



*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."*

**Evangelical - Reformed - Presbyterian**

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# THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

November 1, 2015



NORTH MACON  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PCA

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*Every good and perfect gift is from above.  
James 1:17a*

## Prelude

## Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

## Introit

## Call to Worship:

Psalm 103:1-5

**Pastor:** Praise the LORD, O my soul! All my inmost being, praise his holy name!

**People:** Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits!

**Pastor:** He forgives all my sins and heals all my diseases.

**People:** He redeems my life from the pit and crowns me with love and compassion.

**Pastor:** He satisfies my desires with good things, so that my youth is renewed like the eagle's.

**People:** The LORD works righteousness and justice for all the oppressed.

## \*Praise Hymn

*Come Thou Fount*

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet, Sung by flaming tongues above.  
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, Mount of God's redeeming love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer; Hither by thy help I've come;  
And I hope by thy good pleasure, Safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger, Wandering from the fold of God;  
He, to rescue me from danger, Interposed His precious blood.

Oh to grace how great a debtor, Daily I'm constrained to be!  
Let Thy goodness, like a fetter, Bind my wandering heart to Thee.  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love;  
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts above.

O that day when freed from sinning, I shall see Thy lovely face;  
Cloth-ed then in blood washed linen, How I'll sing Thy sovereign grace;  
Come, my Lord, no longer tarry, Take my ransomed soul away;  
Send Thine angels now to carry, Me to realms of endless day.

*\* those who are able please stand*

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# ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

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**Sunday - 9:30 am - Sunday School**

**10:45 am - Worship Service**

**5:00 pm - Reformation Celebration**

**Monday - 9:00 am - Monday Morning Prayer**

**7:00 pm - Called Session Meeting**

**Wednesday - 5:45 pm - Dinner**

**6:30 pm - Classes for all ages**

**Friday - 10:00 am - Ladies' Bible Study**

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**Monday Morning Prayer** - We will gather for prayer tomorrow morning from 9:00 - 10:00 AM in Pastor Hunter's office.

**Reformation Celebration** - There will be a chili super at 5:00 PM this afternoon and games to follow in the back parking lot. Children may come dressed as a Bible or Reformation hero. All are invited.

**Men's Fellowship** - We will have a gathering for men on Saturday, November 14th at 6:00 PM at NMPC. More details to follow.

**Christmas Shoeboxes** - NMPC is partnering with Sacred Road Ministries & Joshua Tsavatewa in Washington State to provide Christmas Shoeboxes for the children of the Yakama Tribe of native Americans. We will collect the shoeboxes through Nov 22nd. There are more details in the narthex.

**2016 Mission Trip** - NMPC has made plans to send a mission team to Washington State to work with Joshua Tsavatewa & Sacred Road Ministries during the week of June 4-11, 2016. Would you prayerfully consider if God would have you participate?

**Mercer RUF Musicians & Singers** - We are delighted to have students & staff from RUF Mercer to lead us in singing today in worship.

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# SERVICE SCHEDULES

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- ◆ **COMMUNION PREPARATION**  
November— Susan & Paul Robertson
  
- ◆ **COMMUNION SERVERS**  
November - Buck Ream, Matt Shepley, Howard Reed, Paul McCommon & Charles Baker
  
- ◆ **USHERS**  
November - Bert Barnes, Jason Churchwell, John McSween, Keith Young
  
- ◆ **FLOWER SCHEDULE**  
November 1 - Communion  
November 8 - Chris Peake
  
- ◆ **SOUNDBOARD OPERATOR**  
November - Paul Johnson
  
- ◆ **PRAYER TEAM**  
November 1 - Frank Fleming, John McSween  
November 8 - Charles Baker, Dan Gibson
  
- ◆ **NURSERY WORKERS**  
Today (11/01) Kathy & Olivia Little  
Next Sunday (11/08) Ed & Peggy Grimsley
  
- ◆ **CHILDREN'S CHURCH**  
Today (11/01) Melissa Langford & Lyn Hogg  
Next Sunday (11/08) Shane & Amy Self

## Invocation

Rev. Josh Garrett

### \*Confession of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism #1

Q. Christian, what is your only comfort in life and in death?

That I am not my own,  
but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—  
to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ.  
He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood,  
and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil.  
He also watches over me in such a way  
that not a hair can fall from my head  
without the will of my Father in heaven:  
in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.  
Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit,  
assures me of eternal life  
and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on  
to live for him.

