

***THE DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures high and low.
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation

The Great Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give thanks and praise.

Leader: It is truly right...

And with our loved ones, separate from us now, who yet in this mystery
are close to us, we join in the song of your unending greatness.

Sanctus

(Hymn 581)

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of
Your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the
Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

Leader: You are holy, O God of majesty... Great is the mystery of faith.

People: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

The Lord's Prayer

Communion of the People

*To receive communion by intinction, please come forward by the center aisle, tear a generous piece of bread from
the loaf, and dip it in the chalice before returning to your pew using the side aisles. Anyone unable to come
forward will be served in their pew. For those unable to consume gluten, please go to the pastor's communion
station.*

THE MUSIC AT COMMUNION

Down to the River to Pray

Traditional

THE PRAYER AFTER THE MEAL

***THE HYMN 361**

How Firm a Foundation

FOUNDATION

***THE CHARGE AND BLESSING**

***THE CHORAL RESPONSE**

Sevenfold Amen

K. LEE SCOTT

***THE POSTLUDE**

Allegro Maestoso

Felix Mendelssohn



May 1, 2016
11 a.m. Worship

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MAY 1, 2016

Order of Worship

11:00 a.m.

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

THE GATHERING

Anna Miles

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

THE PRELUDE

“Andante Religioso”

Felix Mendelssohn

***THE CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: We have gathered together as your body to worship you, O God.

People: **Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.**

Leader: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity.

People: **Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.**

Leader: Calm our worried minds; let your joy fill our hearts and sound from our lips.

People: **Let us praise and worship you, O God!** - Adapted from Psalm 67

***THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN 464**

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

HYMN TO JOY

THE CALL TO CONFESSION

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, you made us to be your people—to trust you, to love you, to follow you and to share your love with others; to enjoy you forever. We struggle with this. At times we forget that you are with us. We get busy and tired, we worry and stress and strive; we take things into our own hands and we hold on for dear life. We over schedule and over extend until there is little left of us to share with you or with those who are suffering. Forgive us for not fully trusting, O God. We need your help to break our addictions: to substances, to busyness, to fear and worry, and to competition with our peers. Teach us to pray. Help us to pause...*breath...* and gather at your waters enjoying to your love together.

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: “Even now,” declared the LORD, “return to me with your heart, with fasting and weeping and mourning.” Rend your heart and not your garments.

People: **Return to the LORD your God, for God is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in love.**

Leader: Believe the Good News of the Gospel:

People: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Hallelujah! Amen!** -Joel 2:12-13

***THE CHILDREN’S RESPONSE**

Jesus Loves Me

JESUS LOVES ME

The Cherub Choir (Jonathan Crutchfield, director)

***THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

4TH AND 5TH GRADE BIBLE PRESENTATION

(Children in Kindergarten through 3rd Grade may exit to attend Sunday School in Room 107.)

THE CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

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

THE FIRST SCRIPTURE

Revelation 21:10, 22:5

(page 245 in the pew Bible, NT)

THE ANTHEM

The Call of Wisdom

Will Todd

Lord of wisdom, Lord of truth, Lord of justice, Lord of mercy; walk beside us down the years till we see you in your glory. Striving to attain the heights, turning in a new direction, entering a lonely place, welcoming a friend or stranger. I am here, I am with you, I have called: do you hear me? I am here, I am with you. Silver is of passing worth, gold is not of constant value, jewels sparkle for a while; what you long for is not lasting. Rulers govern under me with my insight and my wisdom. Those who know me know my love; those who seek me find their answer. God the Father and the Son, Holy Spirit co-eternal. Glory be ascribed to you, now and to the end of ages. I am here, I am with you.

(Based on Proverbs 8)

THE SECOND SCRIPTURE

Acts 16:9-15

(page 127 in the pew Bible, NT)

THE SERMON

Eager Listening Hearts

Drew Stockstill

***THE HYMN 434**

Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples

KINGSFOLD

THE OFFERTORY

L’ Organo Humoresque Primitivo

Pietro Yon

ELDER ON CALL: Marshall Hunter 404.909.5400

DEACON ON CALL: Sarah Brownlee 404.403.8063

USHERS: Brad & Kaitlyn Strickland; Doug Selph and Beth Baer

GREETERS: Nancy Collins, Austin Davis, Sanda and Bill Means

COUNTERS: Lynsley Tyler, Bobbie McCrackin

COFFEE AND CONVERSATION HOST: Jane Sharp

INFANT/TODDLER VOLUNTEERS: Laura Fillyaw and Caroline Parrish

TWOS/THREES VOLUNTEER: Leigh Gobbel

4s & 5s VOLUNTEERS: Emily O'Brien and Ali Broadway

K-3rd GRADE VOLUNTEER: Hal Nuckols

4th & 5th GRADE VOLUNTEER: Remain in worship

FELLOWSHIP: LGBT & Friends

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...

