

* THE HYMN 306

Fairest Lord Jesus

* THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

From The Theological Declaration of Barmen (1933)

As Jesus Christ is God's assurance of the forgiveness of all our sins, so, in the same way, and with the same seriousness, he is also God's mighty claim upon our whole life. Through him befalls us a joyful deliverance from the godless fetters of this world for a free, grateful service to his creatures. We reject the false doctrine, as though there were areas of our life in which we would not belong to Jesus Christ, but to other lords. 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

Andante con moto

Felix Mendelssohn

* THE DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

(Hymn 592)

* THE HYMN 151

Crown Him with Many Crowns

* THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

* THE CHORAL RESPONSE

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

James Ellor

* THE POSTLUDE

Rejoice, the Lord is King

arr. Gordon Young



CHRIST THE KING
November 24, 2013
11 a.m. Worship

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NOVEMBER 24, 2013

Order of Worship

11:00 a.m.

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

THE GATHERING

Chris Peters

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

THE PRELUDE

We Gather Together arr. Edward Kerr
Rachel Ficklin, guest organist

*** THE CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for God has looked favorably on God's people and redeemed them.

People: **God has raised up a mighty savior for us in the house of David.**

Leader: And you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways, to give knowledge of salvation to his people by the forgiveness of their sins.

People: **By the tender mercy of our God, the dawn from on high will break upon us, to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.**

Leader: Let us worship the Lord! - Luke 1: 68-79

*** THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN 371** *Lift High the Cross*

THE CALL TO CONFESSION

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Great God, you are creator and ruler of all. You spoke creation into being; you formed us from the dust and breathed life into us. You became one of us through Jesus and showed us how to be your beloved community. Yet, we confess that we have not honored the reign of Christ and have bowed to other idols: greed, power, and ease. We have ignored your calls to show mercy and serve those in need. We have stood by and watched as injustice and violence prevail. God, forgive us, for we do not know what we are doing. Help us to follow you, and remember us as you come into your kingdom. 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: For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

People: **Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.**

Leader: So believe the good news of the Gospel:

People: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!** - John 3: 16-17

*** 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 3-10 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 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

Jeremiah 23:1-6
(page 681 in the pew Bible, OT)

Nancy Hamilton

THE ANTHEM

Lift Up Your Heads
Jessica Dennison, Tami Giusto, John Young, Brandon Odom, soloists

Michael Cox

THE SECOND LESSON

Luke 23:33-43 (page 83 in the pew Bible, NT)

THE SERMON

"The World Flipped - Turned Upside Down"

Drew Stockstill

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, two year olds in Room 012.

ELDER ON CALL: Tony Fishpaw 404.597.5485

DEACON ON CALL: Ann Bowers 404.580.8285

USHERS: Aaron Pratt, Whitney Stevens, Gary and Monirah Womack

GREETERS: Carol Senf, James Beasley, Gail Kitchens

COFFEE AND CONVERSATION HOSTS: Cindy and Bill Humphries

COUNTERS: Daisy Ottmann, Shannon Harris

INFANT VOLUNTEER: Hillery McNeill

2s VOLUNTEER: Beth Baer

3s, 4s, & 5s VOLUNTEER: Kim Nuckols

K-1st GRADE VOLUNTEER: Amy Jarratt

2nd-3rd GRADE VOLUNTEER: Vickie Hunter

4th-5th GRADE VOLUNTEER: Jill Davis

FELLOWSHIP: Rachel Spears, Emily O'Brien, Liz Sommerfeld, Carrie Branon, Lele Ruby, Tamara Nix, Mary Hardy Holaway, Betty Treschitta

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...

Adrienne Adair (Ann Bowers and Maria Ragland's friend)

P.J. Britton (Lenna Turner's niece)

Judy Brooks (Sandy Jones' friend)

Grier Christenbury

Jean Clark (Sue Ballay's sister)

Jackie Cleveland

Charles Demars (Ann Bowers and Maria Ragland's friend)

Ginny and Browning Fergus

Kristi Ferrick (Sandy Jones' friend)

Brenda Fishpaw

Ann Herndon (Will's mother)

Finley Holaway

Linda Johnson

Friends and relatives of Linda Johnson: Peggy Johnson Smith, Katie Smith Higgins, Warren Johnson, Sr., and Sharon Foote

Holly Klotz

Jan McMahan

Anne and Nate Reid

Emil Sanders

John Vytal (Katy Watts' father)

Katrina Weis

Patricia Zachery (William Grigley's aunt)

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; 2 year olds are in Room 012. Children ages 3-10 are invited to leave after the *Passing of the Peace* for special classes: Threes & fours-Room 011; K-1st grade - Room 003; 2nd-3rd grade - Room 001; 4th-5th grade - are in Room 005.

