

*** 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

Variations (from Organ Concerto) Op.4, No. 1

Handel

*** THE DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

(Hymn 592)

*** THE HYMN 379**

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

*** THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

*** THE CHORAL RESPONSE**

Abide with Me (excerpt)

arr. Martin



7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 12, 2013

11 a.m. Worship

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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: Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a new song, his praise in the assembly of the faithful.
 People: **Let them praise his name with dancing, making melody to him with tambourine and lyre.**
 Leader: For the Lord takes pleasure in his people; he adorns the humble with victory.
 People: **Let the faithful exult in glory; let them sing for joy on their couches.**
 Leader: Let us worship God: Father, Son and Holy Ghost. - Psalm 149: 1, 3-5

*** THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN 483** *Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above*

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

Holy God, we are your people. Yet we do not always live as though this were true. You love us beyond our imagination and we are grateful, but not grateful enough to risk meeting your expectations. Where you would have us act, we have waited. Where you would have us show kindness, we have allowed barriers of our own making to rise between ourselves and those you would have us serve. As we remember our baptism, forgive our sin, we pray, and call us once more to live as your people. Remind us of the covenant made at this font so that we may have strength to be your disciples. We pray all these things in the name of 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.)*

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: What is your only comfort, in life and in death?
 People: **That I belong, body and soul, in life and in death, not to myself, but to my faithful savior, Jesus Christ.**
 Leader: Believe the promise of the Gospel:
 People: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.** (from the Heidelberg Catechism)

***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 3-10 are invited to leave after the Baptisms 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 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 SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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

THE CHORAL RESPONSE*Gloria Tibi Domine*

Greg Gilpin

THE FIRST LESSON

Acts 24:16-24
 (page 137 in the pew Bible, NT)

Robert Gray

THE ANTHEM*In Heavenly Love Abiding*

Bob Burroughs

In heavenly love abiding, no task my heart shall fear; and safe is such confiding, for nothing changes here. The storm may roar without me, my heart may low be laid; but God is round about me, and can I be dismayed? Wherever He may guide me, no want shall turn me back; my Shepherd is beside me, and nothing can I lack. His wisdom ever waketh, His sight is never dim; He knows the way He taketh, and I will walk with Him. Green pastures are before me, which yet I have not seen. Bright skies will soon be over me. My life I cannot measure, the path of life is free; my Savior has my treasure, and He will walk with me.

THE SECOND LESSON

Acts 16:25-34 (page 137 in the pew Bible, NT)

THE SERMON*"Song of the Cell"*

Baron Mullis

*** THE HYMN 543***Abide 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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GREETERS: Austin Davis, James Beasley, Gail Kitchens, Carol Senf

COFFEE AND CONVERSATION HOSTS: Betsy and Jim Armstrong

COUNTERS: Peter Cobb, Bill Humphries

INFANT VOLUNTEER: Amy Jensen

2s VOLUNTEER: Tish Woolley

3s, 4s, & 5s VOLUNTEER: Brian Johnson/Bryan Rodgers

K-1st GRADE VOLUNTEER: Suzanne McPherson

2nd-3rd GRADE VOLUNTEER: Nowell Berreth

4th & 5th GRADE VOLUNTEER: Jim McKelvey

FELLOWSHIP: Mary Leight, Bart Engram, Dale Glendening, Jonathan Sharpe, Gail Kitchens, Anne Bowers and Maria Ragland in honor of Robert Gray's 60th Anniversary of his ordination

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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 *Baptisms* 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 Room 005.

BAPTISMS THIS SUNDAY

Walter Johnston, son of David and Katherine Johnston; Charlotte Gaare, daughter of Michael Gaare and Lara Longworth Gaare; and Lucas Benzinger, son of Leigh Gobbel and John Benzinger will receive the sacrament of baptism this morning.

FELLOWSHIP TODAY

We celebrate with Dr. Robert Gray today. On May 15, 1953, our friend Robert Gray was ordained to the ministry of Word and Sacrament. For sixty years, Robert has faithfully lived out his ordination vows, most recently in service to the church here at Morningside as our Assistant to the Minister. Robert has brought the joy and comfort of the Gospel to countless people through his ministry, and we join today in celebrating this milestone! Please come to the Fellowship Hall following church for a reception in honor of Robert.

ONE GRAY HAIR

One Gray Hair will meet for lunch and a program this Wednesday, May 15 at noon in Fellowship

Hall. Our associate pastor, Drew Stockstill and his wife Ellen, will present a program on Kenya. Drew has visited Kenya on work/mission trips and Ellen lived in Kenya. This program will be of special interest to many of us as MPC looks at a mission trip to this country in the near future.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Register now for VBS June 17-21, from 8:45 a.m. to 12 noon with a closing program on Friday at noon. *Meet at the Marketplace* is open to those who are 4 years old (by September 1) through the 5th grade with leadership roles available for Youth. The registration/volunteer form can be found on our website and the bulletin boards at church. **Deadline for registering is Sunday, May 26**, so we can confirm enough volunteers and supplies. Our first VBS workday is 9 a.m.-12 noon this Wednesday, May 15. Contact Melinda Sandkam msandkam@morningsidepc.org to volunteer at any point and for additional details including scholarship information.

