

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

January 21, 2018



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

Clap your hands, all you nations! Shout to God with cries of joy! For the LORD Most High is awesome, the great King over all the earth!

Psalm 47:1-2

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Introit

Call to Worship

Psalm 95:1-7

Pastor: Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD! Let us shout aloud to

the Rock of our salvation!

People: Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him

with music and song!

Pastor: For the LORD is the great God, the great King above all gods.

People: In his hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain

peaks belong to him.

Pastor: The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry

land.

People: Come, let us bow down in worship; let us kneel before the

LORD our Maker:

Pastor: For he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the

flock under his care.

*Praise Hymn

2 - O Worship the King (vs. 1-5)

*Invocation

Rev. Josh Garrett

*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.

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday - 9:30 am - Sunday School
10:45 am - Worship
Monday - 9:00 am - Monday Morning Prayer
6:00 pm - Joint Elder & Deacon dinner & meeting
Wednesday - 9:30 am - Bible Study
5:45 pm - Dinner
6:30 pm - Bible Lesson

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.

Missions - The Missions Committee is hosting a baked potato & salad bar this afternoon at 5:30 PM to provide opportunity for two of our missionary couples to give a report on their work. Dal & Beth Stanton are church planters in Sophia, Bulgaria, and David & Erin Pervis are church planters in Kiev, Ukraine. Please sign up in the narthex.

Youth Winter Retreat - All 7th-12th graders are invited to the Winter Retreat on Feb 16-19th at Ridge Haven. Brochures are in the narthex.

Women's Retreat - All ladies are invited to the Women's Retreat on February 23-24 at Calloway Gardens. Contact Iris to sign up.

Mission Trip - NMPC will send another mission team this year to work alongside of Josh Tsavatewa and Sacred Road as they work with the Yakama Tribe of Native Americans in Washington State on June 2-9. Brochures are in the narthex.

^{*}those who are able please stand

SERVICE SCHEDULES

♦ COMMUNION PREPARATION

February - Kate Harrison, Beverly Wooden & Joan Youmans

♦ COMMUNION SERVERS

<u>February</u> - Howard Reed, Ed Grimsley, Kevin Watson, Dan Strawn, Jeff Thompson

♦ <u>Ushers</u>

<u>January</u> - Matt Monsted, Rob Morton, Paul McCommon, Kevin Watson <u>February</u> - Cal Garretson, Matt Shepley, Alan Little & Stephen Barnes

♦ GREETERS

<u>January</u> - Dan & Connie Strawn <u>February</u> - Joe & Peggy Timberlake

♦ SOUNDBOARD OPERATOR

<u>January</u> - Jim Grier <u>February</u> - Joey Leggett

♦ FLOWER SCHEDULE

January 21 – Liz Ream

♦ PRAYER TEAM

Today (1/21) Dan Strawn & Charles Baker Next Sunday (1/28) Larry Breed, Frank Fleming

♦ Nursery Workers

<u>Today (1/21)</u> Tommy & Lolly James <u>Next Sunday (1/28)</u> Glen & Helen Johnson

♦ CHILDREN'S CHURCH

<u>Today (1/21)</u> Brandon & Beth Youmans <u>Next Sunday (1/28)</u> Bert & Anna Barnes 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



Call to Prayer 2 Corinthians 8:9

For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich.

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Rev. Josh Garrett

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

Jesus Paid it All Man of Sorrows What a Name

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 42:1-13

Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen one in whom I delight; I will put my Spirit on him and he will bring justice to the nations. He will not shout or cry out, or raise his voice in the streets. A bruised reed he will not break, and a smoldering wick he will not snuff out. In faithfulness he will bring forth justice; he will not falter or be discouraged till he establishes justice on earth. In his law the islands will put their hope."

This is what God the LORD says—he who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and all that comes out of it, who gives breath to its people, and life to those who walk on it: "I, the LORD, have called you in righteousness; I will take hold of your hand. I will keep you and will make you to be a covenant for the people and a light for the Gentiles, to open eyes that are blind, to free captives from prison and to release from the dungeon those who sit in darkness.

