

*** 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

Toccata in F Major

Buxtehude

*** THE DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

(Hymn 592)

*** THE HYMN 389**

O Jesus, I Have Promised

*** THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

*** THE CHORAL RESPONSE**

How Can I Keep From Singing?

Lowry, arr. Ellingboe

Quartet - Tami Giusto, Linda Rozakis, Gabe Couret, Rob Cromwell

What though the tempest around me roar, I hear the truth. It liveth. What though the darkness around me close, songs in the night it giveth. No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that rock I'm clinging. Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?



17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 24, 2011

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

THE GATHERING

Carol Senf

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.

THE PRELUDE

Walter Huff, organist

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come, let us worship the Lord,
People: Whose law revives the soul.
Leader: Come, let us worship the Lord,
People: Whose testimony instructs the mind.
Leader: Come, let us worship the Lord,
People: Whose precepts gladden the heart.
Leader: Come, let us worship the Lord,
People: And the Lord our God shall bless us!

* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN 487

When Morning Gilds the Skies

THE CALL TO CONFESSION

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of Majesty, you have drawn near to us, but we have turned away from your light. You have chosen us to be your people, but we confess that we have lived as though we belonged to ourselves. Forgive us for going the way of the world, doing the works of darkness, and forgetting your law of love toward God and neighbor. Empower us by your Spirit to be faithful followers of Jesus, who taught us by word and example how to live as your children, to your honor and glory. 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: So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.
People: Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.
Leader: When Christ, who is your life, is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. Believe the promise of the Gospel:
People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

- Colossians 3:1-4

*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 3-11 are invited to leave after the *Peace of Christ* for special classes. Three through five-year-olds in Room 011; K - 2nd grade in Room 001; 3rd-7th grade are 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.)

THE FIRST LESSON

Hebrews 13:15-16

(page 214 in the pew Bible, NT)

THE ANTHEM

Rejoice in the Lord Always

Henry Purcell

Trio - Tami Giusto, Chris Boggs, Chris Hawkins

Rejoice in the Lord always, and again I say, rejoice! Be careful for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God; and the peace of God which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Jesus Christ our Lord.

THE SECOND LESSON

1 John 1:1-3

(page 224 in the pew Bible, NT)

THE SERMON

“Koinonia: The Ambrosia of the Church”

Tom Evans

* THE HYMN 426

Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak

(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 are cared for in the Nursery in Room 105, toddlers 18 months through two years in Room 012.

Elder on call: Doug Self 404.229.9370

Deacon on call: Tim Gargis 404.379.4107

Ushers: Guerry and Michelle Mashburn, Richard Alexander, Ann Benson

Coffee and Conversation Host: Gail Kitchens

Greeters: Jane Stack, Todd Brawner, Gail Kitchens, Ellen Brown-Landers

Counters: Doug Self, Lysley Tyler

Infant Volunteer: Andrea Arnold

Toddler/Two's Volunteer: Mary Hardy Holaway

Three, Four, and Five's Volunteers: Joann Bertrand and Robin Hackney

K-2nd Grade Volunteers: Jim and Melanie McKelvey

3rd-7th Grade Volunteers: Leslie and Don Grant

Fellowship: Handbell Choir (*There is always room for more ringers, so if you're interested, see director James Klotz.*)

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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 on the kiosk outside the sanctuary. Nursery for infants is in Room 105; toddlers 18 months through 2 years are in Room 012. Children ages 3-11 are invited to leave after the *Peace of Christ* for special classes. Threes, fours & fives are in Room 011; K - 2nd grade in Room 001; 3rd-7th graders are in Room 005.

GUEST PREACHER

This Sunday morning we welcome The Rev. Dr. Thomas Evans to our pulpit. Tom came to Atlanta in February of 2010 to serve as the Executive Presbyter of Greater Atlanta. He previously served as Executive Presbyter of the Presbytery of Sheppards and Lapsley, headquartered in Birmingham, Alabama, which includes central Alabama Presbyterian churches. In this position, he was co-founder of the Alabama Faith Council working with churches of 25 traditions, as well as fostering collaborative work between the two other presbyteries in Alabama.

PASTOR ON CALL

During Baron's study leave and vacation, Glenn Small is serving as pastor on call. Glenn is an ordained Presbyterian minister and a Licensed Professional Counselor in private practice. He can be reached at 770.414.5957

or 404.862.7340. During office hours, you may also contact the church office at 404.876.7396.

MISSION CAMP STARTS TOMORROW

We currently have 40+ adults lined up to help make Mission Camp come to life for 24 kids this week. We have a few more small needs throughout the week – Wednesday afternoon, Friday morning. See Program Director Melinda Sandkam to help out. Also, don't miss the opportunity to have your car washed Thursday morning, July 28. From 9:15 to 10 a.m. the kids will accept donations to wash your car, with proceeds going towards the Atlanta Humane Society. These donations will then be delivered by the kids when they tour the facility later that morning.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

A flower calendar is posted on the bulletin board in the hallway outside the Session Room, and if you wish to give flowers in honor or in memory of a loved one, we invite you to write your name and phone number next to the desired date. It is possible to share a date with other members if you want to give one arrangement or you may sign up alone to give both arrangements. Contact Georgia Marshall, Head of Flower Guild, for more details (gkmarshall@gmail.com or 404.909.3477-cell). Contact Anna Best in the office by Tuesday of that week for bulletin recognition.



