



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

Session

Jason Churchwell
Josh Garrett
Jeff Kross
Paul McCommon
Rob Morton
Howard Reed
Hunter Stevenson
Dan Strawn
Jeff Thompson
Kevin Watson

Diaconate

Bert Barnes
Matt Cathey
Lonnie Dye
Cal Garretson
Matt Monsted
Tate Morris
Jon Paxton
Jack Pyles
Will Stanford

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

Amy Peed, *Nursery Coordinator*
Kathy Pye, *Church Secretary*
Monni Parrish, *Bookkeeper & Pianist*
Debbie McCommon, *Preschool Dir.*
Iris Archer, *Christian Counselor*

North Macon Presbyterian Church, PCA
5707 Rivoli Drive
Macon, GA 31210-1229

Phone: 478-477-7777 • Fax: 478-477-0243
Website: www.nmpc.net • Email: office@nmpc.net

THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

July 24, 2016



NORTH MACON
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PCA

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

*Rejoice in the LORD, you who are righteous,
and praise his holy name.
Psalm 97:12*

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Joshua Garrett

Introit

Call to Worship:

Psalm 97:1-6, 12

Pastor: The LORD reigns! Let the earth be glad! Let the distant shores rejoice!
People: **Clouds and thick darkness surround him; righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.**
Pastor: Fire goes before him and consumes his foes on every side. His lightning lights up the world; the earth sees and trembles.
People: **The mountains melt like wax before the LORD, before the Lord of all the earth. The heavens proclaim his righteousness, and all the peoples see his glory!**
Pastor: Rejoice in the LORD, you who are righteous, and praise his holy name!

*Praise Hymn

38 - *Immortal, Invisible*

**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 - 10:00 am - Ladies' Books of Blessing
6:00 pm - Summer Fellowship

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Monday Morning Prayer - We will gather for prayer tomorrow morning from 9:00 - 10:00 AM in the Conference Room.

Summer Fellowship - Join us this Wednesday evening from 6:00 - 7:30 for dinner, singing and a report from our SweatFest team. Plan to join us!

Pictorial Directory - You may pick up a copy of the updated Pictorial Directory in the narthex this morning.

Communicant's Class - The 2016 Communicant's Class will be offered to students in 5th grade or up during the Sunday school hour on the 4 Sundays in August in order to prepare students to make a public profession of their faith and to join the church as communing members. If you would like to sign up your student or learn more about the class, please contact Kathy Pye in the church office.

Strong Tower Fellowship - On Sunday, August 7th a group of our members are going to worship at Strong Tower Fellowship and to eat lunch afterwards with their church members. If you desire to join them or to gain more information, speak to Kevin or Scarlett Watson or Adam or Joanna Griffin.

Officer Nominations - During the month of August, members of NMPC will be encouraged to prayerfully nominate men for the offices of elder & deacon.

SERVICE SCHEDULES

♦ COMMUNION PREPARATION

August– Carol Dawson & Charlotte Laurens

♦ COMMUNION SERVERS

August– Paul McCommon, Rob Morton, Kevin Watson, Jason Churchwell, John McSween

♦ USHERS

July - Tate Morris, Joe Timberlake, Robby Danner, Paul Kanode

August - Jack Pyles, Chris Wilson, Patrick Hoyer, Elliott Robinson

♦ FLOWER SCHEDULE

July 24 - Liz Ream

July 31 - Murray Todd

♦ SOUNDBOARD OPERATOR

July - Charlie Pye

August - Tate Morris

♦ PRAYER TEAM

July 24 - Kevin Watson, Jason Churchwell

July 31 - Dan Strawn, Frank Fleming

♦ NURSERY WORKERS

Today (07/24) Leanne & Gracen Wildman

Next Sunday (07/31) Bill & Rebecca Barnes

♦ CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Today (07/24) Donna Dye & Patricia Hughes

Next Sunday (07/31) Paul Johnson & Lee Hendrix

***Invocation**

Bill Barnes

***Confession of Faith**

Westminster Shorter Catechism 23-26

Q. 23. What offices does Christ execute as our Redeemer?

A. Christ, as our Redeemer, executes the offices of a prophet, of a priest, and of a king, both in his estate of humiliation and exaltation.

Q. 24. How does Christ execute the office of a prophet?

A. Christ executes the office of a prophet, in revealing to us, by his Word and Spirit, the will of God for our salvation.

Q. 25. How does Christ execute the office of a priest?

A. Christ executes the office of a priest, in his once offering up of himself a sacrifice to satisfy divine justice, and reconcile us to God, and in making continual intercession for us.

Q. 26. How does Christ execute the office of a king?

A. Christ executes the office of a king, in subduing us to himself, in ruling and defending us, and in restraining and conquering all his and our enemies.

The Westminster Shorter Catechism expresses the truths of the Bible in summary form. It was comprised at the Westminster Assembly in London (1643-1648), and it sets forth the doctrinal standards of our church and our denomination, the Presbyterian Church in America.

***Hymn**

310 - Rejoice the Lord is King

Because of the LORD's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. I say to myself, "The LORD is my portion; therefore I will wait for him."

