Hillside Presbyterian Church

Palm Sunday
April 9, 2017
Order of Worship

Guest Preacher: Rev. Nibs Stroupe **Choir Director/Organist:** Mr. DeBron Delk
Liturgist: Rev. John Kamau

LET US APPROACH GOD

("" Indicates those who are able will stand; "####" Indicates Ushers will seat persons arriving late)*

PRELUDE ***Prelude on St. Agnes*** ***by Neil Harmon***

PROCESSIONAL HYMN ***All Glory, Laud, and Honor*** ***No. 226, AAHH***

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*CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: Behold your king comes to you;
People: he is just, he brings salvation,
Liturgist: he brings peace.
People: Hosanna in the highest!
Liturgist: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
All: Hosanna in the highest!

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CALL TO CONFESSION Rev. John Kamau

PRAYER OF CORPORATE CONFESSION (unison) led by Rev. John Kamau

Jesus rode into Jerusalem not as a conquering king but in humility, the Servant King, ready to complete the task for which he had walked this world. Forgive us those times when we think too highly of ourselves and remind us always that you ask from us lives dedicated to service, to you and to our neighbors, wherever and whoever they might be. Enable us to take off our cloaks of self-righteousness and lay them down at your feet. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Rev. John Kamau

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*RESPONSE TO PARDON ***Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me***

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen. [Repeat this line 2 times more]
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND PASSING THE PEACE Rev. John Kamau

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LET US LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

CHURCH SCHOOL PLAY Christian Education Ministry

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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison) Rev. John Kamau

Eternal God, whose word silences the shouts of the mighty: Quiet within us every voice but your own. Speak to us through the suffering and death of Jesus Christ that, by the power of your Holy Spirit, we may receive grace to show Christ's love in lives given to your service. Amen.

READING FROM THE PSALTER *Psalm 118:1-7* (p. 534) Rev. John Kamau

*NEW TESTAMENT LESSON *Matthew 21:1-17* (p. 21) Rev. Nibs Stroupe

SOLO ***Ride On, King Jesus (arr. Hall Johnson)*** Mrs. Raymie Malloy, Soprano

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SERMON "Ride On, King Jesus" Rev. Nibs Stroupe

LET US RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP Rev. Nibs Stroupe

Persons desiring to join Hillside can: 1) Come to the front of the church during the Invitational Hymn 2) Contact the liturgist or congregant assisting in the pulpit 3) Call Denise at 404.289.3092

*INVITATIONAL HYMN ***When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*** ***No. 101, PH***

*******AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (unison) based on *Psalm 118* Rev. John Kamau

Though we have known hardship and pain, though life has not always turned out as we had hoped, we will stand here and say: God's steadfast love endures forever! Though life becomes more complex, the deepest questions remain unanswered, and the mystery of faith deepens, we will say: God's steadfast love endures forever! And though the pain of the world often seems more than we can bear or address, we will stand firm in our faith and say: God's steadfast love endures forever!

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER Rev. Nibs Stroupe

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS Rev. John Kamau

MUSICAL OFFERING ***Praise Him*** ***No. 172, AAHH***

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE ***Doxology*** ***No. 651, AAHH***

*OFFERTORY PRAYER Rev. John Kamau

LET US RETURN TO GOD'S WORLD

*CLOSING HYMN ***Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*** ***No. 89, PH***

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION Rev. Nibs Stroupe

POSTLUDE ***Ye Holy Angels Bright*** ***arr. Franklin Ritter***

You are invited for conversation and refreshments in the Fellowship Hall after the Worship Service.

THE WORSHIP ENDS – THE SERVICE BEGINS

Acolyte: Faith George

Ushers: Lelia Crawford, Shirley Anderson, Norma McKenzie, Georgia Washington

Media Specialist: Justin Killings

ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Bulletin Submission Deadline: Wednesdays, *3:00 p.m.; Church Office Closed 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.)
****Announcements received after this time will be held for the next bulletin cycle. Other items will not be included.***

The Prayer Room is open after Service if you want to pray for yourself or others.

PLEASE BE COURTEOUS

Turn off and put away ALL mobile phones and any other devices with audible tones.

OUR GUEST PREACHER TODAY IS REVEREND GIBSON "NIBS" STROUPE

Rev. Stroupe recently retired as senior pastor at Oakhurst Presbyterian Church in Decatur, after serving almost 34 years there. Part of this time, he served as co-pastor with his wife, the Rev. Caroline Leach. Prior to becoming the pastor at Oakhurst, Rev. Stroupe help found a halfway house in Nashville, Tennessee, for men getting out of prison. After graduating from seminary, he and Rev. Leach served as co-pastors in a small church before he returned to prison ministry in Nashville, working with prisoners on death row and lobbying for prison reform in the state legislature.

