

**\* THE HYMN 422**

*God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending*

**\* THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

from *A Declaration of Faith* (1977)

God created and rules in love. God created all the worlds that are and upholds and rules everything. We affirm that the universe exists by the power of God's Word and Spirit. God has chosen to give it reality out of the love we have come to know in Christ. God still works through the processes that shape and change the earth and the living things upon it. We acknowledge God's care and control in the regularity of the universe as well as in apparently random happenings. There is no event from which God is absent and his ultimate purpose in all events is just and loving. That purpose embraces our choices and will surely be accomplished. The Creator works in all things toward the new creation that is promised in Christ.

**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**

*The Water Is Wide* Traditional English Folksong,  
Handbell Choir (Jeff Peters, director) arr. V. Stephenson

**\* THE DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

(Hymn 592)

**\* THE HYMN 522**

*Lord, When I Came Into This Life*

**\* THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\* THE CHORAL RESPONSE**

*I Am the Rose of Sharon (excerpt)* William Billings

My beloved spake, and said unto me: Rise up, my love, my fair one and come away. For lo, the winter is past. The rain is over and gone. - Song of Solomon 2: 10 - 11



17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 28, 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: 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.**

Leader: Let us worship God: Father, Son and Holy Ghost. - Psalm 149: 1, 3-5

**\* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN 285** *God, You Spin the Whirling Planets*

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

Merciful God, we know that when we trust in you, our fears subside, our worries lessen, and you are pleased for us. We know that the stories of our faith are stories of your consistent goodness, constant faithfulness and never-ending love. All that we should believe tells us you are a God of infinite kindness. And yet, circumstances conspire to rob us of this assurance. Sometimes our lives teach us not to trust. Sometimes even the lessons we received in church cause us to fear you. Whatever our reasons, sometimes our trust is broken. Forgive us, we pray, and teach us once more to remember that you are good and that all that comes from you is meant for our good. Through Jesus Christ our Savior 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: 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 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 **Peace of Christ** for special classes. Threes, fours & fives are in Room 011; K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade in Room 003; 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> 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 FIRST LESSON** Song of Solomon 2:2-4; 8-16 (page 588 in the pew Bible, OT)

**THE ANTHEM** *Set Me as a Seal Upon Your Heart* David Childs

Set me as a seal upon your heart, as a seal upon your arm. For love is as strong as death. Many waters cannot quench love, neither can floods drown it.

- Song of Solomon 8:6

**THE SECOND LESSON** Luke 11:1-13 (page 67 in the pew Bible, NT)

**THE SERMON** "Good Gifts" 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.

**ELDER ON CALL:** Caroline Tanner 404.873.1519

**DEACON ON CALL:** Ken Sharpe 404.593.7498

**USHERS:** Kathy and Alan Bremer, Carolyn Cobb, Link Marx

**GREETERS:** Sanda and Bill Means, Gail Kitchens, Carol Senf

**COFFEE AND CONVERSATION HOSTS:** Lib and Rich Boggs

**COUNTERS:** Lysley Tyler, Peter Cobb

**INFANT VOLUNTEER:** Cindy Humphries

**2s VOLUNTEER:** Tish Woolley

**3s, 4s, & 5s VOLUNTEER:** Jennifer James

**K-2nd GRADE VOLUNTEER:** Hal Nuckols

**3rd-5th GRADE VOLUNTEER:** Mary Michael

**FELLOWSHIP:** Mission Camp Ice Cream Social

*Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.*  
- Philippians 4:6-7

### Keep in your prayers...

Sue Ballay	Taylor Marshall
Becky Carlisle	Guerry Mashburn (foot surgery)
Grier Christenbury	Wynn, Beth, and Gus Nettles (Callie Lensing's friends)
Jackie Cleveland	Emil Sanders
Tom Franks (Alex Watts' uncle)	Chuck Thagard (Grayson Thagard's father)
Ann Herndon (Will's mother)	John Vytal (Katie Watts' father)
Finley Holaway	Katrina Weis
Holly Klotz	
Jan McMahan	
Robert Marshall	

Please submit prayer requests using the prayer cards in the pew racks.

### 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-2<sup>nd</sup> grade in Room 003; 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade in Room 005.

### MISSION CAMP

With the support of MANY volunteers, thirty children and youth here at MPC had a fantastic week at our 5<sup>th</sup> *It's Not All About Me* Mission Camp this past week. They washed cars for donations to the Atlanta Humane Society. They assembled non-perishable meals for the Brown Bag program of Cure Childhood Cancer and made sandwiches for the Smart Lunch, Smart Kid Program. After assembling Welcome Home Baskets for the men at Clifton Sanctuary Ministries, the elementary age children delivered them, got a tour of the facility, assembled trail mix bags and decorated lunch bags. The older crew of youth led activities at GateCity Daycare in southwest Atlanta and then went straight to Atlanta Community Food Bank for an afternoon of sorting donated food. Both groups visited Intown Collaborative Ministries and Calvin Court Home for Seniors. And, we all hiked 5 miles to the Len Foote Hike Inn for our annual overnight adven-

ture, returning the next day. Many thanks to everyone who supported Mission Camp. Please join us for an ice cream social in Fellowship Hall following worship when the Mission Camp attendees will also share about their week.

### COMING ATTRACTIONS!

Join us on Friday, August 2, at 7:30 p.m. for a free concert with our famed pianist/member **Mac Frampton**. Donations will be accepted for the MPC Music Library. Invite a neighbor or bring a friend. For more information visit [www.macframpton.com](http://www.macframpton.com).

