



DEAR FELLOW SOJOURNERS,

Can you believe that just six months ago, we were still doing nearly everything virtually or outdoors? We've come a long way in six months and an even longer way in the past 18 months since the pandemic began.

As we think about where we have come, this is also a season to think about where we are going on our journey together. The reality is that we are still navigating the pandemic--what is safe, what is prudent, what is possible--but your Session and I are also dreaming about what the future looks like and where we believe God is calling us forth. As we navigate our current waters, we are also raising our sails trusting that God has a plan for us as a community: to strengthen who we are as a family of faith and to share the good news of Christ with others.

To that end, our commitment season, "Stepping Forward in Faith," invites you to step forward with us. The Session has set four strategic priorities that we think will help us set our course as we journey together. They are:

- Re-engaging with the community of faith
- Strengthening intergenerational connections
- Growing our online/digital presence
- Exploring the Matthew 25 initiative.

You can hear a bit more about each of these in [this video](#) or by singing up for one of the remaining commitment gatherings this month. I hope that wherever you find yourself



in this season, that you consider what it looks like for you to step forward in faith with your time, your talent, and your treasure. As the Psalmist affirms, "Our steps are made firm in the Lord when God delights in our ways."

WITH HOPE FOR THE JOURNEY, PASTOR KATIE



SAVE-THE-DATE FOR COMMITMENT SUNDAY—NOVEMBER 14

Pledge today on [Realm](#) or mail your pledge card to the church office.

Commitment season is underway — "Stepping Forward in Faith." You'll hear more about hopes for MPC for the coming year in our communications and in worship, but we hope you'll join for a chance to hear about Session's priorities for 2022 and share your hopes at a Commitment Gathering. Click [here](#) to sign up.

FINISH OUT YOUR 2021 PLEDGE!

The Finance Team believes transparency is important and so we're providing regular updates on the financial health of MPC. We remain in a stable place but our budget depends heavily on the commitments of our members to fulfill their annual pledge.

We give thanks to all who have pledged and who give with deep generosity! If you have not completed your pledge for 2021, please make a plan to do so before the year ends.

UNPACKING THE BUDGET WITH BILL HUMPHRIES

Click [here](#) to watch a short video by Bill Humphries about MPC's budget.



	Sept Actual	Sept Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Receipts	52,408	67,134	553,205	529,346
Expenses	98,304	71,318	636,319	640,358
Net Revenue	(45,896)	(4,184)	(83,114)	(111,012)



WORSHIP TOGETHER IN NOVEMBER

11/—24TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

COMMUNION

Pack Your Bags

Genesis 12:1-9

Katie Owen Aumann, preaching

11/14—25TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

COMMITMENT SUNDAY

What Does It Mean to Win?

Philippians 3:4b-14

Katie Owen Aumann, preaching

11/21—CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

Stepping into the Future

Revelation 1:4b-8

Katie Owen Aumann, preaching

Handbell Choir plays

11/28—1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Holy Preparation

Jeremiah 33:14-16; Luke 21:25-36

Emma Neishloss, preaching



STEPPING OUT IN FAITH

We continue our commitment season sermon series, exploring how we set priorities as individuals and as a church. Together, we will tackle big questions: What can the greatest commandment teach us about how we are to order our lives? What does it mean to 'take a leap of faith'? Can the faith of our ancestors help us persevere in the race set before us? What resources is required for us to journey together? What are we willing to give to make the kingdom visible?



HOLY PREPARATION ADVENT SERMON SERIES

In a season when we spend so much time and energy "decking the halls," what are we preparing for? When we're living on the other side of a global pandemic, does Advent invite ritual or does Advent call us to prepare for something new?

FAITH FORMATION

Beginning November 7, Michael Morgan will lead a three week Faith Formation series that explores the history of biblical publications, hymns and hymnals, and the role of Christmas music in the church's history.

NOVEMBER 7

"The First Generation of the English Bible: Wycliffe through King James"

We will explore the first English Bibles from the dawn of the Reformation through the publication of the King James Bible in 1611. There will be a display featuring original editions of all of the versions from John Wycliffe in 1380 to the mid-17th century, including the first 2 printings of the King James Version. You'll hear stories about the translators and other famous people involved in the production.

