



Morningside

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 28, 2014

11:00 a.m.

The Service of Installation for Drew Stockstill

Dr. Baron Mullis, Teaching Elder, Morningside Presbyterian Church
Clark Simmons, Ruling Elder, Decatur Presbyterian Church
Rev. Lindsay Armstrong, Teaching Elder, Presbytery of Greater Atlanta
Rebekah Groover, Ruling Elder, Trinity Presbyterian Church
Dr. George Stroup, Teaching Elder, Cherokee Presbytery
Leslie Prince, Ruling Elder, Morningside Presbyterian Church
Rev. Dana Hughes, Teaching Elder, Smyrna Presbyterian Church
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Thank you for making sure your cell phone is off during the worship hour.

THE GATHERING

Clark Simmons

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

THE PRELUDE

Variations from *See the conqu'ring hero comes* from *Judas Maccabaeus*

Ludwig Beethoven

Elisabeth Copeland, cello

THE CHIMING OF THE HOUR

***THE CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Clap your hands, all you peoples;

People: **shout to God with loud songs of joy.**

Leader: For the Most High is awesome,

People: **a great sovereign over all the earth.**

Leader: It is good to give thanks to the Lord,

People: **to sing praises to your name O God.**

Leader: Let us worship the Triune God.

- Psalm 47: 1-2

***THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN 220**

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

THE CALL TO CONFESSION

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, by water and your Holy Spirit you baptized us to be your own and called the church into being. We confess that we hold back the love of your Spirit among us. We do not listen for your word of grace, speak the good news of your love, or live as a people made one in Christ. Have mercy on us, O God. Transform our lives by the power of your Holy Spirit and make strong our common witness to the one Lord, our Savior, Jesus Christ.

A MOMENT OF SILENCE (*for examination of conscience and personal prayers of confession*)

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city.

People: **On either side of the river is the tree of life and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations.**

Leader: Nothing accursed will be found there any more. Believe the good news of the gospel:

People: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

- Rev. 22:1-3

*** THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

(Hymn 316)

Breathe on me, breath of God, fill me with life anew, that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.

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

*THE PEACE OF CHRIST

(Children ages 3-10 are invited to leave after the **Peace of Christ** for special classes. Threes, fours & fives in Room 011; K-1st grade in Room 001; 2nd-3rd grade in Room 003; 4th-5th grade in Room 005).

THE CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Baron Mullis

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

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 43:15-21
(page 632 in the pew Bible, OT)

Rebekah Groover

THE ANTHEM

How Lovely are the Messengers

Felix Mendelssohn

How lovely are the messengers that preach us the gospel of peace. To all the nations is gone forth the sound of their words, throughout all the lands their glad tidings.

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 2:23-3:6

(page 34 in the pew Bible, NT)

THE SERMON

"Expect the Unexpected"

Dana Hughes

*THE HYMN 434

Today We Are Called to Be Disciples

THE SERVICE OF INSTALLATION

Leader: As in one body we have many parts and each part has its own function, so all of us together with Christ are one body, and we all belong to each other.

People: We have different gifts according to the grace God has given us.

Leader: If your gift is to hear God's Word,

People: speak it out in faith.

Leader: If your gift is service,

People: live to serve others.

Leader: If your gift is the heart of a teacher,

People: teach what is true.

Leader: Let preachers preach with conviction, and givers give freely;

People: let officers work diligently for the people, and let those who serve the poor, serve gladly.

Leader: Let us not lack for enthusiasm, but be ardent in spirit,

People: serving the Lord, rejoicing in hope, patient in suffering, constant in prayer, supporting one another, and welcoming all.

- Based on Romans 12:4-8, 11-13

THE STATEMENT ON THE MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

Leader: We are called out by God to be the church of Jesus Christ... Today we reclaim our historic calling and remember the great ends of the church:

People: The proclamation of the gospel for the salvation of humankind; the shelter, nurture, and spiritual fellowship of the children of God; the maintenance of divine worship; the preservation of the truth; the promotion of social righteousness; and the exhibition of the Kingdom of Heaven to the world.

- PC(USA) Book of Order F-1.0304

Leader: The Ministry of the church is shared by pastor and people so that all together may fulfill the mission to which we are called in Jesus Christ... In his baptism, Drew was clothed with Christ. He was ordained to the ministry of Word and Sacrament by the Presbytery of Greater Atlanta, and is now called by God through the voice of the church to serve as associate pastor of this congregation.

