#### JANUARY 12, 2025

# Epiphany Sunday at Mountain Brook Baptist Church

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 lobby on your way out. If this is your first time to worship with us via livestream, visit mbbc.org/guests to let us know of your attendance. We're thankful you have chosen to worship the Lord with us this morning.

**CALL TO WORSHIP** 

**MBBC PRAISE BAND** 

**WELCOME** 

MARY SPLAWN

#### \*WORSHIP THROUGH SONG

CONGREGATION

# Ancient Gates

Ligertwood

There is singing at the ancient gates. There's a melody of ceaseless praise. Age to age, the sound is only growing stronger. There's a throne beneath the Name of names. There is seated on it One who reigns. And his Kingdom now is here and getting closer.

*Chorus:* So praise him like we're there in glory. Here and now, he's just as holy. Jesus, he's so worthy of it all!

He exists in everlasting light. So, on heaven's streets, there is no night. Every tear is wiped away, we'll know no sorrow. Yeah, worship him with joyful sound. Oh, sing until your voice gives out. No matter where or who's around, release your worship. *Chorus* 

Bring your song, he loves to hear it. Bring him every prayer soaked lyric. Jesus, he's so worthy of it all.

The One who was, the One who is, the One who is to come! CCLI Song #7192505

# OFFERTORY READING

MARY SPLAWN

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.

# MISSION PARTNER OF THE WEEK

**MARY SPLAWN** 

# **Backpack Buddies**

Backpack Buddies provides weekend meals for students struggling with food insecurity at Grantswood Community School. Each year, Grantswood Community School has anywhere from 60-70 students that will not receive meals in their homes over the weekends. Volunteers and churches provide

grocery bags with various foods that are then distributed to each student every Friday. The partnership between teachers, lunchroom staff, churches, and volunteers helps students meet one of their most basic needs. For more information or to volunteer, contact Maria Bellot (bellotmaria@yahoo.com).

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

# **SHARON HOWARD**

(All children are invited to meet Mrs. Sharon at the pulpit following the Mission Partner of the Week 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 lobby to be sure your child has a check-in label for security purposes.)

DOXOLOGY CONGREGATION

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

## PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

**WAYNE SPLAWN** 

#### \*WORSHIP THROUGH SONG

CONGREGATION

In Christ Alone Getty | Townend

In Christ alone my hope is found; he is my light, my strength, my song. This cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace when fears are stilled, when strivings cease. My comforter, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless babe. This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones he came to save, 'till on that cross, as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied, for every sin on him was laid; here in the death of Christ I live!

There in the ground his body lay, light of the world by darkness slain. Then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave he rose again. And as he stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me, for I am his and he is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the power of Christ in me. From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny. No power of hell, no scheme of man can ever pluck me from his hand. Till he returns or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I stand. CCLI Song #7126847

#### THE READING OF GOD'S WORD

MARY SPLAWN

Matthew 3:13-17

MESSAGE WAYNE SPLAWN

"God's Beloved Son" Matthew 3:13-17

# \*TIME OF RESPONSE

CONGREGATION

O Praise the Name (Anastasis)

Hastings | Ussher | Sampson

I cast my mind to Calvary, where Jesus bled and died for me. I see his wounds, his hands, his feet. My Savior on that cursed tree.

His body bound and drenched in tears. They laid him down in Joseph's tomb. The entrance sealed by heavy stone, Messiah still and all alone.

*Chorus:* O praise the name of the Lord our God. O praise his name forevermore. For endless days we will sing your praise, O Lord, O Lord our God.

Then on the third at break of dawn, the Son of heaven rose again. O trampled death, where is your sting? The angels roar for Christ the King!

He shall return in robes of white. The blazing sun shall pierce the night. And I will rise among the saints, my gaze transfixed on Jesus' face.

CCLI Song #14181

#### \*BENEDICTION

**WAYNE SPLAWN** 

1 Corinthians 15:58 (NIV)

<sup>58</sup> Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.

\*Congregation standing

Amplified-hearing devices are available in the back of the gym. Please see a greeter for assistance.

Are you interested in attending one of our Sunday School Classes next week? Scan the QR code below or visit *mbbc.org/smbs* to view class options and locations.



# Prayer List

#### **BIRTHS**

Andrew James Carton (parents Haley & Mike Carton) Iva Ellen (Ivy) Clifton (parents Katie & Austin Clifton) Olivia Ruth Megginson (parents Emily & Michael Megginson)

#### **DEATHS**

Claude Brackett (uncle of Delia & Jennifer Jordan) Marci Chaddock (sister of Keith Parrott) Kanella Cook (mother of Cindy Moore) Cecil Lamar Hadley (uncle of Sarah Rich) Glatha Hooper (sister of Brenda Atkins)

#### **MBBC MEMBERS**

Shirley & Bill Austin, Charlene & Milton Berryhill, Chris Burch, Dot Burnett, Peggy Coleman, Kay Davidson, Joyce Dawkins, Greg Dobbins, Sandy Eichelberger, Judy Ellis, Chad Fooshee, Anne & Grady Gibbons, Betty Jo Gwin, Tallulah Hargrove, Martha Isom, Karen Johnson, Lauren Johnston, Nancye Lawrence, Eddie Mae McDanal, Billy McDonald, Caroline Mears, Martha Miklic, Phyllis Mitchell, Carolyn Nowlin, Walter Pittman, Joyce Ratliff, Missy Roper, Ann Sanders, Irene Stutts, Mark Tucker Jr., Rachel Walton, Doris Wayman, Laura Zaremba

#### **HEALTH CARE CENTERS**

Peggy Abbott, Eugenia Anderson, Betty Bowen, Bob Compher, Mary Kate Dyer, Bill Johnson, Sarah Moler, Glaydell Pinson, Roger Pugh, Gailya Sargent, Charles Stevens, Juanelle Strain, Helen Thrasher-Long, Harryette Turner

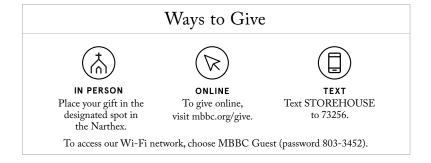
# Weekly Information

**MINISTER ON CALL: JANUARY 17-19**Mary Splawn – (205) 834-3205

#### PROJECT 119 BIBLE READING PLAN

Sunday, January 12 - Saturday, January 18

Please visit mbbc.org/project119 for this week's readings.



# This Week

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

#### SUNDAY, JANUARY 12 (EPIPHANY SUNDAY)

Traditional Worship | Gym 9 a.m.

Sunday School 10 a.m.

Contemporary Worship | Gym 11 a.m.

# TUESDAY, JANUARY 14

ACTIVE Christian Living | Stretch and Fitness | Gym 9:30 a.m.

# WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15

5 p.m. Wednesday Night Family Dinner | Hudson Hall

6 p.m. Children's Missions Activities Children's Music Activities 6:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal | Gym 7:15 p.m.

#### THURSDAY, JANUARY 16

ACTIVE Christian Living | Stretch and Fitness | Gym 9:30 a.m.

#### SUNDAY, JANUARY 19 \_

9 a.m. Traditional Worship | Gym

10 a.m. Sunday School

11 a.m. Contemporary Worship | Gym

## MINISTERIAL STAFF

Dr. Wayne Splawn, Senior Minister

Dr. John Piede, 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

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