NOVEMBER 14

"We've a Story to Tell: The Christmas Saga and the English Bible"

We will turn back the clock and look at a number of renditions of the Christmas Story as it has been told in 500 years of English Bible history. Some are provocative and inspiring, while others are entertaining and humorous, yet they all remind us of the advent and birth of the Christ Child.

NOVEMBER 21

"Hark, the Herald Angels Sing: Advent and Christmas Psalms and Hymns"

For centuries we have not only read the Christmas Story in our English Bibles, but we have sung the poetic expressions of hymn writers over the years as they turned the prose into verse and added some of their own insights and imagery. Some will be the songs which are a vital part of our holiday experience, while some have not been sung since they were composed. Be sure to bring your voices with you to sing with anticipation and joy of the Nativity.

ALL SAINTS' DAY NECROLOGY

Morningside Presbyterian Church members that have gone before us...

Andreas Dopheide, husband of Jane McRae

Richard Ezell, husband of Michael Morgan

Nancy Walker Frampton, wife of Mac Frampton

Gloria Joiner

Faye McKay-Clegg

Dale Ray, husband of Barbara Ray

Betty Ray

Loved ones of our faith community...

Alice Anderson, mother of Natalie Batchelor

Sandra Atwood, friend of Nancy Anderson

Carlos Campbell, nephew of Lenna Turner

Robert "Bob" Kenneth Chatel, brother of Peter Chatel

Jean Clark, sister of Sue Ballay

Robert Collins, father of Nancy Collins

Christopher James Copeland, friend of Emilie Paille

Sue Coughtry, friend of Cindy and Bill Humphries

Mary Katherine Davis, mother of Katie Davis

Mike Davis, brother of Katie Davis

Janice Day Dumas, cousin of Emilie Paille

"...surrounded by so great a
cloud of witnesses..."



HEBREWS 12:1

Lon Harris, Jr., father of Anthony Owens

Cleo J. Koch, father of Sheryl Wingert

Elmon Koch, uncle of Sheryl Wingert

Eugene Koch, uncle of Sheryl Wingert

Sheila Herring, friend of Cindy and Bill Humphries

Maria Caridad Padilla, mother of Victor Carballosa

Albert Picallo, Sr., friend of Nancy Anderson

Alice Carol Perkins, friend of Leslie and Lloyd Prince

Ruth Duke Reader, grandmother of Megan Reader

Clint and Doris Reed, grandparents of Rachel Reed

Johnny Sanders, nephew of Katie Davis

Paul Wilson Smith, father of Bryan Smith

Eileen Walbert, former mother-in-law of Julia Kneeland

Ruthelma Warf, grandmother of Rachel Reed



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 14

Mark your calendars to stay after the worship service on Sunday, 11/14 to elect your next class of deacons and elders.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING UPDATE

PROPERTY SALE

At the congregational meeting on October 10, 2021, the congregation approved the sale of a small piece (approx. 6000 sq. ft.) of Morningside Presbyterian's undeveloped property to our neighbors at 915 Cumberland Drive. For those who are interested, MPC's property extends on the north side up the ravine in between the houses on N. Morningside Drive and Wessington. The sale reflects a portion of our property that is unbuildable or usable for our own mission and ministry and was sold for \$6500. Thanks to Michael Lowry, Joe Ballay, Richard Brownlee, Randy Young, and Bill Humphries for their leadership!