Nibs was born in Memphis, Tennessee and grew up in Helena, Arkansas. He attended Rhodes and Davidson Colleges, and earned his M.Div. from Columbia Seminary. He and Rev. Leach have adult children (a son and a daughter) and two grandchildren. He is the author of 3 books and has just signed a contract for a book of his sermons to be published. He has long been an outspoken voice for racial and social justice within the PC(USA) and nationwide. He has preached at Hillside many times, particularly for our Good Friday services. We welcome him back to Hillside.

HILLSIDE'S FOOD PANTRY

MARCH: 104 families/ 308 individuals served; **3,082 pounds of food** distributed.

SOCIAL MISSION MINISTRY MEETING

The next one will be held on **THIS Saturday, April 15** at **10:00 a.m.**, in the **Parlor Room**.

ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT

The Christian Education Ministry will have it **THIS Saturday, April 15** at **11:00 a.m.** **<u>You may help by donating candy-filled, plastic eggs (NO hard-boiled eggs, please). If you did not bring them today, then please bring them to the church office before/by THIS Thursday, April 13</u>. Again, we are asking that everyone FILL their eggs BEFORE donating them.** Thanks so much!

JAMAICA MISSION TRIP – REVISED DATES – JULY 13-18, 2017!

This is a "Family Mission Trip" and single adults or couples are also welcome. (For family groups, the youngest child must be at least six years old.) **Approximate cost: $1300**. **<u>Registration deadline: April 17, 2017</u>**. Links to downloadable versions of the brochure, registration and scholarship forms, and a combined registration and scholarship form that may be completed online are available on the homepage of Hillside's Web site (www.hillsidepresbyterian.org); paper copies of the forms and brochure are in the Narthex and Church Office. So, there are multiple options available to assist you with completing the registration process by the stated deadline. For more information, please contact Deloris Bryant-Booker or Ann Peck.

EVANGELISM & COMMUNICATION MINISTRY MEETING

The next one will be held on **Sunday, April 23** at **12:45 p.m.**, in the **Session Room**.

TRINITY (DECATUR) PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 76TH ANNIVERSARY

Sunday, April 23 at **3:00 p.m.** Church address is **1706 Candler Road, Decatur GA 30032**.

SCHOLARSHIP TEA

This event will be held on **Sunday, April 30** at **4:00 p.m.**, in the **Fellowship Hall at Hillside**. Tickets are available from Nurture Group A members and also available for sale in the Narthex on Sundays. (Tickets are $10 for ages 12 & under, and $15 for others.) You may support the Tea in a number of ways: purchase tickets; donate food (the list will be in the Narthex); invite friends; and if you cannot come, make a donation. The Tea is a highlight event of each Spring; you will certainly want to support it. Thank you from Nurture Group A.

PASTORAL CARE

When you need pastoral care, please call one of the following Hillside Parish Associates: Reverends Ernestine Cole (404.288.9733/404.273.1394), Rita Dixon (404.288.5952), or Marvin Simmers (404.289.4565). Their names are listed alphabetically, not in order of availability. For example, if you call Rev. Dixon and she is not available, call Rev. Simmers or Rev. Cole, instead. Session members are also available. Please note that it is not feasible to schedule appointments, at this time.

APRIL 9 – APRIL 16		
Sunday	**9th**	9:30 a.m. – Church School **11:00 a.m. – Worship Service – Palm Sunday - Guest: Rev. Nibs Stroupe** **12:45 p.m. – Congregational Care Meeting in Session Room**
Monday	**10th**	6:00 p.m. – Chime Ensemble 7:00 p.m. – AA Meeting in Room 4
Tuesday	**11th**	1:00 p.m. – Food Pantry in Session Room & Church Office 6:00 p.m. – Prayer Group Meeting in Parlor Room **7:00 p.m. – Administration & Stewardship Ministry Meeting (teleconference)** 7:00 p.m. – AA Meeting in Room 4
Wednesday	**12th**	5:30 p.m. – Bell Ensemble 6:30 p.m. – Bell Choir 7:00 p.m. – AA Meeting in Room 4 7:30 p.m. – Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	**13th**	7:00 p.m. – AA Meeting in Room 4 **7:00 p.m. – Maundy Thursday Service at Crossroads Presbyterian** **7:00 p.m. – Maundy Thursday Service at Radcliffe Presbyterian**
Friday	**14th**	**7:00 p.m. – Good Friday Service** 7:00 p.m. – AA Meeting in Room 4
Saturday	**15th**	**10:00 a.m. – Social Mission Ministry Meeting in Parlor Room** **11:00 a.m. – Annual Easter Egg Hunt on Church Grounds** **1:00 p.m. – Easter Vigil** 3:00 p.m. – AA "Big Book" Session in Room 4
Sunday	**16th**	**6:30 a.m. – Easter Sunrise Service at Church of the Master Presbyterian** 9:30 a.m. – Church School **11:00 a.m. – Worship Service – Easter – Guest: Rev. Dr. John Azumah**

Schedule subject to change. Please confirm space availability with Denise at hillspc@bellsouth.net OR 404.289.3092. Thank you!