Glenn and Rita Balzer (Lloyd Prince's friends)

Connie Crowley (Hugh Bell's sister-in-law)

Hamilton family (friends of the Nuckols)

Ann Herndon (Will's mother)

Penny Hill (Executive Presbyter)

Friends and relatives of Linda Johnson: Kaitlin

Andry, Melanie Donnelly, Ellen Hardeman,

Ron and Ann Reggio, Peggy Johnson Smith,

Warren Johnson, Sr.

Timothy Johnson (Hugh Bell's friend)

Annette Lowery (David Lowery's mother)

Marcy Meredith

Jan McMahan

Judy Neal

Marilyn Neforas (Hugh Bell's friend)

Anthony Owens

Lin Parker (friend of Nancy Coomes)

Betty Ray

Peter Regnault (Phil Regnault's father)

Linda and Mike Robinson (Bill Smith's family)

Bus and Carmen Ryan (Tyler Ryan's parents)

Carlene Sauer (Kasey and Stephanie Libby's family member)

Pat Senak (Ericson Harris' friend)

Kent Smith (Hugh Bell's friend)

Kathie Stephens (Lestor Morris' Aunt)

Rhonda Tebbenkamp and Family (Relatives of the Behms)

John Vytal (Katie Watts' father)

Marty Wender (Phil Regnault's friend)

John Young

WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY

Welcome to worship at Morningside Presbyterian Church.

Drew Stockstill, Associate Pastor is our preacher, **Baron Mullis, Senior Pastor and Sarah Smith, intern** are our liturgists.

•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 welcome and encouraged in worship every Sunday. Should your child grow restless during the service they are invited to exit the sanctuary **at the announcements** to attend Sunday School.

•Preschool children-Room 011.

•Kindergarten through 5th Grade will have Sunday School in room 107 (Youth Room) while the classrooms undergo renovations.

•Nursery care during the Sunday School and worship hours is available for Infants in Room 105, and in Room 012 for Toddlers and Two's.

•Worship bags are available for all children in the narthex.

BIBLE SUNDAY IS TODAY!

Today, all Fourth and Fifth Grade students will have the opportunity to participate in Bible Sunday. Every year at MPC we will honor our Fourth Grade students by presenting them with their own Bibles. This year, we wanted to include the Fifth Graders as well. MPC Children's Ministry wants to make sure that every child who walks through our doors has the opportunity to learn and discover the wonderful messages from God found in the Bible.

CHILDRENS MINISTRY RENOVATIONS

Construction has begun on the Children's Ministry Classrooms, Women's Restroom and Lower Level Corridor. Access through the lower level corridor from both ends will only be open during the evenings, Saturdays and Sundays. The Women's restroom will be closed due to renovations. During weekday office hours we ask that you use the main floor corridor to traverse that end of the building.

LGBT & FRIENDS

Our last LGBT & Friends meeting of the church year is quickly approaching! Please join us at the home of Carolyn and Peter Cobb on Tuesday, May 10 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. We welcome back Rev. Drew Stockstill, who will speak to us on the theme "Violence in Today's Culture," with a special focus on violence within the Trans community. Carolyn and Peter's address is 1150 Saint Charles Place, N.E., Atlanta 30306. We ask for a contribution of \$10 per person to cover the cost of dinner. Please RSVP by Friday, May 6 to lgbtandfriends@morningsidepc.org.

INTOWN COLLABORATIVE MINISTRIES

We want you to come and support Intown Collaborative Ministries today at 4 p.m. at the Atlanta History Center for the 4th annual Arts and Eats Fundraiser. Visit www.intowncm.org/artsandeats for more details and tickets, or contact LauraUlep@gmail.com. We are also tasked with collecting 100 wine bottles for the "Arts and Eats" fundraiser. Wine bottle retail should be above \$20, and bottles will be collected in a designated basket located in the Welcome Center until the event. Please speak with Katie Watts to donate a bottle katyemae@gmail.com.

ADULT FAITH DEVELOPMENT CLASS

Starting Sunday, May 22, Ellen and Drew Stockstill will lead a 6-week study on Frances Taylor Gench's book, *Encountering God in Tyrannical Texts: Reflections on Paul, Women, and the Authority of Scripture* (2015). Dr. Gench is the professor of Biblical Interpretation at Union Theological Seminary in Richmond. *Encountering God in Tyrannical Texts*, highlights excerpts from the Apostle Paul's letters in the Bible that have been used to limit opportunities for women in the church and family life. Gench recognizes that many mainline Christians respond to their discomfort with these texts by ignoring them, but she argues compellingly that Christians should engage critically with these problematic texts to better understand scripture, its authority, and the diverse community of faith.

