

THE SERMON

“Open Wide Your Hearts”

Baron Mullis

\* THE HYMN 339

Be Thou My Vision

\* 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

I Will Lift Up My Eyes to the Hills

Dale Wood

\* THE DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

(Hymn 592)

\* THE HYMN 369

I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

\* THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\* THE CHORAL RESPONSE

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

arr. Mark Hayes



18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 31, 2011

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THE GATHERING

Joe Ballay

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

THE PRELUDE

Walter Huff, organist

\* THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: O sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth.  
People: Sing to the Lord, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.  
Leader: Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples.  
People: For great is the Lord and greatly to be praised!  
Leader: Let us worship God, Father, Son and Holy Ghost, Amen.

- Psalm 96:1-4

\* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN 416 Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

THE CALL TO CONFESSION

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of love, you made us for love. You reached to us from across our sin to make known to us the depth of your love for us. And yet, despite these profuse declarations, we live as though you did not love us. We live as though we were not created for love. We sin, and our hearts are not right within us. Forgive us, we pray; turn our hearts and change us into the loving disciples you call us to be. We pray this in the name of love incarnate, our Lord Jesus Christ. 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. Friends, believe the promise of the Gospel:  
People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. - Colossians 3:1-4

\*THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (Hymn 473)

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, friends on earth, and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild, Lord of all to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

\* THE PEACE OF CHRIST

(Children ages 3-11 are invited to leave after the **Baptism** 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 MINUTE MESSAGE

Mission Camp participants

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

People: With joy and thanksgiving we welcome this child into Christ's church. We are the family of God for we are all one in Christ.

THE CHORAL RESPONSE

Dearest Jesus, We Are Here

Ahle/Bach

THE FIRST LESSON

2 Corinthians 6:1-13

(page 171 in the pew Bible, NT)

THE ANTHEM

All Good Gifts

William Sisson

We plow the fields and scatter the good seed on the land, but it is fed and watered by God's almighty hand. He sends the snow in winter, the warmth to swell the grain, the breezes and the sunshine, and soft refreshing rain. All good gifts around us are sent from heaven above. Thank the Lord, O thank the Lord for all His love. God only is the maker of all things near and far. He paints the wayside flower, He lights the evening star. The wind and waves obey Him, by Him the birds are fed. Much more to us, His children, He gives our daily bread. We thank you, our creator, for all things bright and good, the seed-time and the harvest, our life, our health, our food. Accept the gifts we offer for all your love imparts, and what you most would treasure, our humble thankful hearts.

THE SECOND LESSON

Mark 4:35-41

(page 36 in the pew Bible, NT)

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:** Art Sweum 404.634.8970

**Deacon on call:** Anna Garcia 404.909.0007

**Ushers:** Alan and Robin Boren, Dave and Katherine Johnston

**Coffee and Conversation Host:** Jane Stack

**Greeters:** Sanda and Bill Means, Cindy and Bill Humphries

**Counters:** Brad Odom and Jill Davis

**Infant Volunteer:** Laura Fillyaw

**Toddler/Two's Volunteer:** Carrie Branon

**Three, Four, and Five's Volunteers:** Bryan Smith and Carol Senf

**K-2nd Grade Volunteers:** Kerri and Thomas Markovic

**3rd-7th Grade Volunteers:** Mark and Diana Cochran

**Fellowship:** Ice Cream Social hosted by the Mission Camp Participants and David and Katherine Johnston

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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 **Baptism** for special classes. Threes, fours & fives are in Room 011; K - 2nd grade in Room 001; 3rd-7th graders are in Room 005.

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Daniel Ryder Woolley, son of Charles and Tish Woolley, will be baptized this morning.

### FLOWERS THIS SUNDAY

The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in honor of the baptism of Daniel Ryder Woolley by his grandmother Charlsie Woolley.

### 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](mailto:gkmarshall@gmail.com) or 404.909.3477-cell). Contact Anna Best in the office by Tuesday of that week for bulletin recognition.

### “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!

### THEATER OUTING

A group from Morningside will attend Georgia Shakespeare's production of “Noises Off” next 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 immediately after worship today for a group ticket (\$26.75) to enjoy an evening of hilarity.

### NEW MEMBER SUNDAY

Are you thinking about joining Morningside Church? **Sunday, August 14** is a great time to do it? Plan to attend the Inquirers' Class that Sunday at 9:45 a.m. in the Session Room. Please be in touch with Baron Mullis (404.876.7396, x11 or [baron.mullis@morningsidepc.org](mailto:baron.mullis@morningsidepc.org)) to let him know of your interest.

