

THE OFFERTORY                      *Lord Jesus Christ, Thou Living Bread*                      Johann Pachelbel

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

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...

                                 Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with the choirs of heaven  
                                 and with all the faithful of every time and place who forever sing to the  
                                 glory of your name:

**Sanctus:**                      **Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might,**                      (Hymn 581)  
                                 **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.**

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.**

Communion of the People *(The communion bread is gluten free.)*

*Lo, I Am With You*

John Bell

                                 Lo, I am with you to the end of the world. Lo, I am with you in the body of Christ. Lo, I am with you  
in the changes of life. Lo, I am with you when you live as one.

Prayer after the Meal

\* THE HYMN 440                      *In Christ There Is No East or West*

\* THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\* THE CHORAL RESPONSE                      *Pues Si Vivimos (When We Are Living)*                      Spanish Melody



27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 2, 2011

World Communion Sunday

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

THE GATHERING

Meredith Loftis

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

THE PRELUDE

Walter Huff, organist

\* THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

People: My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad.

Leader: O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together.

People: I sought the Lord, and he answered me, and delivered me from all my fears.

Leader: Look to him, and be radiant, so your faces shall never be ashamed.

People: We have come to worship God, our creator, redeemer and sustainer.

- Psalm 34:1-5

\* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN 446

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

THE CALL TO CONFESSION

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, remind us of our baptism as we prepare to come to your table. Re-  
mind us of your unmerited, unconditional love for sinners as we listen to your Word  
that we might acknowledge our sin, take comfort in your forgiveness freely given,  
and turn ourselves to the way you would have us go. We ask these things because  
we know that we have sinned and we need forgiveness. Guide our hearts and our  
minds in this moment and in each passing moment that we might be more and more  
the disciples you have called and that we might offer the grace we have received to  
others. We pray this in the name of the one who carried our sin, our Lord Jesus,  
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.)

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THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: “See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them.

People: He will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.”

Leader: Believe the promise of the Gospel:

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

- Revelation 21:3-4

\*THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

(Hymn 139)

To Thee, great One in Three, the highest praises be, hence evermore!  
Thy sovereign majesty may we in glory see, and to eternity love and adore.

\* 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 worship.)

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

MPC Youth

THE FIRST LESSON

Philippians 3:4b-14

(page 187 in the pew Bible, NT)

THE ANTHEM

Kyrie (from *Mass in G*)

Franz Schubert

(sung in Latin)

Megan Mashburn, soprano

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE SECOND LESSON

Exodus 20:1-18

(page 63 in the pew Bible, OT)

THE SERMON

“Covenant”

Baron Mullis

\* THE HYMN 507

I Come With Joy

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:** Mary Chapman 404.817.0496

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**Ushers:** Richard Alexander, Jack Klotz, James Klotz, Jay Myers

**Coffee and Conversation Host:** Carol Senf

**Greeters:** Lisa Harris, Curt Barrett, Cindy and Bill Humphries

**Counters:** David Wingert, Bill Humphries

**Infant Volunteer:** Amy Millard

**Toddler/Two's Volunteer:** Andrea Arnold

**Three, Four, and Five's Volunteers:** John and Angie Keller

**K-1st Grade Volunteers:** Kim and Hal Nuckols

**2nd-3rd Grade Volunteers:** Lance Jackson and David Ecton

**Fellowship:** Ruthlyn Newell, Leslie Prince, Sandy Jones 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 *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 are in Worship.

### A WORD FROM BARON MULLIS

We are always blessed by our choir's inspiring leadership in worship. In recent memory, however, Walter Huff has lead the choir in ways that added even more meaning to our worship and a particular word of thanks is called for: the service of worship on 9/11 and the celebration of Joanna Adams as Pastor Emerita. We are deeply grateful to each choir member and Walter for your service in leading us. Thank you!

### HAITI PILGRIMAGE

There are currently six from our MPC community traveling in Haiti. This morning, they are worshipping at St. Joseph's Home for Boys and will then return to Wings for Hope. They continue mid-week on to Trinity School in Jacmel. Please keep Greg, Bryan, Tony, Tim, Shannon and Brad in your prayers, as well as, all the children and staff of all three Hearts with Haiti programs.

### NEW MEMBER GATHERING

Anyone who joined the church in the past year is invited to dinner at Leslie and Lloyd Prince's home (91 Lakeview Drive, 30317) at 5 p.m. this

evening. Contact Leslie Prince with questions ([leslieprince@comcast.net](mailto:leslieprince@comcast.net)).

### MPP DINES OUT OCTOBER 4

Join us at La Tavola (992 Virginia Ave.) this Tuesday when our friends at Fifth Group Restaurants will donate 20 percent of the night's proceeds to Morningside's Preschool! Dinner is served from 5:30-10 p.m. and be sure to let them know you are coming for the Preschool Dine Out. Reserve your table at 404.873.5430.

### THEOLOGY ON TAP

TOT will meet at the home of Ken Sharpe (1700 Timberland Road, Atlanta, 30345) at 7 p.m. this *Tuesday, October 4*. This month's discussion topic led by Baron Mullis is: "Can I ever get a break? The practice of Sabbath keeping - is it a commandment whose time has come?" RSVP to the church at [office@morningsidepc.org](mailto:office@morningsidepc.org) or 404.876.7396.