ONE GRAY HAIR

We will have our last meeting before taking off for the summer on Wednesday, May 11. Come and learn more about the Zika virus and how it may impact our lives and our communities in the future. Our presenter is Dr. Joanna Gaines, Ph.D., Senior Epidemiologist, US Public Health Service at the CDC. Dr. Gaines will repeat a presentation that she did recently at a national conference entitled, "What We Know and What Faith and Community Organizations Should Know, about Zika." Please RSVP to rsbrownlee1046@att.net so we can get a count for food.

TAI CHI CHAUN

If you haven't already attended Tai Chi Chaun here at Morningside, then you're missing out on amazing classes. The 10-week introductory class meets on Tuesdays from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. The class is free, but donations are encouraged. For more information, contact Bob Wells, 404.786.4650; wellscom@comcast.net.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

Interested in volunteering with LGBT & Friends, or fellow Morningside members? If so, there are

community service opportunities currently available with Habitat for Humanity as well as Intown Collaborative Ministries throughout 2016. Please let Ben Hammett Walkuski know if you're interested or would like more information:

bwalkuski@gmail.com.

YOGA AND WEIGHTS TO THE OLDIES

Come out and enjoy Yoga and Weights to the Oldies! Yoga class meets on Tuesdays at 11 a.m. in room 201, followed by Weights to the Oldies on Thursdays also in room 201. All are welcome to join the fun! Contact Pam Sharpe for questions yogapam@bellsouth.net.

INTOWN'S CLOTHING CLOSET

ICM is running low on supplies at its Clothing Closet! They offer interview, work, and casual clothing (for men and women) and are located on the back side of Druid Hills Presbyterian Church (1026 Ponce de Leon Ave). Clothing donations can be dropped off Mondays from 10:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. or by appointment with Rev. Allen at allen@intowncm.org. Needed items include: shirts, t-shirts, pants (especially size 30 to 42), underwear (especially size small and medium), white socks, casual shoes, sweaters and hoodies, sweatshirts and pants, winter hats and gloves, and jackets and coats.

MPP SUMMER CAMP

The preschool offers camp on a week-by-week basis for five weeks this summer. Details about camps and registration forms can be found on the preschool pages at www.morningsidepc.org. Those who have completed the Toddler, Twos, Threes and PreK years are welcome. All Toddler and Twos camps have waiting lists, but we are likely to add extra classes weeks 2-4, so let us know your preferred interest. Contact Director Melinda Sandkam at mpp@morningsidepc.org for details on availability.

Faith Development at Morningside

ADULT

We continue our Hymnology Series. The topic will be featuring the works of Isaac Watts and Charles Wesley which will be led by Randy Romig.

CHILDREN

Next week the Preschool class will listen to *Over the Wall*, the story of Paul's escape in a basket and have fun lowering Paul in a basket.

THIS WEEK AT MORNINGSIDE

SUNDAY, MAY 1

9:30 a.m. Coffee and Conversation
9:45 a.m. Faith Development Class
11 a.m. Worship/Communion
12 noon Fellowship
4:30 p.m. Middle School Youth
5:30 p.m. Youth Games and Dinner
6:30 p.m. High School Youth

MONDAY, MAY 2

9 a.m. MPP
12 p.m. Arts & Crafts Guild
1 p.m. MPP Ballet
7 p.m. Mandolin Society

TUESDAY, MAY 3

9 a.m. MPP
11 a.m. Yoga
1 p.m. MPP Mini Monets; Playball
2:15 p.m. Parkinson Tai Chi
4:30 p.m. Tai Chi
6:30 p.m. Weight Watchers
7:30 p.m. MLPA Zoning

WEDNESDAY, MAY 4

8:15 a.m. MPP Yoga
9 a.m. MPP
1 p.m. Music MPP
5:30 p.m. Cherub/Treble Choir
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

THURSDAY, MAY 5

9 a.m. MPP
11 a.m. Fun with Weights
1 p.m. Playball
7:30 p.m. Handbell Choir

FRIDAY, MAY 6

9 a.m. MPP
10 a.m. MPP Creative Movement
11 a.m. Karate

SATURDAY, MAY 7

9 a.m. Women's AA Meeting

SUNDAY, MAY 8

9 a.m. Small Group
9:30 a.m. Coffee and Conversation
9:45 a.m. Faith Development Class
11 a.m. Worship
12 noon Fellowship
12:30 Deacon
4:30 p.m. Middle School Youth
5:30 p.m. Youth Games and Dinner
6:30 p.m. High School Youth

Giving Update—04/24/16

NEEDED WEEKLY—\$15,650

RECEIVED—\$8,294

NEEDED YEAR TO DATE—\$266,050

RECEIVED YEAR TO DATE—\$213,449

Attendance Update

WORSHIP COUNT —173