

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

June 17, 2018



For in him we live and move and have our being. Acts 17:28a

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Introit

Call to Worship

from Psalm 104

Pastor: O LORD my God, you are very great; you are clothed with

splendor and majesty!

People: He wraps himself in light as with a garment; he stretches

out the heavens like a tent. He set the earth on its

foundations: it can never be moved.

He makes springs pour water into the ravines; they give water

to all the beasts of the field; the wild donkeys quench their

thirst; the birds of the air nest by the waters.

People: He makes grass grow for the cattle, and plants for man to

cultivate—bringing forth food from the earth: wine that gladdens the heart of man, oil to make his face shine, and

bread that sustains his heart.

The moon marks off the seasons, and the sun knows when to Pastor:

go down; you bring darkness, it becomes night, and all the

beasts of the forest prowl.

People: How many are your works, O LORD! In wisdom you

made them all; the earth is full of your creatures! There is

the sea, vast and spacious, teeming with creatures beyond

number—living things both large and small!

May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD Pastor:

rejoice in his works!

People: I will sing to the LORD all my life; I will sing praise to my

God as long as I live!

*Praise Hymn 115 - All Creatures of Our God and King

*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 Wednesday - 6:00 pm - Dinner 6:45 pm - Bible Lesson

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.

A Praying Life - This summer our whole church family will be reading and studying Paul Miller's book, A Praying Life. You can pick up a copy of the book & a reading schedule in the narthex. Also, please sign up for a Sunday School Class where we will be discussing A Praying Life during the summer months. The classes began this morning.

The EDGE Conference—Please be praying for our students and leaders headed to the EDGE Ir Hi camp this Mon-Fri on Lookout Mountain - Lucy Shepley, Ann Drew Boland, Campbell Ann Sellers, Heather Stevenson, Skylar Gossett, Charlie Morris, Austin Garcia, Hunt Stevenson, Caleb Tripp, Ben Barton, Seth Daniels, Josiah Daniels, Haden Churchwell, Harvey Roddenberry, Colby Self, Lewis Peed, Sam Griffin, Andrei Parrish, and Mark Ballard.

Summer Fellowship - On Wednesday we will gather for dinner at 6:00 PM followed by a Story of Deliverance from the book of Judges for all ages. Susan Robertson will be providing the meal, along with a full salad bar. Come join us!

Men's Fellowship - Our next Men's Fellowship will be Friday, June 22nd at the home of Brandon Youmans (520 Walden Rd, Forsyth). We will have a corn hole tournament and will grill hamburgers and hot dogs. We will begin eating at 5:30 PM and the event will conclude when a champion is crowned in glorious victory. Food and drinks will be provided. This event is college age and up. No minors please! Any questions, please call or text Iosh Garrett 912.655.549

Vacation Bible School - The King is Coming! Please pray for the 75 children and 59 volunteers (28 youth) serving at VBS starting June 25th. If you can help prepare food, please see Bill Barnes or Joan Youmans.

SERVICE SCHEDULES

♦ COMMUNION PREPARATION

<u>July</u> - Charles & Patricia Hughes

♦ COMMUNION SERVERS

<u>July</u> - Jeff Thompson, Howard Reed, Ed Grimsley, Jason Churchwell, Dan Strawn

♦ <u>Ushers</u>

<u>June</u> - Tate Morris, Joe Timberlake, Robby Danner, Paul Kanode <u>July</u> - Jack Pyles, Chris Wilson, Patrick Hoye, Elliot Robinson

♦ GREETERS

<u>June</u> - Jim & Melanie Grier <u>July</u> - Jerry & Cheryl Willis

♦ SOUNDBOARD OPERATOR

June - Joey Leggett

♦ FLOWER SCHEDULE

<u>June 17</u> - Liz Ream <u>June 24</u> - Connie Strawn

♦ PRAYER TEAM

Today (6/17) Paul McCommon & Kevin Watson Next Sunday (6/24) Howard Reed, Larry Breed

♦ Nursery Workers

Today (6/17) Steve & Julie Strange
Next Sunday (6/24) Andrew & Kathlyn Wohlrabe

♦ CHILDREN'S CHURCH

<u>Today (6/17)</u> Jason & Allison Tripp <u>Next Sunday (6/24)</u> Brandon & Beth Youmans *Invocation Rev. Hunter Stevenson

*Confession of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism #27 & 28

- Q. Christian, what do you understand by the providence of God?
- A. Providence is the almighty and ever present power of God, by which he upholds—as with his hand—heaven and earth and all creatures; and so rules them that leaf and blade, rain and drought, fruitful and lean years, food and drink, health and sickness, prosperity and poverty—all things, in fact, come to us not by chance, but from his fatherly hand.
- Q. How does the knowledge of God's creation and providence help us?
- A. We can be patient when things go against us, thankful when things go well, and for the future we can have good confidence in our faithful God and Father, that nothing will separate us from his love. All creatures are so completely in his hand, that without his will, they can neither move nor be moved.

