

*** THE APOSTLES' 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 into hell; 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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

THE OFFERTORY

For God Alone My Soul Waits

Raymond Haan

***THE DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

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. Amen.

***THE HYMN 399**

We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight

DUNLAP'S CREEK

***THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***THE CHORAL RESPONSE**

The Rising Sun Shall Shine on Us

KINGSFOLD

THE POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Jonathan Crutchfield



February 26, 2017
11 a.m. Worship

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**(The asterisk indicates parts of the worship when the congregation is invited to stand as they are able.)*

THE GATHERING

Beth Waltemath

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

THE PRELUDE*Prelude in A Minor*

César Franck

***THE CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: The LORD is king; let the peoples tremble! God sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!

People: **The LORD is great in Zion; God is exalted over the peoples. Let them praise your great and awesome name. Holy is the LORD!**

Leader: Mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.

People: **Extol the LORD our God; worship at God's footstool. Holy is the LORD! Moses and Aaron were among God's priests, Samuel also was among those who called on the Lord's name. They cried to the LORD, and God answered them.**

Leader: God spoke to them in the pillar of cloud; they kept God's decrees, and the statutes that God gave them.

People: **O LORD our God, you answered them; you were a forgiving God to them, but an avenger of their wrongdoings.**

Leader: Extol the LORD our God, and worship at his holy mountain; for the LORD our God is holy. - Psalm 99

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN 263Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

ST. DENIO

THE CALL TO CONFESSION**THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Almighty God, you alone are holy. You alone are greater than our minds can conceive. You alone are the beginning and end. You are a holy mystery beyond explanation, and worthy of worship. We confess that we fail to worship you as you are. We blur the distinction between creator and creation and we lapse into idolatry as we seek to impose our image of who you are in place of holy mystery. Forgive us, we pray and open our minds to new realities of who you are and how you extend grace. Through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray, Amen.

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: The grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, training us to renounce impiety and worldly passions, and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright and Godly, while we wait for the blessed hope and the manifestation of the glory of our great God and savior, Jesus Christ.

People: **He it is who gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity and purify for himself a people of his own who are zealous for good deeds.**

Leader: Believe the promise of the Gospel:

People: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen** -Titus 2:11-14

***THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

(Hymn 601)

Of old you gave your solemn oath to father Abraham: whose seed a mighty race should be and blest forevermore, you vowed to set your people free from fear of every foe, that we might serve you all our days in goodness, love, and peace.

***THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

Leader: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all!

People: **And also with you.**

THE CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

(Visitors and members are invited to sign the blue friendship register pad and pass it down the pew.)

THE MINUTE MESSAGE

Van Jensen

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Exodus 24: 12-18

(page 68 in the pew Bible, OT)

THE ANTHEM*Salmo 150*

Ernani Aguiar

Praise the Lord in the sanctuary, praise God in the mighty heavens. Praise the Lord for powerful deeds, praise God for overwhelming glory! We praise you with the blast of the trumpet, and with lyre and harp! We praise you with timbrel and dance, with strings and flute, and with loud clashing cymbals. We praise you with resounding cymbals. Let everything that has breath, praise God! (Psalm 150)

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

2 Peter 1: 16-21

(page 222 in the pew Bible, NT)

THE SERMON*"Eyewitnesses"*

Baron Mullis

THE HYMN 69O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright* WIE SCHÖN LEUCHTET

ELDER ON CALL: Sarah Tomaka

DEACON ON CALL: Julie Green

USHERS: Adrienne and David Mogge, Carolyn and Peter Cobb

GREETERS: Nancy Anderson, Carol Senf, Sanda and Bill Means

COUNTERS: Martin Dunlap and Daisy Ottmann

COFFEE AND CONVERSATION HOSTS: Sanda and Bill Means

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS: Vickie and Olivia Hunter

TWOS/THREES VOLUNTEER: Laura Strong

PRE-K AND K: Betsy Holland and Amy Jensen

1ST - 3RD GRADE: Kim Nuckols

4TH - 5TH GRADE: Carolyn Morton and Brooke Williams

FELLOWSHIP: Young Adults - Amy Jensen

Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.
- Philippians 4:6-7

Keep in your prayers...

