

THE LORD'S DAY

# Worship

September 29, 2019



**NORTH MACON**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Please be sure to turn off all cellular devices during the worship service.  
Also, please do not bring food or drink into the sanctuary.

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*Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the  
only God, be honor and glory for ever and ever. Amen.  
1 Timothy 1:17*

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## Prelude

## Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

## Introit

## Call to Worship

Psalm 100

Pastor: Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth!

**People: Serve the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.**

Pastor: Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his.

**People: We are his people, the sheep of his pasture.**

Pastor: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise!

**People: Give thanks to him and praise his name!**

Pastor: For the LORD is good and his love endures forever;

**People: His faithfulness continues through all generations.**

## \*Praise Hymn

101 - *Come Thou Almighty King*

## \*Invocation

Rev. Josh Garrett

*\* those who are able please stand*

Pastor: Christian, what do you believe?

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth,  
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
begotten from the Father before all ages,  
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God;  
begotten, not made; of the same essence as the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation, He came down from heaven;  
He became incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,  
and was made human.

He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate;

He suffered and was buried;

The third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures.

He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again with glory to judge the living and the dead.

His kingdom will never end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life.

He proceeds from the Father and the Son,

and with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified;

He spoke through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We affirm one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look forward to the resurrection of the dead,

and to life in the world to come. Amen.

*The Nicene Creed is a statement of the orthodox faith of the early Christian church in opposition to certain heresies, especially Arianism, which taught that neither Jesus nor the Holy Spirit were divine. In its present form this creed goes back partially to the Council of Nicea (A.D. 325) with additions by the Council of Constantinople (A.D. 381). It was accepted in its present form at the Council of Chalcedon in 451.*

Call to Confession

Psalm 51:17

*The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit;  
a broken and contrite heart you, O God, will not despise.*

Corporate Confession

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment. Cleanse me, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit.

Silent Confession

Words of Assurance

Colossians 1:13-14

*For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.*

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

Paul McCommon & Monni Parrish

## Memory Verses 5-7

Pastor: Let us recite Proverbs 2:6-8.

People: For the LORD gives wisdom, and from His mouth come knowledge and understanding. He holds victory in store for the upright, He is a shield to those whose walk is blameless, for He guards the course of the just and protects the way of His faithful ones; Proverbs 2:6-8.

## Scripture Reading

Revelation 22:1-7

## \*Hymn of Preparation

*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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Prayer for Our Covenant Children

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Sermon

*The Blessings Wisdom Bring*  
Proverbs 3:1-18

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Memory Verse #8

Proverbs 3:5-6

*Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding;  
in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight.*

\*Hymn of Response

565 - All For Jesus

Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up the light of his countenance upon you and give you peace, both now and forevermore. Amen.

\*Doxology

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above ye heavenly hosts; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

\*Postlude

**Visitors:** Welcome! Please feel free to speak with one of the pastors or elders after the service. They would be glad to answer any questions you may have and would enjoy meeting you. *If you desire to receive email communications from the church, please email Monni Parrish at [monni@nmpc.net](mailto:monni@nmpc.net) and she will add you to the distribution list.*

# • The Preached Word •

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**Title:** *The Blessings Wisdom Brings*

**Text:** Proverbs 3:1-18

**Pastor:** Rev. Hunter Stevenson

*page 512 in the pew Bible*

## Our Priorities:

1. A progressive commitment to *Christ*: Worshipers
2. A progressive commitment to *Christ's Body*: Servants
3. A progressive commitment to *Christ's Work in the World*: Ambassadors

## Our Members:

Steven, Jill, Anderson, Isaiah, Lowndes & Nolan Bloodworth  
Robert, Rebecca, Mia & Jack Bowers  
Larry & LuAnn Breed  
Jane Brooks

## Our Ministries:

Our Seniors; they would be filled with the joy of the Lord; they would be healthy and strong; they would continue to bear fruit for the Kingdom.

Our church leaders would have vision, wisdom & Christlikeness; pray for our elder nominees (Jason Churchwell, Tommy James & Seth Peed) and deacon nominees (Lee Burch, Hays Fyke, Grant Nicholson, Shane Self & Andrew Wohlrabe) as they participate in the Officer Training Course this Fall.

Pray for our Missionary of the Month: Stephen and Sarah Young who have a ministry to the Japanese in Tennessee. Pray for the Young's trip to Japan in late October.

Pray also 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).

## Our Church Family:

Expecting: Dawn Hannah & Heather Austin

Newborns: Lily Hearn, Winston Garrett & Ava Adams

Caring for Loved Ones: Becky Gorman (Randy); Steve Smith (dad); Amelia Smith (mom); Howard Gordon (mom); Melanie Grier (mom)

Recovering: Brenda Crutchfield (COPD); Kathy Combs (surgery); Jerry Willis (surgery); David Lee (back surgery); Sam Griffin (broken arm); Sally Lee (hip replacement)

Bereaved: : Linda Scott (Richard); Martha Roddenberry (dad); Diane McCallum (Jimmy); Amy Self (dad); Cal Garretson (dad); Becky Harman (sister); Lonnie Dye (sister); Pearson Kelly (mom); David Roddenberry (mom); Ed Grimsley (brother); Andrew Wood (grandparents)