MUSIC @ MORNINGSIDE



ORGAN UPDATE

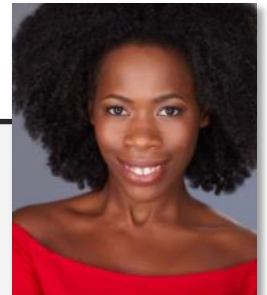


After two and a half years of planning, hoping, and praying, a new organ console is in place and leading worship in our Sanctuary! We give thanks to the organ committee for their steadfast determination to see this project to its installation: Beth Baer, Bill Humphries, Katie Aumann, and Jonathan Crutchfield. The console replaces one that gave almost 75 years of service to this congregation. It slowly declined in its effectiveness in recent years and a new console was needed to continue the tradition of musical excellence at Morningside. We are indeed grateful that many of you gave generously in the 2014 Capital Campaign, a portion of which was designated for this very cause. Your sacrificial giving created the opportunity to bring about this new console. Those who have taken a peek at the new console have seen that some items on the console are not yet completed. The decision to request its arrival before its full completion was intentional, knowing that cosmetic items would need to be finished here but that the instrument was able to offer the organ music that is a part of the fabric of MPC's worship. The console works, as those of you who attended worship or a memorial service heard these past two weeks. The organ committee is working now to finalize the process and cost of the "finishing touches" to ensure a console that will last us another 75 years. We will keep you updated on our continued work and progress, and we give thanks for prayers answered and patience required to continue the legacy of organ music at Morningside!



SAVE-TH-DATE NOVEMBER 12, 2021!
MAC FRAMPTON IN CONCERT

Pianist, Mac Frampton brings his immense talents to MPC Friday, 11/12 at 7pm for a fund raising event to aid the Nancy Frampton Rising Star Series. The word "versatility" cannot adequately describe Mac. Piano masterpieces by Bach, Chopin, Liszt, and Mozart quickly will be followed by audience favorites from Broadway to Billy Joel. Mark your calendars now for this not-to-be-missed evening.



THE NANCY FRAMPTON RISING ARTIST 2022 SERIES LINE-UP!
Three incredibly talented artists comprise the first subscription series.

Mark your calendars now to hear:

- **April 2, 2022** — Colombian tenor, **David Rivera Bozón**
- **July 23, 2022** — English organist, **David Davies**
- **October 29, 2022** — American soprano, **Jasmine Habersham**

Click [here](#) to learn more about these spectacular artists!



OCTOBER IN PICTURES



BLESSING OF THE PETS



FALL RETREAT





THANK YOU, MARTIN AND NANCY



CHILDREN'S CHOIR



CLUB 46



PASTOR APPRECIATION—THANK YOU!
Wow! You all know how to make your pastors feel loved! Thank you for the lovely surprise in worship, for your prayers, and for the gifts. Ministry is a bit like the orchids you gave us. It requires tending but when cared for, can bloom again and again. We do our best to tend the Morningside family with prayer, love, support, and opportunities to grow. And we give thanks that you do the same for us. Here's to the many blossoms we celebrate now and for ways we will continue to bloom for years to come.



November Birthdays



Is

your name missing from our monthly birthday list? Click [here](#) to send Megan an email with the day, month, and year of your birth. Megan will add it to your Realm profile. Then, she'll be able to include your name in the Month at a Glance birthday list. (Don't worry, she won't share your age!)

You deserve to be celebrated!

- 3 Ann Benson
- 3 Ginny Fergus
- 4 Will James
- 4 Tara Parrish
- 6 Mac Frampton
- 6 Lindy Menefee
- 6 Sam Wingert
- 8 Christian Bromley
- 8 Kelly Anderson
- 12 Jonathan Crutchfield
- 12 Julie Loring
- 12 Charlotte Sommerfeld
- 14 Mark Gilbreath
- 14 Kathleen Wilmer
- 15 Keira Cobb
- 15 Joseph Cochran
- 15 Rhonda McIntosh
- 16 Grady Ulep
- 17 Cameron Cobb
- 18 John Macaulay
- 19 Ellis Williams
- 20 Robert McIntosh
- 20 Ryder Woolley
- 22 Art Gordon
- 23 Genevieve Shafer
- 25 Mills Lyddan
- 26 Kasey Libby
- 26 Jack Perez
- 27 Lucas Benzinger
- 27 Lauren King
- 28 Richard Brownlee
- 28 Allen Burke
- 29 Leslie Prince
- 30 Chap O'Brien
- 30 Wait Aumann

LOOKING FORWARD TO

Advent at MPC

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28:

Advent Worship, ICM Food Drive Begins

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3:

Holiday Screen-on-the-Green (Time TBD)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5:

9:45 a.m. Intergenerational Advent Festival with Moravian Love Feast

11 a.m. Advent Worship with Communion

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12:

Advent Worship with Children's Pageant

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19:

Advent Worship with Handbells

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23:

Outdoor Progressive Lessons & Carols

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24:

Christmas Eve Worship with Candlelight 4 p.m. and 8 p.m.



