EASTER SUNDAY
April 20, 2014
8:30 and 11 a.m.

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Death, be not proud (Holy Sonnet 10)

by John Donne

Death, be not proud, though some have called thee
Mighty and dreadful, for thou art not so;
For those whom thou think'st thou dost overthrow
Die not, poor Death, nor yet canst thou kill me.
From rest and sleep, which but thy pictures be,
Much pleasure; then from thee much more must flow,
And soonest our best men with thee do go,
Rest of their bones, and soul's delivery.
Thou' art slave to fate, chance, kings, and desperate men,
And dost with poison, war, and sickness dwell,
And poppy' or charms can make us sleep as well
And better then thy stroke; why swell'st thou then?
One short sleep past, we wake eternally,
And death shall be no more; Death, thou shalt die.
THE CALL TO WORSHIP
Leader:  But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen!”

People:  Christ is risen indeed!

*THE HYMN 302

I Danced in the Morning

*THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

THE CHORAL RESPONSE

This Joyful Eastertide
arr. Charles Wood

*THE POSTLUDE

"Toccata" from Symphony no. 5
Charles-Marie Widor

THE CALL TO CONFESSION

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Drew Stockstill

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.

* (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 119)

The strife is o’er, the battle done, the victory of life is won.
The song of triumph has begun. Alleluia!

* THE PEACE OF CHRIST

(Children ages 3-10 are invited to leave after the Peace of Christ for special classes. Threes, fours, and fives - Room 011; K-1st grade - Room 003; 2nd-3rd grade - in worship at 8:30, in Room 001 at 11:00; 4th-5th grade - in worship for both services.)

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 31:1-6 (page 689 in the pew Bible, OT)

THE ANTHEM

(8:30 a.m. worship) Ye Choirs of New Jerusalem (excerpt) C. V. Stanford
Jessica Dennison, Tami Giusto, John Young, Brandon Odom

(11:00 a.m. worship) Easter Anthem William Billings

THE SECOND LESSON

Matthew 28:1-10 (page 32 in the pew Bible, NT)

THE SERMON

He is Going Ahead of You Baron Mullis

THE HYMN 122

Thine Is the Glory

* 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

(8:30 a.m. worship) Christ the Lord Is Risen Today arr. Cynthia Dobrinski
Morningside Handbell Choir (Jeff Peters, director)
Sarah Martin, organ; Bill Southwood, trumpet; Jessica Dennison, soprano

(11:00 a.m. worship) Alleluia Acclamation and Carol Daniel Pinkham
Children are always welcome in the Sanctuary during worship. Should you find that your child grows restless, there is child care available. Infants/toddlers are cared for in the Nursery in Room 105, two year olds in Room 012.

ELDER ON CALL: Lisa Jern 404.680.4034
DEACON ON CALL: Ken Sharpe 404.593.7498
GREETERS: 8:30 a.m. - Jane Stack, Cindy Humphries, Bill Humphries
11:00 a.m. - Bill and Sandra Means, Ellen Landers, Carol Senf
USHERS: 8:30 a.m. - Amy and Van Jensen, Rhonda McIntosh, Beth Baer, Jack Klotz
11:00 a.m. - Jill and Jack Klotz, Kathy and Alan Bremer, Emilie Paille and Jeanne McCarthy, Monirah and Gary Womack, Nancy Anderson, Bill Smith
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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 and toddlers is in Room 105; 2 year olds are in Room 012. Children ages 3-10 are invited to leave after the Peace of Christ for special classes: Threes, fours, and fives - Room 011; K-1st grade - Room 003; 2nd-3rd grade - in worship at 8:30; in Room 001 at 11:00; 4th-5th grade - in worship for both services.

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.

CHURCH OFFICE
The Church Office will be closed tomorrow, April 21 in observance of the Easter season.

FOOD TRUCKS
The trucks return to Morningside’s parking lot this Thursday, April 24 from 5 to 8 p.m. Looking forward to the return of On Tapa the World and SnoBayou with two more trucks also coming out for the evening! Please join us on the 24th and the fourth Thursday of each month for a tasty supper without all the fuss!