People: We remember with joy our common calling to serve Christ, and we celebrate God's call of our brother, to serve among us as associate pastor.

THE CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS

- a. Do you trust in Jesus Christ your Savior, acknowledge him Lord of all and Head of the Church, and through him believe in one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit?
- b. Do you accept the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be, by the Holy Spirit, the unique and authoritative witness to Jesus Christ in the Church universal, and God's Word to you?
- c. Do you sincerely receive and adopt the essential tenets of the Reformed faith as expressed in the confessions of our church as authentic and reliable expositions of what Scripture leads us to believe and do, and will you be instructed and led by those confessions as you lead the people of God?
- d. Will you fulfill your ministry in obedience to Jesus Christ, under the authority of Scripture, and be continually guided by our confessions?
- e. Will you be governed by our church's polity, and will you abide by its discipline? Will you be a friend among your colleagues in ministry, working with them, subject to the ordering of God's Word and Spirit?
- f. Will you in your own life seek to follow the Lord Jesus Christ, love your neighbors, and work for the reconciliation of the world?
- g. Do you promise to further the peace, unity, and purity of the church?
- h. Will you pray for and seek to serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love?
- i. Will you be a faithful teaching elder, proclaiming the good news in Word and Sacrament, teaching faith and caring for people? Will you be active in government and discipline, serving in the councils of the church; and in your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ?

THE CONGREGATIONAL QUESTIONS

Leslie Prince

THE PRAYER OF INSTALLATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

George Stroup

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 CHARGE TO THE NEWLY INSTALLED PASTOR

Lindsay Armstrong

THE CHARGE TO THE CONGREGATION

*THE OFFERTORY

Improvisation

*THE DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

(Hymn 592)

*THE HYMN 370

Just as I Am, Without One Plea

*THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Drew Stockstill

*THE CHORAL RESPONSE

Set Me As a Seal

Rene Clausen

Set me as a seal upon your heart, as a seal upon your arm, for love is strong as death. Many waters cannot quench love; neither can the floods drown it.

THE POSTLUDE

Kriegsmarsch der Priester

Felix Mendelssohn



Life@Morningside

WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY

Welcome to worship at Morningside Presbyterian Church. 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. Worship notebooks and books for children are located in the library. Nursery for infants and toddlers is in Room 105; 2 year olds are in Room 012. Children ages 3-10 are invited to leave after the *Peace of Christ* for special classes: Threes, fours, and fives-Room 011; K-1st grade in Room 001; 2nd-3rd grade in Room 003; 4th-5th grade in Room 005.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary are given by the congregation to the glory of God and in celebration of the installation of Drew Stockstill as Associate Pastor of Morningside Presbyterian Church.

SERVICE MUSIC

Variations on *See the Conquering Hero* - "See the Conquering Hero Comes" from Handel's Judas Maccabaeus Oratorio is one of the most memorable and recognizable melodies from this work, and depicts a triumphant Jewish people forming an alliance with Rome, bringing lasting peace to their country. In his *Theme and Variations*, Beethoven takes this melody and does, perhaps, what Beethoven does best: creates a development on a theme. Throughout the 12 variations, Beethoven provides sweeping lyrical phrases, complex harmonies, minor variations, bouncing time signatures, lugubrious legatos, and virtuosic passages for both the cello and piano. A true master of theme and variation, Beethoven presents the same theme over a dozen times, yet manages to keep it exciting to the listener upon each repeat. Today, we hear selections from the 12 variations.

OFFICER NOMINATING COMMITTEE

It's time to nominate Elders for the Session, Deacons for the Board of Deacons, and next year's representatives to the Officer Nominating Committee. Today, nomination forms are in the bulletin, the Narthex and the Welcome Center. This is your opportunity to nominate someone to be a candidate for office. Prayerfully consider whether the person is willing to serve a three-year commitment before you submit their name for consideration to the Officer Nominating Committee. You can turn in nomination forms to the church office, place them in the offering plate or put them in one of the boxes in the Narthex and Welcome Center. The Officer Nominating Committee will announce the final slate of officers at a Congregational Meeting on Sunday, October 12 when actual elections will take place.

YOUTH GROUP

Youth Group will meet from 5-7 p.m. this Sunday. All 6th -12th graders are welcome to join us for games, supper and our ongoing study of the Lord's Prayer. Bring a friend and join the fun!

BARON TO SPEAK AT WOMEN'S ROUNDTABLE TOMORROW, SEPTEMBER 29

Hear Baron talk about the influence of women in his life, on his faith journey and his call to ministry. We welcome members and friends for dinner at 6:30 p.m. tomorrow, September 29 at the home of Lynn Young, 277 The Prado, 30309. RSVP to Sarah Brownlee rsbrownlee1046@att.net.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Next Sunday, October 5, Morningside members – and their animals – are invited to gather on the lawn at 5 p.m. for a special service in which we give thanks to God for all of creation. Traditionally celebrated on the Feast Day of St. Francis, *Blessing of the Animals* is our opportunity to express our love for our pets and to give thanks to God for them. This short service welcomes all – as is our custom – but we do ask that all pets are appropriately restrained by leash or carrier. Please join in giving thanks to God!

COME SUPPORT MPP AT EL TACO!

On Tuesday, October 7, from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. MPP needs at least 40 diners at the Original El Taco Restaurant (1186 N. Highland Ave., 404.873.4656) in order to receive 20 percent of the entire restaurant sales for the evening! If we have less than 40, we will receive 20 percent of our supporter's sales. Bring the whole family, and invite your friends and neighbors, too! Reservations are accepted for parties over seven. Be sure to mention to the hostess you are with MPP. We hope to see you there!

LAST CHANCE TO RETREAT TO MONTREAT

We have filled the lodge for the church retreat to the North Carolina mountains October 17-19. There are a few rooms available in the cottage behind the lodge and there is a wait list for the lodge. Contact Jack Klotz jacksklotz@gmail.com immediately if you can join the weekend.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Last Sunday, Morningside welcomed the following new members: Kelly Anderson, Vicky Jones, Ellen Stockstill, and Jennie Stockstill. Please give them a warm welcome the next time you see them!

PEACEMAKING OFFERING

As we celebrate World Communion Sunday next week, we will receive the Peacemaking Offering being mindful of those in our communities - near and far - who are in need of God's healing and reconciling peace. The Peacemaking Offering is one of our special collections that MPC receives each year. Twenty-five percent of the offering goes to peacemaking efforts locally, another 25 percent goes to regional peacemaking efforts and 50 percent enables the Presbyterian Peacemaking Program to be active throughout the world as a peaceful and faithful presence.

OUR HOUSE

The Our House mission is to break the chain of homelessness by providing early childhood education and comprehensive support services for families experiencing homelessness. From October 1 through October 31 we will collect gently used or new items for the Mitten Tree to benefit the children of Our House (mittens, gloves, hats, scarves, jackets, and sweaters). Place your donations on the tree outside of Room 107. MPP will also collect Halloween costumes for the children - ages infant-5 years. See the Preschool Halloween Board with pumpkin tags for each child, and please bring in a new/gently-used costume

Christian Education at Morningside

ADULT CLASSES...There will be one Faith Development class for October which will meet in Room 201. Members of the class will facilitate conversation on the topic: *The Grace of Christ: From Scripture to Our Lives Today*.

CHILDREN'S CLASSES...The Preschool class will wonder about God's promise to Abraham as they hear *Count the Stars!* Elementary classes will continue their worship by reading Genesis 32:3-21, 33:1-10. Graded follow-up activities will focus on how after many years Esau forgave his brother.

This Week at Morningside

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

9:30 a.m. Coffee and Conversation
9:45 a.m. Church School
11 a.m. Worship/Installation of Drew Stockstill
12 noon Stockstill Reception
5-7 p.m. Youth Group

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

8:15 & 9:30 a.m. MPP Creative Movement
9 a.m. MPP
1 p.m. MPP Ballet/Tap
6:30 p.m. Women's Roundtable
7 p.m. Mandolin Society

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

9 a.m. MPP
11 a.m. Yoga Class
1 p.m. Playball; Mini-Monets
2:15 p.m. Parkinson Tai Chi
4:30 p.m. Tai Chi
6:30 p.m. Campaign Leadership; Weight Watchers
7:30 p.m. Troop 455

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1

9 a.m. MPP
1 p.m. Music Canopy; Bricks4Kidz

to fit one of the tag requests. Pin the pumpkin tag to the costume and place it in the Preschool or Welcome Center bins by October 24. Contact Becky Schreiber becky.schreiber@gmail.com with questions. Thank you for your support.

SERVING MEN AT JOURNEY

Pick up a pan in the narthex to return filled with the requested item on Sunday, October 12 to feed men staying at Journey Shelter. We also need a few folks to serve the meal on that date. Contact Tamara Nix tamaranix@yahoo.com to volunteer for this role.

NEW ORLEANS MISSION TRIP

The Fall Mission Trip to New Orleans will take place from Wednesday, November 12 to Sunday, November 16. We will work with Rebuilding Hope in New Orleans (RHINO), the urban mission outreach program of St. Charles Avenue Presbyterian Church (SCAPC). Cost for double occupancy at the Brent House Hotel is \$265 and is due by Sunday, October 12. (Checks written to MPC to be given to Roland Behm). More information can be found on the bulletin board at church and by contacting Roland Behm roland.behm@gmail.com, 404.217.5514.

4:15 - 5 p.m. Treble Choir

5 p.m. Cherub Choir

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2

9 a.m. MPP

11 a.m. Weights to the Oldies

1 p.m. Playball

5:30 p.m. MPP Open House

7:30 p.m. Handbell Choir; MLPA Public Safety

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3

8:15 a.m. MPP Yoga

9 a.m. MPP

1 p.m. KidzTennis

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4

Youth Lock in

9 a.m. AA Meeting

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5

Youth Lock in

9:30 a.m. Coffee and Conversation

9:45 a.m. Church School

11 a.m. Worship with communion

12 noon Fellowship/RHO Book Sale

12:15 p.m. 2nd-5th Grade Training with Communion Elements

5 p.m. Blessing of the Animals

Children are always welcome in the Sanctuary during worship. Should you find that your child grows restless, there is child care available. Infants/toddlers are cared for in the Nursery in Room 105, two year olds in Room 012.

ELDER ON CALL: Hillery McNeill 678.640.9648

DEACON ON CALL: Shirley Adair 404.910.5469

USHERS: Sandy and Todd Jones, Katherine and Dave Johnston

COFFEE AND CONVERSATION HOST: Carol Senf

GREETERS: Bill and Sanda Means, Jane Stack, Bill Humphries

COUNTERS: Debbie Fox, Philip Hawkins

INFANT/TODDLER VOLUNTEER: Catherine Segring

TWOS VOLUNTEER: Jane Stack

3s, 4s, & 5s VOLUNTEERS: Beth Baer, Suzanne Macpherson

K-1st VOLUNTEER: Lisa Ladds

2nd-3rd GRADE VOLUNTEER: Preston Ladds

4th-5th GRADE VOLUNTEER: Randy Parrish

FELLOWSHIP: Sarah Brownlee, Hillary McNeill, Lisa Jern, Pat Antenucci and Rose Mary Wells

Find a complete list of our church officers and staff at <http://www.morningsidepc.org/leaders>.

SAVE THE DATE

MPP'S 13TH ANNUAL FUN-RAISER—FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14

Book your favorite babysitter now for a fun night out at Le Maison Rouge at Paris on Ponce on Friday, November 14. Mingle with other MPP parents and supporters while enjoying delicious food, adult beverages and more. Our live and silent auction will feature donations from area merchants, families, teachers and fabulous art work from our kids.

Tickets will go on sale in October.

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...

The family of Linda and Ann Claire Booker

The Rev. Canon Domenic Ciannella (Rebecca Shipley's father)

Sandra Crawford

Dr. Stephen A. Hayner (President, Columbia Theological Seminary)

Ann Herndon (Will's mother)

Finley Holaway

Friends and relatives of Linda Johnson: Kaitlin Andry, Ron and Ann Reggio, Peggy Johnson Smith, Warren Johnson, Sr.

Kevin Jones

Vicky Langford (James Beasley's mother)

Philip Marshall (Georgia Marshall's brother-in-law)

Jan McMahan

Hugh McNeill (John McNeill's father)

Marilyn Neforas (Hugh Bell's friend)

Anne and Nate Reid

Jennifer and Jason Swafford (Sandy Jones' friends)

John Vytal (Katie Watts' father)

Ethel Young (John Young's mother)

Please submit prayer requests using the prayer cards in the pew racks.