"I am the LORD; that is my name! I will not give my glory to another or my praise to idols. See, the former things have taken place, and new things I declare; before they spring into being I announce them to you." Sing to the LORD a new song, his praise from the ends of the earth, you who go down to the sea, and all that is in it, you islands, and all who live in them. Let the desert and its towns raise their voices; let the settlements where Kedar lives rejoice. Let the people of Sela sing for joy; let them shout from the mountaintops. Let them give glory to the LORD and proclaim his praise in the islands. The LORD will march out like a mighty man, like a warrior he will stir up his zeal; with a shout he will raise the battle cry and will triumph over his enemies.

DISCIPLESHIP OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAY SCHOOL/WINTER QUARTER

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

Youth Class - The Book of Colossians led by Mark Ballard

Adult Classes -

Room # 120A - Shepherding a Child's Heart - led by Seth Peed

Room # 118 - 2 Corinthians - led by Jeff Thompson

Room # 119 - Ezra & Nehemiah - Led by Josh Garrett

Room # 102 - Men's Class - Grace-Focused Optimism - led by Howard Gordon

Room # 115 - 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—12/31/2017

2017 Receipts: \$ 905,962 2017 Expenses: \$ 785,749

2017 transfer to

Capital Campaign: \$58,000

Faith Promise for Missions

Collected Jan-Dec: \$38,570 Paid out Jan-Dec: \$37,275

to support our 15 missionaries

Capital Campaign— 12/31/2017 Amount Pledged: \$1,993,866 Pledges Received: — 1,378,344

Pledges Outstanding: 615,522 Building Fund Cash: 1,753,801 Bldg Expenses Paid: 347,098

Total Gifts & Pledges: 2,716,421

Ground Breaking: Oct 15, 2017

Projected Completion: Oct 2018

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 (daughter-in-law); Charlie Parrish (mom); Monni Parrish (mom); Steven Bloodworth (mom); John Timms (brother); Neal Ham (mom); Melanie Grier (mom); Steve Smith (dad)

Recovering: Brenda Crutchfield (COPD); Kathy Combs (strength); Ed Voss (A fib)

Bereaved: Lynn Leverette (Oscar); Barbara Gibson (Dan); James Norvell (dad); Katy Danner (dad); Dan Strawn (mom); Mary Jane Leggett (mom); Grant & Carter Shelton (dad); Kim & Austin Murray (Howard); Holly Shepley (dad)

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:

Ask God to restrain wickedness in our city; to convict men of their sins so that they turn to Jesus the Savior; to write His laws upon our hearts so that we might live to please Him.

*Hymn of Preparation

358 - For All the Saints

Prayer for Our Covenant Children

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Sermon

Christs' Ambassadors Mark 6:7-13

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*Hymn of Response

565 - All For Iesus

*Benediction

Revelation 1:5b-6

Now to him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father—to him be glory and power for ever and ever! Amen.

Postlude

Visitors: Welcome! Please feel free to speak with one of the pastors or elders after the service. They will be glad to answer any questions you may have and would enjoy meeting you.

THE PREACHED WORD

Title: Christ's Ambassadors Mark 6:7-13

Found on page 817 in your pew Bible

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NMPC WEEKLY

Meditation

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.

Acts 1:8

Intercession

Our Priorities:

- 1. A progressive commitment to *Christ*: Worshipers Celebrating Jesus as the Son of God and Savior of sinners
- 2. A progressive commitment to *Christ's Body*: Servants Loving one another as Jesus has loved us
- 3. A progressive commitment to *Christ's Work in the World*: Ambassadors Testifying to the world that Jesus is the Christ

Our Members:

Hunter, Heather, Mary Rachel, Mia, Stone & Hunt Stevenson Steve & Julie Strange Dan, Connie & Daniel Strawn Dan, Holly, Elli Grace & Annabelle Taylor

Our Missionaries:

Bruce & Barbara Wannamacher - Mentoring ministry of missionaries in Sub -Saharan Africa and those on Home Assignment.

Unreached People Groups; pray for the missionaries who minister to those who have never heard the Gospel, that God would fill them with the Holy Spirit, open the hearts of their hearers, and cause churches to be established; pray that God would raise up more missionaries with a heart for these unreached people groups.

Our Ministries:

Our sister churches & partnering ministries: Strong Tower Fellowship, First Presbyterian Church, Grace Presbyterian Church, Dayspring Presbyterian Church, Central Georgia Presbytery, Evangelism Explosion, Covenant Care Services and Caring Solutions. Pray for the spread of the Gospel and the advancement of Christ's Kingdom through these ministries.

Our staff, elders and deacons would be full of faith and the Holy Spirit