



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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Jason Churchwell
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Matt Monsted
Tate Morris
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Every Member, *Ministers*
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Josh Garrett, *Associate Pastor*
Mark Ballard, *Youth Director*
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THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

May 20, 2018



NORTH MACON
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PCA

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

*Great is the LORD and most worthy of praise;
his greatness no one can fathom.
Psalm 145:3*

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Introit

Call to Worship

Psalm 145:1-8

Pastor: I will exalt you, my God the King; I will praise your name for ever and ever.

People: Every day I will praise you and extol your name for ever and ever.

Pastor: Great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom.

People: One generation will commend your works to another; they will tell of your mighty acts.

Pastor: They will speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty, and I will meditate on your wonderful works!

People: They will tell of the power of your awesome works, and I will proclaim your great deeds.

Pastor: They will celebrate your abundant goodness and joyfully sing of your righteousness.

People: The LORD is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love.

*Praise Hymn

2 - O Worship the King

**those who are able please stand*

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday - 9:30 am - Sunday School

10:45 am - Worship

5:00 pm - Children's Training Session

Monday - 9:00 am - Monday Morning Prayer

Wednesday - 6:00 pm - Children's Training Session

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.

2018 Pictorial Directory - Skip Yetter is taking pictures of our recent New Members this Sunday, May 20th and next Sunday, May 27th. Please stop by Room 112 to have your picture taken before Sunday School, after Sunday School and after the worship service. Members are welcome to update their pictures for the 2018 Pictorial Directory, which will be printed this summer.

Children's Training Session - Tonight from 5:00-7:00 and Wednesday from 6:00-8:00 will be our last two Darkness to Light Stewards of Children training sessions before VBS. If you want to serve in our children's ministry (including to be a Special Needs Buddy), you need to sign up with Bill Barnes (bill@nmpc.net) for one of these classes.

Construction of the New Portico - This week Sheridan Construction will tear down our portico in order to construct a new, larger one. During the next 4 months, the back parking lot (by the playgrounds) will become Visitor & handicap/elderly parking. We will have access to the sanctuary through a narrow walkway beside the Conference Room, the door in the back corner, and the Preschool entrance.

Flowers - The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in honor of our 2018 high school graduates by North Macon Presbyterian Church.

SERVICE SCHEDULES

♦ COMMUNION PREPARATION

June - Susan Robertson

♦ COMMUNION SERVERS

June - Larry Breed, Paul McCommon, Jeff Thompson, Jeff Kross,
Kevin Watson

♦ USHERS

May - Silas Peed, Charlie Pye, Steven Bloodworth, Glen Johnson
June - Tate Morris, Joe Timberlake, Robby Danner, Paul Kanode

♦ GREETERS

May - Stephen & Christian Barnes
June - Jim & Melanie Grier

♦ SOUNDBOARD OPERATOR

May - Joey Leggett

♦ FLOWER SCHEDULE

May 20 - NMPC
May 27 - Beth McSween

♦ PRAYER TEAM

Today (5/20) Ed Grimsley, Jeff Thompson
Next Sunday (5/27) Larry Breed, John McSween

♦ NURSERY WORKERS

Today (5/20) Jeff & Madeline Thompson
Next Sunday (5/27) Joe & Peggy Timberlake

♦ CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Today (5/20) Jeff & Cindy Kross
Next Sunday (5/27) Shane & Amy Self

*Invocation

Rev. Josh Garrett

*Confession of Faith

Apostles' Creed

PASTOR: Christian, what do you believe?

ALL: I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell;
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sitteth on the right hand
of God the Father Almighty.
From thence he shall come to judge
the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

*The Apostles' Creed was not written by the apostles, but is a summary of their teachings.
It dates back to the 4th century, and has been used by the church to identify believers,
instruct new converts, and provide a confession of faith for worship.*

*Hymn

75 - O Father You Are Sovereign

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

Call to Prayer

Deuteronomy 6:4-9

Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.

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

DISCIPLESHIP OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAY SCHOOL/SPRING QUARTER
Titus - Teachers: Jason Churchwell, Paul McCommon & Rob Morton, Room #118
Image Bearers - Teacher: Josh Garrett. Room #119
Marriage Enrichment - Teacher: Hunter Stevenson, Room #120B
Men's Class - Grace Focused Optimism - Teacher: Howard Gordon, Conference Room
Ladies' Class - The Book of Acts, Room #115

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES

Our Wednesday Night Activities have concluded for this semester.