LGBT & FRIENDS

LGBT & Friends will take a summer break after gathering at the home of Ann Bowers and Maria Ragland on Tuesday, May 21 at 7 p.m. All are welcome to come and help kick around discussion topics for fall and winter meetings. RSVP to Michael Siedschlag michaelspnyc@yahoo.com.

4TH-5TH GRADE OUTING

All 4th and 5th graders are invited to an end-of-year bowling outing on Sunday, June 2 right after worship. RSVP to Melinda today and let us know if your parent would be able to drive/chaperone.

FOOD & FELLOWSHIP AT CLIFTON

We have another opportunity to help provide dinner to 30 homeless men living at Clifton Sanctuary Ministries. The men are working hard, so help us provide them with fellowship and food on Saturday, May 25. We will need chicken cutlets and sides delivered by 5:30 p.m. to the shelter, and then we hope you choose to stay to help serve the food you've prepared. A sign-up sheet is on the mission board, or you may contact David Johnston dmjohnst@hotmail.com for more information.

SUPPORT SENIORS THIS SPRING

Donate items through May 26 for the emergency pantry at Presbyterian Home for Seniors at Calvin Court. Some of the needed items include: toilet paper, paper towels, canned meats, non-perishable microwavable meals, hearty soups, peanut butter and breakfast items. Please bring your donated items to the baskets in the Welcome Center.

NEW CHURCH DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

We hope you will join us as we partner with other congregations supporting a gardening project at a New Church Development in Clarkston on Saturday, June 8. Sign up to participate on the mission bulletin board or contact Jack Klotz jacksklotz@gmail.com or Lloyd Prince lloydprince@comcast.net for more information.

SPECIAL JUNE CONCERT

On Sunday, June 9, at 4 p.m., the Atlanta Opera's **High School Opera Institute** singers, led by Walter Huff, will return to our sanctuary, and we're invited. This will be the third year MPC has welcomed the free 'graduation' concert of these young vocalists that culminates the 2012-2013 High School Opera educational program and features young singers from public and private schools throughout the area. In addition, members of the Lenten Youth Ensemble (or others interested in fu-

ture youth ensembles) are encouraged to attend and go out to eat afterwards. Contact Lisa Jern lisa.jern@sablaw.com or Kim Perez kimkperetz@gmail.com to RSVP.

MISSION CAMP

If you are completing 2nd grade or higher, you won't want to miss our fifth year of *It's Not All About Me* Mission Camp, July 22-26 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day with overnight adventure to Len Foote Hike Inn on Thursday. This hands-on experience with mission includes outreaches to children and seniors, the environment and animals, and many who are facing hunger or homelessness here in Atlanta. With daily outings, we need lots of volunteers and also those dedicated overnight leaders who are willing to hike in and out to Len Foote. **Registration forms are due NO LATER than Sunday, June 2** and can be found at church and on our website. Contact Melinda to volunteer or for more information including scholarships.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Daisy Ottmann on the birth of her granddaughter, Madelaine Elizabeth ("Laney") Ottmann on Saturday, May 4.

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.

Giving/Attendance Update

WORSHIP COUNT— 170

NEEDED WEEKLY—\$15,577

RECEIVED 05/5/12—\$16,652

NEEDED YEAR TO DATE—\$280,385

RECEIVED YEAR TO DATE—\$257,924

Christian Education at Morningside

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

Next Sunday, May 19, 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 *A Ride in the Night* and learn how Paul escaped from his enemies. Early Elementary Classes will read Matthew 28:16-20 to learn about The Great Commission. The Older Elementary Class will have a lesson on the Benediction as a component of worship.

This Week at Morningside

SUNDAY, MAY 12

Calvin Court Collection

9:30 a.m. Coffee and Conversation

9:45 a.m. Church School

11 a.m. Worship with Baptism

12 noon Fellowship

6 p.m. Journey (Youth Service)

7:30 p.m. Meditation Group

MONDAY, MAY 13

Calvin Court Collection

9 a.m. MPP

6 p.m. Ballet Recital

7 p.m. Mandolin Society; Stated Session Meeting

7:30 p.m. Deacons; MLPA

TUESDAY, MAY 14

Calvin Court Collection

9 a.m. MPP

11 a.m. Yoga

2:15 p.m. Tai Chi

6:30 p.m. Weight Watchers

6:45 p.m. Preschool Committee

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15

Calvin Court Collection

9 a.m. MPP

9 a.m. - 12 noon VBS Workday

12 noon One Gray Hair Luncheon

6 p.m. Cherub Choir

7 p.m. Wonderful Wednesday

THURSDAY, MAY 16

Calvin Court Collection

9 a.m. MPP

12 noon 3rd Thursday Theological Throwdown

6:30 p.m. Prayer Group

7 p.m. Handbell Choir

FRIDAY, MAY 17

Calvin Court Collection

9 a.m. MPP

SATURDAY, MAY 18

Calvin Court Collection

9 a.m. AA Meeting

10 - 1 p.m. High School Opera Institute Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

SUNDAY, MAY 19

Calvin Court Collection

9:30 a.m. Coffee and Conversation

9:45 a.m. Church School

11 a.m. Worship with Confirmation/Cherub Choir Singing

12 noon Congregational Lunch

1:15 p.m. RHO Readers

5 p.m. Huff/Blouin Recital

7:30 p.m. Meditation Group