### LGBT PRIDE IN OCTOBER

Presbyterians will celebrate LGBT Pride this October, so mark your calendars now! Morningside and North Decatur Presbyterian Churches are partnering to lead the following events: This afternoon at 4:15 p.m. join Covenant Network's Tricia Dykers Koenig as we discuss where the church is post Amendment A at North Decatur (611 Medlock Rd., Decatur, 30033). This Thursday, October 6 at 7 p.m. here at Morningside you are invited to join in the annual Pride service of worship welcoming Rev. David Lewicki, Co-Pastor of North Decatur, as the guest preacher. Next Sunday, October 9, join Presbyterians as we walk in the annual Pride Parade. For more information, contact Trenton Tunnell [trentoniii@bellsouth.net](mailto:trentoniii@bellsouth.net) and Collier Maxwell [colliermaxwell@hotmail.com](mailto:colliermaxwell@hotmail.com).

DOUBLE DIGITS IN ACTION

Next Sunday, October 9, Double Digits will make dessert for the men at Druid Hills Shelter at 10:15 a.m. with the 2nd and 3rd graders.

YOUTH GROUP

Next weekend, MPC Middle Schoolers will be attending the fall retreat at Calvin Center for the weekend, so there will not be youth group Sunday evening. Regular youth group 5-7 p.m. on Sundays returns October 16.

PROVIDE A MEAL FOR YOUTH GROUP

Contact Tish Woolley ([woolleyt@gmail.com](mailto:woolleyt@gmail.com)) if you can provide dinner for youth group on a Sunday evening.

OFFICER NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Officer Nominating Committee will begin accepting nominations for Elders and Deacons *today*. As you think about nominations for these leadership roles, keep in mind what the *Book of Order* states about church leaders, “In addition to possessing the necessary gifts and abilities, natural and acquired, those who undertake particular ministries should be persons of strong faith, dedicated discipleship and love of Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord” (G-6.0106a). Officer Nomination Forms are in today’s bulletin and will also be in October 9’s bulletin. When nominating, be sure the person is willing to serve a three-year term. For more information, contact an ONC member (Jill Davis, Ellen Brown Landers, Bill Means, Leslie Prince or Doug Self). Forms should be returned to the church office or folded in the offering plate by October 16.

SORT AT FOOD PANTRY

MPC will provide volunteers to sort and distribute items at Intown Collaborative Ministries’ Food Pantry (located at Druid Hills Methodist, corner of Briarcliff and Ponce) on

Saturday, October 8, from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sign up today on the mission bulletin board or contact Nancy Collins [ncollins0209@gmail.com](mailto:ncollins0209@gmail.com) with questions.

LYDIA CIRCLE

The next Lydia Circle meeting will be Thursday, October 13. Lydia Circle, a group of young female professionals and moms, welcomes members and visitors of MPC to join them from 7-9 p.m. at the home of Dawn Bell (901 Virginia Avenue NE, 30306). Please email Tara Parrish to RSVP and for any other details ([taraparrish@bellsouth.net](mailto:taraparrish@bellsouth.net))

JOIN US AT MONTREAT OCTOBER 14-16

It’s not too late to sign up for the retreat! Spaces are still available, if you can sign up today. Come join us for fun, fellowship and three sessions with Professor Peter Hobbie on “Growing in Faith”: 1) Knowing who we are: what distinguishes Presbyterians from other Christians 2) Loving our neighbors: understanding how our beliefs differ from those of other major world religions and 3) Keeping the faith: practices that strengthen our faith ... as individuals, as families, as citizens. Forms are available in the Welcome Center and Narthex.

GIVING UPDATE

**Needed Weekly**—\$13,845  
**Received 9/25/11**—\$11,356  
**Needed Year to Date**—\$539,966  
**Received Year to Date**—\$495,652

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

Next Sunday, October 9, Baron Mullis continues the series titled *Things You Never Knew You Wanted to Know* with “Predestination-What is it and why won’t we stop talking about it?” Please plan to participate in adult education as we consider what faith teaches about a variety of topics! The class meets 9:45 a.m. each Sunday in Room 201.

Children’s Classes

Today, our Preschoolers will hear *A Very Sad Day* and learn what happened when Adam and Eve disobeyed God. Younger Elementary Children will study the story of Ruth and Naomi to learn how they helped each other in tough times. Double Digits will be in worship.

THIS WEEK AT MORNINGSIDE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

*Haiti Pilgrimage*

9:30 a.m. Coffee & Conversation  
9:45 a.m. Church School  
11 a.m. Worship with Communion  
12 noon Fellowship  
12:30 p.m. Called Session Meeting  
2 p.m. Harmony Chorus  
5-7 p.m. Youth Group  
5 p.m. Venture Crew

MONDAY, OCTOBER 3

*Haiti Pilgrimage*

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

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4

*Haiti Pilgrimage*

9 a.m. MPP  
4:30 p.m. Tai Chi  
6:30 p.m. Weight Watchers  
7 p.m. Theology on Tap; MLPA Zoning

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5

*Haiti Pilgrimage*

9 a.m. MPP  
6 p.m. Cherub Choir  
6:30 p.m. Treble Choir

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6

*Haiti Pilgrimage*

9 a.m. MPP  
6:30 p.m. Prayer Group  
7 p.m. LGBT Pride Service followed by Reception

7:30 p.m. MLPA Public Safety

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7

*Haiti Pilgrimage*

*Middle School Retreat*

9 a.m. MPP

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8

*Middle School Retreat*

*MPP Continuing Education*

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9

*Middle School Retreat*

9:30 a.m. Coffee & Conversation  
9:45 a.m. Church School  
11 a.m. Worship  
12 noon Fellowship  
12:15 p.m. Deacons Meeting  
2 p.m. Harmony Chorus  
5 p.m. Venture Crew