### OFF TO SCOTLAND

As 23 MPC members and friends travel to Scotland on the church tour (August 3-12), please keep them in your prayers for safe travels. Twelve of the group will continue on to Iona - a worshipping community on an island in the Lower Hebrides on the far west of Scotland.

### AUGUST ADULT EDUCATION

Join the Adult Sunday School class for a two-week series, August 4 and 11, led by Bill Smith and Anthony Owens as we explore Matthew 25 and 26. The class will begin at 9:45 a.m. in Room 201.

### FAREWELL WALTER HUFF

MPC will honor our dear friend, Walter Huff, with a reception after church on Sunday, August 18. If you would like to contribute something to the Gala Occasion, please contact Susan Oder at [susanoder@gmail.com](mailto:susanoder@gmail.com) or 404.308.6337. We look forward to letting him know how much we appreciate his many years of love and service to us.

## INTOWN COLLABORATIVE MINISTRIES

ICM provides a range of comprehensive services to our neighbors, including a food pantry (located at Druid Hills Methodist) which operates to provide the basic necessities of food to our homeless neighbors. ICM's Pantry is supported by MPC and other congregations, individuals, businesses, and organizations in zip codes 30306/30307. From August 4-25, MPC will collect the following foods for the pantry: canned and boxed meals (stew, noodle bowls, chili, etc.); crackers; and sugar packets. Please bring your donated items to Welcome Center to help your neighbors in need. Contact Nancy Collins [ncollins0209@gmail.com](mailto:ncollins0209@gmail.com), 404.804.5191 with questions.

## CHURCH OFFICE

MPC is looking for an office volunteer each Tuesday from 12 noon to 1 p.m. to work the desk. Duties include answering the phone, greeting the congregation/preschool community, receiving deliveries, and some light clerical work. Four volunteers could job-share and be responsible for one Tuesday a month. If you would like to volunteer, please give Anna a call at 404.876.7396.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL KICK OFF

The first week of August, many of the children at MPC start back to school! Here at Morningside, we begin our Sunday school year the following Sunday, August 11 at 9:45 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. All are welcome to this hour of fun, with light breakfast items. Crafts, dress-up corner, and Jonah's whale promise lots of fun. The kids will also participate in some outreach projects and hear details for children's choirs this year. Contact Jill Davis [jdavis@tuxox.com](mailto:jdavis@tuxox.com),

if you can help. Following the Kick off on August 11, we begin our school year classes that same day with kids "moving up" to their new grade during children's worship: three and four year olds in Room 011 with Kyra Hall; Kindergarten-1st graders in Room 003 with Debbi Loomis; 2nd-3rd graders in Room 001 with Jessica Coons; 4th-5th graders in Room 005 with Sally Horne.

## HANDBELL CHOIR

Our Handbell Choir will begin a new season on Thursday, September 5 with rehearsals each Thursday from 7 to 8 p.m., and you are invited to ring with the choir! If you are interested or for more information contact Jeff Peters at 404.731.9291, [jeffcpeters@gmail.com](mailto:jeffcpeters@gmail.com).

## SAVE THE DATE!

It's not too soon to mark off October 25-27 on your calendar and plan to get away to cool and lovely Montreat, NC, for our fifth annual all-church retreat featuring speaker Tom Long! Each year, it's been an event to remember for the whole family. Watch for details in the next couple of months. Contact Mary Chapman with any questions [chapman.maryv@gmail.com](mailto:chapman.maryv@gmail.com).

## MPP

Morningside Presbyterian Preschool still has openings for toddlers and Pre-K students for this fall. Toddlers must be 15 months old by September 1 and Pre-K children must be 4. Contact Sarah Tomaka, Preschool Director, for more information: [mpp@morningsidepc.org](mailto:mpp@morningsidepc.org).

## Christian Education at Morningside

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

Next Sunday, August 4, we welcome Bill Smith and Anthony Owens who will lead us as we continue our study of the Gospel of Matthew. All are welcome.

### CHILDREN'S CLASSES

Today the preschool children will hear the story *Lions, Lions* and learn how God honored Daniel's faithfulness. Through the story of the *Feeding of the 5000*, the K-2 and 3-5 grade classes will explore the idea that Jesus provides more than enough for everyone - all are welcome in the Kingdom of God.

## This Week at Morningside

### SUNDAY, JULY 28

9:30 a.m. Coffee and Conversation  
9:45 a.m. Church School  
11 a.m. Worship  
12 noon Mission Camp Ice Cream Social  
7:30 p.m. Meditation Group

### MONDAY, JULY 29

*MPP Camp*  
7 p.m. Mandolin Society

### TUESDAY, JULY 30

*MPP Camp*  
2:15 p.m. Tai Chi  
6:30 p.m. Weight Watchers

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 31

*MPP Camp*  
7 p.m. Chancel Choir

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 1

*MPP Camp*  
6:30 p.m. Prayer Group  
7:30 p.m. MLPA Public Safety

### FRIDAY, AUGUST 2

*MPP Camp*  
7:30 p.m. Mac Frampton Concert

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 3

*Scotland Trip*  
9 a.m. AA Meeting

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 4

*Scotland Trip*  
9:30 a.m. Coffee and Conversation  
9:45 a.m. Church School  
11 a.m. Worship/Communion  
12 noon Fellowship  
7:30 p.m. Meditation Group

### Giving/Attendance Update

WORSHIP COUNT 07/21/13 — 140  
NEEDED WEEKLY—\$15,577  
RECEIVED 07/21/13 —\$6,516  
NEEDED YEAR TO DATE —\$451,731  
RECEIVED YEAR TO DATE —\$412,813

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.