



*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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Howard Reed  
Hunter Stevenson  
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Jeff Thompson  
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Lonnie Dye  
Cal Garretson  
Matt Monsted  
Tate Morris  
Jack Pyles  
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# THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

May 21, 2017



**NORTH MACON**  
**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PCA**

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

*Your love, LORD, reaches to the heavens, your faithfulness to the skies.  
Psalm 36:5*

## Prelude

## Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

## Introit

## Call to Worship:

Psalm 100

Pastor: Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth!

**People: Serve the LORD with gladness! Come before him with joyful songs!**

Pastor: Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

**People: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him and praise his name!**

Pastor: For the LORD is good, and his loves endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

## \*Praise Hymn

101 - *Come Thou Almighty King*

## \*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.

*\*those who are able please stand*

# ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday - 9:30 am - Sunday School

10:45 am - Worship

Monday - 9:00 am - Monday Morning Prayer

# 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.

**Wednesday Night Activities** - We have concluded our Wednesday Night Activities for the semester. Our Summer Fellowships will begin on Wednesday, May 31st.

**Ladies' Bible Study** - The Friday Morning Ladies' Bible Study will resume on Friday, September 8, 2017.

**SweatFest** - SweatFest is a one week mission trip in our own city, wherein students at NMPC (rising 9th - 12th graders) will work/sweat together for the purpose of transforming things from chaos to order. There are several things that students will gain during this week of toil:

- A more realistic understanding of the needs of Macon
- Relational depth with each other and God
- Ability to serve as a team

If you are interested, grab a brochure from Mark's desk; a \$50 deposit will hold your spot. Space is limited!

**May Match** - As of Monday, May 15 we have received \$124,900 from 19 families, resulting in \$187,350 (\$124,900 + \$62,450) for the Campaign! Therefore, we have \$2,195,097 of the \$2,750,000 needed to break ground.

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# SERVICE SCHEDULES

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♦ **COMMUNION PREPARATION**

June - Susan Robertson

♦ **COMMUNION SERVERS**

June - Howard Reed, Paul McCommon, Rob Morton, Jeff Thompson,  
Dan Strawn

♦ **USHERS**

May - Lonnie Dye, Charlie Parrish, Rhett Farmer & Lee Hendrix  
June - Cal Garretson, James Norvell, Bill Barnes, Glen Johnson

♦ **GREETERS**

May - Stephen & Christian Barnes  
June - Jack & Sara Pyles

♦ **SOUNDBOARD OPERATOR**

May - Howard Gordon  
June - Bert Barnes

♦ **FLOWER SCHEDULE**

Today (5/21) - Patricia Hughes  
Next Sunday (5/28) - Sara Pyles

♦ **PRAYER TEAM**

Today (5/21) Buck Ream, Howard Reed  
Next Sunday (5/28) Rob Morton, Charles Baker

♦ **NURSERY WORKERS**

Today (5/21) Jay & Kathleen Gettmann  
Next Sunday (5/28) Phillip & Kathy Kersey

♦ **CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

Today (5/21) Morris & Jessica Butler  
Next Sunday (5/28) Andrew & Kathlyn Wohlrabe

\*Hymn

32 - Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Receiving New Members

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

*Amy Frey; Hays, Andrea, Imrie & Buck Fyke*

1. Do you acknowledge yourself to be a sinner in the sight of God, justly deserving His displeasure, and without hope except in His sovereign mercy?
2. Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and depend upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel?
3. Do you now resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes a follower of Jesus Christ?
4. Do you promise to serve Christ in His Church by supporting and participating in its worship and work to the best of your ability?
5. Do you submit yourself to the government and discipline of the Church, and promise to further its purity and peace?

The Sacrament of Baptism

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

*Imrie Elizabeth Ann Fyke & William Hays Fyke*

1. Do you acknowledge your children'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 on their behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for their salvation, as you do for your own?
3. Do you now unreservedly dedicate your children to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before them a godly example, that you will pray with and for them, that you will teach them the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring them 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 these children?

Congregational Prayer

*Take My Life and Let It Be*

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

The Right Hand of Fellowship

Elders of NMPC

## Call to Prayer

Psalm 36:5-9

Your love, O LORD, reaches to the heavens, your faithfulness to the skies. Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains, your justice like the great deep. O LORD, you preserve both man and beast. How priceless is your unfailing love! Both high and low among men find refuge in the shadow of your wings. They feast on the abundance of your house; you give them drink from your river of delights. For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light.

## 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

*Till the Storm Passes By*

*In the dark of the midnight have I oft hid my face  
While the storm howls above me, and there's no hiding place  
'Mid the crash of the thunder, Precious Lord, hear my cry  
Keep me safe till the storm passes by*

*Chorus: Till the storm passes over, till the thunder sounds no more  
Till the clouds roll forever from the sky  
Hold me fast, let me stand in the hollow of Thy hand  
Keep me safe till the storm passes by*

*Many times Satan whispered, "There is no need to try  
For there's no end of sorrow, there's no hope by and by"  
But I know Thou art with me, and tomorrow I'll rise  
Where the storms never darken the skies*

*When the long night has ended and the storms come no more  
Let me stand in Thy presence on the bright peaceful shore  
In that land where the tempest, never comes, Lord, may I  
Dwell with Thee when the storm passes by*

# DISCIPLESHIP OPPORTUNITIES

## SUNDAY SCHOOL/SPRING QUARTER

**Children's Classes** - Children's classes are available by grade.

**Youth Class** - *The Sermon on the Mount: The Norms of the Kingdom of Heaven*, led by Mark Ballard (Room #120A)

**Men's Class** - *Titus* led by Howard Gordon (Conference Room)

**Women's Class** - *The Book of Daniel* led by Diane Elliott & Liz Ream (Room #115)

**Adult Elective #1:** *The Splendor of Holiness*, led by Bill Barnes (Room #118)

**Adult Elective #2:** *The Westminster Confession of Faith for Beginners*, led by Hunter Stevenson & Seth Peed (Room #119)

**Adult Elective #3:** *Haggai*, led by Josh Garrett (Room #120B)

## SUMMER FELLOWSHIP

We have concluded our Wednesday Night Activities.

We will begin our Summer Fellowships on Wednesday, May 31st.

# FINANCIAL UPDATE

## General Operations— 4/30/2017

2017 Receipts: \$ 300,506

2017 Expenses: \$ 225,627

2017 transfer to

Capital Campaign: \$ 8,000

## Faith Promise for Missions

Needed by June: \$20,400

Collected Jan-Apr: \$16,898

through Faith Promise giving  
to support our 15 missionaries

## Capital Campaign— 4/30/2017

Amount Pledged: \$1,365,988

Pledges Received: — 956,156

Pledges Outstanding: 409,832

Building Fund Cash: 1,434,065

Bldg Expenses Paid: 163,850

Total Gifts & Pledges: 2,007,747

Goal to break ground: 2,750,000

Guaranteed max price: 4,000,000

### Our Church Family:

Expecting: Holly Garretson, Joanna Norvell, Marie Seay, Carissa Bell,  
Lily Robinson, Allie Monsted & Jessie Schnetzer

Newborns: Clay Barnes, Forrest Garrett, Hatcher Barnes, Evie Stanford,  
William Cathey & Jonathan Young

Members caring for Loved Ones: Charles Baker (mom); Diane Elliott  
(mom); Kathy Cunningham (mom); Becky Gorman (Randy); Willa  
Ham (mom); Amelia Smith (mom—Kathryn Jones); Mary Jane  
Leggett (mom & daughter-in-law); Jeff & Cindy Kross (daughter  
Mackenzie is expecting twin girls)

Recovering: Bill Gaeta (chronic leukemia); Cathy Ridley (knee); Bobby  
Freeman (foot); Meryt Benson (wrist); Susan Barnes (hip); Howard  
Murray (lung)

Bereaved: Susan Robertson (Paul); Lynn Leverette (Oscar); Jimmy &  
Diane McCallum (daughter); John Timms (mom); Bryan Covert  
(step mom); Peggy Grimsley (mom); Kasey Young (dad); Nina  
Fleming (mom & dad); Ann Timms (mom); John & Nancy Briandi  
(son-in-law); Howard Reed (dad); Barbara Gibson (Dan)

### Our Capital Campaign:

Let us pray for the discernment of God's timing to break ground, for the  
accomplishment of God's purposes in our church while we wait, for  
God's provisions for all that we need financially, and for God to be  
honored and glorified.

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

### 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**

*Come Ye Sinners*

Come, ye sinners, poor and wretched, weak and wounded, sick and sore;  
Jesus, ready, stands to save you, full of pity, joined with pow'r:  
He is able, he is able; he is willing; doubt no more.

Come, ye needy, come and welcome, God's free bounty glorify;  
True belief and true repentance, every grace that brings you nigh,  
Without money, without money, come to Jesus Christ and buy.

Come, ye weary, heavy laden, bruised and broken by the fall;  
If you tarry till you're better, you will never come at all:  
Not the righteous, not the righteous—sinners, Jesus came to call.

Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream;  
All the fitness he requireth is to feel your need of him;  
This he gives you, this he gives you; 'tis the Spirit's rising beam.

Lo! th'incarnate God, ascended, pleads the merit of his blood;  
Venture on him, venture wholly, let no other trust intrude:  
None but Jesus, none but Jesus, can do helpless sinners good.

### **Prayer for Our Covenant Children**

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

### **Sermon**

*God Intended It For Good*  
*Genesis 49:29 - 50:26*

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

### **\*Hymn of Response**

128 - *God Moves in a Mysterious Way*

### **\*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

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# THE PREACHED WORD

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**Title:** *God Intended It For Good*

Genesis 49:29 - 50:26

Found on page 42 in your pew Bible

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# NMPC WEEKLY

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05/21/17

## Meditation

*By faith Joseph, when his end was near, spoke about the exodus of the Israelites from Egypt and gave instructions about his bones.  
Hebrews 11:22*

## 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:

Dan, Connie & Daniel Strawn  
Dan, Holly, Ellie Grace & Annabelle Taylor  
Jeff, Madeline & Will Thompson  
Joe & Peggy Timberlake

### Our Missionaries:

David & Erin Pervis are in a church planting ministry in Kiev, Ukraine, reaching people with the gospel through several means, one being teaching English.

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 men; they would be men after God's own heart; they would seek first Christ's Kingdom and His righteousness; they would be full of faith and the Holy Spirit.

Our church leaders would be blameless and Spirit-filled.