NEXT THEATER OUTING
A group from Morningside will attend Georgia Shakespeare's production of "Noises Off" on Sunday, August 7 at 7 p.m. Michael Frayn's hilarious farce takes you behind the curtain with a mediocre touring company trying to put on a terrible play and making a delightfully entertaining mess of it. Contact Melinda at msandkam@morningsidepc.org by July 31 for a group ticket (\$26.75) to enjoy an evening of hilarity. Picnic tables will be available before the show for dining together.

GOT GAME?
"Ping Pong, Pop Tarts, and Prayer" continues through the summer for completed third through seventh graders at 10:30 a.m. on Sundays in Rooms 003 and 005. The Double Digits and Youth of MPC are invited to meet Ms. Meredith on Sunday mornings to enjoy a cookies 'n cream or frosted blueberry Pop Tart between games of ping pong, foosball and air hockey. This fun time of fellowship is wrapped up with prayer before the worship hour.

"THIS I BELIEVE..."
These words prompt various responses from all of us. Some think of Starbucks cups, others of Edward R. Murrow, and many of us remember a service at MPC where our fellow congregants told us what they held as core values. We will repeat *This I Believe* as our 11 a.m. worship on Sunday, August 7. This year's homilies will be delivered by Jennye Guy, Bill

Means and Ruthlyn Newell. Don't miss this chance to hear what Jennye, Bill and Ruthlyn believe!

SAVE THE DATE FOR MONTREAT
Save the dates October 14-16! Our church retreat has moved to a prime fall foliage date. Mark your calendars now and plan to join us for this year's retreat in the mountains. Registration forms are available at the church and online.

CONGRATULATIONS TO
Lisa Jern and Tom Byrne on their June 18 marriage; Andrew and Stefanie Sudduth on the birth of their daughter, Isabella Rose Sudduth, on July 16; Ali and Jonathan Bradway on the birth of their daughter, Anna Elizabeth Bradway, on July 16; and Drew and Susan Kimball on the birth of their son, Anderson Kimball, on July 13 (big sisters are Annie and Lillian Jane).

OUR SYMPATHY TO
Tom and Sarah Beth Gehl on the recent death of Tom's grandfather.

GIVING UPDATE
Needed Weekly—\$13,845
Received 7/17/11—\$22,192
Needed Year to Date—\$387,668
Received Year to Date—\$371,261

MORNINGSIDE SERMONS ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE AND IN THE NARTHEX.

In case of an emergency or urgent pastoral need, **GLENN SMALL** may be called at 770.414.5957 or 404.862.7340 or you may contact the elder or deacon on call listed on the back of this section.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AT MORNINGSIDE

Adult Sunday School Classes

Each Sunday through September 4th, the class will be studying select chapters from Dr. Peter Gomes book, *The Good Book; Reading the Bible with Mind and Heart*. For July, the remaining topic is The Bible & Anti-Semitism (7/31). Dr. Gomes' book takes a look at how we should read scripture and what scripture actually says on a variety of continually controversial subjects. Join in and see why some call this book "the best contemporary book on the Bible for thoughtful people." This class meets at 9:45 a.m. in Room 201.

Children's Classes

The Preschool Class will hear the story *A Little Jar of Oil, The Story of Elisha and the Widow* to learn how Elisha helped a poor widow use one small jar of oil to feed her sons. K-2 children will adventure with God's people at the Jordan River when Jesus was baptized. 3rd-7th graders will explore different aspects of "Music" with the *Worship for Life* curriculum.

THIS WEEK AT MORNINGSIDE

SUNDAY, JULY 24

9:30 a.m. Coffee & Conversation
9:45 a.m. Church School
11 a.m. Worship
12 noon Fellowship
12:30 p.m. Congregational Nurture

MONDAY, JULY 25

9 a.m.-5 p.m. Mission Camp
6:45 p.m. Parliamentarians
7 p.m. Mandolin Society

TUESDAY, JULY 26

Mission Camp overnight to Len Foote Hike Inn
6:30 p.m. Weight Watchers

WEDNESDAY, JULY 27

9 a.m.-5 p.m. Mission Camp
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir; Venture Crew

THURSDAY, JULY 28

9 a.m.-5 p.m. Mission Camp
6:30 p.m. Prayer Group

7 p.m. Handbell Choir

FRIDAY, JULY 29

9 a.m.-5 p.m. Mission Camp

SATURDAY, JULY 30

SUNDAY, JULY 31

9:30 a.m. Coffee & Conversation
9:45 a.m. Church School
11 a.m. Worship with Baptism
12 noon Fellowship