Mountain Brook

Presbyterian Church



*Living a Friendly Faith*

*“We love because God first loved us.” 1 John 4:19*

January 16, 2022

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Prayer of Preparation

Holy God,

through signs of grace you reveal your glory to all the world.

Open our eyes to the hidden and surprising wonders you perform,

that we may believe with our minds and trust in our hearts

that you alone are Lord of all creation.

Though Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray. Amen.

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

January 16, 2022

✠ **Gathering** ✠

*We gather to worship God. Come as you are, or put on your Sunday finest – whatever helps you worship in spirit and in truth.*

*Though many, and different, we are all one in Christ. Welcome.*

*(The service of worship begins with the music of the organ.*

*Through its power and brilliance may you feel the majesty and glory of God, and in its quietness, God’s peace.)*

**Prelude** *Andante* H. Schroeder

 (1904-1984)

**Chiming of the Hour**

\***Introit (Hymn 655)**  *What Shall I Render to the Lord* martydom

\***Call to Worship**Karen Ogle

\***Hymn 12** *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*st. denio

\* *Please stand as you are able.*

**Confession and Pardon**

Call to Confession

Confession of Sin

**Almighty God**, **we confess that we have been led astray**

**by the idols of our world**.

**We have depended on our possessions**

**and have not placed our trust in your grace**.

**We have carelessly consumed the gifts you offer**

**and have failed to be faithful stewards**

**of the earth’s resources**.

**We have sought security in the might of the sword**

**rather than the strength of your Holy Spirit**.

**Forgive us, we pray**.

**Lead us to true repentance that we may serve you faithfully.**

(*A time of private confession)*

**Amen.**

Declaration of Forgiveness

\****Gloria* (Hymn** **583**) *Glory to God* gloria (taizé)

\***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** Spencer Bissell

*While the organist plays, children are invited to follow the crucifer to the chancel steps for the Children’s Moment. At the conclusion, the crucifer will lead the children back to their seats or to their classroom, as the case may be.*

✠**The Word** ✠

**Prayer for Illumination** Rushton Robinson

**1st Reading** Psalm 36:5-10 (NRSV) Pew Bible, p. 483

5Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens,

your faithfulness to the clouds.

6Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains,

your judgments are like the great deep;

you save humans and animals alike, O LORD.

7How precious is your steadfast love, O God!

All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

8They feast on the abundance of your house,

and you give them drink from the river of your delights.

9For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light.

10O continue your steadfast love to those who know you,

and your salvation to the upright of heart!

*Leader: The Word of the Lord.* ***People: Thanks be to God.***

**Anthem** *Simple Song* Leonard Bernstein Bob Marston, tenor (1918-1990)

**2nd Reading** John 2:1-11 (NRSV) Pew Bible, p. 923

1On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee,

and the mother of Jesus was there.

2Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding.

3When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him,

“They have no wine.”

4And Jesus said to her,

“Woman, what concern is that to you and to me?

My hour has not yet come”

5His mother said to the servants,

“Do whatever he tells you.”

6Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons.

7Jesus said to them, “Fill the jars with water.”

And they filled them up to the brim.

8He said to them, “Now draw some out,

and take it to the chief steward.” So they took it.

9When the steward tasted the water that had become wine,

and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom

10and said to him, “Everyone serves the good wine first,

and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk.

But you have kept the good wine until now.”

11Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee,

and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

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**Sermon** He Turned the Water into Wine Rev. Roberts

\***Hymn 440** *Jesus, Lover of My Soul*ABERYSTWYTH

✠ **Response to the Word** ✠

**Affirmation 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.**

**Announcements**

**Prayers for the People**

**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**

Offertory *In the Garden* arr. G. Smoke

\*Doxology old hundredth

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise God all creatures here below;**

**Praise God above, ye heavenly host;**

**Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

\*Prayer of Dedication

✠ **Sending** ✠

\***Hymn 475** *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*nettleton

\***Charge and Blessing**

**Benediction Response (Hymn 435)**

*There’s A Wideness in God’s Mercy* in babilone

**Postlude** *Ricercar* A. Gabrieli (1533-1585)

**Childcare and Children**

Childcare is provided for children, birth through age six, during worship. Children, preschool through third grade, are invited to participate in Sunday school during worship and they will leave the main worship service after the Children’s Moment.

On Sundays when the Lord’s Supper is offered, they will come back to the sanctuary for the Lord’s Supper. Older children are invited to remain in worship.

**Acolytes:** Tripp Robinson, Jackson Robinson, Emily Kim

**Announcements**

* MAGIC CITY HARVEST DONATIONS: The January donation item is tuna fish. The donation box is located inside the front entrance of the church.
* CHANCEL GUILD MEETING: The Chancel Guild will meet on Monday, January 24 at 10AM in the Reception Room.
* DRAWER BUILD: Next Sunday, January 23, at 2:00PM. Come help put together drawers that will be used to make chests of drawers for the Presbyterian Home for Children’s on campus housing units that will provide temporary housing to at-need children and their female caregivers. We will meet outside the Scout Hut.
* CONFIRMATION CLASSES: MBPC’s Confirmation Class will be on held Monday nights from 6:30PM – 8:00PM beginning on February 7. The class is open to 7th-12th grade students.
* SCOUT SUNDAY: February 13th during 11:00AM Worship.

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| **The Staff** |
| ***Pastor***Rev. Madison Roberts***Director of Music***Dewin Tibbs***Organist***Gary Smoke***Director of Christian Education***Spencer Bissell***Administrative Assistant***Sally Gregson | ***Director of Preschool***Molly Blackmon***Financial Assistant***Bernie Gregson***Boy Scout Troop 320***Scoutmaster: Dave Caskey***Cub Scout Pack 320***Cubmaster: Connie Caskey***Director of Children’s Music***Allison Sanders |

**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.

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| **2022**Dave KaiserNorton MontagueKaren Ogle | **2023**Ralph Cook Richard Edwards Alan Speaker | **2024**Mindy Faircloth Alex Wellman Judy Wilson |

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