Sue Blouin

Lib Boggs

Patricia Boyko

Joe Brady

Ann Coffey (Sarah Beth Gehl's mother)

Sandra Fortson

Walter Gilbert (Patrick Gilbert's father)

Kat Harris (Eric Harris' mother)

Ann Herndon (Will Herndon's mother)

Charlotte Hudson (Jeff Adams' mother)

Friends and relatives of Linda Johnson

Jan McMahan

Ted McMahan

Lin Parker (Nancy Coomes' friend)

Karen Peterson and family (Daisy Ottmann's friend)

Bev Reed

Carlene Sauer (Kasey and Stephanie Libby's family)

Beth Klotz Von Seggern (Jack Klotz's sister)

Marlie Ann Senf

Carol and Bill Southwood

Robert Stack (Jane Stack's family)

Shannon Miller and Doug Strain (Bill Smith's family)

Mary Turner (Sanda Means' mother)

Wells family

Dr. Nathaniel West (Dr. West's father)

Baby Oliver Whiddon (Jill Klotz's friend)

Evelyn Wimberly (Nancy Frampton's ex-mother-in-law)

John Young

WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY

Welcome to worship at Morningside Presbyterian Church.

Baron Mullis, Senior Pastor is our preacher and **Beth Waltemath, Associate for Mission and Faith Development** is our liturgist.

- Large print hymnals and Bibles as well as hearing aids are available; ushers will gladly assist.

- Please complete the information in the Friendship Pad at the end of the pews and pass the pads down and back again during the **Concerns** portion of worship.

- Children are welcomed and encouraged in worship every Sunday. Worship bags for children can be found in the Narthex. Those who wish to attend Sunday School may do so *after the Peace of Christ*.

- Childcare for 0-23 months is in Room 105, and Room 012 for 2 and 3 year olds.

- Pre-K - 3rd grade are in room 001.

- 4th through 5th grade are in Fellowship Hall.

WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

Morningside Presbyterian Church welcomes Susan and Mark Gilbreath, Kimberly and Kenneth Williams, and Sandy and Jerry Mashburn. Please give our newest members a warm welcome when you see them.

VOLUNTEER SEARCH CONTINUES

Interested in local mission and want to work with one of Atlanta's best men's shelters? MPC is looking for a Shepherd to organize six dinners (one every other month) and one to two special collections per year for Clifton Sanctuary Ministries. If you are interested, please contact mission chairs Tony Fishpaw,

tonydfishpaw@gmail.com, or Nancy Collins, ncollins0209@gmail.com.

LAST CHANCE FOR PICTURES

Today is the last day to have your picture taken. If you have not already done so, immediately following worship please head to the welcome center to sign up to have your picture taken today.

WOMEN'S ROUNDTABLE

Women's Roundtable will have their first meeting of 2017 on **Monday, February 27, at 6:30 p.m.** Guest speaker Sara Totonchi, Executive Director at the Southern Center for Human Rights, will discuss social justice. Women members and friends are invited to come out. This month's host will be Sanda Means (1071 McLynn Ave. 30306). RSVP to Sarah Brownlee rsbrownlee1046@att.net.

SHROVE TUESDAY

Get ready for our annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper and Pajama Party on **Tuesday, February 28** from **5:30 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.** in Fellowship Hall. Kids are invited to wear their favorite pajamas and all are encouraged to bring NEW pajamas, socks and underwear for THREADS, a children's ministry of All-Saints Episcopal Church. Beginning **Sunday, February 26**, we will be distributing coin banks for the children to collect coins for Children's Healthcare of Atlanta. Volunteers are needed. Please contact Kelly Anderson, kanderson118@gmail.com, for the signup link or to RSVP for supper.

ASH WEDNESDAY

All are invited to join us for worship which will include the imposition of ashes on *Wednesday, March 1, at 7 p.m.* Childcare will be provided for infants through 3 years old. RSVP to Sarah Tomaka, sarah.tomaka@gmail.com, if you need childcare.

SUPPORT ICM

Please join us in a collection of non-perishable food to support ICM. Canned vegetables, soups, ready-to-eat meals, especially those with pop tops, ramen noodles, peanut butter, cereal and can openers will be collected from *Sunday, March 5 - Sunday, March 19* in the barrel just inside the stairwell next to the church office. For more information, please contact Nancy Collins, ncollins0209@gmail.com, 678.634.4572 or Laura Ulep, lauraulep@gmail.com.