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**

Titus 2:1-14

Hymn of PreparationIsaiah 43*

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you,
And the waves will not overcome you.
Do not fear, for I have redeemed you,
I have called you by name, You are Mine.

Chorus: For I am the Lord your God
(*I am the Lord your God*),
I am the Lord your God (*I am*)
The Holy One of Israel, Your Savior (2x)

I am the Lord (*Do not fear*) (4x)

When you walk through the fire, You'll not be burned,
And the flames will not consume you.
Do not fear, for I have redeemed you,
I have called you by name, You are Mine.

(Repeat Chorus)

I am the Lord.

DISCIPLESHIP OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAY SCHOOL—SUMMER 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 - *Every Good Endeavor*, led by Diane Elliott & Liz Ream (Room #115)

Adult Elective #1: *Every Good Endeavor* led by Paul McCommon & Rob Morton (Room #119)

Adult Elective #2: *Every Good Endeavor* led by Bill Barnes & Cal Garretson (Room #120B)

SUMMER FELLOWSHIP

We will gather each Wednesday night in June and July from 6:00 - 7:30 for dinner, singing and a Bible Story lesson. Come and join us!

FINANCIAL UPDATE

General Operating Budget as of 7/3/16

Budgeted:	\$ 475,320
Received:	\$ 371,206

Capital Campaign—as of 05/31/16

Number of Pledges:	89
% of Members:	76%

Amount Pledged:	\$ 1,291,333
Pledges Received:	— 681,093

Faith Promise for Missionaries as of 7/3/16

Goal for June 30:	\$ 27,500
Received:	\$ 23,287

Pledges Outstanding:	\$ 610,240
Building Fund Cash:	\$ 1,134,982

Total:	\$ 1,745,222
--------	--------------

Our Church Family:

Expecting: Jill Peed, Rebecca Barnes, Lindsay Garrett & Anna Barnes

Members caring for Loved Ones: Barbara Gibson (Dan); Josh Garrett (dad); Cal Garretson (dad); Howard Reed (dad); Nina Fleming (dad); Charles Baker (mom); Peggy Grimsley (mom); Diane Elliott (mom);

Recovering: Bill Gaeta (chronic leukemia)

Bereaved: Diane Elliott (father); Kathy Combs (brother); Nina Fleming (mom); Susan, Rabun & Katie Robertson (Paul); Connie Strawn (dad); Lynn Leverette (Oscar); Lee Hendrix (dad); Charlie Pye (mom); Glenn Johnson (mom); Joan Youmans (brother); Hunter Stevenson (mom); Jimmy & Diane McCallum (daughter).

Our Capital Campaign:

Let us give thanks to the Lord for his abundant provisions for NMPC thus far, and for the most recent \$50,000 matching gift—which increased our cash & pledges by \$240,000!

Let us continue to ask the Lord that we would have sufficient cash & pledges in the next few months, so that we could break ground by the end of 2016.

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 unleash the power of the Gospel in our city, community and country in order to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives of sin and release for the prisoners of fear, and to comfort all who mourn.

Prayer for Our Covenant Children

(ages 4 - 1st grade)

Bill Barnes

Sermon

Pursuing Holiness
Psalm 119:33-40

Rev. Joshua Garrett

***Hymn of Response**

For All the Saints

For all the saints who from their labors rest, Who Thee by faith before the world confess, Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest, Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou wast their Rock, their Fortress, and their Might; Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight; Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true Light. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Oh, may Thy soldiers, faithful, true and bold, Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old. And win with them the victor's crown of gold. Alleluia! Alleluia!

The golden evening brightens in the west; Soon, soon, to faithful warriors comes their rest. Sweet is the calm of Paradise the blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!

But, lo, there breaks a yet more glorious day; The saints triumphant rise in bright array; The King of Glory passes on His way. Alleluia! Alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host, Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia! Alleluia!

***Benediction**

1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do it. 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: *Pursuing Holiness*

Psalm 119:33-40

Found on page 496 in your pew Bible

NMPC WEEKLY

07/24/16

Meditation

*Turn my heart toward your statutes and not toward selfish gain.
Turn my eyes away from worthless things;
Preserve my life according to your word.
Psalm 119:36-37*

Intercession

Our Priorities:

1. A progressive commitment to *Christ*: Worshipers
Pervasive worship, fueled by Public and Private worship
2. A progressive commitment to *Christ's Body*: Servants
Attitude of Christ, Works of Service & Words of Encouragement
3. A progressive commitment to *Christ's Work in the World*: Ambassadors
Enlist to help NMPC make disciples; Engage the world around us

Our Members:

Alan, Kathy, Hannah, Bryce & Olivia Little
Jimmy & Diane McCallum
Paul, Debbie & Matt McCommon
Boo, Rebecca, Anna Helen & Michael McKelvey

Our Missionaries:

Roger & Dianne Smalling write, publish, distribute, and teach reformed literature in Latin America.
Ask God to multiply healthy, Gospel-centered churches throughout the world so that "the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea" (Isaiah 11:9).

Our Ministries:

Youth Ministry; Mark & Kara Ballard; Bryce Little & Anna Smith; pray that our students would have a passion for Christ and His Kingdom.
Our church leaders would be full of faith and the Holy Spirit