



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 15, 2018



**NORTH MACON
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PCA**

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

*And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times,
having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.*

2 Corinthians 9:8

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Josh Garrett

Introit

Call to Worship

from Psalm 36:5-9

Pastor: Your love, O LORD, reaches to the heavens, your faithfulness to the skies.

People: **Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains, your justice like the great deep.**

Pastor: O LORD, you preserve both man and beast. How priceless is your unfailing love!

People: **Both high and low among men find refuge in the shadow of your wings.**

Pastor: They feast on the abundance of your house; you give them drink from your river of delights.

People: **For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light.**

*Praise Hymn

32 - *Great is Thy Faithfulness*

*Invocation

Bill Barnes

**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

6:00 pm - Elder & Deacon Dinner & Meeting

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.

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.

RUF Bible Study - RUF Summer Bible Study is held on Wednesdays at 7:30 PM in the FPC Annex. The study is "Unique: What Sets Christianity Apart." This bible study will run until July 25th.

Children's Ministry Director - NMPC has formed a Search Committee to find our next Children's Ministry Director. If you know of a potential candidate, please contact Bill Barnes (bill@nmnpc.net) for a job description and more information.

SERVICE SCHEDULES

◆ COMMUNION PREPARATION

August - Mary Jane Leggett

◆ COMMUNION SERVERS

July - Jeff Thompson, Howard Reed, Jeff Kross, Josh Garrett

August - Paul McCommon, John McSween, Jason Churchwell,
Rob Morton, Dan Strawn

◆ USHERS

July - Jack Pyles, Chris Wilson, Bert Barnes, Elliot Robinson

August - Matt Monsted, Charles Baker, Hays Fyke, Howard Gordon

◆ GREETERS

July - Jerry & Cheryl Willis

August - Lonnie & Donna Dye

◆ SOUNDBOARD OPERATOR

July- Joey Leggett

◆ FLOWER SCHEDULE

July 15– Cheryl Willis

July 22– Beth Youmans

◆ PRAYER TEAM

Today (7/15) Charles Baker, Buck Ream

Next Sunday (7/22) Howard Reed, Frank Fleming

◆ NURSERY WORKERS

Today (7/15) Iris Archer & Jane Brooks

Next Sunday (7/22) Myra & Margaret Baker

◆ CHILDREN’S CHURCH

Today (7/15) Stephen & Christian Barnes

Next Sunday (7/22) Dan & Holly Taylor

*Confession of Faith

Romans 8:1-2, 28, 38-39

Pastor: Christian, what are the benefits you have in Christ Jesus?

There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus, the law of the Spirit of life set us free from the law of sin and death.

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose.

For we are convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor heavenly rulers, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

*Hymn

My Shepherd Will Supply My Needs

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

Psalm 23 paraphrase by Isaac Watts

My Shep-herd will sup - ply my need; Je - ho - vah is his name;
When I walk through the shades of death, Your pre-sence is my stay;
 The sure pro - vi - sions of my God at - tend me all my days;

In pas - tures fresh He makes me feed be - side the liv - ing stream.
One word of Your sup - port - ing breath drives all my fears a - way.
 O may Your house be my a - bode, and all my work be praise.

He brings my wan - dering spir - it back when I for - sake His ways;
Your hand, in sight of all my foes, does still my ta - ble spread;
 There would I find a set - tled rest, While oth - ers go and come;

And leads me, for His mer - cy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.
My cup with bless - ings o - ver flows, Your oil a - noints my head.
 No more a stran - ger, nor a guest, But like a child at home.

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Call to Prayer

John 15:7-8

If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples.

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Bill Barnes

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

John 10:1-10

I tell you the truth, the man who does not enter the sheep pen by the gate, but climbs in by some other way, is a thief and a robber. The man who enters by the gate is the shepherd of his sheep. The watchman opens the gate for him, and the sheep listen to his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice. But they will never follow a stranger; in fact, they will run away from him because they do not recognize a stranger's voice.

Jesus used this figure of speech, but they did not understand what he was telling them. Therefore Jesus said again, I tell you the truth, I am the gate for the sheep. All who ever came before me were thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved. He will come in and go out, and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

*Hymn of Preparation

Spirit of God

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—6/30/2018

2018 Receipts: \$ 429,094
2018 Expenses: \$ 387,419

Faith Promise for Missions

Needed by June \$22,175
Collected Jan - June: \$30,700
to support our 16 missionaries

We paid out \$23,470 in June to support our missionaries.

Capital Campaign—6/30/2018

Amount Pledged: \$1,993,891
Pledges Received: — 1,539,946

Pledges Outstanding: 453,945
Building Fund Cash: 828,868
Bldg Expenses Paid: 1,896,629

Total Gifts & Pledges: \$3,179,442

Total Project Cost: \$4,277,912

Projected Completion: Oct 2018

To give electronically, please visit our website at nmfc.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); Kate Harrison (voice); Mike Simmons (hip); Bill Eaves (hip)

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.

Spirit of God

Spi - rit of God, de - scend up - on my heart;
Teach me to feel that Thou art al - ways nigh;
Hast Thou not bid me love Thee, God and King?
Teach me to love Thee as Thine an - gels love,
Wear it from earth; through all its puls - es move;
Teach me the strug - gles of the soul to bear.
All, all Thine own, soul, heart and strength and mind.
One ho - ly pas - sion fill - ing all my frame;
Stoop to my weak - ness, might-y as Thou art;
To check the ri - sing doubt, the re - bel sigh,
I see Thy cross; there teach me to cling;
The pre - sence of Thy de - scend - ed Dove,
And make me love Thee as I ought to love.
Teach me the pa - tience of strug - gling in prayer.
O let me seek Thee, and O let me find!
My heart an al - tar, and Thy love the flame

Prayer for Our Covenant Children

Rev. Josh Garrett

Sermon

Abundant: A Feast for the Hungry
Matthew 4:1-11

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***Hymn of Response**

500 - *Rock of Ages*

***Benediction**

Hebrews 13:20-21

Now may the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back for the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Postlude

Title: *Abundant: A Feast for the Hungry*

Matthew 4:1-11

Found on page 785 in your pew Bible

Meditation

*Let them give thanks to the LORD for his unfailing love
and his wonderful deeds for men,
for he satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things.
Psalm 107:8-9*

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:

Paul & Pam Kanode
Phillip & Kathy Kersey
Jeff, Cindy & Maddie Kross
John, Judy & Betsy LaPish

Our Missionaries:

Roger & Dianne Smalling write and teach reformed literature in Latin America.
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.