ASSISTING SENIORS
Join an MPC team to assist with light repairs and yard work to help a senior in Fulton County stay in their home through the HOMES program. Sign up on the mission bulletin board for 9 a.m.-1 p.m. this Saturday, April 26. Contact Shepherds Jack Klotz jacksklotz@gmail.com or Lloyd Prince lloydprince@comcast.net with your questions.

YOUTH GROUP
Join the youth families next Sunday, April 27 from 3-4:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall as we shower Chris Peters and Lauren Van Wicklen with good wishes for a happy life together and gifts to help them get settled in a home of their own. Contact the church office for information on where the couple is registered.

WOMEN’S ROUNDTABLE
We’re shaking things up this month! Members and friends are invited to join in for an evening of food and fun at a nearby restaurant on Monday, April 28 at 7 p.m. Details to follow. RSVP to Sarah Brownlee at rsbrownlee1046att.net.
ADULT CLASSES
Next Sunday, April 27 classes resume with Drew Stockstill leading a four-week class, Life after Easter: A Look at Resurrection Theology in Room 201 at 9:45 a.m. All are welcome.

CHILDREN’S CLASSES
The 3–5 year old class will celebrate Easter with the story The Best Day Ever and the Godly Play story The Empty Tomb. Elementary classes will read Matthew 28:1-10, 16-20 to learn that Jesus rises from the dead and commissions his disciples to be messengers of the good news.

This Week at Morningside

THURSDAY, APRIL 24
9 a.m. MPP 11 a.m. Yoga/Zen 1 p.m. Playball 6:30 p.m. Prayer Group 7:30 p.m. Handbell Choir

FRIDAY, APRIL 25
8:15 a.m. MPP Creative Movement 9 a.m. MPP 1 p.m. KidzTennis

SATURDAY, APRIL 26
9 a.m. AA Meeting 9 a.m.-1 p.m. HOMES Work Day

SUNDAY, APRIL 27
9:30 a.m. Coffee and Conversation 9:45 a.m. Church School 11 a.m. Worship 12 noon Fellowship 3 p.m. Wedding Shower for Chris Peters and Lauren Van Wicklen 5 p.m. Youth Group

Attendance and Giving Update
WORSHIP COUNT 4/13/14 — 182
NEEDED WEEKLY — $15,726
RECEIVED — $11,206
NEEDED YEAR TO DATE — $251,390
RECEIVED YEAR TO DATE — $235,891

SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL, JUNE 16-20
All Aboard the Ark Vacation Bible School is for those who will be four years old by September 1 through 5th grade (with youth leadership opportunities). It is truly a lot of fun, and we need you to volunteer to be able to offer this program to the children of our community. Contact Melinda Sandkam to volunteer. Registration forms are available on line and at the church. Deadline is May 25.

IT'S NOT ALL ABOUT ME MISSION CAMP, JULY 21-25
This camp is for rising 3rd-5th graders and will be from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. all week with an overnight trip on Thursday. Register by June 1 with forms found on the bulletin board across from the Nursery Room 105 or on line. We also offer a Youth Track Mission Camp the same week. Contact Melinda Sandkam msandkam@morningsidepc.org with questions. Deadline is June 1.

STORYTELLERS CAMP REGISTRATION
MPP’s Summer Storytellers Camp will open new opportunities for children age 2 to 5 this summer! Weekly camps are June 2 through August 1 with one week off for VBS. Hours are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Registration forms are available on line and at the preschool.

CONGRATULATIONS TO
Charles and Tish Woolley on the birth of their daughter Emmeline Ann Woolley on April 4 (siblings are Lily Brooks and Ryder); and to Allie and Stephen Roach on the birth of their daughter, Grace Katherine Roach, on April 13. Meal Coordinator Carrie Branon will be arranging a calendar for each family. Contact her at carriebranon@yahoo.com if you would like to help out.