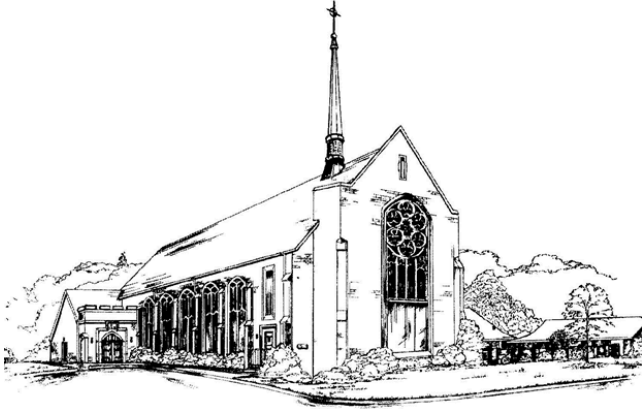


MOUNTAIN BROOK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Living a Friendly Faith
"We love because God first loved us." 1 John 4:19

February 9, 2025

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Prayer of Preparation

God of life, in Christ you resurrect all things.

Raise us from death to life,
that our transformation may bear witness
to the power of your grace in our lives
through Jesus Christ, the firstborn from the dead. Amen.

**Please stand as you are able.*

ORDER OF WORSHIP

February 9, 2025

✠ GATHERING ✠

*We gather together to praise God, confess our sins, and receive forgiveness in Jesus Christ.
We celebrate God's gift by passing the peace and joy of Christ to our neighbors.*

PRELUDE

Basse et Dessus de Trompette

N. Clerambault

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

INTROIT

Praise God for This Holy Ground

Hymn 405

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Karen Ogle

Our roots go deep, we are ever-green;
even in a drought we are not anxious,
but bear fruit, full and beautiful, gifts of the God who made us.
In awe, and in gratitude, let us worship God!

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
 2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! all the saints a - dore thee,
 3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! though the dark - ness hide thee,
 4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

ho - - - ly,
 Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.
 cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
 though the eye of sin - ful - ness thy glo - ry may not see,
 All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y!
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.
 God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
 who wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
 per - fect in power, in love and pu - ri - ty.
 God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

*CONFESION AND PARDON

CALL TO CONFESSION

Let us be honest and confess what separates us from God and our neighbors,
trusting in God's constant desire to forgive and renew.

CONFESION OF SIN

**God of judgment and renewal,
we admit to you and to each other
that we have not always loved you and our neighbors
as fully as you call us to love.
We have failed to be good stewards
of the air, the water, the animals, and the plants.
We have turned away from you and toward our own self-interest.
We have been shortsighted,
and we are humbly sorry.
Help us turn back to you, O Lord.**

(A time of private confession) Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Because Christ has been raised from the dead, sin and death do not have the last word!
Our faith is not in vain!
we are forgiven and set free to live for God and neighbor. Thanks be to God.

*GLORIA

Glory Be to the Father

GLORIA PATRI

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

*THE PEACE

As the forgiven people of God, let us greet one another in joy.
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

MOMENT WITH CHILDREN

Rebecca Roberts

While the organist plays, children are invited to come up front for the Children's Moment.

✠ PROFESSION, PRAYER, AND PROVISION ✠

*We **profess** what we believe to God's Word by stating what we believe.*

*We **pray** for our church, community, and the world.*

*We **provide** for our Gospel ministry to sustain God's Kingdom work on earth
by offering our talents and tithes.*

*PROFESSION OF FAITH

Apostle's Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended to the dead;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth ✠ on the right hand
of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE

Holy One, you have created us with the ability to choose between life and death, blessings and curses.

Help us to reject the advice of the wicked or sit with the scoffers, and by your grace, empower us to put our trust in you.

Blessed are those who trust in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord.

We pray for those who put their trust in themselves instead of in you.

We pray for those who put their trust in princes and politicians, and find themselves deceived and misled.

We pray for those who are poor, who hunger, who weep.

We pray for those who are making poor choices in their lives; may they turn to you for guidance.

We pray for the trees, for the rivers and streams, and for all your creation: turn us from our exploitative ways to help you renew the earth.

God, you demand much, but promise that your yoke is easy.

Guide us throughout our lives,

keeping us ever mindful of the good news of your forgiving and renewing grace; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Who taught us to pray together saying:

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come,

thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power,

and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERING

We are the body of Christ, surrounded by many needs of the world around us.
So bring your tithes and offerings,
that these gifts may foster healing and encourage peace.

[*Reminder about filling out visitor form*]

OFFERTORY

Flute Piece

T. Thorley

*DOXOLOGY

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below; Alleluia!
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost; Alleluia!**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Holy One, bless and multiply these gifts we give as tokens of our trust in you.
Use them to bless the poor,
feed the hungry, and comfort those who weep; in Jesus' name. Amen.

1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on thy peo - ple
 2 Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as -
 3 Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils

pour thy power; crown thine an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry; bring its
 sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us free our
 thy con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness, rich in
 we de - plore. Let the gift of thy sal - va - tion be our

bud to glo - rious flower. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,

for the fac - ing of this hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.
 for the liv - ing of these days, for the liv - ing of these days.
 lest we miss thy king - dom's goal, lest we miss thy king - dom's goal.
 serv - ing thee whom we a - dore, serv - ing thee whom we a - dore.

