacon Chair*

## Presentation of Certificates

**Wayne Splawn**

## \*Hymn of Response No. 490

*Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated*  
HENDON

## \*Choral Benediction

*Go Out and Tell*  
by Keith Christopher

**Sanctuary Choir**

Go out in peace, go out in joy; go out and tell the world that Jesus Christ is Lord. Go out in peace, go out in joy; go out and tell the world that Jesus Christ is Lord. That all may know the difference that he will make by trusting in his Word. Go out in peace, go out in joy, go out and tell!

## Organ Postlude

**Christopher Henley**  
*Prelude, Fugue, and Chaconne, BuxWV 137*  
by Dietrich Buxtehude

*\*Congregation standing*

# Prayer List

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## IN LOVING MEMORY

Marjorie Randleman  
Betty Yarbrough

## MBBC MEMBERS

Chris Burch, Dot Burnett, Diane & Tom Burns, Amy Carr, Dot Carroll, Richard Compton, 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, Walter Pittman, Missy Roper, Ken Sanders, Beverly McGill Shaffer, Glenn Slye, Irene Stutts, Judy Taylor, Mark Tucker Jr., Harryette Turner, Rachel Walton, Jim Watkins, Doris Wayman, June Whitlow, Marcella Zeigler

## HEALTH CARE CENTERS

Peggy Abbott, Eugenia Anderson, Dona Boone, Betty Bowen, Bob Compher, Joyce Dawkins, 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: JANUARY 19-21

Kely Hatley – (205) 249-7437

## PROJECT 119 BIBLE READING PLAN

**Sunday, January 14 - Saturday, January 20**

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

## Ways to Give



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# This Week

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

## **SUNDAY, JANUARY 14**

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- 9 a.m. Sunday Morning Bible Study
- 10 a.m. Combined Worship & Deacon Ordination | Sanctuary

## **MONDAY, JANUARY 15**

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*Church offices and CLC closed in observance of MLK Day*

## **TUESDAY, JANUARY 16**

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- 9:30 a.m. ACTIVE Christian Living | Stretch and Fitness | Room 321

## **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17**

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- 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 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal | Choir Room

## **THURSDAY, JANUARY 18**

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- 9:30 a.m. ACTIVE Christian Living | Stretch and Fitness | Room 321
- 10:30 a.m. Mellow Brook Singers | Rehearsal | Hudson Hall
- 11:30 a.m. Mellow Brook Singers | Lunch | Heritage Hall

## **FRIDAY, JANUARY 19**

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- 9 a.m. ACTIVE Christian Living | McWane Center

## **SUNDAY, JANUARY 21**

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- 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. New Members | New Member Social | Heritage Hall

## **MINISTERIAL STAFF**

- Dr. Wayne Splawn, Senior Minister
- Mr. Eddie Elliott, Deacon Chair
- Mr. Vince Blackerby, Director of Operations
- Mrs. Micaiah Kelly, Associate Minister of Music
- 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
- Mr. Ethan McVay, Minister for Preteen and Junior High Students
- Mr. Mark Rector, Associate Minister
- Mrs. Mary Splawn, Minister of Connections

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