



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

August 26, 2018



NORTH MACON
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PCA

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

*Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the LORD our Maker;
for he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.
Psalm 95:6-7*

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Introit

Call to Worship

Psalm 95:1-7

Pastor: Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD! Let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation!

People: **Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song!**

Pastor: For the LORD is the great God, the great King above all gods.

People: **In his hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to him.**

Pastor: The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.

People: **Come, let us bow down in worship! Let us kneel before the LORD our Maker! For he is our God and we are the sheep of his pasture, the flock under his care.**

*Praise Hymn

2 - O Worship the King

*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,**

**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

7:00 pm - Stated Session Meeting

Wednesday - 9:30 am - Bible Study

5:45 pm - Dinner

6:30 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.

Youth Parent Meeting - This evening from 7 – 8 PM, Mark Ballard will have a Parent Meeting in the sanctuary. Parents, please plan to attend.

Buddy Training - NMPC will offer another “Buddy Training” for our Special Needs Ministry at 7:45 PM on Wednesday, August 29th. If you want to sign up or to learn more, please contact Bill for more info (bill@nmpc.net).

Discipleship Opportunities at NMPC - We encourage every communing member to participate in a small group this Fall. Please go to the Small Groups page on the NMPC website (www.nmpc.net) to sign up.

Women’s Ministry - Our annual Mug and Muffin will be on Saturday, September 8th at 9:30 AM at Willa Ham’s home (150 Spring Field Ct). Also, sign up sheets are in the narthex for the Wednesday AM, Wednesday PM and Friday AM bible studies.

Officer Nominations - Communing members of NMPC are encouraged to prayerfully consider whom they might nominate for the offices of elder and deacon. Nomination forms are in the narthex. The forms are due today.

SERVICE SCHEDULES

- ◆ **COMMUNION PREPARATION**
September - Susan Robertson
- ◆ **COMMUNION SERVERS**
September - Howard Reed, Paul McCommon, Jeff Kross, Dan Strawn,
Kevin Watson
- ◆ **USHERS**
August - Matt Monsted, Charles Baker, Hays Fyke, Howard Gordon
September - Wes Seay, Howard Reed, Charlie Parrish, James Norvell
- ◆ **GREETERS**
August - Lonnie & Donna Dye, Jane Brooks & Kate Harrison
September - Paul & Pam Kanode
- ◆ **SOUNDBOARD OPERATOR**
August- Joey Leggett
- ◆ **FLOWER SCHEDULE**
August 26 – Liz Ream
September 2 – Communion
- ◆ **PRAYER TEAM**
Today (8/26) Dan Strawn & John McSween
Next Sunday (9/2) Jeff Kross & Rob Morton
- ◆ **NURSERY WORKERS**
Today (08/26) Judy LaPish & Amy Frey
Next Sunday (9/2) Frank & Nina Fleming
- ◆ **CHILDREN’S CHURCH**
Today (08/26) Jason & Payton Churchwell
Next Sunday (9/2) Steven & Jill Bloodworth

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

In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found; He is my light, my strength, my song;
This cornerstone, this solid ground, Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace, When fears are stilled, when
strivings cease! My comforter, my all in all—Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, Who took on flesh, Fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness, Scorned by the ones He came to save.
Till on that cross as Jesus died, The wrath of God was satisfied;
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid—Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain;
Then bursting forth in glorious day, Up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory, Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
For I am His and He is mine—Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death—This is the pow'r of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns or calls me home—Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

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

Zephaniah 3:17

The LORD your God is with you, the Mighty Warrior who saves. He will take great delight in you; He will quiet you with his love and will rejoice over you with singing.

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/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.

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 a study of Jeremiah & 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.

The menu for Wednesday, August 29th will be Meatloaf w/Sauce, Cheesy Potatoes, Green Peas, Salad Bar, Bread & Cookies.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

General Operations—7/31/2018

2018 Receipts: \$ 489,804
2018 Expenses: \$ 463,378

Faith Promise for Missions

Needed by Dec. \$22,175
Collected July: \$ 3,400
to support our 16 missionaries

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

Capital Campaign— 7/31/2018

Amount Pledged: \$1,993,891
Pledges Received: — 1,571,648

Pledges Outstanding: 422,243
Building Fund Cash: 480,400
Bldg Expenses Paid: 2,278,054

Total Gifts & Pledges: \$3,180,697

Total Project Cost: \$4,277,912

Proposed completion date: 10/11/18

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

Our Church Family:

Expecting: Kathlyn Wohlrabe & Kristen Daniels

Newborns: Matthew Seay, Benjamin Robinson, Bowen Monsted,
Eleanor Schnetzer & Maggie Lynn Deaton

Members caring for Loved Ones: Becky Gorman (Randy); Charlie Parrish (mom); Monni Parrish (mom); Steve Smith (dad); Amelia Smith (mom); Howard Gordon (mom); Melanie Grier (mom); Mike Brock (Helen); Tyler Gottlieb (brother); Mary Jane (daughter-in-law); Amy Self (dad)

Recovering: Brenda Crutchfield (COPD); Kathy Combs (strength); Peggy Timberlake (surgery)

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); Linda Scott (Richard)

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:

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**

He Will Hold Me Fast

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Habershon(1906)/M. Merker(2013)

1. When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;
 2. Those He saves are His de-light, Christ will hold me fast;
 3. For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast;

When the tempt - er would pre - vail, He will hold me fast.
 Pre - cious in his ho - ly sight, He will hold me fast.
 Just - ice has been sat - is - fied; He will hold me fast.

I could nev - er keep my hold through life's fear - ful path;
 He'll not let my soul be lost; His prom - is - es shall last;
 Raised with Him to end - less life, He will hold me fast

For my love is oft - en cold; He must hold me fast.
 Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast.
 'till our faith is turned to sight, When He comes at last!

He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;
 For my Sa - vior loves me so, He will hold me fast.

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Prayer for Our Covenant Children

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Sermon

Honor God with Your Wealth
Proverbs 3:9-10 & Malachi 3:6-12

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***Hymn of Response**

672 - Trust & Obey

***Benediction**

Ephesians 3:20-21

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we could 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

Title: *Honor God with Your Wealth* Proverbs 3:9-10 & Malachi 3:6-12

Found on pages 512 & 779 in your pew bible

Meditation

*Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse so that there may be food in my house.
Test me in this, says the LORD Almighty, and see if I will not throw open
the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing
that you will not have room enough for it.
Malachi 3:10*

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
Loving one another as Christ has loved 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:

James, Joanna, Alex, Luke, Lydia & Ella Anne Norvell
Bryan & Lisa O'Quinn
Charlie, Monni, Andrei & Nicole Parrish
Jon, Laura, Brandon & Natalie Paxton

Our Missionaries:

Seth & Renee McLaughlin - Honduras
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; Children's Ministry Committee; our Interim Director,
Bill Barnes; our teachers & helpers; pray that our children would grow in
the grace and knowledge of Christ; pray that God would provide a godly
& gifted Children's Ministry Director who would be a good fit at NMPC
Our staff, elders and deacons would be filled with the Holy Spirit