



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

July 2, 2017



NORTH MACON
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PCA

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

*Our God is a God who saves.
Psalm 68:20a*

*Glorious God, it is the flame of my life to worship You,
the crown and glory of my soul to adore You,
heavenly pleasure to approach You.*

*Give me power by Your Spirit to help me worship now,
that I may forget the world,
be brought into fullness of life,
be refreshed, comforted blessed. Amen.*

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Introit

Call to Worship:

Psalm 96
(page 819 in the hymnal)

***Praise Hymn**

302 - *Come Christians Join to Sing*

***Invocation**

Rev. Josh Garrett

**those who are able please stand*

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday - 9:30 am - Sunday School

10:45 am - Worship

Monday - Wednesday - Office Closed

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Monday Morning Prayer - The office will be closed on Monday, so we will not gather for prayer.

Summer Fellowship - We will not meet this Wednesday night due to the July 4th holiday.

Warm Springs Mission Team - Our team flew out yesterday. They will be serving with Sacred Road ministries, whose focus is on loving our "first neighbors" (native Americans). The team will serve physically in the mornings and relationally in the afternoons on the Indian Reservation. Prayer Guides are available in the narthex. Let us be faithful to pray!

Men's Fellowship - Our next Men's Fellowship will be Friday, July 14th at the home of Brandon Youmans (520 Walden Rd, Forsyth). We will have a bag toss tournament and will grill hamburgers and hotdogs. Please sign your Team up for the tournament on the table in the narthex. We will begin at 5:30 PM and conclude when a champion is crowned in glorious victory. Whether or not you plan to participate in the tournament, please make plans to attend!

May Match - As of Monday, June 26th we have received \$355,440 from 64 families, resulting in \$533,160 (\$355,440 + 177,720 match) for the Campaign. This brings us to \$2,540,907 of the goal of \$2,750,000. Would you prayerfully consider participating in the Match, which concludes today?

Town Hall Meeting - Sunday, July 23rd during the SS hour (9:30-10:30)

Congregational Meeting - Sunday, July 30th following the worship service

Union with Christ - Update reading schedules are in the narthex

SERVICE SCHEDULES

- ♦ **COMMUNION PREPARATION**
July - Charles & Patricia Hughes
- ♦ **COMMUNION SERVERS**
July - Rob Morton, Larry Breed, Kevin Watson, Howard Reed, Jeff Thompson
- ♦ **USHERS**
July - Tate Morris, Joe Timberlake, Robby Danner & Paul Kanode
- ♦ **GREETERS**
July - Jerry & Cheryl Willis
- ♦ **SOUNDBOARD OPERATOR**
July - Joey Leggett
- ♦ **FLOWER SCHEDULE**
Today (7/02) - Communion
Next Sunday (7/9) Cheryl Willis
- ♦ **PRAYER TEAM**
Today (7/02) Paul McCommon, Howard Reed
Next Sunday (7/09) Kevin Watson, Jeff Thompson
- ♦ **NURSERY WORKERS**
Today (7/02) Silas & Jill Peed
Next Sunday (7/09) Neal & Willa Ham
- ♦ **CHILDREN'S CHURCH**
Today (7/02) Bobby & Barbara Freeman
Next Sunday (7/09) Jason & Allison Tripp

*Confession of Faith

Nicene Creed

PASTOR: Christian, what do you believe?

PEOPLE: We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
begotten from the Father before all ages,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God;
begotten, not made; of the same essence as the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation, He came down from heaven;
He became incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,
and was made human.
He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate;
He suffered and was buried;
The third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures.
He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again with glory to judge the living and the dead.
His kingdom will never end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life.
He proceeds from the Father and the Son,
And with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified;
He spoke through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We affirm one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look forward to the resurrection of the dead,
and to life in the world to come. Amen.

The Nicene Creed is a statement of the orthodox faith of the early Christian church in opposition to certain heresies, especially Arianism, which taught that neither Jesus nor the Holy Spirit were divine. In its present form this creed goes back partially to the Council of Nicea (A.D. 325) with additions by the Council of Constantinople (A.D. 381). It was accepted in its present form at the Council of Chalcedon in 451.