### COUPLES GROUP

All MPC couples will be welcomed by host couple Carol and Bill Southwood for a fun evening at Caramba Restaurant on Decatur St., Friday, August 12 at 7 p.m. RSVP to Kathy and Alan Bremer ([kdbremer@bellsouth.net](mailto:kdbremer@bellsouth.net) or 404.872.3001).



SUNDAY SCHOOL KICK OFF

In just 8 days, many of the children of MPC start back to school! Here at Morningside, we begin our Sunday school year on Sunday, August 14 at 9:45 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. All are welcome to this hour of fun with light breakfast items. Jonah’s Whale will headline the game corner! Crafts and dress up areas that will take you back to VBS and look ahead to Big Fun days. Our Bread for the Journey outreach will be available to show-case how children at MPC participate in mis-sion. And the kids will get a chance to try their hands at chimes. Once we dedicate the new school year, our children are then in- vited to start the school year in their “new” age groups.

THORNWELL HOME OFFERING

As part of our August 14 Sunday School Kick-off, MPC will again collect a special offering for Thornwell Home for Children. Founded as a Presbyterian ministry in 1875, Thornwell is a joyful Christian community, offering hope and wholeness to children and families. Its goals are to provide loving homes for abused, abandoned and neglected children, to offer an opportunity for healing by providing proper healthcare and mental health counseling for every Thornwell child, and to offer the chil- dren hope for a successful future by providing educational support and teaching self- advocacy. The offering envelopes for Thornwell were made by MPC children at July’s Mission Camp.

MISSION CAMP FINALE

Our Mission Camp attendees will assist in serv- ing at the ice cream social today for Fellowship Hour. They have played with preschoolers this week in West Atlanta, led Bingo for seniors on Lenox Rd., learned how to care for the envi- ronment at Len Foote Hike Inn and Trees At- lanta, raised money for the Atlanta Humane Society and worked to fill shelves for those fac- ing hunger. They would like to finish off the week by serving those here at MPC and saying a big thank you for a great week of learning ‘It’s NOT All About Me.’

CONGRATULATIONS TO

Jill and Doug Neff on the birth of their son Theodore “Theo” Michael Neff, on July 20. Jill has taught Pre-K at MPP for nine years.

GIVING UPDATE

Needed Weekly—\$13,845  
Received 7/24/11—\$10,358  
Needed Year to Date—\$415,358  
Received Year to Date—\$381,619

MORNINGSIDE SERMONS ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE AND IN THE NARTHEX.

In case of an emergency or urgent pastoral need, **BARON MULLIS** may be called at 404.876.7396 x11 or 404.398.3118 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 is studying select chapters from Dr. Peter Gomes’ book, *The Good Book; Reading the Bible with Mind and Heart*. Dr. Gomes’ book takes a look at how we should read scripture and what scripture actually says on a variety of continually controversial subjects. Next Sunday, August 7 we will look at Chapter 14, “The Bible & Wealth” with Bill Humphries, Tom Daniel, and Bobbie McCrackin leading the discussion. Join in and see why some call this book “the best contem- porary book on the Bible for thoughtful people.” This class meets at 9:45 a.m. in Room 201.

Children’s Classes

This Sunday preschool children will hear the story *David and the Giant* and wonder what it means to be brave. The K-2 class will adventure by the sea as they participate in the lesson “Follow Me” to learn how Jesus called his disciples. 3rd-7th graders will explore the sacrament of baptism with the *Worship for Life* curriculum.

THIS WEEK AT MORNINGSIDE

SUNDAY, JULY 31

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

MONDAY, AUGUST 1

MPP Camp  
7 p.m. Mandolin Society

TUESDAY, AUGUST 2

MPP Camp  
6:30 p.m. Weight Watchers  
7 p.m. MLPA Zoning

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3

MPP Camp  
7:30 p.m. Venture Crew

THURSDAY, AUGUST 4

MPP Camp  
6:30 p.m. Prayer Group  
7 p.m. Handbell Choir  
7:30 p.m. MLPA Public Safety

FRIDAY, AUGUST 5

MPP Camp

SATURDAY, AUGUST 6

SUNDAY, AUGUST 7

9:30 a.m. Coffee & Conversation  
9:45 a.m. Church School  
11 a.m. Worship with Communion/”This I Believe...”  
12 noon Fellowship  
12:15 p.m. Deacon’s Meeting  
7 p.m. “Noises Off”