



Our mission is to "glorify and enjoy God, love and equip His people for the work of His ministry, and make disciples of all nations."

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THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

November 19, 2017



**NORTH MACON
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PCA**

Please be sure to turn off all cellular devices during the worship service.

Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!
2 Corinthians 9:15

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Josh Garrett

Introit

Call to Worship

Psalm 98:1-4

Pastor: Sing to the LORD a new song for he has done marvelous things!

People: His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.

Pastor: The LORD has made his salvation known and revealed his righteousness to the nations.

People: He has remembered his love and his faithfulness to the house of Israel.

Pastor: All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

People: Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth! Burst into jubilant song with music!

*Praise Hymn

295 - *Crown Him With Many Crowns*

*Invocation

Bill Barnes

**those who are able please stand*



ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday - 9:30 am - Sunday School

10:45 am - Worship

Monday - 9:00 am - Monday Morning Prayer

Wednesday - Friday - Office Closed

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Monday Morning Prayer - We will gather for prayer tomorrow morning from 9:00 - 10:00 AM in the Conference Room. If you have a prayer request, please let Hunter or Josh know so that we can pray for you.

2018 Mission Trip - NMPC will send a team Washington state to minister to the Yakama Tribe of Native Americans the week of June 2-9, 2018. Would you prayerfully consider if God would have you participate?

Christmas Shoeboxes - We will be collecting Christmas shoeboxes until Wednesday, November 29th to send the children of Sacred Road Ministries. Please pick up a flyer in the narthex with all of the information.

WIC Christmas Party - Our WIC Christmas Party will be on Monday, December 4, 2017 from 6:00 - 8:00. Ruthie Carlson will be the speaker. Please sign up in the narthex if you will be attending.

Preschool Moms - All Preschool and Elementary School Moms are invited to gather on Thursday, December 7th from 8:30-10:00 AM at NMPC. After a time of fellowship, there will be a presentation on "Keeping Christ in Christmas: Practical Ideas for your Family." A nursery will be provided.



SERVICE SCHEDULES

♦ COMMUNION PREPARATION

December - Susan Robertson

♦ COMMUNION SERVERS

November - Rob Morton, Kevin Watson, John McSween, Jason Churchwell, Dan Strawn

December - John McSween, Larry Breed, Charles Baker, Frank Fleming, Buck Ream

♦ USHERS

November - Bert Barnes, Jason Churchwell, Shane Self, Keith Young

December - Matt Cathey, Seth Peed, Alan Little

♦ GREETERS

November - Howard & Debi Reed

December - Patrick & Ashley Hoye

♦ SOUNDBOARD OPERATOR

November - Jack Pyles

December - Paul Johnson

♦ FLOWER SCHEDULE

Today (11/19) - Beth McSween

Next Sunday (11/26) Stephanie Chipley

♦ PRAYER TEAM

Today (11/19) Charles Baker, Howard Reed

Next Sunday (11/26) Larry Breed, Jeff Thompson

♦ NURSERY WORKERS

Today (11/19) Rick Funk & Silas Peed

Next Sunday (11/26) Jay & Kathleen Gettmann

♦ CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Today (11/19) Patrick & Ashley Hoye

Next Sunday (11/26) John & Beth McSween

*Confession of Faith

Colossians 1:15-20

Pastor: Christian, who is Jesus Christ?

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation.

For by him all things were created:

things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible,

whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities;

all things were created by him and for him.

He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

And he is the head of the body, the church;

He is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead,

so that in everything he might have the supremacy.

For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him,

and through him to reconcile to himself all things,

whether things on earth or things in heaven,

by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.

*Hymn

The Power of the Cross

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Took the blame, bore the wrath. We stand for giv - en at the cross.
What a love, what a cost! We stand for - giv - en at the cross. (repeat final chorus)

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Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth. Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs. Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Bill Barnes

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offertory**Scripture Reading**

Isaiah 6

Hymn of PreparationBlessed Be Your Name*

Blessed be your name in the land that is plentiful;
Where your streams of abundance flow, blessed be Your name.
Blessed be Your name when I'm found in the desert place;
Though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be Your name.

Chorus: Every blessing you pour out, I'll turn back to praise.
When the darkness closes in, Lord still I will say:
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name.
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name.

Blessed be Your name, when the sun's shining down on me;
When the world's all as it should be, blessed be Your name.
Blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering;
Though there's pain in the offering, blessed be Your name. *Chorus*

You give and take away, You give and take away;
My heart will choose to say, Lord blessed be Your name. 2X
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name.
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name. 2X

DISCIPLESHIP OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAY SCHOOL/FALL QUARTER

Children's Classes - Children's classes are available by grade.

