



*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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Matt Cathey  
Lonnie Dye  
Cal Garretson  
Matt Monsted  
Tate Morris  
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# THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

*August 27, 2017*



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

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

*You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because you were slain,  
and with your blood you purchased for God persons from every tribe and language and people  
and nation. You have made them to be a kingdom and priests to serve our God,  
and they will reign on the earth.  
Revelation 5:9-10*

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Introit

Call to Worship

Psalm 67  
(page 808 in the hymnal)

\*Praise Hymn

295 - *Crown Him With Many Crowns*

\*Invocation

Dr. David Todd

\*Confession of Faith

Colossians 1:15-20

Pastor: Christian, who is Jesus Christ?

**He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation.**

**For by him all things were created:**

**things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible,  
whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities;  
all things were created by him and for him.**

**He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.**

**And he is the head of the body, the church;**

**He is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead,  
so that in everything he might have the supremacy.**

**For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him,  
and through him to reconcile to himself all things,  
whether things on earth or things in heaven,  
by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.**

\*Hymn

*My Worth Is Not In What I Own*

*\*those who are able please stand*

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## ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

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Sunday - 9:30 am - Sunday School

10:45 am - Worship

Monday - 9:00 am - Monday Morning Prayer

7:00 pm - Stated Session Meeting

Wednesday - 5:45 pm - Dinner

6:30 pm - Bible Lesson

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**Marjory Mariana Bell** - Marjory was born on Tuesday, August 22nd, weighing 6 lbs., 9oz and is 20 ½ inches long. Congratulations to Brian, Carissa & Savannah!

**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.

**Officer Nominations** - Communing members of NMPC are encouraged to prayerfully consider whom they might nominate for the offices of elder and deacon. Today is the close of nominations.

**Wednesday Night Activities** - Our Wednesday night activities resume this week. Dinner begins at 5:45 PM with classes at 6:30 PM. The adults will study portions of Jeremiah's prophecy this school year. Come join us!

**Ladies' Bible Studies this Fall** - (1) The Friday morning Ladies' Bible Study will resume on Friday, September 8th at 10 AM. They will continue their study of the gospel of John. (2) A Wednesday morning Ladies' Bible Study & a Wednesday evening Ladies' Bible Study will begin on Wednesday, September 13th at 10 AM and 6:30 PM respectively. Both will study the book of Ephesians. All ladies are invited! Please sign up in the narthex.

**Small Groups** - Many of our Small Groups will resume meeting together in the next couple of weeks. Please contact Josh (josh@nmpc.net) if you are interested in joining one!

**Breaking Ground Ceremony** - On Sunday, October 15th we plan to have a Breaking Ground Ceremony immediately after the worship service, followed by a lunch on the grounds. Please save the date for this special event!

# SERVICE SCHEDULES

## ◆ COMMUNION PREPARATION

September - Charles & Patricia Hughes

## ◆ COMMUNION SERVERS

September - Jeff Thompson, Howard Reed, Rob Morton, Kevin Watson,  
Frank Fleming

## ◆ USHERS

August - Jack Pyles, Chris Wilson, Bill Barnes, Elliot Robinson  
September - Matt Monsted, Charles Baker, Dwayne Benson, James  
Norvell

## ◆ GREETERS

August - Lonnie & Donna Dye  
September - Paul & Pam Kanode

## ◆ SOUNDBOARD OPERATOR

August - Tate Morris  
September - Matt Cathey

## ◆ FLOWER SCHEDULE

Today (8/27) - Joan Youmans  
Next Sunday (9/3) Communion

## ◆ PRAYER TEAM

Today (8/27) Larry Breed, Charles Baker  
Next Sunday (9/03) Jeff Thompson, Frank Fleming

## ◆ NURSERY WORKERS

Today (8/27) Dan & Connie Strawn  
Next Sunday (9/03) Hays & Andrea Fyke

## ◆ CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Today (8/27) Steve & Julie Strange  
Next Sunday (9/03) Paul & Pam Kanode

1. My worth is not in what I own, not in the strength of  
2. My worth is not in skill or name, in win or lose, in  
3. As sum-mer flow'rs we fade and die; fame, youth, and beau-ty  
4. I will not boast in wealth or might, or hu-man wis-dom's  
5. Two won-ders here that I con-fess: my worth and my un-

flesh and bone, but in the cost-ly wounds of love  
pride or shame, but in the blood of Christ that flowed  
hur-ry by, but life e-ter-nal calls to us  
fleet-ing light, but I will boast in know-ing Christ  
wor-thi-ness; my val-ue fixed, my ran-som paid

1, 3. 2, 4, 5.  
at the cross. cross. I re-joice in my Re-deem-er,  
at the cross. cross.  
at the cross. cross.  
at the cross. cross.

great-est treas-ure, Well-spring of my soul. I will trust in Him, no  
oth-er; my soul is sat-is-fied in Him a-lone.

## Sacrament of Baptism

*Rhett Lee Covert*

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

## Congregational Prayer

*Take My Life and Let It Be*

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

But when the time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under law, to redeem those under law, that we might receive the full rights of sons. Because you are sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, "Abba, Father." So you are no longer a slave, but a son; and since you are a son, God has made you also an heir.

