

*** 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

Eternal Source of Light Divine

G. F. Handel

Megan Mashburn, soprano; Mark Mashburn, trumpet

Eternal source of light divine, with double warmth Thy beams display, and with distinguished glory shine, to add a lustre to this day.

*** THE RESPONSE AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

(Hymn 150)

Praise yet our Christ again. Alleluia! Amen!
Life shall not end the strain. Alleluia! Amen!
On heaven's blissful shore His goodness we'll adore,
Singing forevermore, "Alleluia! Amen!"

*** THE HYMN 119**

The Strife Is O'er

(verses only, no *Alleluia* refrain)

*** THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

*** THE CHORAL RESPONSE**

Festival Doxology

Mason, arr. Hustad

(music taken from Lowell Mason's *Boston Handel and Haydn Society*, 1830)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Hallelujah, Amen!



EASTER SUNDAY

March 31, 2013

11 a.m. Worship

Baron Mullis, Pastor

Drew Stockstill, Minister of Young Adults & Adult Education

Walter Huff, Organist/Choirmaster

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

THE GATHERING

Drew Stockstill

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

THE PRELUDE

Walter Huff, organist

*** THE CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Leader: On this day the Lord has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

People: **Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.**

Leader: Christ is Risen!

People: **Christ is risen indeed!** (from Psalm 118 and 1 Corinthians)

*** THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN 123** *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today*

THE CALL TO CONFESSION**THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Eternal God, in Jesus Christ you have reconciled the world to yourself. The empty tomb proclaims your redemption of all that you have made and loved. In Christ's resurrection lies the hope of our own. Hallelujah! And yet, it is so easy to roll the stone back over the tomb and live as though Easter has not happened. It is easy to retreat to fear. It is easy to continue as though the resurrection were not true. Forgive our fears, enliven our hearts, and call us to proclaim the good news that Christ is risen. He is risen indeed! 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 423)

Jesus shall reign where e'er the sun does its successive journeys run, His kingdom stretch from shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.

*** 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 grade 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 FIRST LESSON

1 Corinthians 15:19-26

(page 166 in the pew Bible, NT)

THE ANTHEM*How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place*

Johannes Brahms

(from A German Requiem)

How lovely is Thy dwelling place, O Lord of Hosts! For my soul, it longeth, yea, fainteth for the courts of the Lord. My soul and body crieth out for the living God. Blest are they; O blest are they that dwell within Thy house. They praise Thy name evermore!

THE SECOND LESSON

Luke 24:1-12

(page 84 in the pew Bible, NT)

THE SERMON*"He Arose Again From the Dead"*

Baron Mullis

*** THE HYMN 115***Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain*

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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GREETERS: Glenn Small, Michael Perez, Curt Barrett

COFFEE AND CONVERSATION HOST: Nancy Anderson

COUNTERS: Bill Humphries, Leslie Prince, Jim Armstrong

INFANT VOLUNTEER: Hillery McNeill

2s VOLUNTEER: Jane Stack

3s, 4s, & 5s VOLUNTEER: Sue Ballay

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**Life@Morningside**

March 31, 2013

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 grade are in worship.

A NOTE FROM WALTER HUFF

Today's Anthem ("How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place") is the 4th movement from Johannes Brahms' choral/orchestral masterwork "A German Requiem" of 1865-68. It is a sacred but non-liturgical work, meaning that it is not a setting of the Latin Requiem Mass. Brahms chose words from the Bible (set in German), consistently centering on the consoling of the bereaved. Today's selection offers text from Psalm 84 (sung frequently in English.) Lowell Mason, composer of today's "Festival Doxology", was born in Massachusetts, then spent some of his early adulthood in Savannah, GA. Mason took on the task of producing a Hymnal where tunes would be drawn from the work of European composers. It was soon published by the Boston Handel and Haydn Society, for which he served as President. In the mid-1850s, he served as Music Director for Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church, New York.

EASTER BANNERS

The Easter banners made of batik fabrics represent the life and light of Christ rising from death to eternal life on Easter morning. These two banners were made identically to bring emphasis and thanks to Christ Jesus and the Holy Power of God on Easter

Sunday. The titles of the banners are: *Blessings of Easter; I am with you always, to the end of the age* and *Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord.*

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

Today, consider joining with other Presbyterians by contributing an offering to One Great Hour of Sharing. In Mark 12, Jesus explains that the two most important commandments are to love God with all our heart and to love our neighbors as we love ourselves. Through One Great Hour of Sharing, the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) responds to these commandments by helping our neighbors in their time of need. Whether we're offering relief in the wake of a storm, providing food or access to clean water, or assisting in the empowerment of our marginalized brothers and sisters, One Great Hour of Sharing is an annual opportunity for us to show our love globally to our neighbors in a tangible way. Write OGHS on your check's memo line, so we can continue to care for all of God's children. See insert and offering envelope.

