

**\* 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**

*Blest Be the Tie that Binds*

Wayne Wold

**THE ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS**

The Ordination and Installation of Officers, Class of 2015

The Ordination Prayer and Laying on of Hands

**\*THE DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

(Hymn 592)

**\* THE HYMN 525**

*Here I Am, Lord*

**\*THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*THE CHORAL RESPONSE**

*Sweet, Sweet Spirit (excerpt)*

Akers

**\*THE POSTLUDE**

*O Love How Deep, How Broad, How High"*

arr. E. Power Biggs



**BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

**January 12, 2014**

**11 a.m. Worship**

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Thank you for making sure your cell phone is off during the worship hour.

**THE GATHERING**

Drew Stockstill

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

**THE PRELUDE**

*When Jesus Went to Jordan's Stream*

Dieterich Buxtehude

Sarah Martin, organist

**\* THE CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world and those who live in it; for he has founded it on the seas and established it on the rivers.

People: **Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord and who shall stand in his holy place?**

Leader: Those who have clean hands and pure hearts, who do not lift up their souls to what is false, and do not swear deceitfully.

People: **They will receive blessing from the Lord, and vindication from the God of their salvation.**

Leader: Such is the company of those who seek him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob. Let us worship God, who creates, redeems and sustains us.

- Psalm 24:1-6

**\* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN 455** *All Creatures of Our God and King*

**THE CALL TO CONFESSION**

**THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Gracious God, we confess there are times when faith is not easy. There are times when the claim of the Gospel upon our lives is costly. There are times when we would turn aside onto an easier path rather than face what your promises would elicit from us. Forgive us when in our living we fail to do and be what you have called for from us. Forgive us when we cannot remember that it is you who carried us through the years. And in forgiving us, give us encouragement that we may be strengthened in our faith and live out the calling you have given us. We pray all these things in Jesus' name and for his sake. Amen.

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

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

**THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: I appeal to you, therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.

People: **Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God – what is good and acceptable and perfect.**

Leader: Believe the promise of the Gospel:

People: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!** - Romans: 12:1-2

**\* THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

(Hymn 280)

**The Lord has promised good to me, his word my hope secures;  
He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.**

**\* THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

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

**THE CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH**

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

**UPDATE FROM THE ORGANIST/CHOIRMASTER SEARCH COMMITTEE**

**THE FIRST LESSON**

Acts 10:34-43

(page 121 in the pew Bible, NT)

**THE ANTHEM**

*Spirit of God Descend*

Atkinson, arr. Bolyard

**THE SECOND LESSON**

Isaiah 42:1-9

(page 630 in the pew Bible, OT)

**THE SERMON**

*"A Dimly Burning Wick"*

Baron Mullis

**\*THE HYMN 354**

*Guide My Feet* (verses 1 through 4)

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:** Sue Ballay 404.874.2132

**DEACON ON CALL:** Duncan Spears 404.870.9929

**USHERS:** Temple Elliott, Callie Lensing, David Stewart, Nancy Lane

**GREETERS:** Cindy and Bill Humphries, Curt Barrett, Michael Perez

**COFFEE AND CONVERSATION HOST:** Mary Leight

**COUNTERS:** Tony Fishpaw, Shannon Harris

**INFANT VOLUNTEER:** Nancy Crow

**TODDLER/TWOS VOLUNTEER:** Katrina Weis

**3s, 4s, & 5s VOLUNTEER:** Becky Schreiber

**K-1st GRADE VOLUNTEER:** Susan Kimball

**2nd-3rd GRADE VOLUNTEER:** Melanie Davidson

**4th-5th GRADE VOLUNTEER:** Sandy Jones

**FELLOWSHIP:** Florida State and Auburn Alumni

*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...**

Judy Brooks (Sandy Jones' friend)

The family and friends of Grier Christenbury

Jean Clark (Sue Ballay's sister)

Jackie Cleveland

Karen Cox

Travis Drake (Anna Best's son-in-law)

Tarrance Eatman

Kristi Ferrick (Sandy Jones' friend)

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., and Sharon Foote

Gayle Jones (Jill Klotz's mother)

Holly Klotz

Jan McMahan

Anne and Nate Reid

Emil Sanders

John Vytal (Katie Watts' father)

Katrina Weis

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

### **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 **Passing of the Peace** for special classes: Threes and fours - Room 011; K-1st grade - Room 003; 2nd-3rd grade - Room 001; 4th-5th grade - in Room 005.