Youth Class - *The Book of Colossians* led by Mark Ballard (Room #120A)

Adult Classes -

Romans 8-16 For You by Tim Keller - led by Paul McCommon

Old Testament Historical Context - led by Josh Garrett

Technology and Your Family - Led by Jason Churchwell

Men's Class - Union with Christ - led by Howard Gordon

Women's Class - The book of Acts - led by Pam Kanode

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES

Dinner begins at 5:45 PM for the whole family (\$5.00/adult/teen, \$2.00/child, family max \$15.00). At 6:30 PM, some adults meet in the sanctuary for Bible study and some adults meet in Small Groups (see Josh for details), while the youth (grades 7-12) and the children (4 years to 6th grade) have classes. Nursery is provided.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

General Operations— 10/31/2017

2017 Receipts: \$ 673,354

2017 Expenses: \$ 639,986

2017 transfer to

Capital Campaign: \$ 58,000

Faith Promise for Missions

Collected Jan-Jun: \$24,738

Paid out Jan-Jun: \$19,275

to support our 15 missionaries

Needed July-Dec: \$19,275

Collected in July - Oct. \$ 5,958

Capital Campaign— 10/31/2017

Amount Pledged: \$1,990,766

Pledges Received: — 1,290,546

Pledges Outstanding: 700,220

Building Fund Cash: 1,842,797

Bldg Expenses Paid: 163,850

Total Gifts & Pledges: 2,706,867

Goal to break ground: 2,750,000

Guaranteed max price: 4,000,000

Our Church Family:

Expecting: Allison Deaton

Newborns: William Cathey, Jonathan Young, Rhett Covert, Camp Garretson, Ella Anne Norvell, Marjory Bell, Matthew Seay, Benjamin Robinson, Bowen Monsted & Eleanor Schnetzer

Members caring for Loved Ones: Charles Baker (mom); Kathy Cunningham (mom); Becky Gorman (Randy); Amelia Smith (mom); Mary Jane Leggett (mom & daughter-in-law); Charlie Parrish (mom); Monni Parrish (mom); Steven Bloodworth (mom); John Timms (brother); Neal Ham (mom); Grant Shelton (dad); Hunter Stevenson (dad); Melanie Grier (mom)

Recovering: Bill Gaeta (chronic leukemia); Helen Brock (facial nerve); Brenda Crutchfield (COPD); Kathy Combs (strength); Ed Voss (A fib); Howard Murray (lungs & broken hip); Jennifer Burch (pain)

Bereaved: Lynn Leverette (Oscar); Barbara Gibson (Dan); Charles Hughes (brother); Kate Harrison (sister); James Norvell (dad); Katy Danner (dad); Dan Strawn (mom); Mary Jane Leggett (mom)

Our Capital Campaign:

Let us continue to give thanks to God for the outpouring of His blessings upon our congregation! He has enabled us to give so generously, has granted us wisdom and discernment throughout this process so far, and has unified us so that with "one heart and one mind" we are moving forward with our new sanctuary.

Let us continue to pray for the EOC as they work alongside Sheridan Construction & SP Design during construction. Let us pray for safety & excellence for all those working on this project.

Our City & Country:

Pray for the peace and prosperity of Macon (Jeremiah 29:7) and of central Georgia; pray for wisdom and vision for our leaders and elected officials.

Pray for another Great Awakening in America; pray that we would be a country who honors and fears the LORD.

Prayer for Our Covenant Children

Rev. Josh Garrett

Sermon

Sower, Seed, Soil
Mark 4:1-20

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*Hymn of Response

O the Deep, Deep Love

Oh the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

Samuel T. Francis/Bob Kauflin



Oh the deep, deep love of Je - sus, vast un - mea - sured, bound - less free,
Oh the deep, deep love of Je - sus, spread His praise from shore to shore,
Oh the deep, deep love of Je - sus, far sur - pass - ing all the rest,
rol - ling as a might - y o - cean in its full - ness o - ver me,
how He came to pay our ran - som through the sav - ing cross He bore;
it's an o - cean full of bless - ing in the midst of e - very test.
un - der neath me all a - round me is the cur - rent of Your love,
how He watch - es o'er His loved ones, those He died to make his own,
Oh the deep, deep love of Je - sus, might - y Sav - ior pre - cious friend,
lead - ing on - ward, lead - ing home - ward to Your glo - rious rest a - bove.
how for them He's in - ter - ce - ding plead - ing now be - fore the throne.
You will bring us home to glo - ry where Your love will ne - ver end.
Oh the deep, deep love, all I need and trust is the deep, deep love of Je - sus.

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*Benediction

Hebrews 13:20-21

May the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Postlude

THE PREACHED WORD

Title: Sower, Seed, Soil

Mark 4:1-20

NMPC WEEKLY

11/19/17

Meditation

*Others, like seed sown on good soil, hear the Word, accept it, and produce a crop—
thirty, sixty or even a hundred times what was sown.*

Mark 4:20

Intercession

Our Priorities:

1. A progressive commitment to *Christ*: Worshipers
Loving the LORD our God with all our heart, soul, mind and strength
2. A progressive commitment to *Christ's Body*: Servants
Loving one another just as Christ has loved us
3. A progressive commitment to *Christ's Work in the World*: Ambassadors
Making disciples of all nations

Our Members:

Stephen Mackes
Jimmy & Diane McCallum
Paul & Debbie McCommon
Boo, Rebecca, Anna Helen & Michael McKelvey

Our Missionaries:

Jeff & Jamie Garrett are church planters and teachers in South Asia.
Pray for the Persecuted Church; ask God to strengthen these believers,
protect and provide for them, comfort and assure them, enable them to
stand firm in their faith, and that they would “spread everywhere the
fragrance of the knowledge of Jesus.

Our Ministries:

Children's Ministry; Bill Barnes, the Children's Ministry Committee, our
teachers & helpers; pray that our children would grow in the grace and
knowledge of Christ
Our staff, elders and deacons would be filled with the Holy Spirit
Pray for Ed Grimsley (elder nominee) and Silas Peed & Wes Seay (deacon
nominees) as they participate in the Officer Training Course.