

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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Paul McCommon	Cal Garretson
Rob Morton	Matt Monsted
Howard Reed	Tate Morris
Hunter Stevenson	Jon Paxton
Dan Strawn	Jack Pyles
Jeff Thompson	Will Stanford
Kevin Watson	

Every Member, Ministers
Hunter Stevenson, Senior Pastor
Josh Garrett, Associate Pastor
Mark Ballard, Youth Director
Holly Shepley, Children's Coordinator

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THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

January 24, 2016



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

Great is the LORD in Zion; he is exalted over all the nations.

Psalm 99:2

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Introit

Call to Worship: Psalm 99

Pastor: The LORD reigns, let the nations tremble. He sits enthroned

between the cherubim, let the earth shake.

People: Great is the LORD in Zion; he is exalted over the nations.

Pastor: Let them praise your great and awesome name—he is holy.

People: Exalt the LORD our God and worship at his footstool—he

is holy.

*Praise Hymn 100 - Holy, Holy, Holy

*Invocation Rev. Josh Garrett

*Confession of Faith Romans 8:1-2, 28, 38-39

Pastor: Christian, what do you believe?

We believe there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus, the law of the Spirit of life set us free from the law of sin and death.

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose.

And we are convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor heavenly rulers, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

* 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

6:00 pm - Joint Session & Deacon's Meeting

Wednesday - 5:45 pm - Dinner

6:30 pm - Classes for all ages

Friday - 10:00 am - Ladies' Bible Study

Announcements

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

Faith Promise - Please prayerfully consider what God would have you give in 2016 toward the support of our 16 missionaries through Faith Promise. We will turn in our commitment cards next Sun, Jan 31st.

Year End Match - At the end of 2015, an anonymous donor offered to match \$0.50 for every dollar of new or additional contributions to the Capital Campaign up to \$20,000. Including the matching funds, NMPC received over \$70,000 as a result of this "Year End Match!" Let us give thanks to God! (See page 9 for a full update on the Capital Campaign.

Visitors Lunch - There will be a visitors lunch immediately after the worship service on Sunday, February 7th.

SERVICE SCHEDULES

♦ COMMUNION PREPARATION

February - Charlotte Laurens & Carol Dawson

♦ COMMUNION SERVERS

<u>February</u> - Dan Strawn, Jeff Thompson, John McSween, Jason Churchwell, Frank Fleming

♦ <u>Ushers</u>

<u>January</u> - Jon Paxton, Alan Little, Skip Yetter, Kevin Watson <u>February</u> - Charlie Pye, Matt Shepley, Frank Fleming, Rob Morton

♦ FLOWER SCHEDULE

<u>January 24</u> - Barbara Freeman January 31 - Holly Garretson

♦ SOUNDBOARD OPERATOR

<u>January</u> - Matt Monsted February - Jon Paxton

♦ PRAYER TEAM

<u>January 24</u> - Jeff Kross, Jason Churchwell <u>January 31</u> - Charles Baker, John McSween

♦ Nursery Workers

<u>Today (01/24)</u> Steve & Amelia Smith <u>Next Sunday (01/31)</u> Paul & Pam Kanode

◆ CHILDREN'S CHURCH

<u>Today (01/24)</u> Liz Ream & Rebecca McKelvey <u>Next Sunday (01/31)</u> Robby & Katy Danner

*Hymn

Before the Throne of God Above

Before the throne of God above, I have a strong and perfect plea, A great high Priest whose Name is Love, Who ever lives and pleads for me. My name is graven on His hands, My name is written on His heart. I know that while in heaven He stands, No tongue can bid me thence depart, No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair, And tells me of the guilt within, Upward I look and see Him there, Who made an end to all my sin. Because the sinless Savior died, My sinful soul is counted free, For God, the Just, is satisfied, To look on Him and pardon me, To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there, the risen Lamb, My perfect, spotless righteousness, The great unchangeable I AM, The King of glory and of grace. One with Himself, I cannot die, My soul is purchased by His blood. My life is hid with Christ on high, With Christ, my Savior and my God! With Christ, my Savior and my God!

Call to Prayer

1 John 1:8 - 2:2

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. If we claim we have not sinned, we make him out to be a liar and his word has no place in our lives.

My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have one who speaks to the Father in our defense—Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.

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.