INFORMATION MEETING-APRIL 7

The Outreach Foundation in Kenya works in partnership with the Presbyterian Church of East Africa, assisting presbyteries and congregations with their own outreach and development projects including building sanctuaries, schools, children's homes, hospitals, clinics, digging wells, and much more. A Morningside team could expect to spend time working on a building project with a local congregation, worship and fellowship together, experience and learn about the life of the church and community, and go on a safari to experience the Kenyan wildlife. There will be an information meeting to gauge interest next Sunday, April 7 at 12:15 in Room 201. Contact Tony Fishpaw with questions tonyfishpaw@me.com.

CHURCH OFFICE

The Church Office will be closed Monday, April 1 in observance of the Easter season.

THEOLOGY ON TAP

The next Theology on Tap dinner and discussion for all men will be hosted by Ken Sharpe (1700 Timberland Rd., 30345) this Tuesday, April 2 at 7 p.m., and the topic led by Baron Mullis will be "Is there such a thing as Christian Universalism? Is God going to save everybody, some of us or just 144,000?" RSVP to the church office office@morningsidepc.org.

INTOWN COLLABORATIVE MINISTRIES

MPC will be collecting food for ICM's food pantry April 7 through April 28. ICM serves our neighbors most in need, those homeless or on the verge of homelessness. On a typical Saturday, ICM will provide food to 60 plus needy men and women. Please support this important neighborhood effort by donating foods suitable for the homeless such as pop top cans or microwavable containers. Hearty soups, ramen noodles, canned meals are needed. Crackers are also much appreciated. Please bring your donated items to the Welcome Center baskets. For information, contact Nancy Collins at 678.634 4572; ncollins0209@gmail.com.

SUMMER DATES

Vacation Bible School and Mission Camp registration forms are on our church website and bulletin boards. We hope that your children will join us June 17-21 (VBS) and July 22-26 (Mission Camp). Contact Program Director Melinda Sandkam msandkam@morningsidepc.org for more information including scholarship information.

SUMMER CAMP

Morningside Preschool is accepting Summer Camp applications. Children ages 2-5 may attend camp. Two-year olds attend 3 days a week from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. with the option to stay for lunch until 1:30; Threes, Fours and Fives are M-F, 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Contact Preschool Director

Sarah Tomaka at 404.685.8758; mpp@morningsidepc.org for more information.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Our Habitat for Humanity build with other area churches will take a break Easter weekend and will resume April 6 and 13. Contact Lynsley Tyler lynsley@bellsouth.net to volunteer.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!

The Annual Youth Auction will begin April 21. Fabulous items will be on display and open for bidding until 1 p.m. on April 28. Plan to bid on vacation homes, designer jewelry, personal services, fabulous home accessories, lavish dinner parties and much, much more! And, if you would like to donate something for the auction, contact Carolyn Morton carolynmorton@bellsouth.net.

SEEKING A SHEPHERD

You might ask what do "shepherds" do at MPC. This is the title for those leading each of our outreach opportunities. Many members support each effort but one member in particular coordinates the efforts and champions the needs of each outreach. Some of our shepherds serve for many years feeling a special attachment to a certain outreach. Others commit for a year or two before moving on to other ways to serve. We have just welcomed new shepherds Becky Schreiber for Our House and Phyllis Grimes for Shearith Israel Shelter for Women. We currently have a vacancy for the shepherd for Journey (formerly named the Druid Hills Men's Shelter). MPC has a long-standing relationship with Journey and wants to continue to support the good work they do to empower men in finding a home and employment. There is a strong group of regular "cooks" that help provide a monthly meal for 30 men including the Youth Group and Young Adults but we must find a shepherd. Contact Community Outreach Chair Eleanor Attwood today eattwood74@yahoo.com so that we can continue to support the men at Journey.

Christian Education at Morningside

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

Next Sunday, April 7, 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 Pre-K class will hear the story *The Best Day Ever* about an early morning trip to Jesus' tomb. Early elementary classes will learn what amazed Peter and the women who visited the tomb. The 4th and 5th graders will attend worship.

This Week at Morningside

SUNDAY, MARCH 31

7 a.m. Sunrise Service on Front Lawn followed by light breakfast
10:30 a.m. Coffee and Conversation
11 a.m. Traditional Worship/One Great Hour of Sharing Offering Received
12 noon Fellowship

MONDAY, APRIL 1

Church Office Closed
9 a.m. MPP
7 p.m. Mandolin Society

TUESDAY, APRIL 2

9 a.m. MPP
11 a.m. Yoga
2:15 p.m. Tai Chi
6:30 p.m. Weight Watchers
7 p.m. Theology on Tap
7:30 p.m. MLPA Zoning

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3

9 a.m. MPP
7 p.m. Wonderful Wednesday

THURSDAY, APRIL 4

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

FRIDAY, APRIL 5

9 a.m. MPP

SATURDAY, APRIL 6

Habitat for Humanity Build
9 a.m. AA Meeting

SUNDAY, APRIL 7

9:30 a.m. Coffee and Conversation
9:45 a.m. Church School
11 a.m. Worship with communion
12 noon Fellowship
12:15 Outreach Foundation Meeting
7:30 p.m. Meditation Group

Giving/Attendance Update

WORSHIP COUNT— 236

NEEDED WEEKLY—\$15,577

RECEIVED 03/24/12—\$18,947

NEEDED YEAR TO DATE—\$186,923

RECEIVED YEAR TO DATE—\$170,837