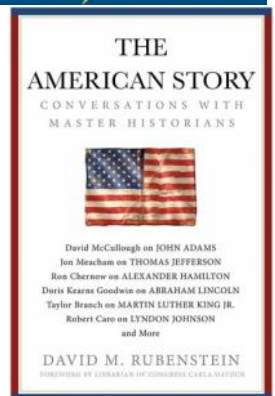
RHO READERS NOVEMBER READ:

*AMERICAN STORY:
CONVERSATIONS WITH MASTER
HISTORIANS*

BY DAVID RUBENSTEIN

The book captures the brilliance of our most esteemed historians and Pulitzer

Prize winners such as Jon Meacham and Doris Kearns Goodwin, as well as the souls of their subjects. It features a foreword by Librarian of Congress's Carla Hayden, the first woman and the first African American to lead our national library. Please join us for the discussion on Sunday November 17th at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom. Contact [Jill](#) for more information and the Zoom link.



PRAY AWAY SCREENING

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11 @ 7 P.M.

Every Join us for the Atlanta screening of PRAY AWAY, the Netflix documentary that explores the narratives of former leaders and a survivor of the "conversion therapy" movement who speak out about its lasting harm and its devastating persistence.

While over 20 states have passed legislation to protect LGBTQ youth from the harmful practices associated with "conversion therapy", the fight to achieve similar success in Georgia continues. The screening will be followed with a panel discussion featuring survivors of "conversion therapy", mental health experts, LGBTQ advocates, and faith leaders who will reflect on the themes of the film as well as propose a way to end conversion therapy, in all its forms, once and for all.

You can register for the event [here](#).

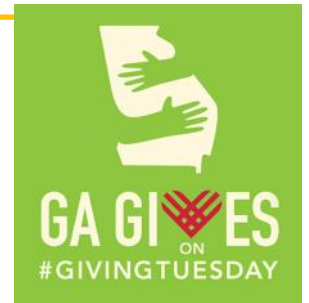


Serve Together.

Researched
and compiled
by Jill Klotz

GEORGIA GIVES

Led by the Georgia Center for Nonprofits (GCN), GAgives on GivingTuesday is the state's biggest giving movement, designed to connect citizens and nonprofits. All of your MPC Mission Partners such as Clifton Sanctuary Ministries, Intown Collaborative Ministries, Nicholas House, Rebecca's Tent, J.W. Dobbs Elementary, Memorial Drive Ministries, Just Bakery, Amani Women's Center, Global Growers, Friends of Refugees, and Meals On Wheels Atlanta are listed on the GAgives website. Click [here](#) and type in the name of the Mission Partner you would like to support in the search field.



MEALS ON WHEELS ATLANTA

MOWA shepherd, Sarah Brownlee says that *now* is the time to [order](#) pecans treats and other gourmet items for the holidays from Purposeful Gifts. All proceeds benefit MOWA. Purposeful Foods will also be glad to prepare your Thanksgiving dinner! Click [here](#) to order your Thanksgiving dinner.



NICHOLAS HOUSE THANKSGIVING DRIVE

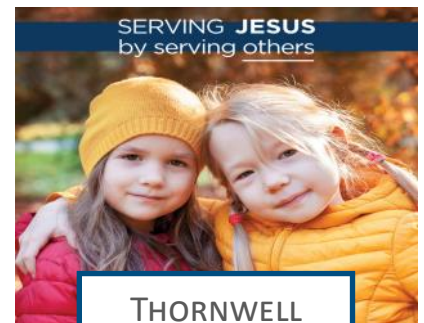
MPC outreach partner Nicholas House, works to keep families safe and in their homes. This year, Nicholas House is sponsoring a Thanksgiving Basket food collection drive.

You can find more info at www.nicholashouse.org, or you can contact [Katie Watts](#).