Stephen Barnes Offertory

Scripture Reading

Galatians 3:1-14 (page 944 in the pew Bible)

*Hymn of Preparation

Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting

Jesus, I am resting, resting, in the joy of what thou art; I am finding out the greatness of thy loving heart. Thou hast bid me gaze upon thee, as thy beauty fills my soul, For by thy transforming power, Thou hast made me whole.

Refrain: Jesus, I am resting, resting in the joy of what thou art; I am finding out the greatness of thy loving heart.

O how great thy loving-kindness, vaster, broader than the sea! O how marvelous thy goodness lavished all on me! Yes, I rest in thee, Beloved, know what wealth of grace is thine. Know thy certainty of promise and have made it mine. (Refrain)

Simply trusting thee, Lord Jesus, I behold thee as thou art, And thy love, so pure, so changeless, satisfies my heart; Satisfies its deepest longings, meets, supplies its ev'ry need, Compasseth me round with blessings: Thine is love indeed. (Refrain)

Ever lift thy face upon me as I work and wait for thee; Resting 'neath thy smile, Lord Jesus, earth's dark shadows flee. Brightness of my Father's glory, sunshine of my Father's face, Keep me ever trusting, resting, fill me with thy grace. (Refrain)

Prayer for Our Covenant Children

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

(ages 4 - 1st grade)

DISCIPLESHIP OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAY SCHOOL—WINTER 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 Ephesians, led by Howard Gordon (Conference Room)

Women's Class - The Word of the Lord Seeing Jesus in the Prophets by Nancy Guthrie, led by Diane Elliott & Liz Ream (Room #115)

Adult Elective #1: Philippians led by Jeff Thompson (Room #119)

Adult Elective #2: Far As the Curse is Found led by Josh Garrett

(Room #120B)

Our SS classes for the Winter Quarter began today!

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 12/31/15 Number of Pledges: Budgeted: \$ 54,810 84 % of Members: Received: \$ 32,441 72% Expense: \$ 23,265 Amount Pledged: 1,053,395 Pledges Received: 549,150 \$ 504,245 Faith Promise for Missionaries Pledges Outstanding: Goal for June 30: Building Fund Cash: \$ 27.500 + 905.145 Received: \$ 1,896 \$ 1,409,390 Total:

Our Church Family:

Moving: Caleb, Sallie, Lucy & Eleanor Tingle (Athens)

Members caring for Loved Ones: Barbara Gibson (Dan); Josh Garrett (dad); Cal Garretson (dad); Jill Bloodworth (mom); Lee Hendrix (dad); Lesley Ganey (mom); Madeline Thompson (dad); Howard Reed (dad); Monni Parrish (mom); Hunter Stevenson (mom); Nina Fleming (mom & dad); Charles Baker (mom); Cleve Cunningham (mom); Kathy Cunningham (mom); Jill Peed (dad); Rebecca Barnes (mom); Peggy Grimsley (mom)

Bereaved: Trey Deaton (father); Diane Elliott (father)

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 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.

Pray for our President & his advisors, the Senate & House of Representatives, and the Supreme Court justices "that we may live peaceful lives in all godliness and holiness" (1 Tim 2:1-2).

Sermon

God's Protects Abram Genesis 12:10-20

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Jude 24:25

*Hymn of Response

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in Thee; I give Thee back the life I owe, That in Thine ocean depths its flow May richer, fuller be.

O Light that follow'st all my way, I yield my flick'ring torch to Thee; My heart restores its borrowed ray, That in Thy sunshine's blaze its day May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to Thee; I trace the rainbow through the rain, And feel the promise is not vain That morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from Thee; I lay in dust life's glory dead, And from the ground there blossoms red Life that shall endless be.

*Benediction

Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you before his glorious presence without fault and with great joy—to the only God our Savior be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and forevermore! 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.

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THE PREACHED WORD

Title: God's Protects Abram Genesis 12:10-20

Found on page 9 in your pew Bible

NMPC WEEKLY

Meditation

We live by faith, not by sight. 2 Corinthians 5:7

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:

Anna Sampson Richard & Linda Scott Wes, Marie & Elizabeth Seay Shane, Amy, Dalton & Colby Self

Our Missionaries:

Seth & Leslie Wallace are working through a Business as Mission endeavor of MTW to produce media for reaching the Arabic speaking world, specifically North Africa and the Middle East.

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 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.