We will begin our Summer Fellowships on Wednesday, May 30th.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

General Operations—4/30/2018		Capital Campaign— 4/30/2018	
2018 Receipts:	\$ 265,775	Amount Pledged:	\$1,993,891
2018 Expenses:	\$ 255,291	Pledges Received:	— 1,514,122
		Pledges Outstanding:	479,769
		Building Fund Cash:	1,392,384
		Bldg Expenses Paid:	1,292,609
<u>Faith Promise for Missions</u>		Total Gifts & Pledges:	3,164,762
Needed Jan-Jun:	\$20,550	Ground Breaking:	Oct 15, 2017
Collected Jan - April:	\$22,986	Projected Completion:	Oct 2018
to support our 16 missionaries			

To give electronically, please visit our website at nmnpc.net.

Our Church Family:

Expecting: Kathryn Wohlrabe

Newborns: William Cathey, Jonathan Young, Rhett Covert, Camp Garretson, Ella Anne Norvell, Matthew Seay, Benjamin Robinson, Bowen Monsted, Eleanor Schnetzer & Maggie Lynn Deaton

Members caring for Loved Ones: Becky Gorman (Randy); Amelia Smith (mom); Mary Jane Leggett (daughter-in-law); Charlie Parrish (mom); Monni Parrish (mom); Steven Bloodworth (mom); Howard Gordon (mom); Melanie Grier (mom); Steve Smith (dad); Rana Munna (mom); Jeff Kross (mom); Liz Ream (Buck); Mike Brock (Helen); Tyler Gottlieb (brother)

Recovering: Brenda Crutchfield (COPD); Kathy Combs (strength); Buck Ream (neck); Savannah Walker (leukemia); Skip Yetter (hip); Cathy Ridley (knee); Diane McCallum (hip); Bryan Covert (knee); Kate Harrison (voice)

Bereaved: Barbara Gibson (Dan); James Norvell (dad); Katy Danner (dad); Dan Strawn (mom); Mary Jane Leggett (mom); Grant & Carter Shelton (dad); Kim & Austin Murray (Howard); Holly Shepley (dad); Neal Ham (mom); Charles Baker (mom); Kathy Kersey (brother); Iris Archer (sister); Myra Baker (brother)

Our Capital Campaign:

Let us continue to 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 continue to pray for the EOC as they work alongside Sheridan Construction & SP Design during construction. Let us pray for safety & excellence for all those working on this project.

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.

Prayer for Our Covenant Children

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Sermon

Salted With Fire
Mark 9:42-50

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

*Hymn of Response

The Power of the Cross

The Power of The Cross

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1. Oh, to see the dawn of the dark - est day;
2. Oh, to see the pain writ - ten on Your face,
3. Now the day - light flees, now the ground be - neath
4. Oh, to see my name writ - ten in the wounds.

Christ on the road to Cal - va - ry. Tried by sin - ful men,
bear - ing the awe - some weight of sin. Ev - 'ry bit - ter thought,
quakes as its Mak - er bows His head. Cur - tain torn in two,
for through your suf - f'ring I am free. Death is crushed to death;
torn and beat - en, then nailed to a cross of wood.
ev - 'ry e - vil deed, crown - ing Your blood - stained brow.
dead are raised to life. "Fin - ished!" the vic - try cry.
life is mine to live, won through your self - less love!

Chorus 1 - 3: This the pow'r of the cross: Christ be - came sin for us.
4: This the pow'r of the cross: Son of God slain for us.

Took the blame, bore the wrath. We stand for giv - en at the cross.
What a love, what a cost! We stand for - giv - en at the cross. (repeat final chorus)

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*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.

Title: *Salted With Fire*

Mark 9:42-50

Found on pages 821 in your pew Bible

Meditation

"As the new heavens and the new earth that I make will endure before me," declares the LORD, "so will your name and descendants endure. From one New Moon to another and from one Sabbath to another, all mankind will come and bow down before me," says the LORD. "And they will go out and look upon the dead bodies of those who rebelled against me; their worm will not die, nor will their fire be quenched, and they will be loathsome to all mankind."

Isaiah 66:22-24

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:

Amy Frey
Rick Funk
Hays, Andrea, Imrie & Buck Fyke
Josh, Lindsay, Madeleine, Jack & Forrest Garrett

Our Missionaries:

Brian & Mandy - South Asia
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 Seniors; they would be filled with the joy of the Lord; they would be healthy and strong; they would continue to bear fruit for the Kingdom.
Our church leaders would have vision, wisdom & Christlikeness.