



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

November 4, 2018



NORTH MACON

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PCA

*Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain,
to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength
and honor and glory and praise!"*
Revelation 5:12

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Introit

*Be Unto Your Name
NMPC Children*

Call to Worship

Revelation 5:6, 9-14

Pastor: Then I saw a Lamb, looking as if it had been slain, standing in the center of the throne, encircled by the four living creatures and the elders. And they sang a new song:

People: **You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased men for God from every tribe and language and people and nation. You have made them to be a kingdom and priests to serve our God, and they will reign on the earth.**

Pastor: Then I looked and heard the voice of many angels, numbering thousands upon thousands, and ten thousand times ten thousand. They encircled the throne and the living creatures and the elders. In a loud voice they sang:

People: **Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth, wisdom and strength, honor and glory and praise!**

Pastor: Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all that is in them, singing:

People: **To Him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor, glory and power, for ever and ever!**

Pastor: The four living creatures said, 'Amen!'; and the elders fell down and worshiped.

**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

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.

New Sanctuary - We are planning to dedicate the new building to the Lord next Sunday, November 11th with a "Lunch on the Grounds" after the service. Please sign up for lunch (if you haven't already) by filling out the insert in the bulletin and placing it in the offering plate today.

Short-term Missions - NMPC will send out two teams this summer. The Sacred Road Team will serve the Yakama tribe of Native Americans the week of June 1-8, 2019. The Costa Rica Team will work alongside of Rodney & Jana Davila in Costa Rica the week of May 25-June 1. Would you prayerfully consider if God is calling you to participate on one of these teams?

Children's Ministry Needs - 2/3 or 4/5 Sunday school rotation, Point Person, Buddy Program, Wednesday night teachers/playground oversight. Please see or email Bill if you want to speak further: bill@nmnpc.net

SERVICE SCHEDULES

♦ COMMUNION PREPARATION

November - Carol Dawson & Charlotte Laurens

♦ COMMUNION SERVERS

November - Jason Churchwell, Paul McCommon, Rob Morton
Ed Grimsley, Howard Reed, John McSween

♦ USHERS

November - Matt Cathey, Alan Little, Frank Fleming, Silas Peed

♦ GREETERS

November - Bert & Anna Barnes

♦ SOUNDBOARD OPERATOR

November - Jim Grier

♦ FLOWER SCHEDULE

November 4 - Beth Youmans

November 11 - Sheridan Construction

♦ PRAYER TEAM

Today (11/4) Jeff Kross, Jason Churchwell

Next Sunday (11/11) Paul McCommon, Rob Morton

♦ NURSERY WORKERS

Today (11/04) Alan & Kathy Little

Next Sunday (11/11) All Staff

♦ CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Today (11/4) Jack & Sara Pyles

Next Sunday (11/11) Elliot & Lily Robinson

*Praise Hymn

295 - *Crown Him With Many Crowns*

*Invocation

Rev. Josh Garrett

*Confession of Faith

Philippians 2:5-11

Pastor: Christian, what do you believe?

We believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the only Savior for sinners,
who, being in very nature God,
did not consider equality with God something to be grasped,
but made himself nothing,
taking the very nature of a servant,
being made in human likeness.

And being found in appearance as a man,
he humbled himself and became obedient to death—
even death on a cross!

Therefore God exalted him to the highest place
and gave him the name that is above every name,
that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

Behold Our God

Baird and Altrogge

Who has held the o - ceans in his hands? Who has num - bered ev - 'ry grain of sand?
 Who has gi - ven coun - sel to the Lord? Who can ques - tion an - y of his words?
 Who has felt the nails up - on His hands, bear - ing all the guilt of sin - ful man?
 Kings and na - tions trem - ble at his voice. All cre - a - tion ris - es to re - joice.
 Who can teach the One who knows all things? Who can fath - om all his won - drous deeds?
 God e - ter - nal hum - bled to the grave, Je - sus, Sav - ior, ri - sen now to reign!
 Chorus: Be - hold our God. seat - ed on his throne. Come let us a - dore Him.
 Be - hold our King, noth - ing can com - pare, come, let us a - dore Him!
 Men: You will reign for - ev - er, Je - sus Christ our Sav - ior.
 Women: Let your glo - ry fill the earth. All cre - a - tion sings Your worth.
 You will reign for - ev - er, Je - sus Christ our Sav - ior. Be -
 Let your glo - ry fill the earth. All cre - a - tion sings,
 hold our God. seat - ed on his throne. Come let us a - dore Him.
 Be - hold our King, noth - ing can com - pare, come, let us a - dore Him! Be -
 (repeat chorus)

