



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

September 16, 2018



NORTH MACON
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PCA

*The LORD is my strength and my song;
He has become my salvation.
Exodus 15:2*

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Introit

Call to Worship

Psalm 46

Pastor: God is our refuge and strength, an ever present help in trouble.

People: **Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea.**

Pastor: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy place where the Most High dwells.

People: **God is within her, she will not fall; God will help her at break of day.**

Pastor: The LORD Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

People: **Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth.**

Pastor: The LORD Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

*Praise Hymn

92 - *A Mighty Fortress is Our God*

*Invocation

Rev. Josh Garrett

**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 - Diaconate Meeting

Tuesday - 8:45 am - Mentor Moms

Wednesday - 9:30 am - Bible Study

5:45 pm - Dinner

6:30 pm - Bible Lesson

Thursday - 9:00 am - Mentor Moms

Friday - 10:00 am - Ladies' Bible Study

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.

Missionary of the Month - Trey & Kikki Adams, serving in Thailand, are our "Missionary of the Month" for September. Please see page 7 for specific prayer requests for the Adams.

New Members Class - If you want to learn more about NMPC or join our membership, you are invited to sign up for the New Members Class, which is comprised of two Sunday night meetings - Sept 23rd and Oct 7th from 5:30 - 8:00 (dinner & childcare are provided). Please email hunter@nmpc.net or give your email in the Friendship Book which is passed during the offering. Also, please pick up a notebook for the class in the foyer today.

Weekly E-mails - If you are a visitor and want to receive weekly e-mails from the church, please send Kathy (kathy@nmpc.net) your e-mail address.

Congratulations - Congratulations to Bobby & Barbara Freeman as they celebrate 62 years of marriage.

SERVICE SCHEDULES

♦ **COMMUNION PREPARATION**

October - Kate Harrison, Beverly Wooden & Joan Youmans

♦ **COMMUNION SERVERS**

September - Howard Reed, Paul McCommon, Ed Grimsley, Charles Baker & John McSween

October - Jeff Kross, Dan Strawn, Kevin Watson, Jason Churchwell, Rob Morton

♦ **USHERS**

September - Wes Seay, Howard Reed, Charlie Parrish, James Norvell

October - Patrick Hoye, Seth Peed, Dan Taylor, Lonnie Dye

♦ **GREETERS**

September - Jim & Melanie Grier, Lonnie & Donna Dye

October - Frank & Nina Fleming

♦ **SOUNDBOARD OPERATOR**

September- Joey Leggett

♦ **FLOWER SCHEDULE**

September 16 – Murray Todd

September 23 – Cheryl Willis

♦ **PRAYER TEAM**

Today (9/16) Howard Reed, Kevin Watson

Next Sunday (9/23) Jason Churchwell, Larry Breed

♦ **NURSERY WORKERS**

Today (09/16) Rick Funk & Howard Gordon

Next Sunday (9/23) Ed & Peggy Grimsley

♦ **CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

Today (09/16) Pat Jenkins & Kathleen Gettmann

Next Sunday (9/23) Will & Kristen Daniels

***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.

And 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**

Before the Throne of God Above

Before the throne of God above, I have a strong and perfect plea,
A great high Priest whose Name is Love, Who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands, My name is written on His heart.
I know that while in heaven He stands, No tongue can bid me thence depart,
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair, And tells me of the guilt within,
Upward I look and see Him there, Who made an end to all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died, My sinful soul is counted free,
For God, the Just, is satisfied, To look on Him and pardon me,
To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there, the risen Lamb, My perfect, spotless righteousness,
The great unchangeable I AM, The King of glory and of grace.
One with Himself, I cannot die, My soul is purchased by His blood.
My life is hid with Christ on high, With Christ, my Savior and my God!
With Christ, my Savior and my God!

Blessed is the one whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. Blessed is the one whose sin the LORD does not count against them and in whose spirit is no deceit. When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy on me; my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer. Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." And you forgave the guilt of my sin.