### \*Hymn

*Nothing But the Blood*

What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
what can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Refrain: O precious is the flow that makes me white as snow;  
no other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus.

For my cleansing this I see—nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
for my pardon this my plea—nothing but the blood of Jesus. [Refrain]

Nothing can for sin atone—nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
naught of good that I have done—nothing but the blood of Jesus. [Refrain]

This is all my hope and peace—nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
this is all my righteousness—nothing but the blood of Jesus. [Refrain]

Now by this I'll overcome—nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
Now by this I'll reach my home—nothing but the blood of Jesus. [Refrain]

1. Do you acknowledge your child's need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ, and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?
2. Do you claim God's covenant promises in his behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for his salvation, as you do for your own?
3. Do you now unreservedly dedicate your child to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before him a godly example, that you will pray with and for him, that you will teach him the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring him up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?
4. Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting these parents in the Christian nurture of this child?

**Congregational Prayer**

*Take My Life and Let It Be*

*Take his life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee  
Take his moments and his days; let them flow in ceaseless praise  
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.*

**Call to Prayer**

Psalm 136:1

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good. His love endures forever.

**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**

*Rock of Ages*

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# DISCIPLESHIP OPPORTUNITIES

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SUNDAY SCHOOL—FALL SEMESTER

- Children's Classes** - Children's classes are available by grade.
- Youth Class** - *Knowing God* led by Mark Ballard (Room #120A)
- Men's Class** - *The Book of James*, led by Howard Gordon (Conference Room)
- Women's Class** - *The Son of David* by Nancy Guthrie, led by Diane Elliott & Liz Ream (Room #115)
- Adult Elective #1:** *The Meaning of Marriage* by Tim Keller led by Paul McCommon (Room #118)
- Adult Elective #2:** *Respectable Sins* by Jerry Bridges led by Jeff Thompson (Room #119)
- Adult Elective #3:** *The Book of Acts* led by Josh Garrett (Room #120B)

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES

Dinner begins at 5:45 PM for the whole family (\$4.00/adult/teen, \$2.00/child, family max \$12.00). At 6:30 PM, some adults meet in the sanctuary for Bible study (studying Revelation this year) 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.

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## FINANCIAL UPDATE

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<u>General Operating Budget</u>		<u>Capital Campaign—as of September 30</u>	
Budgeted:	\$626,189	Number of Pledges:	80
Received:	\$649,330	% of Members:	72%
Expense:	\$577,024	Amount Pledged:	\$ 965,080
		Pledges Received:	— 378,287
		Pledges Outstanding:	\$ 586,793
<u>Faith Promise for Missionaries</u>		Building Fund Cash:	+ 640,670
Goal for Dec. 30:	\$ 34,463	Total:	\$ 1,227,463
Received:	\$ 8,720		

Our Church Family:

Expectant moms: Dylan Peters

Moving: Stephen & Morgann Bradshaw (Augusta); John & Dylan Peters (B'ham); Caleb, Sallie, Lucy & Eleanor Tingle (Athens)

Sick: Josh Garrett's father (blood disorder); Cal Garretson's father (leukemia); Jill Bloodworth's mother (appendix cancer); Dan Gibson (brain cancer)

Bereaved: Trey Deaton (father); Ann Timms (brother-in-law); Tom Gibbons (nephew)

Our Capital Campaign:

Let us ask the Lord that we would have sufficient cash & pledges by March 4, 2016 so that we could break ground in the Spring/Summer; that we would walk by faith, trusting in the Lord to provide; that God would enable us to give what we have pledged and more; that God would guide our Capital Campaign Committee as they lead us; that God would be glorified.