## Pastoral Prayer &amp; Lord's Prayer

Dr. David Todd

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 the Month for September

## We Will Feast in the House of Zion

Sandra McCracken



We will feast in the house of Zi - on. We will sing with our hearts re - stored. He has done great things, we will say to - geth-er; We will feast and weep no more. We will not be burned by the fire, He In the dark of night be-fore the dawn my Ev - 'ry vow we've bro - ken and be - trayed; You is the Lord our God. We are not con - sumed by the soul be not a - fraid; for the prom - ised morn - ing, oh how are the faith - ful One. And from the gar - den to the flood; Up - held, pro - tect - ed, gath - ered up. long? O God of Ja - cob be my strength. grave bind us to - geth - er bring sha - lom.

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# 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.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES

Dinner begins at 5:45 PM for the whole family (\$5.00/adult/teen, \$2.00/child, family max \$15.00). At 6:30 PM, some adults meet in the sanctuary for Bible study 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 Operations— 7/31/2017

2017 Receipts: \$ 506,213

2017 Expenses: \$ 422,315

2017 transfer to

Capital Campaign: \$ 58,000

Faith Promise for Missions

Collected Jan-Jun: \$24,738

Paid out Jan-Jun: \$19,275

to support our 15 missionaries

Needed July-Dec: \$19,275

Collected in July: \$ 1,082

Capital Campaign— 7/31/2017

Amount Pledged: \$1,990,766

Pledges Received: — 1,225,975

Pledges Outstanding: 764,791

Building Fund Cash: 1,775,286

Bldg Expenses Paid: 163,850

Total Gifts &amp; Pledges: 2,703,927

Goal to break ground: 2,750,000

Guaranteed max price: 4,000,000

### Our Church Family:

Expecting: Marie Seay, Lily Robinson, Allie Monsted, Jessie Schnetzer & Allison Deaton

Newborns: Hatcher Barnes, William Cathey, Jonathan Young, Rhett Covert, Camp Garretson, Ella Anne Norvell & Marjory Bell

Members caring for Loved Ones: Charles Baker (mom); Diane Elliott (mom); Kathy Cunningham (mom); Becky Gorman (Randy); Amelia Smith (mom—Kathryn Jones); Mary Jane Leggett (mom & daughter-in-law); Dan Strawn (mom); Charlie Parrish (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); Howard Reed (dad); Barbara Gibson (Dan); Kathy Combs (stepdad); Charles Hughes (brother); Kate Harrison (sister)

### Our Capital Campaign:

Let us give thanks to God for the outpouring of His blessings upon our congregation! He has enabled us to give so generously, has granted us wisdom and discernment throughout this process so far, and has unified us so that with “one heart and one mind” we are moving forward with our new sanctuary. Let us pray that **Sunday, October 15th** will be a glorious day to celebrate God’s faithfulness as we break ground on the new building.

### 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.

### **\*Hymn of Preparation**

310 - Rejoice the Lord is King

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

Dr. David Todd

### **Sermon**

*The Great Commission* Rev. Hunter Stevenson  
*Genesis 1:26-28 & Mathew 28:18-20*

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

*Jesus Thank You*

The mystery of the cross I cannot comprehend,  
The agonies of Calvary: You, the perfect Holy One, crushed Your Son,  
Who drank the bitter cup reserved for me

Chorus: Your blood has washed away my sin; Jesus, thank You!  
The Father’s wrath completely satisfied; Jesus, thank You!  
Once Your enemy, now seated at Your table; Jesus, thank You!

By Your perfect sacrifice I’ve been brought near,  
Your enemy You’ve made Your friend. Pouring out the riches of Your  
glorious grace, Your mercy and Your kindness know no end (Chorus)

Bridge: Lover of my soul, I want to live for you  
Lover of my soul, I want to live for you (Chorus twice)

### **\*Benediction**

Ephesians 3:20-21

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or  
imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the  
church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever!  
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:** *The Great Commission*

Genesis 1:26-28 & Matthew 28:18-20

Found on pages 1 & 811 in your pew Bible

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# NMPC WEEKLY

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08/27/17

## Meditation

*Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them  
in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,  
and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you.  
Matthew 28:19-20a*

## Intercession

### Our Priorities:

1. A progressive commitment to *Christ*: Worshipers  
Loving the LORD our God with all our heart, soul, mind and strength
2. A progressive commitment to *Christ's Body*: Servants  
Loving one another just as Christ has loved us
3. A progressive commitment to *Christ's Work in the World*: Ambassadors  
Making disciples of all nations

### Our Members:

Trey, Allison, Chase & Austin Deaton  
Lonnie & Donna Dye  
Diane Elliott  
Rhett, Joyce, Matthew & Sara Rhett Farmer

### Our Missionaries:

Jim & Mary Alice Patterson are now on Home Assignment continuing their work on Vernacular Media.

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:

Our Sunday School classes and teachers; pray that our teachers would be filled with the Holy Spirit and used by God to make disciples of Jesus; pray for our members that God would mold us into the image of Christ through the faithful teaching of God's Word  
Our church leaders would love sacrificially and lead faithfully