Corporate Confession

Almighty and merciful Father, we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the evil desires of our own hearts. We have willingly broken your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. Lord, have mercy upon us and forgive us all of our sins. Turn our wandering hearts back to you, and lead us by your Holy Spirit in the way of righteousness, holiness, and truth.

He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed.

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/FALL QUARTER

Maximizing Your Faith & Minimizing Your Stress - Teacher: Jeff Thompson
Room #118
James: Responding to Grace - Teachers: Jason Churchwell, Ed Grimsley, Kevin Watson. Room #119
Understanding & Experiencing the Psalms - Teacher: Josh Garrett, Room #120B
Men’s Class - A Praying Life - Teacher: Howard Gordon, Conference Room
Ladies’ Class - The Book of Acts, Room #115

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 Wed, Sept 19th is Taco Salad, Salad Bar & Brownies.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

General Operations—8/31/2018		Capital Campaign— 8/31/2018	
2018 Receipts:	\$ 558,694	Amount Pledged:	\$1,993,891
2018 Expenses:	\$ 516,475	Pledges Received:	— 1,602,540
Faith Promise for Missions		Pledges Outstanding:	391,351
Needed by Dec.	\$22,175	Building Fund Cash:	278,706
Collected thru Aug.	\$ 6,820	Bldg Expenses Paid:	2,591,314
to support our 16 missionaries		Total Gifts & Pledges:	\$3,181,538
We paid out \$23,470 in June to support our missionaries.		Total Project Cost:	\$4,277,912
		Proposed completion date:	10/11/18

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

Our Church Family:

Expecting: Kathryn 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 (surgery); Peggy Timberlake (surgery); Cathy Crumbley (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); Joan Youmans (brother); Martha Roddenberry (dad)

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 unleash the power of the Gospel in our city, community and country in order to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives of sin and release for the prisoners of fear, and to comfort all who mourn.

Prayer for Our Covenant Children

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Sermon

The Lord Comes to His Temple
Mark 11:12-25

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

*Hymn of Response

My Worth Is Not In What I Own

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. at the cross. cross. I re-joyce 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.

*Benediction

Jude 24:25

Now to him who is able to keep you from falling and to present you before his glorious presence without fault and with great joy—to the only God our Savior be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages now and forevermore. Amen.

Postlude

THE PREACHED WORD

Title: *The Lord Comes to His Temple*

Mark 11:12-25

Found on pages 823 in your pew bible

NMPC WEEKLY

09/16/18

Meditation

*...for my house will be called a house of prayer for all nations.
Isaiah 56:7*

Intercession

Our Priorities:

1. A progressive commitment to *Christ*: Worshipers
Pervasive worship, fueled by Public and Private worship
2. A progressive commitment to *Christ's Body*: Servants
Attitude of Christ, Works of Service & Words of Encouragement
3. A progressive commitment to *Christ's Work in the World*: Ambassadors
Enlist to help NMPC make disciples; Engage the world around us

Our Members:

Elliot, Lily, Charlotte, Samantha & Ben Robinson
David, Martha, Harvey & Seaborn Roddenberry
Anna Sampson
Ryan, Jessie, Evie, Emerson & Eleanor Schnetzer

Our Ministries:

Our families would grow in the grace and knowledge of Jesus Christ; spouses would love & respect one another; parents would love and train their children; children would love & obey their parents and love one another. Our staff, elders and deacons would fear the Lord.

Our Missionary of the Month:

Trey & Kiki Adams are serving in Thailand. Please pray for Kiki as she works at The Well to care for broken, hurting missionary families that are serving all over Asia. Pray for her as she continues the very tricky process of working towards her licensure in Georgia while living and working in Thailand. Also, pray for her as she develops training for Thais who want to learn biblical counseling skills.

Pray that God would raise up 1% of our congregation to be missionaries; "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field" (Matt 9:37).