# • Service Schedule •

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## Nursery Workers

Sept. 29 - Kim Murray & Kim Noegel  
Oct. 06 - Bryan & Lisa O'Quinn

## Children's Church

Sept. 29 - Patrick & Ashley Hoye  
Oct. 06 - Pat Jenkins & Kathleen  
Gettmann

## Greeters

September - Chris & Hope Wilson  
October - Frank & Nina Fleming

## Soundboard Operator

September - Ben Baker  
October - Jim Grier

## Communion Preparation

September - Charles & Patricia Hughes  
October - Carol Dawson & Charlotte  
Laurens

## Usher Team

September - Matt Monsted  
Howard Reed  
Hays Fyke  
Will Daniels  
Stephen Barnes  
Lonnie Dye

## Communion Elders

October - Jeff Kross  
Frank Fleming  
Jason Churchwell  
Rob Morton  
Dan Strawn  
Paul McCommon  
Cleve Cunningham  
Matt Shepley

## Prayer Team

Sept. 29 - John McSween & Rob Morton  
Oct. 06 - Cleve Cunningham & Buck Ream

# • Financial Update •

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as of August 31, 2019

## General Operations

2019 Receipts: \$ 701,001  
2019 Expenses: \$ 677,918

## Faith Promise for Missions

Paid out June 30: \$22,175  
in support our 15 missionaries  
for the first half of 2019  
Needed July - Dec: \$ 22,175  
Collected July - Dec: \$ 2,459

# • Discipleship Opportunities •

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## Sunday School - Fall Quarter (Sept 8 - Dec 15)

### Adult Electives

*Colossians*—by Paul McCommon in Room 142 (left classroom behind sanctuary)

*Covenant Theology*—by Josh Garrett in the Fellowship Hall

*Learning Evangelism From Jesus* by Jerram Barrs—by Jeff Thompson in Room 127  
(last classroom on the right in the Christian Education building)

Men's Class—*The Holiness of God* by RC Sproul (old conference room)

Ladies' Class —*The Pauline Epistles* (new conference room)

## Wednesday Night Activities

Dinner begins at 5:45 PM (\$5.00/adult/teen, \$2.00/child, family max \$15.00).

At 6:30 PM classes are offered for all ages:

Nursery (0-3 year old)

Children's Classes (K4 - 6th grade)

Youth Group (7th - 12th grade)

Adult Bible Study: 2 Corinthians

*The menu for Wed, October 2 is Hamburger Noodle Bake, Salad Bar, Bread  
& Peach Cobbler*

## Small Groups

All of our Small Groups have begun meeting. If you are interested in learning more or in joining a Small Group, please talk with Pastor Josh ([josh@nmpc.net](mailto:josh@nmpc.net)). We have all kinds: Mentor Mom, Women's Bible Studies, Men's Discipleship, and Community Groups.

# • Activities this Week •

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**Sunday** - 9:30 AM - Sunday School

10:45 AM - Worship

**Monday** - 9:00 AM - Monday Prayer

**Wednesday** - 9:30 AM - Ladies' Bible Study

5:45 PM - Dinner

6:30 PM - Classes for all ages

**Friday** - 10:00 AM - Ladies' Bible Study

# • Announcements •

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**Payton Churchwell** - We are delighted to announce that Payton Churchwell is our new Women's Ministry Coordinator at NMPC.

**Monday Morning Prayer** - We will gather for prayer on Monday from 9:00 - 10:00 AM in the Conference Room. If you have a prayer request, let Hunter or Josh know.

**New Members Class** - If you are interested in learning more about NMPC or in joining our membership, you are invited to attend the New Members Class, which is comprised of two Sunday night meetings: October 20th & 27th from 5:30 - 8:00 (dinner & childcare are provided). Please email Pastor Hunter ([hunter@nmpc.net](mailto:hunter@nmpc.net)) to sign up or for more information. (We also provide make-up sessions if you cannot attend one night.)

**Margaret Baker** - God is calling Margaret Baker to be a missionary alongside, Rodney & Jana Davila in Costa Rica for a year or two. If you are interested in being a part of her support team, please talk with Margaret after the service today.

**Flowers** - The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in memory of James Danny Hughes, Sr. by Robby, Katy, Marshall, Hughes & Spencer Danner.



# NORTH MACON

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## Mission

To glorify and enjoy God, love and equip His people for the work of His ministry, and make disciples of all nations.

Session	Class of 2019	Class of 2020	Class of 2021
	Paul McCommon <sup>*</sup> Rob Morton <sup>*</sup> Howard Reed <sup>*</sup>	Ed Grimsley Kevin Watson <sup>*</sup>	Cleve Cunningham Neal Ham Dan Strawn <sup>*</sup> Jeff Thompson <sup>*</sup>

Diaconate	Class of 2019	Class of 2020	Class of 2021
	Bert Barnes <sup>*</sup> Jack Pyles <sup>*</sup>	Matt Monsted <sup>*</sup> Silas Peed Wes Seay	Dwayne Benson Matt Cathey <sup>*</sup> Patrick Hoyer Brandon Youmans

<sup>\*</sup>indicates the officer is at the end of a 2nd term and will roll off

Staff	Every Member, Ministers	Payton Churchwell, Women's Ministry Coordinator
	Hunter Stevenson, Senior Pastor	Kathy Pye, Administrative Assistant
	Josh Garrett, Associate Pastor	Monni Parrish, Administrator, Financial Director & Pianist
	Mark Ballard, Youth Director	Debbie McCommon, North Macon Preschool Director
	Duncan Cantrell, Children's Director & Operations Manager	

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