✠ THE WORD ✠

We hear the Word of God read and proclaimed through Scripture, music, and preaching.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, By the power of the Holy Spirit,
speak your Word through the words of scripture, that we may live according to your will;
through Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

1st READING

Psalm 18:46-50 (NRSV)

Pew Bible p. 473

46 The Lord lives! Blessed be my rock,
and exalted be the God of my salvation,
47 the God who gave me vengeance and subdued peoples under me,
48 who delivered me from my enemies;
indeed, you exalted me above my adversaries;
you delivered me from the violent.
49 For this I will extol you, O Lord, among the nations
and sing praises to your name.
50 Great triumphs he gives to his king
and shows steadfast love to his anointed,
to David and his descendants forever.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Incline Thine Ear

Himmel, F. H.

2nd READING

Luke 9:23 (NRSV)

Pew Bible p. 900

Then he said to them all, “If any wish to come after me, let them deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me.”

Matthew 28:18-20 (NRSV)

Pew Bible p. 866

¹⁸ And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

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People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Made for Mission: What's my Mission?

Rev. Roberts

✠ SENDING ✠

We leave the service taking the peace and joy of Jesus Christ into the world.

***HYMN 305**

Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

DARWALL'S 148TH

1 Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!
 2 Long years have come and gone, and still God reigns su - preme,
 3 Let cour - age be our friend; let wis - dom be our guide,
 4 Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!

For Christ the Lord has led us through the a - ges long!
 em - power - ing us to catch the vi - sion, dream the dream!
 as we in mis - sion mag - ni - fy the Cru - ci - fied!
 For Christ the Lord has tri - umphed o'er the a - ges long!

In bold ac - cord, come cel - e - brate the jour - ney now and praise the Lord!

***BENEDICTION**

RESPONSE

Sing, Praise, and Bless the Lord

Hymn 635

CHILDCARE AND CHILDREN

During the worship service, children in Kindergarten through 6th grade, are invited to participate in Sunday School. They will leave the worship service after the Children's Moment.

On Sundays when Communion is offered, children attending Sunday School will rejoin the worship service to receive Communion.

2025 ACOLYTES

Avery Faircloth	Charlotte Kearse	Sara Turnley Robinson
Beckett Faircloth	Paul Kearse	Tripp Robinson
Vera Johnson	Emily Kim	Rushton Robinson
Hazel Johnson	Audrey Kim	Jackson Robinson
Jesse Horton	Hosford Roberts	William Wellman
William Kaiser	Pryor Roberts	Katherine Wellman
Luke Kaiser	Carolyn Roberts	Mary Claire Wilson

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

The Congregational Care team is here for you! If you or anyone you know is experiencing hardship from death, illness, hospitalization, or anything else, please let us know.

We care and want to help!

Diane Beck (205) 915-0903	Karen Ogle (585) 267-6140
Becca Roberts (404) 861-8387	Bill Heslop (972) 743-3426
Mindy Faircloth (919) 389-0038	Katherine Robinson (205) 706-4506
Molly Trueb (205) 540-5769	Judy Wilson (205) 967-8935
Nancy Harper (205) 956-6634	

WEEKLY EVENTS

SUNDAY MORNINGS	
Nursery 9:00 AM-12:00 AM	Childcare Provided (Ages 0-4 yrs.)
Reception Room 9:00 AM-10:15 AM	Adult Sunday School
Choir Room 9:30-10:00 AM	Children's Choir (Grades 3-7)
During Worship Service 10:45 AM	Children's Sunday School: (Kindergarten-6th) 10:45 AM in the Fellowship Hall, following the Moment with Children. 7th grade and up stay in the service and worship with their parents on Sundays.

SUNDAY NIGHT	
Fellowship Hall 5:00 PM	Sunday Night Supper: <i>Cost is \$10/person or \$20/family.</i> *On Select Sundays: <i>January 26th, February 2nd, March 16th, April 6th, August 24th, October 5th, November 16th</i>
Youth Room (in the Admin Office) 6:00-7:30 PM	Youth Group (Grades 7-12)

WEDNESDAY NIGHT	
Choir Room 6:30-8:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Sanctuary Balcony 5:00-6:00 PM	Handbell Rehearsal



FEBRUARY

MCH DONATION ITEM: 15 OZ CAN OF FRUIT

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2nd Communion Sunday
Sunday Night Supper

9th Annual Congregational Meeting

21st King's Home Donation Pick Up
9:00 AM- 12:00 PM

23rd Sunday Fellowship Reception
Following Worship service

THE STAFF

Pastor

Rev. Madison Roberts

Director of Preschool

Morgan Rogers

Director of Music & Organist

Gary Smoke

Children's Choir Director

Allison Sanders

Administrative Assistant

Gabby Donohue

Financial Assistant

Becky Troullier

Clerk of Session

Karen Ogle

Boy Scout Troop 320

Scoutmaster: Dave Caskey

Cub Scout Pack 320

Cubmaster: Aaron Bennett

THE SESSION

The governing board of our church is called the "Session." The current members of the Session are listed below. Please don't hesitate to communicate with them about any matter concerning the church.

<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Rebecca Roberts Jimmy Ogle Karen Ogle	Ralph Cook Bill Heslop Jonathan Jordan	Diane Beck Debbie Crumpton Leslie Kears

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WELCOME VISITORS!

We are so glad that you could join us today. We would love to get to know you, and if you would like to learn more about our church, please take a moment to fill out the form below. Again, welcome!

Visitor Information

Name: _____

E-Mail: _____

Address: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____

Questions or Comments:
