



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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Cal Garretson
Matt Monsted
Tate Morris
Jon Paxton
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THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

August 21, 2016



NORTH MACON
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PCA

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

*He tends his flock like a shepherd:
He gathers the lambs in his arms and carries them close to his heart;
he gently leads those that have young.
Isaiah 40:11*

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Introit

Call to Worship:

Psalm 46:1-2, 4-7, 10-11

Pastor: God is our refuge and strength, an ever present help in trouble.

People: Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea.

Pastor: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy place where the Most High dwells.

People: God is within her, she will not fall; God will help her at break of day.

Pastor: Nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall; He lifts his voice, the earth melts.

People: The LORD Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Pastor: Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in all the earth.

People: The LORD Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

**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 - Classes for all ages

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.

Flowers - If you are interested in placing flowers in the sanctuary one Sunday morning in memory or honor of a loved one, please contact Kathy Pye in the church office (kathy@nmnpc.net).

Officer Nominations - Communing members of NMPC are encouraged to prayerfully consider whom they might nominate for the offices of elder and deacon. Please submit your nomination form by Sunday, August 28th.

Books of Blessings - The Books of Blessings will have its last meeting this Wednesday, August 24th at 10:00 AM. Please bring a book that has influenced/blessed your life to share with the group. Call Amy Peed if you need child care.

Wednesday Night Activities - Our Wednesday night activities resume this Wednesday with dinner at 5:45, singing at 6:30, and classes for all age at 6:45. Come and join us!

Out of Darkness - Out of Darkness is an anti-trafficking ministry whose mission is to "Reach, Rescue and Restore all victims of commercial sexual exploitation, that the glory of God may be known." The Middle Georgia Chapter is training new volunteers Sept 9 & 10 at Hope Church in Fort Valley. Volunteers can choose from a variety of ways to serve (jail ministry, hotline responder, intercessory prayer, medical outreach, etc.). If you would like to participate or learn more, please contact Mark (478-747-3864) or Kara Ballard (klballard755@gmail.com).

SERVICE SCHEDULES

◆ **COMMUNION PREPARATION**

September– Tracey & Hannah Grace Huyck

◆ **COMMUNION SERVERS**

September– Frank Fleming, Jason Churchwell, Howard Reed, Paul McCommon & Jeff Kross

◆ **USHERS**

August - Jack Pyles, Chris Wilson, Patrick Hoye, Elliott Robinson
September - Matt Monsted, Charles Baker, Dwayne Benson, James Novell

◆ **FLOWER SCHEDULE**

August 21 - Becky Gorman
August 28 - Anna Barnes

◆ **SOUNDBOARD OPERATOR**

August - Tate Morris
September - Matt Cathey

◆ **PRAYER TEAM**

August 21- Kevin Watson, Larry Breed
August 28- Dan Strawn, Charles Baker

◆ **NURSERY WORKERS**

Today (08/21) Judy & Betsy LaPish
Next Sunday (08/28) Kevin & Scarlett Watson

◆ **CHILDREN’S CHURCH**

Today (08/21) Tate & Stephanie Morris
Next Sunday (08/28) Larry & LuAnn Breed

*Praise Hymn

92 - A Mighty Fortress

*Invocation

Rev. Josh Garrett

*Confession of Faith

Westminster Shorter Catechism 37-38

Q. 37. What benefits do believers receive from Christ at death?

A. The souls of believers are at their death made perfect in holiness, and do immediately pass into glory; and their bodies, being still united to Christ, do rest in their graves, till the resurrection.

Q. 38. What benefits do believers receive from Christ at the resurrection:

A. At the resurrection, believers, being raised up in glory, shall be openly acknowledged and acquitted in the day of judgment, and made perfectly blessed in the full enjoying of God to all eternity.

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

170 - Fairest Lord Jesus

Call to Prayer

Philippians 4:6-7

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

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

Scripture Reading

Selected Scriptures

*Hymn of Preparation

Speak, O Lord

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You to receive the food of Your Holy Word. Take Your truth, plant it deep in us; Shape and fashion us in Your likeness, That the light of Christ might be seen today in our acts of love and our deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us all Your purposes for Your glory.

Teach us, Lord, full obedience, Holy reverence, true humility; Test our thoughts and our attitudes in the radiance of Your purity. Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see your majestic love and authority. Words of pow'r that can never fail-Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds; Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us—Truths unchanged from the dawn of time that will echo down through eternity. And by grace we'll stand on Your promises, And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us. Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built and the earth is filled with Your glory.

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)

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

Capital Campaign - as of 07/31/16

Number of Pledges	89
% of Members:	76%

Amount Pledged:	\$ 1,297,433
Pledges Received	— 694,952

Pledges Outstanding	\$ 602,481
Building Fund Cash:	\$ 1,173,449

Total	\$ 1,775,930
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Faith Promise for Missionaries

Over \$23,000 was distributed on 6/30 to support our 16 missionaries around the world.

Goal for Dec. 31:	\$ 27,500
Received:	\$ 2,575

General Operations Budget

We are currently switching over to new accounting software; updated figures will be available in the next week or two.

Title: *Loving Discipline for Our Children*

Hebrews 12:1-11

Found on page 975 in your pew Bible

Meditation

*...the Lord disciplines those he loves,
And he punishes everyone he accepts as a son.
Hebrews 12:6*

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:

Silas, Jill, Si, Bo & Hank Peed
Cathy, Sam & Catherine Pope
Charlie, Kathy, Becca Pye; Hannah James
Jack, Sara, Maggie & Katie Pyles

Our Missionaries:

Bruce and Barbara Wannemacher have a mentoring ministry to missionaries throughout Sub-Saharan Africa and to those who are in the States on Home Assignment.

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:

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.