

*** THE NICENE CREED** (Ecumenical)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated on the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father [and the Son], who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. 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

Adagio in A Minor

J.S. Bach

*** THE DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

(Hymn 592)

*** THE HYMN 284**

O God, What You Ordain Is Right

*** THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

*** THE CHORAL RESPONSE** *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* (Rockingham) Edward Miller

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.



FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

February 17, 2013

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

THE GATHERING

Leader:

The Lord be with you.

Drew Stockstill

People:

And also with you.

THE PRELUDEWalter Huff, organist

* THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader:

The earth is the Lord’s and all that is in it, the world and those who live in it; for he has founded it on the seas and established it on the rivers.

People:

Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord’ and who shall stand in his holy place?

Leader:

Those who have clean hands and pure hearts, who do not live up their souls to what is false, and do not swear deceitfully.

People:

They will receive blessing from the Lord, and vindication from the God of their salvation.

Leader:

Such is the company of those who seek him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob. Let us worship God, who creates, redeems and sustains us. Psalm 24:1-6

* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN 457 I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art
(verses 1 through 4)

THE CALL TO CONFESSION

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, we are sinners. We know that sin permeates our world, resulting in brokenness and pain. We know that we are complicit in the suffering our sin causes. Temptation has lured us and we have turned our hearts against the grace you have given us. Forgive us, we pray, and turn our hearts back to you. Empower us to live as forgiven and redeemed people, for it is in the name of your son, our savior that we pray. 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:

We do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses,

People:

But we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin.

Leader:

Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Believe the promise of the Gospel:

People:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. - Hebrews 4:15-16

* THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (KYRIE)(Hymn 572)

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

* THE PEACE OF CHRIST

(Children ages 3-10 are invited to leave after the **Peace of Christ** for special classes. Threes, fours & fives are in Room 011; K-1st grade in Room 003; 2nd-3rd grade in Room 001; 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 FIRST LESSONPsalm 91:1-2; 9-16 (page 518 in the pew Bible, OT)

THE ANTHEM

Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now

Byrd, arr. Hopson

Lord Jesus Christ, be present now. Our hearts in true devotion bow, Thy spirit send with grace divine. O may Thy truth within us shine. Unseal our lips to sing Thy praise, our souls to Thee in worship raise. Make strong our faith, increase our light. O may we know Thy name aright.

THE SECOND LESSONLuke 4:1-13 (page 57 in the pew Bible, NT)

THE SERMON“Wilderness”Baron Mullis

* THE HYMN 363I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

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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COFFEE AND CONVERSATION HOSTS: Lynn and Mac Young
COUNTERS: Bill Humphries, Bobbie McCrackin
INFANT VOLUNTEER: Kelly Garrison
FLOATER VOLUNTEER: Katrina Weis
2s VOLUNTEER: Amanda Lewis
3s, 4s, & 5s VOLUNTEERS: Ibby Bailey, Brian Johnson/Bryan Rodgers
K-1st GRADE VOLUNTEER: Bryan Smith
2nd-3rd GRADE VOLUNTEER: Mindy Potter
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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 in the library. Nursery for infants is in Room 105; toddlers 18 months through 2 years are in Room 012. Children ages 3-10 are invited to leave after the *Peace of Christ* for special classes. Threes, fours & fives are in Room 011; K-1st grade in Room 003; 2nd-3rd grade in Room 001; 4th-5th are in Room 005.

LGBT & FRIENDS

LGBT & Friends welcome all who wish to grow and be energized through Christian fellowship and service, and they invite you to join them this Tuesday, February 19 for their topic - *Turning Points: Individual Stories of Sexual Orientation and Faith*. The meeting will be at Peter & Carolyn Cobb's (1150 St. Charles Pl., 30306) from 7 to 9 p.m. RSVP to Michael Siedschlag mwsiedschlag@gmail.com.

3RD THURSDAY THEOLOGICAL THROWDOWN

This Thursday, February 21, Baron will teach a lunchtime class from 12 to 1 p.m. Feel free to bring a brown-bag lunch and spend some time thinking about what is important. Our Theological Throw-down will be around John Dominic Crossan's provocative and controversial book, *The Greatest Prayer: Rediscovering the Revolutionary Message of The LORD'S Prayer*. Baron discusses a chapter a month. All are welcome. Contact Anna Best office@morningsidepc.org to reserve childcare.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Our annual Habitat for Humanity build with other area churches kicks off next Saturday, February 23, and completes April 13 (with breaks for our adult

mission trip and Easter). We'll also provide lunch March 16. Though welcome to sign up any Saturday, Drew Stockstill invites Young Adults to sign up on February 23 and March 23. Come work with MPC and First Presbyterian Young Adults. Look for signup sheets on the Habitat bulletin board or contact Lysley Tyler lysley@bellsouth.net for details and to let her know if you're interested in joining us either as a builder or as a lunch provider.

BART SMITH ORDINATION

Congratulations to Bart Smith, who will be ordained by the Presbytery of Greater Atlanta next Sunday, February 24 at 4 p.m. in our sanctuary. Please mark your calendars to attend this very special service and to congratulate Bart on the official start of his ordained ministry!

WOMEN'S ROUNDTABLE

The next meeting of Women's Roundtable will be Monday, February 25 at 6:30 p.m. hosted by Hillery McNeill (20 Stratford Place, 30342). In honor of President's Day, our speaker will be Caron Morgan, the mother of James Carter IV and former daughter-in-law of Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter. She will share stories and memorabilia of her time in the White House. RSVP to Kim Perez kimperez@gmail.com.