### **SERVICE MUSIC**

Buxtehude's setting of Martin Luther's baptism hymn, "Christ unser Herr zum Jordan kam," is an embellished chorale prelude, with the melody accompanied by moving eighth notes, representing the flowing water of the river. The text of "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" was written by John Fawcett, 1740-1817, and originally titled "Brotherly Love." Fawcett was a Baptist minister in England and wrote this hymn to be used after a sermon. The hymn tune, Dennis, was composed by Johann Georg Nageli, a Swiss musician known for his progressive steps in music education. The postlude is the Biggs setting of "The Agincourt Song," (c. 1415), an English melody composed for a ballad recalling the success of the English over the French at Normandy about 1415. The hymn tune is known as "Deo gracias."

### **YOUTH GROUP**

Exciting summer plans for MPC Youth—As of the January 5 registration deadline, we have seven registered for the "Montreat High School" conference and the "Rising 8th and Older" mission trip to Government Street Presbyterian Church in Mobile, Alabama. Registrations for the "Youth Track" mission camp, July 21-25, are due February 2 (completed

6th and older). Mission Camp registration forms for 2nd-5th graders will be available February 1. Meanwhile, Youth Group continues 5-7 p.m. on Sunday evenings tonight and January 26, and no Youth Group next weekend due to the MLK Jr. Holiday.

### **WOMEN'S ROUNDTABLE**

Women's Roundtable will meet on Monday, January 27 at 6:30 p.m. We will enjoy dinner and fellowship as we welcome Leslie Grant, MPC member and newly elected to the Atlanta School Board, as our speaker. Location to follow. RSVP to Sarah Brownlee at [rsbrownlee1046@att.net](mailto:rsbrownlee1046@att.net).

### **LGBT & FRIENDS**

LGBT & Friends upcoming program "Marriage Equality in the Church" will be facilitated by Baron Mullis. The discussion, including dinner, will be Tuesday, January 28 from 7-9 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. All are welcome. RSVP to [lgbtandfriends@morningsidepc.org](mailto:lgbtandfriends@morningsidepc.org)

### **LENTEN MISSION TRIP TO NEW ORLEANS**

Our continued relationship with RHINO (Rebuilding Hope in New Orleans), a strong outreach founded after Hurricane Katrina, reflects MPC's desire to support recovery work that takes years. The cost is \$225 for lodging at the Brent House Hotel, most lunches and some dinners. Make checks payable to MPC and give them to trip leader Roland Behm by February 2 in order to join us March 12-16. Contact Roland with questions [roland.behm@gmail.com](mailto:roland.behm@gmail.com) or attend an interest meeting at 12:15 p.m. in Room 201 next Sunday, January 19.

### **YOGA RESUMES**

Pam Sharpe, veteran trainer and yoga teacher, invites you to join her yoga class on Tuesday mornings 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Contact Pam for more information [yogapam@bellsouth.net](mailto:yogapam@bellsouth.net).

# Season of Service

Next month Morningside is having its first Season of Service, a month of challenging you and your friends to participate in the wide variety of mission work MPC is involved with. Find time to check out a new outreach or bring an old friend or new member with you as you help out your regular one - meet the **Plus 1** challenge! MPC hopes you will get connected while helping those in need. Stay tuned for details of our February event. We will kick off the event on Sunday, February 2 with the youth collecting the annual Souper Bowl offering and continue throughout the month to highlight outreaches and provide opportunities to volunteer. See below for two great opportunities already available in January. A Season of Service can't be squeezed into only one month!

## **VOLUNTEER ON MLK JR. WEEKEND**

Join us for the annual MLK Work Day next Saturday, January 18 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. doing light repair and yard work to help seniors stay in their homes in the city of Decatur. Sign up in the hallway or contact Lloyd Prince [lloydprince@comcast.net](mailto:lloydprince@comcast.net) or Jack Klotz [jacksklotz@gmail.com](mailto:jacksklotz@gmail.com) for more information.

## **VOLUNTEER AT WOMEN'S SHELTER**

Morningside is providing volunteers at Shearith Israel's Women's Shelter again this year as part of our mission outreach program. Volunteers serve from 6 to 8 p.m. warming up the dinner meal (provided by others) and serving as the women arrive from their daily work or job searches. Kitchen cleanup follows. Volunteer dates are February 5-9 (men are welcome). If you can help, contact Phyllis Grimes at [grimes2230@bellsouth.net](mailto:grimes2230@bellsouth.net) or sign up on the mission bulletin board.

## **PROSPECTIVE PARENT TOUR**

MPP will host its last Parent Tour tomorrow, January 13 at 9:15 a.m. If you or someone you know is interested in finding out more about our Preschool Program, please contact Sarah Tomaka at [mpp@morningsidepc.org](mailto:mpp@morningsidepc.org) or call 404/685-8758.