THEOLOGY ON TAP

Our next Theology on Tap will be hosted by Baron Mullis on *Tuesday, March 7 at 7 p.m.* Baron and Lester can be found at 2140 Council Bluff Court, Atlanta, 30345.

EXPLORING THE ARTS

Friday evening, March 10 (7 to 9pm) and Saturday, March 11 (10 to 2pm) MPC will host a workshop on the arts in worship, co-sponsored by Central Presbyterian Church. There are activities for all ages: 2 art projects for children (Bottle Cap Art and Zentangle); African Drumming (all ages); Movement (all ages); Reading Dramatically; Writing prayers and liturgy (Baron Mullis); Writing hymn texts (Michael Morgan); Writing hymn tunes (Jonathan Crutchfield); Handbells for youth and

adults (Dave Vandermeer). Each activity will be used to create a 30-minute worship service at the end of the workshop. It's open to everyone and it's free, including snacks and lunch! Contact Jonathan Crutchfield by *Friday, March 10* to register: jcrutchfield@morningsidepc.org.

MPC COUPLES

The next get-together for MPC Couples will be on *Friday, March 10 at 7 p.m.* Reservations have been made at Morningside Kitchen by Carol and Bill Southwood. Please contact Kathy Bremer, kathydaybremer@gmail.com, if you have questions.

LISTENING SESSION



Morningside's Strategic Planning Committee is seeking input from the congregation. Your insight will help us shape the next 3-year

plan. We are conducting five listening sessions which will be used to capture priorities, wishes, dreams and opportunities for our church. Additionally, an online survey will launch on March 5. Please contact Jeff Peters if you can participate in one of these important listening sessions in room 201: jeffcpeters@gmail.com.

Mar 2, 6:45-7:15p.m.
Mar 5, 12:15-12:45p.m.
Mar 6, 7-7:30p.m.
Mar 9, 6:45-7:15p.m.
Mar 9, 8:45-9:15p.m.

Faith Development at Morningside

ADULT CLASS

Beth Waltemath will lead us in a Lenten series focused on practiced-based Christianity by looking at key figures in contemplative Christianity from the Bible, Medieval saints, and contemporary theologians. We start this series with a look at Jesus's own practice of prayer.

CHILDREN

Did You Know? Children learn two parables today – a lost sheep and a lost coin. Something of great value is lost and when it is found, there is great celebration. This is how God feels when we ask for forgiveness. Luke 15:3-10

THIS WEEK AT MORNINGSIDE

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26

9 a.m. DCM Search Committee
9:30 a.m. Coffee and Conversation
9:45 a.m. Faith Development/ Confirmation
11 a.m. Worship/Children's Sunday School (PreK-5th)
12 noon Fellowship
2 p.m. Daisy Girl Scout Troop
4:30 p.m. Youth Choir Rehearsal
5 p.m. Youth Group

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27

8:45 a.m. MPP Book Fair
7 p.m. Mandolin Society/ Parliamentarians

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

8:45 a.m. MPP Book Fair
11 a.m. Yoga
2:15 p.m. Parkinson's Tai Chi
4:30 p.m. Tai Chi
5:30 p.m. Shrove Tuesday
6:30 p.m. Weight Watchers

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1

8:15 a.m. MPP Book Fair
5:45 p.m. Children's Choir Rehearsal
7 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

THURSDAY, MARCH 2

6 p.m. Night Yoga
7:30 p.m. Handbell Choir

FRIDAY, MARCH 3

MPP CLOSED

SATURDAY, MARCH 4

9 a.m. Women's AA Meeting
10 a.m. Saturday School at Dobbs Elementary

SUNDAY, MARCH 5

9:30 a.m. Coffee and Conversation/ VBS Planning Committee
9:45 a.m. Faith Development/ Confirmation
11 a.m. Worship/Children's Sunday School (PreK-Kinder)
12 noon Fellowship
2 p.m. Hunger Walk (offsite)

The Hunger Walk is an annual 5K walk/run that raises money for the ATL's community food bank. Join fellow MPC members in this Youth Group Sponsored event. The Youth group has a goal of raising \$500. The Hunger Walk starts at 2 pm at Turner Field. Thus, we will enjoy lunch together at church, put on our tennis shoes, and head over right after worship! To register, you can **join the "Morningside Presbyterian Youth!" team**. Click the link under *Hunger Walk/Run* on MPC's homepage to make a contribution. Share our team with others so that they can donate in honor of our team.