

JANUARY 5, 2025

Second Sunday of Christmas 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.

Organ Prelude

Christopher Henley

We Three Kings
arr. Diane Bish

Call to Worship

Sanctuary Choir

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice!
IN DULCI JUBILO

Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice! Give ye heed to what we say: Jesus Christ is born today. Ox and ass before him bow, and he is in the manger now. Christ is born today. Christ is born today.

Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice! Now ye need not fear the grave: Jesus Christ was born to save; calls you one and calls you all, to gain his everlasting hall. Christ was born to save. Christ was born to save!

*Opening Sentences of Worship

Micaiah Kelly and Congregation

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: God is here! The Messiah has come!

People: **We open our eyes to see him and lift our hearts to worship him. We have come to exalt the name of Jesus, our Savior and King, and to bring glory to God the Father.**

Leader: In our worship we demonstrate the mind of Christ in declaring to God that he is the supreme authority in our lives.

People: **We bow before him in submission to our Lord and King. Come, worship the Lord!**

*Carol of Christ's Birth

Congregation

He Is Born
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*Invocation and Welcome to Worshipers

Joel Burks

Mission Partner of the Week**Ruba Abbassi**

Arab Center for Consulting & Training Services/
Arab Women Today

Ruba Abbassi works with the Arab Center for Consulting and Training Services (ACCTS) as the head of Arab Women Today (AWT). ACCTS exists to see the Arab community live in peace and harmony with one another and to empower individuals to live in freedom. The center provides moral and material support to those most affected by crises in the Middle East by providing a safe place to dialogue and encourage others, education and training opportunities, and resources to help them flourish in their environment. For more information, email Mark Rector (mark@mbbc.org).

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer**Wayne Splawn*****Carol of the Magi****Congregation**

We Three Kings
KINGS OF ORIENT

Offertory Reading*Joel Burks**

Psalm 84:11 (NIV)

¹¹ For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and honor; no good thing does he withhold from those whose walk is blameless.

We Present Our Offerings to God*Congregation**

The Doxology
Old 100th (altered)

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

Children's Message**Sharon Howard****The Reading of God's Word****Joel Burks**

Ephesians 1:3-14

Choral Anthem**Sanctuary Choir**

Star in the Desert
by Douglas Nolan

Star in the desert, a light in the sand, piercing through the shadows, covering the land; watching wise men journey in a tiny caravan, star in the desert, the star of Bethlehem.

Star in the desert, glist'ning in the night, leading on the faithful to the Savior's light. Candle in the darkness, glowing ever like a pearl, sending the promise of peace to all the world.

Star of wonder, star of night, star with royal beauty bright, westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to that perfect light.

More than a symbol, this Morning Star so bright—it begins the dawning; it dispels the night. Hope forever is shining, on the world God's love is poured, for the star in our desert is Jesus Christ, the Lord!

Affirmation of Faith*Joel Burks 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.

Message

Wayne Splawn

“King of All People”

Matthew 2:1-12

***Hymn of Response**

Congregation

Gentle Mary Laid Her Child

TEMPEST ADEST FLORIDUM

Closing Words

Wayne Splawn

***Choral Benediction**

Sanctuary Choir

People, Rejoice!

arr. Martin Shaw

Text by Matt Rich

People, rejoice! His love surrounds; peace a river now abounds. Christ in our midst, the promise true, hope fulfilled and all is new. Joyfully sing, with hearts sincere, Love, the Savior, Christ is here.

Organ Postlude

Christopher Henley

Praise Ye the Lord of Hosts from *Christmas Oratorio*

by Johann Sebastian Bach

*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 at 10 a.m.?
Scan the QR code below or visit mbbc.org/smbc to view class options and locations.



Prayer List

BIRTHS

Iva Ellen Clifton (parents Katie & Austin Clifton)

DEATHS

Sam Farlow (father of Bo Farlow)

Cecil Lamar Hadley (uncle of Sarah Rich)

Glatha Hooper (sister of Brenda Atkins)

Robert D. Howard (grandfather of Taylor McGuire)

Michael Wade (son-in-law of Judy & Ron Taylor)

MBBC MEMBERS

Shirley & Bill Austin, Charlene & Milton Berryhill, Chris Burch, Dot Burnett, Peggy Coleman, Mavis Cribbs, 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 10-12

Ethan McVay – (251) 214-3592

PROJECT 119 BIBLE READING PLAN

Sunday, January 5 - Saturday, January 11

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

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 5 (SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS)

- 9 a.m. Traditional Worship | Gym
- 10 a.m. Sunday School
- 11 a.m. Contemporary Worship | Gym

TUESDAY, JANUARY 7

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

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8

- 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 | Gym

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9

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

SUNDAY, JANUARY 12 (EPIPHANY SUNDAY)







- 9 a.m. Traditional Worship | Gym
- 10 a.m. Sunday School
- 11 a.m. Contemporary Worship | Gym

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

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