LAY READER

In keeping with the Presbyterian tenet of the priesthood of all believers, Morningside members participate regularly in worship leadership. This Sunday's lay reader is Nancy Hamilton.

WELCOME GUEST ORGANIST

Today, we welcome Rachel Ficklin as guest organist while Sarah and Gene Martin are in Virginia spending Thanksgiving with their daughter. Rachel is a member of the Atlanta Chapter of the American Guild of Organists and does organist substitute work in the greater Atlanta area.

TODAY'S SERVICE MUSIC

The prelude and postlude are settings of hymns for Christ the King Sunday and for Thanksgiving written by American composers. The offertory is the Prelude from "Mendelssohn's Prelude and Fugue in G Major." Mendelssohn wrote three Preludes and Fugues, all inspired by J.S. Bach.

RETREATS PAST AND FUTURE

For retreaters who want to remember the good time we had last month, or for those who might be interested in attending next year's retreat, Lloyd Prince will show his retreat pictures during Fellowship today. Next year's all church retreat will be October 17-19, 2014.

YOUNG ADULTS

Following worship today the Young Adults will meet for lunch at George's (1041 N. Highland Ave. NE, 404.892.3648). Please join us.

YOUTH GROUP

Youth are invited to join us in the loft every Sunday from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. for doughnuts and a craft or game. The youth will meet this evening from 5 to 7 p.m., and then break for Thanksgiving weekend. Mark your calendars for our Christmas party on Sunday, December 8 from 5 to 7 p.m. The youth and their advisors are encouraged to bring a wrapped gift (\$10) for a "white elephant" exchange at the party. RSVP to Chris Peters chrispeters@morningsidepc.org for the party and also if you can help with chili and soup dinner on Sunday evening December 15 as this month's service event.

NEW "OUR DAILY BREAD" AVAILABLE

Copies of the devotional booklet, *Our Daily Bread*, (December through February) are available in the Narthex and Welcome Center. Pick one up as you leave the sanctuary this morning.

FAMILY CHRISTMAS TREE

This year in the Fellowship Hall, we will have a large, live tree to hold your special ornaments. We're inviting each member of our faith community to contribute one, non-breakable ornament to decorate this tree. Place your special ornament in the collection baskets around the church (December 1-15).

ANNUAL CANNED FOOD COLLECTION

Our annual collection of non-perishable items for the Atlanta Community Food Bank is in full swing. Mac 'n cheese, peanut butter, canned veggies, meats, fruits and low sugar whole grain cereals are welcome. Help us fill our five canisters by December 15!

FREE HOLIDAY BABYSITTING

'Tis the season of giving! Do you have two to four hours to give on Monday, December 2 (4:40-6:40 p.m., 6:20-8:20 p.m. or 4:40-8:05 p.m.)? We will offer free babysitting to our community for children 3 months through 5th grade. (Little ones must sign up by tomorrow, November 25.) Help us line up volunteers for the event BEFORE the Thanksgiving holiday by [signing up today](#). To sign up your child or to volunteer, contact Jennifer James jennjames@comcast.net ASAP!

THEOLOGY ON TAP

Our next Theology on Tap will be Tuesday, December 3, at 7 p.m. Our host will be Peter Cobb (1150 St. Charles Place, 30306). RSVP to the church office@morningsidepc.org.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

The evening of December 15 will be filled with Christmas magic so you won't want to miss MPC's annual Christmas Pageant at 5 p.m. followed by the soup and chili dinner and Carol Sing in Fellowship Hall.

