

*** THE HYMN 522** *Lord, When I Came Into This Life*

*** 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 *A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing* Paul Manz

*** THE DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION** (Hymn 592)

*** THE HYMN 393** *Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said*

*** THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

*** THE CHORAL RESPONSE** *God Is Love, His Mercy Brightens* Psalmodia Sacra (1715)

God is love; his mercy brightens all the path in which we rove; bliss he wakes and woe he lightens: God is wisdom, God is love. E’en the hour that darkest seemeth will his changeless goodness prove; through the gloom his brightness streameth: God is wisdom, God is love.



22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 28, 2011

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THE GATHERING

James Klotz

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

THE PRELUDE

Walter Huff, organist

* THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness, come into his presence with singing.
People: Know that the Lord is God. It is he that made us, and we are his, we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.
Leader: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him, bless his name.
People: For the Lord is good, his steadfast love endures for ever, and his faithfulness to all generations.
Leader: Let us worship God who creates us, redeems us and sustains us. - Psalm 100

* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN 376 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

THE CALL TO CONFESSION

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, in every age you have raised up men and women to live and die in faith. We confess that we are indifferent to your will. You call us to proclaim your name, but we are silent. You call us to do what is just, but we remain idle. You call us to live faithfully, but we are afraid. In your mercy, forgive us. Give us the courage to follow in your way, that joined with those from ages past, who have served you with faith, hope and love, we may inherit the kingdom you promised in 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: This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord;
People: “I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds,”
Leader: He also adds,
People: “I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.”
Leader: Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin. Believe the promise of the Gospel:
People: In Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven! - Hebrews 10:16-18

*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-1st grade in Room 001; 2nd-3rd grade in Room 003; 4th-5th 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

Sarah Chatel

THE FIRST LESSON

Matthew 16:21-28

(page 17 in the pew Bible, NT)

THE ANTHEM

Let All the World

Robert Baker

Let all the world in every corner sing - my God and King! The heavens are not too high, His praise may thither fly! The earth is not too low, His praises there may grow. The church with psalms must shout; no door can keep them out! But above all, the heart must bear the longest part.
text-George Herbert

THE SECOND LESSON

Exodus 3:1-15

(page 48 in the pew Bible, OT)

THE SERMON

“Beware the Burning Bush!”

Baron Mullis

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.

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Ushers: Guerry and Michelle Mashburn, Dave and Katherine Johnston

Coffee and Conversation Host: JoAnn Bertrand

Greeters: Lisa and Shannon Harris, Sanda and Bill Means

Counters: Randy Parrish, Richard Brownlee

Infant Volunteers: Taylor and Carolyn Morton

Toddler/Two's Volunteer: Carrie Branon

Three, Four, and Five's Volunteers: Billy Palmer, Brooke Williams

K-1st Grade Volunteers: Michelle and Nowell Berreth

2nd-3rd Grade Volunteer: Shannon Lazzaro

4th-5th Grade Volunteer: Randy Parrish

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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-1st grade in Room 001; 2nd-3rd grades in Room 003; 4th-5th grades in Room 005.

BAKE SALE TODAY

MPC's 4th and 5th grade Double Digits have organized a bake sale during Fellowship Hour today. The proceeds of the sale will go to victims of the famine in Somalia. We invite you to support this Double Digits outreach.

YOUNG ADULTS TO LUNCH

Everyone is welcome to join the Young Adults for lunch at George's today at 12:30 p.m.

YOUTH GROUP

Our Middle School Youth have kicked off their program year. Next Sunday, September 4 they will enjoy fireworks at Druid Hills Country Club, and September 11, they will prepare and serve dinner at Druid Hills Night Shelter. Your support is needed to make their programming a success. Contact Shannon Lazzaro lazzarosha-non@yahoo.com, if you could provide dinner for youth group one Sunday this fall. Contact Youth Committee Chair Carolyn Morton carolynmorton@bellsouth.net if you can help in other areas.

10TH ANNIVERSARY OF SEPTEMBER 11

As our nation approaches the tenth anniversary of September 11, 2001, Walter Huff and the Chancel Choir are preparing special musical selections to be presented in worship on Sunday, September 11, 2011. Mark your calendars to be with us.

MPC CONTINUES TO CELEBRATE

On Sunday, September 18, Rev. Joanna Adams will be recognized as Pastor Emerita, a position of honor, appreciation and distinction for her sustaining leadership at Morningside. MPC voted on August 14 to extend this honor to Joanna. Please join us in Fellowship Hall after worship for a reception which will be held in her honor.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR DIRECTOR

We are pleased to report the appointment of Rebecca Shipley as our new Director of Children's Choirs. Rebecca is a graduate of FSU with a degree in voice and music therapy. She has worked with the Atlanta Children's Chorale and Callanwolde Fine Arts Center. She currently directs over 100 children in the youth choirs at The Cathedral of Christ the King. Many thanks to MPC member Linda Johnson for her excellent work with the children this past spring and at VBS. The Cherub and Treble Choirs will begin practicing Wednesdays, August 31 at 6 p.m. and September 7 respectively. Contact Choir Coordinator Tamara Nix tamaranix@yahoo.com with questions.