## **2014-2015 SCHOOL REGISTRATION**

Early registration for currently enrolled families and MPC members begins Tuesday, January 21. You can now download the necessary forms at [http://www.morningsidepc.org/preschool/registration\\_procedure.html](http://www.morningsidepc.org/preschool/registration_procedure.html). Please submit your application no later than February 2 as open registration will begin on Monday, February 3. Applications should be completed and returned to Sarah Tomaka, Preschool Director.

## **MPP FUN-RAISER**

Hold your calendars (and get ready to open your hearts and wallet) for the 2014 MPP FUN-Raiser to

be held 7 p.m. Saturday, February 1 at Le Maison Rouge (the events room at Paris on Ponce). The event promises to be a fun evening of celebrating our preschool and mingling with our extended MPP family. Much like years past, the centerpiece of our event is a Live and Silent Auction featuring donated items from neighborhood merchants, MPP families, teachers and of course the art projects from each class! Tickets are on sale now; contact [mpp@morningsidepc.org](mailto:mpp@morningsidepc.org).

## **YOUTH ENSEMBLE**

The winter session for the MPC Youth Ensemble begins January 22 with Wednesday practices for 6 weeks through Feb. 26 at 6:30 p.m. and singing in worship on March 2. Contact Children's Choir Director Rebecca Shipley [rebeccashipley@pop.mindspring.com](mailto:rebeccashipley@pop.mindspring.com) today to let her know that you will be participating.

## **Christian Education at Morningside**

### **SUNDAY MORNING CLASSES**

Our two adult classes have restarted. The group meeting in Room 107 at 9:15 a.m. has been working their way through the Bible using the History Channel's series "The Bible" as a guide, while enjoying breakfast and coffee. The class in Room 201 meets at 9:45 a.m. Child care and children's programming are available during both these sessions.

### **CHILDREN'S CLASSES**

The Pre-K Class will hear the story *Come to the Water* and talk about Jesus' Baptism. Elementary classes will read Matthew 4:12-17 to learn how Jesus message changed the world, telling of a new kingdom, a new way of life.

## **This Week at Morningside**

### **SUNDAY, JANUARY 12**

*Shearith Israel Shelter for Women*

9:15 a.m. The Bible Class  
9:30 a.m. Coffee and Conversation  
9:45 a.m. Church School for All Ages  
11 a.m. Worship/Officer Ordination/Installation  
12 noon Fellowship  
12:30 p.m. Children's Worship Leaders' Meeting  
5-7 p.m. Youth Group  
6 p.m. Journey (Couples Group serving)  
7:30 p.m. Meditation Group

### **MONDAY, JANUARY 13**

8:15 a.m. MPP Yoga  
9 a.m. MPP  
9:15 a.m. MPP Parent Tour  
1 p.m. Ballet/Tap  
7 p.m. Mandolin Society

### **TUESDAY, JANUARY 14**

9 a.m. MPP  
11 a.m. Yoga  
1 p.m. Mini Monets Art Class; Playball  
2:15 p.m. Parkinson Tai Chi  
4:30 p.m. Tai Chi

6:30 p.m. Weight Watchers  
7 p.m. Preschool Committee  
7:30 p.m. Troop 455

### **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15**

9 a.m. MPP  
1 p.m. MusiCanopy  
6 p.m. Cherub Choir  
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

### **THURSDAY, JANUARY 16**

9 a.m. MPP

12 noon 3rd Thursday Theology

1 p.m. Playball  
6:30 p.m. Prayer Group  
7:30 p.m. Handbell Choir

### **FRIDAY, JANUARY 17**

9 a.m. MPP  
9:30 a.m. Creative Movement

1 p.m. KidzTennis

### **SATURDAY, JANUARY 18**

9 a.m. AA Meeting  
8 a.m.-1 p.m. MLK Senior Project Day

### **SUNDAY, JANUARY 19**

9:15 a.m. The Bible Class  
9:30 a.m. Coffee and Conversation  
9:45 a.m. Church School for All Ages  
11 a.m. Worship  
12 noon Fellowship  
12:15 p.m. Lenten Mission Trip Meeting  
12:30 p.m. RHO Readers  
7:30 p.m. Meditation Group

## **CLIFTON SANCTUARY MINISTRIES DINNER**

Get ready for MPC's *Season of Service* with dinner at Clifton Sanctuary Ministries on Saturday, January 25. Find out how we're making mission fun! Make a dish, bring a friend, serve a homeless man in need of your support, and join us for dinner afterward in Decatur at Taqueria del Sol. Please bring your dish to the shelter by 5:30 p.m. (meal service lasts until 6:30 p.m.). Children are welcome! Sign up on the bulletin board or contact David Johnston ([dmjohnst@gmail.com](mailto:dmjohnst@gmail.com)) for more information.