BEHIND-THE-SCENES OF THE PAGEANT

Many thanks to the eleven youth who have volunteered to be the stage crew for MPC's pageant. We are still seeking people to sew one costume each. There will be a work evening for props and the set on Thursday, December 5 at 5 p.m. We are seeking someone to organize the soup/chili dinner that follows the pageant on Sunday evening, December 15. Additional youth will help to set up, serve and clean up for the event as their December service project. Contact Melinda to help in any of these areas.

TALK BACK TO THE PREACHER

If you've ever wanted to ask Baron more about something he's preached, or to hear what scripture teaches about something, and you don't happen to find yourself in a class or have the right moment, you are invited to come to Room 201 following worship on December 8. We can talk

about whatever you want to talk about - the sermon, the way we plan worship, what's going on in the Presbytery, or whatever! This is your chance.

MUSIC NOTES

The Cherub Choir will sing at worship on Sunday, December 8, and the Children's Choir families will serve at Journey on Sunday evening, December 8. We will enjoy a special music Sunday on December 15 at the 11 a.m. worship.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AT WOMEN'S SHELTER

Morningside will provide volunteers at Shearith Israel's Women's Shelter again this year as part of our mission outreach program. The individual commitment this year is easier than in years past. Volunteers serve from 6 to 8 p.m. warming up the dinner meal (provided by others) and serving as the women arrive from their daily work or job searches. The kitchen is cleaned up before leaving. Our volunteer dates are: January 8-12 and February 5-9. If you can help on any of these dates, please e-mail Phyllis Grimes at grimes2230@bellsouth.net. Men are welcome to serve also. There is also a need for donations of mittens, gloves, and hats. Collection baskets will soon be in MPC's Welcome Center for your donations through Sunday, December 15.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Last Sunday, MPC welcomed the following new members: Greg and Julie Brow, Peter Chatel, Ted and Catherine Fleming, and Lisa and Preston Ladds. Be sure to give them a warm welcome the next time you are here!

CHURCH OFFICE

The church office will be closed Thursday, November 28 and Friday, November 29 in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

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

Christian Education at Morningside

CHARLES DICKENS "A CHRISTMAS CAROL" AND THE BIBLE

Next Sunday, get into the Christmas spirit this year with the *joint* adult education class led by Drew and Ellen Stockstill and Joseph Brady. This class will be held each Sunday in December in Room 201 at 9:45 a.m. All are invited to join us and to bring your friends! For more information contact Drew dstockstill@morningsidepc.org.

CHILDREN'S CLASSES

The Preschool Class will discuss the way people are to care for God's world as they respond to *Take Good Care of My World!* Younger and older elementary classes will hear Isaiah's message that God will renew and restore God's people.

This Week at Morningside

(Atlanta Food Bank Collection - November 24-December 15)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24

9:15 a.m. The Bible Class
9:30 a.m. Coffee and Conversation
9:45 a.m. Church School; Christmas Pageant Practice
11 a.m. Worship
12 noon Fellowship
12:30 p.m. Young Adult Lunch at George's
5 p.m. Youth Group
7:30 p.m. Meditation Group

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25

MPP Thanksgiving Break
7 p.m. Mandolin Society; Parliamentarians

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26

MPP Thanksgiving Break
11 a.m. Yoga
2:15 p.m. Parkinson Tai Chi
4:30 p.m. Tai Chi
6:30 p.m. Weight Watchers
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir; Handbell Choir

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27

MPP Thanksgiving Break

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28

MPP Thanksgiving Break
Church Office Closed

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29

MPP Thanksgiving Break
Church Office Closed

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30

9 a.m. AA Meeting

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1

9:30 a.m. Coffee and Conversation
9:45 a.m. Church School; Christmas Pageant Practice
11 a.m. Worship/Handbell Choir
12 noon Fellowship
12:30 p.m. Adult Education Planning Meeting
7:30 p.m. Meditation Group

Giving/Attendance Update

WORSHIP COUNT 11/17/13 — 185
NEEDED WEEKLY—\$15,577
RECEIVED —\$9,598
NEEDED YEAR TO DATE —\$716,538
RECEIVED YEAR TO DATE —\$644,462

Pledge Update as of 11/17/13

Pledged amount needed	\$790,000
Pledges received	\$526,000
Increases from existing members	\$22,000
New pledges	\$45,000
Number of current pledges	110
Balance of pledges needed	\$264,000