

JANUARY 26, 2025

Third Sunday of Epiphany
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. We're thankful you have chosen to worship the Lord with us this morning.

CALL TO WORSHIP

MBBC PRAISE BAND

WELCOME

ETHAN MCVAY

***WORSHIP THROUGH SONG**

CONGREGATION

It Was Finished Upon That Cross

CityAlight

How I love the voice of Jesus on the cross of Calvary. He declares his work is finished. He has spoken this hope to me. Though the sun had ceased its shining, though the war appeared as lost, Christ had triumphed over evil. It was finished upon that cross!

Now the curse, it has been broken. Jesus paid the price for me. Full, the pardon he has offered. Great, the welcome that I receive. Boldly I approach my Father clothed in Jesus' righteousness. There is no more guilt to carry. It was finished upon that cross!

Death was once my great opponent. Fear once had a hold on me, but the Son who died to save us rose that we would be free indeed. Yes, he rose that we would be free indeed!

Free from every plan of darkness, free to live and free to love. Death is dead and Christ is risen. It was finished upon that cross!

Onward to eternal glory, to my Savior and my God. I rejoice in Jesus' victory. It was finished upon that cross!

CCLI Song #7171907

PREPARATION FOR ORDINATION & INSTALLATION

WAYNE SPLAWN

DEACONS TO BE INSTALLED FOR TERM OF SERVICE BEGINNING 2025:

David Bell, Lowell Broom, Meredith Cale, Charlene Chestang,
Chris Cooper, Baker Crow, Chad Fooshee, Douglas Grant,
Jason Harkins, Jane Hauth, Angie Jones, J.K. Keith, Eric Kelley,
Don Moore, Charlie Nowlin, Dan Pickett, Chuck Redden,
Marshall Rivers, Bobby Trammell, Tripp Watson

DEACONS TO BE ORDAINED FOR TERM OF SERVICE BEGINNING 2025:

Russell Cunningham IV, Claire Hills, Sarah Rich, Amy Scofield,
Mike Vaughn

DEACONS FOR LIFE TERM OF SERVICE:

Alan Dean, John Holcomb III

A LITANY OF COMMISSIONING**MARK TUCKER**
DEACON VICE-CHAIR

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. 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.

PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES/SERVANT'S TOWELS WAYNE SPLAWN**ORDINATION PRAYER JOHN PIEDE**
DEACON CHAIR**OFFERTORY READING ETHAN MCVAY**

Proverbs 11:24-25 (NIV)

²⁴ One person gives freely, yet gains even more; another withholds unduly, but comes to poverty. ²⁵ A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed.

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.

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

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER WAYNE SPLAWN***WORSHIP THROUGH SONG CONGREGATION**

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy
Hart

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore;
Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity, love, and power.

Chorus: I will arise and go to Jesus, he will embrace me in his arms; in the arms of my dear Savior, O there are ten thousand charms.

Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream; all the fitness he requires is to feel your need of him.

CCLI Song #7103391

MESSAGE

WAYNE SPLAWN

“Follow Me”
Matthew 4:12-22

***TIME OF RESPONSE**

CONGREGATION

Yet Not I but Through Christ in Me

Son | Farren

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer. There is no more for heaven now to give. He is my joy, my righteousness and freedom, my steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace.

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus. For my life is wholly bound to his. Oh, how strange and divine, I can sing: “All is mine. Yet not I, but through Christ in me.”

The night is dark but I am not forsaken. For by my side, the Savior he will stay. I labor on in weakness and rejoicing. For in my need, his power is displayed.

To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me. Through the deepest valley he will lead. Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome. Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

With every breath I long to follow Jesus. For he has said that he will bring me home. And day by day, I know he will renew me until I stand with joy before the throne.

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus. All the glory evermore to him. When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat: “Yet not I, but through Christ in me.”

CCLI Song # 7121852

***BENEDICTION**

WAYNE SPLAWN


1 Corinthians 15:58 (NIV)


⁵⁸ 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.





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Prayer List

BIRTHS

Thomas James Sterling (parents Janie & Matthew Sterling, grandparents Elisabeth & Chuck Branch)

DEATHS

Shirley Austin

Ralph Holley (brother of Elam Holley)

Nancye Lawrence

Patty Milton

Marilyn Reich (mother of Peter Reich)

Sylvia Bellot (mother of Chris Bellot)

MBBC MEMBERS

Bill Austin, David Bell, Charlene & Milton Berryhill, Chris Burch, Dot Burnett, Kay Davidson, Joyce Dawkins, Greg Dobbins, David Ehrhardt, Sandy Eichelberger, Judy Ellis, Chad Fooshee, Anne & Grady Gibbons, Betty Jo Gwin, Tallulah Hargrove, Martha Isom, Karen Johnson, Lauren Johnston, Eddie Mae McDanal, Billy McDonald, Caroline Mears, Martha Miklic, Phyllis Mitchell, Carolyn Nowlin, Jennie Pickett, 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, Juanelle Strain, Helen Thrasher-Long, Harryette Turner

Weekly Information

MINISTER ON CALL: JANUARY 31–FEBRUARY 2

Sharon Howard – (205) 527-7641

PROJECT 119 BIBLE READING PLAN

Sunday, January 26 - Saturday, February 1

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

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

Matthew 4:19 (NIV)

“Come, follow me,” Jesus said, “and I will make you fishers of men.”

Ways to Give



IN PERSON

Place your gift in the designated spot in the Narthex.



ONLINE

To give online, visit mbbc.org/give.



TEXT

Text STOREHOUSE to 73256.

To access our Wi-Fi network, choose MBBC Guest (password 803-3452).

This Week

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

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26 (THIRD SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY) • DEACON ORDINATION SUNDAY _____

- 9 a.m. Traditional Worship | Gym
- 10 a.m. Sunday School
- 11 a.m. Contemporary Worship | Gym
- 5 p.m. Chapel Choir Rehearsal | Chapel Music Suite

MONDAY, JANUARY 27 _____

- 12 p.m. Third Monday Book Club | Conference Room
- 6 p.m. Deacons' Executive Committee Meeting | Conference Room
- 7 p.m. Deacons' Meeting | Chapel Music Suite

TUESDAY, JANUARY 28 _____

- 6:45 a.m. Students | Junior High Bible Study | Student Ministry Area
- 9:30 a.m. ACTIVE Christian Living | Stretch and Fitness | Rm. 324 2A

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29 _____

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

THURSDAY, JANUARY 30 _____

- 9:30 a.m. ACTIVE Christian Living | Stretch and Fitness | Rm. 324 2A
- 10:30 a.m. Mellow Brook Singers | Rehearsal | Chapel Music Suite
- 11:30 a.m. Mellow Brook Singers | Lunch | Hudson Hall
- 6 p.m. Semi-Annual Church Conference | Gym

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2 (FOURTH SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY) _____

- 9 a.m. Traditional Worship | Gym
- 10 a.m. Sunday School
- 11 a.m. Contemporary Worship | Gym
- 5 p.m. Chapel Choir Rehearsal | Chapel Music Suite

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

For the full list of our church staff, please see mbbc.org/staff.