INCOMING TURKEYS!

Every November, Morningside participates in the annual Thornwell offering. Many of us remember Tom the Turkey coin holders that our Sunday School teachers gave us. MPC continues this tradition again for 2021! Turkey coin collectors will be distributed to children in Sunday school and MPC Kids. They are also available in the Welcome Center. Be sure to return your turkeys by the end of November to Pastor Amanda.



THORNWELL

Click [here](#) to learn more about Thornwell.





CHICKEN FARM VISIT

A group of intrepid MPCers recently enjoyed a visit to Grateful Pastures chicken farm in Mansfield, GA. They learned much about the importance of small organic farms where chickens can be raised in a humane, safe and caring manner. When the chicks are two weeks old, they are moved in small groups to buildings where the grass in the pasture is the “floor” of their homes. These buildings are moved daily so they always have clean, fresh grass. These chickens are not only grass fed, they are CLEAN grass fed! It was a beautiful and educational day to share with friends!



CHATTAHOOCHEE RIVERKEEPER CLEANUP PROJECT

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4, 10 A.M.—1 P.M.

Georgia has over 70,000 miles of streams and rivers – and they need your help! Mark your calendar to join the MPC CARE team for a workday for people 10 yrs. old and older with the Chattahoochee Riverkeepers. Contact Jeanne McCarthy and click [here](#) for more info.



CLIFTON PIZZA PARTY

MPC will host the “Pizza after Thanksgiving” meal at Clifton Sanctuaries on the Saturday after Thanksgiving, 11/27 at 6:00 p.m. For more information contact Clifton shepherds [Ann Watson](#) or [Joe Floyd](#).

CLIFTON SUCCESSES

- Quwenton G.- Recently employed through First Staffing.
- Clarence D.- Obtained stable housing.
- Jimmy H.- Acquired voucher for housing.
- John B. - Acquired voucher for housing.



CLIFTON’S HIRING

Clifton is looking for a new Case Manager. Contact mia@cliftonsanctuary.com for more information.

DECOR FRESHEN-UP

Check out Clifton’s updated entrance! Thanks to CSM Board member, Becky Zinn, for working her magic and transforming the area into a place the guys can gather and build community!



JUST BAKERY ORDERS

There are 3 pickup points hosted by your fellow Morningsiders.

- Amy and Van Jensen host the Candler Park pick-up point on the 1st Friday of the month. Place your order before noon on the Thursday before.
- Sarah and Richard Brownlee host the Morningside pick-up point on the 3rd Tuesdays of the month. Place your order the Monday before.
- Julie Greene and Mardee Rightmyer host the Oakhurst pick-up point on the 3rd Friday of the month. Place your order the Wednesday before.
- Click [here](#) to order.



MEMORIAL DRIVE MINISTRIES

Thanks to MPC's \$10K seed money to start a matching fund initiative, MDM was able to collect another \$10K for a grand total of \$20K, which will go to help in restoring the Donnell building from damage from the fire this summer! David Lee Roth, MDM Executive Director, sends his heartfelt thanks to all of us for our generosity and for everything MPC does to support this valuable refugee outreach. For more info about MDM, click [here](#).



RIDE ALONG ON GROCERY DELIVERIES

Sign up [here](#) to help deliver groceries to ICM clients! Ride along with one of our MPC drivers on Tuesday, November 9 to take food from the ICM Food Pantry to residents of Maggie Russell Towers. Morningside delivers the second Tuesday of every month.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

Canned Chicken	UHT Milk (shelf-stable)
Tuna Packets	Peanut Butter & Jelly
Uncrustables	Instant Oatmeal/Grits
Canned Soups	Fruit Cups
Canned Fish	Instant Coffee Packets

Click [here](#) to order off of the Amazon Wishlist.

HOW TO DROP OFF DONATIONS

A drop off table is open outside Mclver Hall Fridays and Saturdays from 9-12. Pull your car right up to Mclver Hall and volunteers will unload your donation.

