



## Mint Hill Presbyterian Church

*"...that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ."*

*- 1 Peter 4:11*

Preparing our hearts for worship...

“The sin underneath all our sins is to trust the lie of the serpent, that we cannot trust the love and grace of Christ, and must take matters into our own hands.”

~ Martin Luther

January 4, 2026

**Sunday Morning Worship**  
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**Preparing Our Hearts for Worship**

*Agnus Dei*

Alleluia, Alleluia  
For the Lord God Almighty reigns  
Alleluia, Alleluia  
For the Lord God Almighty reigns—Alleluia

Holy, Holy, are You Lord God Almighty  
Worthy is the Lamb—worthy is the Lamb  
You are holy, holy, are you Lord God Almighty  
Worthy is the Lamb—worthy is the Lamb, Amen.

**Welcome and Announcements**

Rev. Jeff Morrison

**\*Call to Worship**

*Psalm 34:1-3*

Rev. Pedro Pollorena

**I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.  
My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.  
Oh, magnify the LORD with me and let us exalt his name together!**

**Invocation**

**\*Opening Song of Praise**

*How Great Is Our God*

The splendor of a King, clothed in majest—let all the earth rejoice—all the earth rejoice  
He wraps himself in light and darkness tries to hide, and trembles at His voice—trembles at His voice

(Chorus)

How great is our God, sing with me—How great is our God, and all will see how great, how great is our God!

Age to age He stands and time is in His hands, beginning and the end—beginning and the end  
The Godhead Three in One—Father, Spirit, Son—the Lion and the Lamb—Lion and the Lamb (chorus)

Bridge:

Name above all names, worthy of our praise—my heart will sing how great is our God! (chorus x 2)

**\*Confession of Sin**

Donn DeHart

Precious Lord Jesus, we have sinned times without number, and been guilty of pride and unbelief, and of neglect to seek you in our daily lives. Our sins and shortcomings present us with a list of accusations, but we thank you that they will not stand against us, for all have been laid on Christ. Deliver us from every evil habit, every interest of former sins, everything that dims the brightness of your grace in us, everything that prevents us taking delight in you. In the name of Christ Jesus we pray. Amen.

**Scriptural Assurance of Pardon**

*Joel 2:12-13*

“Yet even now,” declares the LORD, “return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; and rend your hearts and not your garments.” Return to the LORD your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and he relents over disaster.

**\*Gloria Patri**

Henry Greatorex

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen.

**\*Prayer of Dedication for Tithes and Offerings**

Rev. Jeff Morrison

**Worship Through Giving**

*\* Please stand if you are able.*

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## Offertory

### *Come Unto Jesus (We invite you to sing and worship with us!)*

Come unto Jesus all you who are weary, come to the mercy seat fervently kneel  
Here bring your wounded hearts broken and needy, come unto Jesus mighty to heal

Joy of the comfortless Light for the straying, hope of the penitent Peace in our strife  
Here speaks the Comforter tenderly saying, My yoke is easy my burden is light

(Chorus)  
Come unto Jesus, come unto Jesus—lay down your burdens He is enough—Come unto Jesus rest in His love

Come taste the Bread of Life broken for sinners, drink from the cup of His promise made sure  
Feast at His table as sons and as daughters, grace overflowing is yours evermore (chorus)

Come now and follow Him this life forsaking, all that was gain count as nothing but loss  
Trade all this world for His kingdom unfading, come unto Jesus take up your cross  
Come unto Jesus take up your cross—Life everlasting He offers to us! (chorus)

## \*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## Pastoral Prayer

Steve Smith

## 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.

## New Testament Scripture

*1 Timothy 1:1-5*

Rev. Jeff Morrison

## Proclamation of the Word

*"Aiming for Love"*

Rev. Jeff Morrison

## Celebrating the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

## \*Song of Response

*Holy Forever*

A thousand generations falling down in worship to sing the song of ages to the Lamb  
And all who've gone before us, and all who will believe will sing the song of ages to the Lamb

(Chorus)

Your name is the highest, Your name is the greatest, Your name stands above them all  
All thrones and dominions, all powers and positions, Your name stands above them all  
And the angels cry, "Holy" All creation cries, "Holy"—You are lifted high, holy—Holy forever!

If you've been forgiven, if you've been redeemed, sing the song forever to the Lamb  
If you walk in freedom, if you bear His name, sing the song forever to the Lamb  
We'll sing the song forever and amen—We'll sing the song forever and amen (chorus)

And the angels cry, "Holy" All creation cries, "Holy"—You are lifted high, holy—Holy forever!  
Hear your people sing, "Holy" to the King of kings, "Holy"  
You will always be holy, holy forever—You will always be holy, holy forever

## \*Benediction

\* Please stand if you are able.

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*If you would like to know Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior, we invite you to speak to the pastor or one of our elders after the worship service. If you are in need of prayer, please don't hesitate to speak with the pastor. We are happy to pray with you.*

**Announcements**

**Welcome to Mint Hill Presbyterian!** As our guest, if you have any needs or questions, please feel free to ask, and we will be happy to help. We also invite you to fill out a guest card in the lobby and give it to one of the greeters at the back or drop it in the offering plate.

This morning Pastor Jeff brings us the Proclamation of the Word from 1 Timothy 1:1-5. We look forward to the word the Lord has given him!

**Sunday School:** The Adult Sunday School Class will resume next Sunday when we will begin the study of the book of Judges.. Everyone is welcome! We start at 9:00 a.m.

**Tomorrow, January 5,** we will take down the Chrismon Tree and the Christmas decorations in the sanctuary, anyone who can come help will be appreciated!

**A reminder from the WOC – Dues are now being collected. See Mary Stokes soon!**

**The WOC Bible Study group is now on break. Our startup date is TBA. All women are welcome to join us. Our studies are rich!!**

**The next Men's Breakfast will be on Saturday, February 7 at 8:00 a.m.** All the men of the church are welcome! Come and be fed on the Word and a great breakfast!

**Our next Meal and Movie night will be Saturday, January 10 at 6:00 p.m.** Our menu is Butch's Barbeque and Baked Beans. We are asked to bring side dishes and desserts. Come out a be fed on the Word, good fellowship, and good food!

**A reminder that Pastor Jeff is available on Wednesdays from 11:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.** If you need to see him, please let him know so he can schedule a time to meet with you. His phone number is 704-804-1921.

*Mint Hill Presbyterian Church exists to glorify God  
by seeking the lost, making disciples,  
and worshiping the Savior.*

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