YOGA AT MORNINGSIDE

The new session begins on February 26, and meets every Tuesday from 11 to 12:15 p.m. for six weeks (Feb. 26; March 5, 12, 19, 26; and April 2) in Room 201. Spring is a great time to enjoy the benefits of gentle yoga! Breathing, exercising, stretching, and relaxing are among the many benefits, and it's fun! Wear comfy clothes, and bring a mat if you like. Props will be provided. To register or for more information, contact Pam Sharpe yogapam@bellsouth.net.

OUTREACH IN NEW ORLEANS

During the Lenten season, fourteen MPC members and friends will travel to New Orleans to continue work with RHINO (Rebuilding Hope in New Orleans) an outreach of St. Charles Avenue Presbyterian. This five day trip March 6-10 includes two days of driving. If you are unable to go on the trip, but would like to support mission at MPC, contact shepherd Roland Behm roland.behm@gmail.com to donate airline points that would enable a mission worker to miss one less day of work by flying in Wednesday evening.

REGISTRATION FOR MPP

Registration for Morningside Presbyterian Pre-school is taking place now. Contact Preschool Director Sarah Tomaka mpp@morningsidepc.org for more information.

MPC AT THE BRAVES GAME!

Spring is approaching and that means baseball is here again! Jack Klotz has gotten MPC some great seats for the Sunday, April 7 game against the Cubs (1:30 p.m.). Tickets are \$22 per person and seats are located in the outfield between the newly acquired Upton brothers. Contact Katherine Johnston kecjohnston@gmail.com to secure your tickets or for information.

SUMMER DATES

Vacation Bible School and Mission Camp registration forms are on our church website and the bulletin boards across from the nursery room 105. We hope that your children will join us June 17-21 (VBS) and July 22-26 (Mission Camp). (See registration form for information on a drama camp within VBS this year). Turn completed forms into the church office with your check made payable to MPC. Contact Program Director Melinda Sandkam msandkam@morningsidepc.org with questions including scholarship information.

NEW MEMBERS

On Sunday, February 10 Morningside Presbyterian Church received five new members. They are Alex Page and Meghan Pauls, Patrick Gilbert and Brent Drone, and Lara Gaare.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY SEEKS ONCE-A-MONTH VOLUNTEER

We have the perfect, get-your-feet-wet volunteer job for you! Melinda needs help working on projects, running errands, and organizing for our children's programs. You wouldn't need to be at church daily or even weekly--if you can commit a few hours just once a month, you would be an ideal volunteer! Are you a young stay-at-home parent who needs a reason to get dressed, leave the house, and be near adults occasionally? Here's your chance! New to retirement but don't want to overcommit? Perfect! Are you one of the lucky workers of the corporate world who also has a flexible schedule? Come escape to Morningside for a relaxing change of pace! Contact Melinda msandkam@morningsidepc.org to discuss this exciting volunteer opportunity!

- Laura Fillyaw, Children's Team Leader

In case of an emergency or urgent pastoral need, please call **BARON MULLIS** 404.876.7396 x11, 404.398.3118 or **DREW STOCKSTILL** 404.876.7396 x 14, 229.224.5557. You may also contact the elder or deacon on call listed on the back of this section.

YOUNG ADULTS will gather at George's (1041 N. Highland Ave.) after worship on February 24. All are invited to join us for lunch. For more information, contact Van Jensen van.jensen@gmail.com.

Christian Education at Morningside

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS—9:45 A.M. IN ROOM 201
LED BY DREW STOCKSTILL

Next Sunday, February 24, the class will continue their work through the gospel of Matthew. Everyone is invited to join Morningside's Adult Sunday School for the complete study or as your schedule permits.

CHILDREN'S CLASSES

The Preschool Class will hear *A Little Lunch* and learn how a boy helped Jesus feed a great crowd. K-1st and 2nd-3rd grade classes will continue their study of the Lord's Prayer with a lesson on the phrase "Thine is the Kingdom." 4th and 5th graders will continue their study of Worship with a lesson on Scripture.

This Week at Morningside
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17

- 9:30 a.m. Coffee & Conversation
- 9:45 a.m. Church School
- 11 a.m. Worship
- 12 noon Fellowship
- 12:30 p.m. Youth Group (eat lunch out & games on MPC lawn)
- 12:45 p.m. RHO Readers
- 2 p.m. Venture Crew; Harmony Chorus
- 7:30 p.m. Meditation Group

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 18
MPP Closed in Observance of Presidents' Day
7 p.m. Session; Mandolin Society

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19

- 9 a.m. MPP
- 2:15 p.m. Tai Chi
- 4:30 p.m. Tai Chi
- 6:30 p.m. Weight Watchers
- 7 p.m. LGBT & Friends

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20

- 9 a.m. MPP
- 6 p.m. Cherub Choir
- 6:30 p.m. Lenten Youth Ensemble
- 7 p.m. Wonderful Wednesday
- 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21

- 9 a.m. MPP
- 12 noon 3rd Thursday Theological Throwdown

- 6:30 p.m. Prayer Group
- 7 p.m. Handbell Choir

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22

- 9 a.m. MPP

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23
Habitat for Humanity Build

- 9 a.m. AA Meeting

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24

- 9:30 a.m. Coffee & Conversation
- 9:45 a.m. Church School
- 11 a.m. Worship with Baptism & Cherub Choir
- 12 noon Fellowship
- 12:30 p.m. Young Adults Lunch at George's
- 2 p.m. Venture Crew; Harmony Chorus
- 4 p.m. Bart Smith Ordination & Reception
- 5 p.m. Youth Group
- 7:30 p.m. Meditation Group

Giving and Attendance Update
NEEDED WEEKLY—\$15,577
RECEIVED 02/10/12—\$11,937
NEEDED YEAR TO DATE—\$93,462
RECEIVED YEAR TO DATE—\$91,183
WORSHIP COUNT—201