Our City & Country:

Ask God to strengthen evangelical churches throughout our community, country and the whole world; that all of God's people would proclaim the Gospel faithfully and boldly; that we would do what is righteous and just; that we would be filled with mercy and compassion; that we would walk humbly with our God (Micah 6:8); that God would grant us His peace that would guard our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

**\*Hymn of Preparation**

*In Christ Alone*

In Christ alone my hope is found; He is my light, my strength, my song;  
This cornerstone, this solid ground, Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace, When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!  
My comforter, my all in all—Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, Who took on flesh, Fullness of God in helpless babe!  
This gift of love and righteousness, Scorned by the ones He came to save.  
Till on that cross as Jesus died, The wrath of God was satisfied;  
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid—Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain;  
Then bursting forth in glorious day, Up from the grave He rose again!  
And as He stands in victory, Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;  
For I am His and He is mine—Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death—This is the pow'r of Christ in me;  
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.  
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His hand;  
Till He returns or calls me home—Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

**Prayer for Our Covenant Children**

(ages 4 - 1st grade)

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

**Sermon**

*The Flood*  
Genesis 7-8

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

**The Sacrament of Communion**

All those who have placed their faith and trust in Christ alone for their salvation, are baptized, and are members in good standing of a Bible-believing, evangelical church are invited to partake of the Lord's Supper this morning. All others, please allow the elements to pass, as you consider your relationship with Christ and His Church.

**\*Hymn of Response** *It is Well With My Soul, with How Great Thou Art chorus*

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll;  
what-ever my lot, thou has taught me to say, "It is well, it is well with my soul."

**Refrain:** Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee; How great thou art, how  
great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee: How great thou art,  
how great thou art!

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, let this blest assurance  
control, that Christ has regarded my helpless estate, and has shed his own blood  
for my soul. [Refrain]

My sin—O the bliss of this glorious thought!—my sin, not in part, but the whole,  
is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more; praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O  
my soul! [Refrain]

O Lord, hast the day when the faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled back as a  
scroll, the trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend, "even so" - it is well  
with my soul. [Refrain]

**\*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**

**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. Also, we would love for you to  
join us for lunch today immediately following the service.

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# NMPC WEEKLY

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## Meditation

*As long as the earth endures, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat,  
summer and winter, day and night will never cease.*

*Genesis 8:22*

## Intercession

### Our Priorities:

1. A progressive commitment to *Christ*: Worshipers  
Whatever we do, we do it all for the glory of God
2. A progressive commitment to *Christ's Body*: Servants  
Encouraging and building up one another through works of service and  
words of encouragement
3. A progressive commitment to *Christ's Work in the World*: Ambassadors  
Witnesses for Jesus Christ in Macon and around the world

### Our Members:

Patrick, Ashley, Hodges, Annie Beyer & Isabel Hoye  
Sherry Huckaby  
Charles & Patricia Hughes  
Thomas, Tracey, Hannah & Holland Huyck

### Our Missionaries:

Rodney & Jana Davila minister in Costa Rica, helping to build churches,  
and teaching and training pastors.  
Pray that God would unleash the power of the Gospel throughout the world,  
leading to a great multitude of believers from every nation, tribe, people  
and language to worship our great God.

### Our Ministries:

Our women; they would be women who fear the Lord; they would seek  
first Christ's Kingdom and His righteousness; they would be full of faith  
and the Holy Spirit.  
Our staff & officers would be filled with wisdom and Christlikeness.  
Pray for our elder nominees (Dan Strawn, Jeff Thompson) and our deacon  
nominee (Matt Cathey) as they take the Officer Training Course.