



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 29, 2015



NORTH MACON
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PCA

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

*I will praise my LORD all my life;
I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.
Psalm 146:2*

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Introit

Call to Worship:

Psalm 146

Pastor: Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul.

People: **I will praise the LORD all my life. I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.**

Pastor: Do not put your trust in princes, in mortal men, who cannot save. When their spirit departs, they return to the ground; on that very day their plans come to nothing.

People: **Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD his God, the Maker of heaven and earth, the sea, and everything in them—the LORD, who remains faithful forever.**

Pastor: He upholds the cause of the oppressed. He gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets prisoners free.

People: **The LORD gives sight to the blind. The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down. The LORD loves the righteous.**

Pastor: The LORD watches over the alien. He sustains the fatherless and the widow, but he frustrates the ways of the wicked.

People: **The LORD reigns forever! Your God, O Zion, for all generations! Praise the LORD!**

*Praise Hymn

77 - Praise My Soul the King of Heaven

* those who are able please stand

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday - 9:30 am - Sunday School

10:45 am - Worship Service

Monday - 9:00 am - Monday Morning Prayer

Wednesday - 5:45 pm - Dinner

6:30 pm - Children's Christmas Program

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Ladies' Christmas Dinner - Our Ladies' Christmas Dinner will be on Friday, December 11th at 6:30 PM at the church. We will have a catered dinner, a Christmas devotional and an ornament exchange. All ladies are invited.

SERVICE SCHEDULES

♦ **COMMUNION PREPARATION**

December— Lonnie & Donna Dye

♦ **COMMUNION SERVERS**

December - Jason Churchwell, Larry Breed, John McSween, Frank Fleming, Rob Morton

♦ **USHERS**

November - Bert Barnes, Jason Churchwell, John McSween, Keith Young

December - Cal Garretson, Paul McCommon, Seth Peed, Charlie Pye

♦ **FLOWER SCHEDULE**

November 29 - Liz Ream

December 6 - Communion

♦ **SOUNDBOARD OPERATOR**

November - Paul Johnson

December - Oscar Leverette

♦ **PRAYER TEAM**

November 29— Jeff Kross, Larry Breed

December 6 - Jason Churchwell, Frank Fleming

♦ **NURSERY WORKERS**

Today (11/29) Judy & Betsy LaPish

Next Sunday (12/06) Matt & Megan Cathey

♦ **CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

Today (11/29) Dylan & Jennalee Burch

Next Sunday (12/06) Lee & Jennifer Burch

Invocation

Rev. Josh Garrett

*Confession of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism Q. 26

Christian: What do you believe when you say in the Apostles' Creed:
"I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth"?

We believe that the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ—
who out of nothing created heaven and earth
and everything in them,
and who still upholds and rules them
by His eternal counsel and providence—
is my God and Father
because of Jesus Christ His Son.

I trust Him so much that I do not doubt
that He will provide whatever I need for body and soul,
and He will turn to my good
whatever adversity He sends me in this sad world.

He is able to do this because He is Almighty God;
He desires to do this because He is a faithful Father.

*The Heidelberg Catechism was composed in Heidelberg, Germany in 1563.
It has been translated into many European, Asian, and African languages, and is the most
widely used and most warmly praised catechisms of the Reformation period.*

*Hymn

116 - *For the Beauty of the Earth*

Almighty God and Gracious Heavenly Father, we your children pause to give you thanks:

For creating us in your image and crowning us with glory and honor,
We give you thanks.
For removing the scales from our eyes and opening our hearts to the truth,
We give you thanks.
Because the finished work of Jesus Christ declares us to be righteous,
We give you thanks.
For adopting us as your sons and daughters through Jesus Christ,
We give you thanks.
Because Jesus has freed us from our fear of death,
We give you thanks.
Because Jesus is the first-fruits of our own resurrection,
We give you thanks.
Because you take great delight in us and rejoice over us with singing,
We give you thanks.
For the promise that nothing can separate us from your love,
We give you thanks.
Because Jesus Christ is interceding for us at the right hand of God,
We give you thanks.
For the Spirit who testifies to our spirit that we are God’s children,
We give you thanks.
For the Spirit who helps us in our weakness,
We give you thanks.
For the Spirit who guides us into all truth,
We give you thanks.
For the communion of saints,
We give you thanks.
Because Jesus is redeeming all things and making all things new,
We give you thanks.
For the promise that Jesus is coming soon,
We give you thanks.
For the promise of the new heaven and new earth,
We give you thanks.
In the name of our beautiful Savior, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

DISCIPLESHIP OPPORTUNITIES

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.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

General Operating Budget		Capital Campaign—as of October 30	
Budgeted:	\$683,881	Number of Pledges:	80
Received:	\$699,193	% of Members:	72%
Expense:	\$635,875	Amount Pledged:	\$ 965,080
		Pledges Received:	— 378,287
Faith Promise for Missionaries		Pledges Outstanding:	\$ 586,793
Goal for Dec. 30:	\$ 34,463	Building Fund Cash:	+ 640,670
Received:	\$ 13,195	Total:	\$ 1,227,463

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 (blood infection); Jill Bloodworth's mother (appendix cancer); Dan Gibson (brain cancer); Madeline Thompson's father (recovering from surgery).

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;

Pray that we would walk by faith throughout the process, trusting in the Lord to provide;

Pray that God would enable us to give what we have pledged and more, that He would guide our Capital Campaign Committee as they lead us, and 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.

Scripture Reading

Romans 8:1-39

*Hymn of Preparation

Give Thanks With a Grateful Heart

Give thanks with a grateful heart; Give thanks to the Holy One
Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son

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And now let the weak say, "I am strong" Let the poor say, "I am rich
Because of what the Lord has done for us"

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Give thanks.

Prayer for Our Covenant Children

(ages 4 - 1st grade)

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Sermon

The Tower of Babel
Genesis 11

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*Hymn of Response

55- To God Be the Glory

*Benediction

2 Thessalonians 3:16

Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times and in every way. The Lord be with all of you. 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: *The Tower of Babel*

Genesis 11

NMPC WEEKLY

11/29/15

Meditation

Then I will purify the speech of the peoples so that all of them may call on the name of the LORD and serve him shoulder to shoulder. From beyond the rivers of Cush my worshipers, my scattered people, will bring me offerings.
Zephaniah 3:9-10

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:

Elaine Libbey
Alan, Kathy, Hannah, Bryce & Olivia Little
Ed Mason
Jimmy & Diane McCallum

Our Missionaries:

Tim, Nicole, Gabe & Salem Mares.
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 sister churches & partnering ministries; Strong Tower Fellowship, First Presbyterian Church, Grace Presbyterian Church, Central Georgia Presbytery, Covenant Care and Caring Solotuiuns. Pray for the spread of the Gospel and the advancement of Christ's Kingdom.
Our staff, elders and deacons would be full of faith and the Holy Spirit
Pray for our elder nominees (Dan Strawn, Jeff Thompson) and our deacon nominee (Matt Cathey) as they take the Officer Training Course