ICM DONATIONS

As During only one week in October, ICM has served 268 households, totaling 418 people, received 2,477.8lbs in donations, and distributed 7,370lbs. Food insecurity is still on the rise and support is needed more than ever, especially as the weather turns cold. As the weather starts to turn, ICM is now accepting new or gently used hats, gloves, blankets, and socks (new only) at the pantry. These will be the only clothing items accepted. If you have other items you wish to donate, ICM suggests donating to Mercy Church or Georgia Works!

A graphic celebrating the 9th anniversary of Shalom International Ministry. It features the word "Celebrate" in a colorful, bubbly font, followed by "9 Years of SHALOM INTERNATIONAL MINISTRY". There are two circular portraits of people: a woman on top and a man on the bottom, both smiling. The background is a mix of green and yellow with starburst patterns.

Join us for a virtual, multicultural concert to celebrate our past nine years and support our future years!

When: Nov. 15TH
6:00-8:00 PM

Where: FACEBOOK
Shalom International Ministry
@ShalomInternationalMinistry

Donate:

YOUR SUPPORT WILL HELP FUND:

- Shalom International Ministry
- Refugee Children's Ministry
- Inspire After-School Program
- Montreat Youth Scholarships

By Check: 5140 Memorial Dr, Stone Mountain, GA 30083 | Online: Shalominternationalministries.com or During the Concert

November 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 9 Partner with the Preacher	2 Election Day 11 Zoom Yoga 1:30 Staff meeting 5:30 MPC Kids (PreK-2nd Grade) 7 Handbell Choir	3 5:30 Commitment Gathering 7 Book Study 7:30 Chancel Choir Rehearsal	4 DUE JUST BAKERY ORDER 8:45 Morning(side) Lift 11 Zoom Yoga Pam 12 Centering Prayer 7 Deacons Meeting	5 JUST BAKERY PICK-UP (JENSENS) 11:30 Commitment Gathering	6
7 9:15 Children's Choir 9:45 Sunday School 11 Worship—Communion 2 Book Study 3 Commitment Gathering 6 Youth Group	8 9 Partner with the Preacher 7 Worship & Arts Meeting	9 11 Zoom Yoga 1:30 Staff meeting 5:30 Commitment Gathering 5:30 MPC Kids (PreK-2nd Grade) 7 Handbell Choir	10 12 Commitment Gathering Zoom 7 Book Study 7:30 Chancel Choir Rehearsal	11 8:45 Morning(side) Lift 11 Zoom Yoga Pam 12 Centering Prayer 7 "Pray Away" Screening	12 7 Mac Frampton in Concert	13 3 MPC Couples & Friends
14 Commitment Sunday 9:15 Children's Choir 9:45 Sunday School 11 Worship 12 Congregational Meeting 12 Outdoor Fellowship 2 Book Study 6 Youth Group	15 JUST BAKERY ORDER DUE 9 Partner with the Preacher 7 Session	16 JUST BAKERY PICK-UP (BROWNLEES) 11 Zoom Yoga 1:30 Staff meeting 7 Theology on Tap 7 Handbell Choir	17 7 Book Study 7:30 Chancel Choir Rehearsal	18 JUST BAKERY ORDER DUE 8:45 Morning(side) Lift 11 Zoom Yoga 12 Centering Prayer	19 JUST BAKERY PICK-UP (GREEN/RIGHTMYER) 7:30 Capitol City Opera	20
21 Christ the King Sunday 9:15 Children's Choir 9:45 Sunday School 11 Worship 1 RHO Readers Zoom 2 Book Study	22 9 Partner with the Preacher 7:30 Women's Roundtable Zoom	23 11 Zoom Yoga 1:30 Staff meeting 6:30 Handbell Choir Rehearsal 7:30 Chancel Choir Rehearsal	24 7 Book Study	25 Thanksgiving Day The church offices will be closed.	26 The church offices will be closed.	27 5 Clifton Sanctuary Dinner
28 Advent 1 9:15 Children's Choir 9:45 Sunday School 11 Worship 2 Book Study	29 9 Partner with the Preacher	30 11 Zoom Yoga 1:30 Staff meeting 7 Handbell Choir		Click on the hyperlinks for more info!		