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Call to Prayer

1 John 1:8-9

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

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 November 7 is chicken with mushroom lemon butter sauce, rice, broccoli casserole, salad bar, bread and cookies.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

General Operations—9/30/2018

2018 Receipts: \$ 653,658

2018 Expenses: \$ 588,810

New Building as of 9/30/2018

Total Cost: \$ 4,277,912

Cash & Pledges: — 3,183,882

Projected Debt: \$ 1,094,030

Faith Promise for Missions

Collected Jan-June: \$30,700

Paid out in June: \$23,470

to support our 16 missionaries
 for the first half of 2018

Needed July-Dec: \$22,175

Collected July-Sept: \$ 9,950

to support our 16 missionaries
 for the second half of 2018

To give electronically,
 please visit our website at nmipc.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); Mary Jane (daughter-in-law); Amy Self (dad); Pearson Kelly (mom); Joe Timberlake (Peggy); Margaret Rogers (dad)

Recovering: Brenda Crutchfield (COPD); Kathy Combs (surgery); Peggy Timberlake (surgery); Ed Grimsley (broken ankle) Camp Garretson (burns)

Bereaved: 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)

The December Drive:

Let us give thanks to God for the \$50,000 matching gift (matching \$0.50 on every dollar given, up to \$50,000). This gift helped jump start the “December Drive”, a campaign to reduce the amount of long-term debt incurred from the construction of the new building.

Pray that God would inspire many to give generously towards the “December Drive” so that we might end up borrowing as little as possible.

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.

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.

Silent Confession

Words of Assurance

Micah 7:19

*You will again have compassion on us;
you will tread our sins underfoot
and hurl all our iniquities into the depths of the sea.*

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

It Is Well With My Soul

When peace like a river, attendeth my way, When sorrows like sea billows roll; Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say, “It is well, it is well with my soul. It is well, it is well, it is well with my soul.

My sin—O the bliss of this glorious thought!—my sin not in part, but the whole, is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more; Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! It is well, it is well, it is well with my soul.

Prayer for Our Covenant Children

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Sermon

Life After Death
Mark 12:18-27

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

The Sacrament of Communion

All those who have placed their faith and trust in Jesus Christ alone for their salvation, are baptized, and are members in good standing of a Bible-believing, evangelical church are invited to partake of the Lord's Supper this morning. All others, please remain in your seat, as you consider your relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church.

*Hymn of Response

How Deep the Father's Love for Us
(see insert)

*Benediction

Romans 15:5-6

May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you a spirit of unity among yourselves as you follow Christ Jesus, so that with one heart and one mouth you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Doxology

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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

11/04/18

Meditation

*I know that my Redeemer lives, and that in the end He will stand upon the earth.
And after my skin has been destroyed, yet in my flesh, I will see God;
I myself will see Him with my own eyes. How my heart yearns within me!*
Job 19:25-27

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:

Diane Weems
Mark, LeeAnn & Gracen Wildman
Jerry & Cheryl Willis
Chris, Hope, Lola Grace & Maddie James Wilson

Our Ministries:

Children's Ministry; pray for Bill Barnes, the Children's Ministry Cmt, our teachers & helpers; pray that our children would grow in the grace and knowledge of Christ
Our church leaders would have vision, wisdom & Christlikeness; pray for Dwayne Benson, Patrick Hoyer & Brandon Youmans (deacon nominees) and Cleve Cunningham & Neal Ham (elder nominees) as they participate in the Officer Training Course

Our Missionary of the Month:

Rodney & Jana Davila are church planters in Costa Rica. Pray for their children, Christopher and Alyssa, as they finish their semester at Covenant College. Pray for Alyssa who is a senior this year, that she will have clear direction from the Lord. Pray for the Davilas to find times of rest and encouragement in the midst of the demands of ministry. 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).