Please pray for, call or visit:

Georgia Brown
Joshua Brown – grandson of Doris McHenry & Joe Breland
Sharon Bryant
Margaret Burgess – Melba Durr's mother
Keisha Burnette
Rosalyn Colquitt – cousin of Sharon Howell – breast cancer
Diane Craig – sister-in-law of Beth Burnette
Donald Craig – brother of Beth Burnette
Curtis Crawford – brother of Bernice Brantley
Keisha Davis – niece of Sharon Howell – breast cancer
Daniel Delk – father of DeBron Delk
Antonio Durns – nephew of Erma Killings
John & Lutricia Elmore
Kenneth Fikes – brother of Norm Fikes – stroke in hospital, Houston, TX
Norm & Faye Fikes
Alison, Askari & Ava Foy
Dorothy & Verdis Gholston – sister & brother-in-law of Erma Killings
Verdis "Jay" Gholston, Jr. – nephew of Erma Killings
Eloise Bobo Hargrove
Virginia Hinton
Monica Hopson – stage 4 breast cancer
Ima Horne – friend of the Howell family
Ben Jackson, Jr. – nephew of Betsy Johnson
Marvis McDaniel Ivey & Marcus Ivey - protection from gov't corruption & crime
Christopher Johnson – nephew of Rev. Robert Howell
Raymie Malloy & family
Bill Mayweather
Doris McHenry & Joe Breland
Brenda Mitchell – sister of Raymie Malloy
Moolenaar family
Anne Morris – Keisha Burnette's mother
Fatimah Muhammed – daughter of Lena Jefferson
Walter Murray
Patricia Osborne – sister of Shirley Anderson
Carl Reid & family
Mary Sealy – sister of George W. Burnette III
Reverend Dr. Joseph E. Thompson Sr.
Rosa Walker – sister of Erma Killings

(If there are names that you would like to ADD to OR REMOVE from this list, please contact Denise before 3:00 p.m. on Wednesdays – hillspc@bellsouth.net or 404.289.3092)

April Birthdays

Branch, Kristin Marks	2
McKenzie, Norma	2
Parker, Sylvester	4
Thomas, Jameeka	11
Stewart, Carlton	12
Koffa, Gloria	13
Killings, Justin	16
Graham, Alicia S. Johnson	17
Thompson, Nyla	17
Wirsiy, Amulen (Nisha)	17
Jackson, Mona	20
Dillard, Brandon	21
Malloy, Jamal	21
Anderson, Guy	23
Elmore, John	23
Mitchell, Catrease	23
Cannon, Melanie	25
McIntyre, Rosalind	30

Class of 2017	Class of 2018	Class of 2019
Lelia Crawford	Castell Jackson	Willie Anthony
Faye Fikes	Justin Killings	
Doug Kinsey	Rosalind McIntyre	
Myra Miller	Alice Moore	

Session/Ministry Organization for 2017

Moderator Pro Temp:	Rev. Dr. Marvin Simmers
Clerk of Session:	Elder Willie Anthony
Treasurer:	Elder Alice Moore
Administration:	Elder Castell Jackson, Chair
Christian Education:	Elder Rosalind McIntyre, Chair
Congregational Care:	Elder Deloris Bryant-Booker, Chair (not on Session)
Evangelism:	Elders Faye Fikes & Justin Killings, Co-Chairs
Social Mission:	Elder Myra Miller, Chair & Willie Anthony
Worship:	Elder Lelia Crawford, Chair

Officer Nominating Committee - SESSION: Elder Doug Kinsey, Chair & Elder Faye Fikes

Other Assignments

Chimes Choir Director:	Ms. Allean Brown
Handbell Choir Director:	Ms. Althea Brown
Choir Director/Organist:	Mr. DeBron Delk
Assistant Youth Director:	Ms. Khayla Johnson
Administrative Assistant:	Mrs. Denise Moolenaar
Commissioners to Presbytery:	Elders Faye Fikes, Sonja McMullen, Ann Peck

Officer Nominating Committee - CONGREGATION: Elders Willie Hinton & Sonja McMullen & Ms. Teena Hargrove

Mission Statement

The mission of Hillside Presbyterian Church is that of the church universal: to advance the gospel of Jesus Christ for the salvation of humankind. We are committed to being an inclusive, intergenerational church by creating a caring, Christian community. Hillside reaches out to diverse ethnic and religious groups in our community and beyond to foster a better understanding of all people. We are a servant people, responding to those in need, doing justice, loving mercy, and walking humbly with our God.

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