EAT AND SUPPORT WOMEN'S SHELTER

Tomorrow, August 29, 20% of your lunch or dinner tab at Everybody's Pizza at Emory will be given to the Shearith Israel Shelter for Women. Dine in or take out, bring the kids or have a grown up outing, but plan to eat at Everybody's to help raise funds for this important outreach for women facing homelessness.

ADULT MISSION TRIP

Morningside members are returning to Nashville to assist with the long term recovery efforts of the area devastated by the spring floods of 2010. In conjunction with Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, we will work with families whose homes were damaged or destroyed and are still awaiting help. We will leave Wednesday, September 14 and return Saturday, September 17. The cost is \$60 per person and meals and lodging will be provided by our host, Westminster Presbyterian Church.

Checks to MPC are due today. If you are interested in going or for more information, contact Duncan Spears (678.612.5746; duncanspears@yahoo.com).

THE CHOIR LOOKS COOLER...LITERALLY

Due to the heat and elevated temperatures in the Chancel, our choir is going “sans robes” for August. They’ll re-robe in September and as always, we thank our choir for their wonderful leadership in worship!

FOOD COLLECTION

We invite you to help fill Intown Collaborative Ministries food pantry as MPC collects pop-top and other easy-to-go non-perishable food items for their pantry through September 4. ICM is currently serving record numbers of homeless men and women. Donated items can be placed in the Welcome Center baskets. This food pantry provides for those in the 30306/30307 zip codes.

LYDIA CIRCLE

After taking a summer reprieve, Lydia Circle will start up again on Thursday, September 8. Lydia Circle is a group of young female professionals and moms that welcomes members and visitors of MPC to join them on September 8 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the home of Carrie Branon (786 San Antonio Dr., NE 30306). Email Tara Parrish (taraparrish@bellsouth.net) to RSVP or for more information.

COUPLES GROUP

All couples are invited to the next gathering of the Couples Group at the home of Linda and Art Sweum on Friday, September 9 at 7 p.m. Appetizers and the main course will be provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert and your favorite beverage. Contact Kathy and Alan Bremer (404.872.3001; kathydaybremer@gmail.com) to RSVP or for more information.

HOMES

On Saturday, September 10 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., MPC will participate in Home Owner Maintenance and Enhancement for Seniors, a program of Senior Citizens Services of Metro Atlanta serving seniors since 1965. Volunteers are needed. The work is usually light repairs and painting. Supplies are provided. Look for the signup sheet on the mission bulletin board in the hallway at church and join other MPC members working on this worthwhile ministry or contact Jack Klotz (jacksklotz@gmail.com).

YOUNG ADULTS

You are invited to join the Young Adults at the home of Leslie and Lloyd Prince (91 Lakeview Dr., 30317) on Saturday, September 10 at 6:30 p.m. We will celebrate the end of summer and raise a toast to MPC newlyweds Andrea and John Morgan and Katherine and David Johnston. Please bring an appetizer to share and your favorite beverage. RSVP to Leslie Prince(leslieprince@comcast.net).

CELEBRATING CLIFTON SANCTUARY

You are invited to sign up on the mission bulletin board or contact Tony Fishpaw at tony@firstfidelityatl.com if you would like to join other MPC members at the Clifton Sanctuary Ministries Dinner at 5:30 p.m. on Sunday, September 25 at the MPC table. The dinner is being held at North Avenue Presbyterian Church.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AT MORNINGSIDE

Adult Sunday School Classes

Next Sunday, September 4, we will conclude our studies of 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. We will look at Chapter 8, “The Bible & Homosexuality” with Ken Sharpe leading the discussion. 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

This morning, in *A Prayer for Peter*, preschool children will hear how God answered the prayers of Peter’s friends. Both the K-1st and 2nd-3rd grade classes will take a last summer adventure in the lesson “Breakfast on the Beach” as they learn how Jesus told his disciples to continue his ministry. 4th-5th graders will learn about prayer from the *Worship for Life* curriculum.

THIS WEEK AT MORNINGSIDE

SUNDAY, AUGUST 28

9:30 a.m. Coffee & Conversation
9:45 a.m. Church School
10 a.m. Teacher/Volunteer Training
10:15 a.m. Double Digits
11 a.m. Worship
12 noon Fellowship
12:30 p.m. Children and Youth Team Meeting; Young Adults to George’s
5-7 p.m. Youth Group

MONDAY, AUGUST 29

9 a.m. MPP
7 p.m. Mandolin Society

TUESDAY, AUGUST 30

9 a.m. MPP
6:30 p.m. Weight Watchers

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31

9 a.m. MPP
6 p.m. Cherub Choir begins
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir; Venture Crew

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

9 a.m. MPP
6:30 p.m. Prayer Group
7 p.m. Handbell Choir

7:30 p.m. MLPA Safety

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

9 a.m. MPP

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

9:30 a.m. Coffee & Conversation
9:45 a.m. Church School
11 a.m. Worship
12 noon Fellowship
5-7 p.m. Youth Group

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.