The Heidelberg Catechism was composed in Heidelberg, Germany in 1563. It has been translated into many European, Asian, and African languages, and is the most widely used and most warmly praised catechisms of the Reformation period.

*Hymn

I Sing the Almighty Power of God

I sing the almighty power of God, that made the mountains rise, That spread the flowing seas abroad, and built the lofty skies. I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day; The moon shines full at His command and all the stars obey.

I sing the goodness of the Lord that filled the earth with food, He formed the creatures with his word, and then pronounced them good. Lord, how your wonders are displayed where'er I turn my eye, If I survey the ground I tread or gaze upon the sky!

There's not a plant or flower below but makes your glories known, And clouds arise and tempests blow by order from your throne; While all that borrows life from you is ever in your care; And everywhere that man can be, you, God are present there. 1 Samuel 2:1b-2, 6-10

My heart rejoices in the LORD; in the LORD my horn is lifted high. My mouth boasts over my enemies, for I delight in your deliverance. There is no one holy like the LORD; there is no one besides you; there is no Rock like our God.

The LORD brings death and makes alive; he brings down to the grave and raises up. The LORD sends poverty and wealth; he humbles and he exalts. He raises the poor from the dust and lifts the needy from the ash heap; he seats them with princes and has them inherit a throne of honor. For the foundations of the earth are the LORD's; on them he has set the world. He will guard the feet of his faithful servants, but the wicked will be silenced in the place of darkness. It is not by strength that one prevails; those who oppose the LORD will be broken. The Most High will thunder from heaven; the LORD will judge the ends of the earth. He will give strength to his king and exalt the horn of his anointed.

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

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

Isaiah 53

DISCIPLESHIP OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAY SCHOOL/SUMMER QUARTER

This summer our whole church will be reading and studying Paul Miller's book, A *Praying Life*. You can pick up a copy of the book & a reading schedule in the narthex.

Please sign up for a Sunday School Class where we will be discussing A $Praying\ Life\ during\ the\ summer\ months.$

SUMMER FELLOWSHIP ON WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

Dinner begins at 6:00 PM for the whole family (\$5.00/adult/teen, \$2.00/child, family max \$15.00). There will be a different menu each week in addition to a full salad bar. At 6:45 PM we will have a lesson for all ages in the sanctuary. This summer we will be studying *Stories of Deliverance* from the book of Judges.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

General Operations	s—5/31/2018	Capital Campaign-	— 5/31/2018
2018 Receipts:	\$ 360,931	Amount Pledged:	\$1,993,891
2018 Expenses:	\$ 307,451	Pledges Received:	— 1,534,679

	Pledges Outstanding:	459,212
	Building Fund Cash:	1,125,903
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<u>Faith Promise for Missi</u>	ons	Bldg Expenses Paid:	1,585,027
Needed by June	\$22,175		
Collected Jan - May:	\$28,166	Total Gifts & Pledges:	3 170 142
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to support our 15 m	nissionaries		

Ground Breaking: Oc	et 15, 2017
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Projected Completion: Oct 2018

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

Our Church Family:

Expecting: Kathlyn 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.

*Hymn of Preparation

My Heart is Filled With Thankfulness



Prayer for Our Covenant Children

Bill Barnes

Sermon

A Greater Greatness Mark 10:32-45 Bill Barnes

06/17/18

Jesus, I am resting, resting, in the joy of what thou art; I am finding out the greatness of thy loving heart. Thou hast bid me gaze upon thee, as thy beauty fills my soul, For by thy transforming power, Thou hast made me whole.

Refrain: Jesus, I am resting, resting in the joy of what thou art; I am finding out the greatness of thy loving heart.

O how great thy loving-kindness, vaster, broader than the sea! O how marvelous thy goodness lavished all on me! Yes, I rest in thee, Beloved, know what wealth of grace is thine, Know thy certainty of promise and have made it mine. (Refrain)

Simply trusting thee, Lord Jesus, I behold thee as thou art, And thy love, so pure, so changeless, satisfies my heart; Satisfies its deepest longings, meets, supplies its ev'ry need, Compasseth me round with blessings: Thine is love indeed. (Refrain)

Ever lift thy face upon me as I work and wait for thee; Resting 'neath thy smile, Lord Jesus, earth's dark shadows flee. Brightness of my Father's glory, sunshine of my Father's face, Keep me ever trusting, resting, fill me with thy grace. (Refrain)

Benediction Romans 15:13

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. 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.

NMPC WEEKLY

Meditation

For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

Mark 10:45

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:

Neal, Willa & William Ham Brian, Dawn, Tucker & Max Hannah Becky Harman Kate Harrison

Our Missionaries:

Rich & Chrissy Greete - Counseling Ministry with MTW
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:

Children's Ministry; Bill Barnes; Children's Ministry Committee, teachers & helpers; pray for our upcoming VBS; pray that our children would grow in the grace and knowledge of Christ; pray that God would lead us to a gifted and godly individual to be our next Children's Ministry Director Our staff, elders and deacons would be filled with the Holy Spirit