*Hymn

307 - Nothing But the Blood

Call to Prayer

Galatians 6:7-10

Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows. The one who sows to please his sinful nature, from that nature will reap destruction; the one who sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life. Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.

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

*Hymn of Preparation

Spirit of God

Spirit of God, descend upon my heart: Wean it from earth; through all its pulses move; Stoop to my weakness, mighty as Thou art; And make me love Thee as I ought to love.

Teach me to feel that Thou art always nigh; Teach me the struggles of the soul to bear. To check the rising doubt, the rebel sigh, Teach me the patience of struggling in prayer.

Hast Thou not bid me love Thee, God and King? All, all Thine own, soul, heart and strength and mind. I see Thy cross; there teach me to cling: O let me seek Thee, and O let me find.

Teach me to love Thee as Thine angels love, One holy passion filling all my frame; The presence of Thy descended Dove, My heart an altar, and Thy love the flame.

DISCIPLESHIP OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAY SCHOOL/SUMMER 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)

Adult Classes - We have a number of classes studying & discussing our 2017 Summer book, *Union With Christ: The Way to Know and Enjoy God* by Rankin Wilbourne.

SUMMER FELLOWSHIP

We will gather each Wednesday evening in June and July, except for July 4th week, from 6:00 - 7:30 for dinner, singing and a Bible Story lesson. Come and join us!

FINANCIAL UPDATE

General Operations— 5/31/2017

2017 Receipts: \$ 381,301

2017 Expenses: \$ 279,654

2017 transfer to

Capital Campaign: \$ 8,000

Faith Promise for Missions

Needed by June: \$20,400

Collected Jan-Apr: \$20,728
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: Joanna Norvell, Carissa Bell, Marie Seay, Lily Robinson, Allie Monsted & Jessie Schnetzer

Newborns: Clay Barnes, Forrest Garrett, Hatcher Barnes, Evie Stanford, William Cathey, Jonathan Young, Rhett Covert & Camp Garretson

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 had twin girls); Dan Strawn (mom)

Recovering: Bill Gaeta (chronic leukemia); Cathy Ridley (knee); Bobby Freeman (foot); Howard Murray (lung); Barbara Gibson (knee)

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); Kathy Combs (stepdad); Charles Hughes (brother)

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:

Pray for the peace and prosperity of Macon (Jeremiah 29:7) and of central Georgia; pray for wisdom and vision for our leaders and elected officials.

Pray for another Great Awakening in America; pray that we would be a country who honors and fears the LORD.

Prayer for Our Covenant Children

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Sermon

Keep Watch!
Matthew 24:36-51

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The Sacrament of Communion

All those who have placed their faith and trust in Christ alone for their salvation, are baptized, and are members in good standing of a Bible-believing, evangelical church are invited to partake of the Lord's Supper this morning. All others, please allow the elements to pass, as you consider your relationship with Christ and His Church.

*Hymn of Response

246 - *Man of Sorrow! What a Name*

*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: *Keep Watch*

Matthew 24:36-51

Found on page 806 in your pew Bible

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Meditation

*Therefore keep watch,
because you do not know on what day your Lord will come.
Matthew 24:42*

Intercession

Our Priorities:

1. A progressive commitment to *Christ*: Worshipers
Loving God with all our heart, soul, mind and strength
2. A progressive commitment to *Christ's Body*: Servants
Laying down our lives for one another just as Christ did for us
3. A progressive commitment to *Christ's Work in the World*: Ambassadors
Having a passion for the glory of God and a compassion for the lost

Our Members:

Vicki Anderson
Iris Archer
Phillip Austin
Benjamin Baker

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.

Pray for the Persecuted Church; ask God to strengthen these believers, protect and provide for them, comfort and assure them, enable them to stand firm in their faith, and that they would "spread everywhere the fragrance of the knowledge of Jesus.

Our Ministries:

Children's Ministry; Amy Peed & Holly Shepley; Children's Ministry Committee, teachers & helpers; pray that our children would grow in the grace and knowledge of Christ
Our staff, elders and deacons would be filled with the Holy Spirit