

THE LORD'S DAY

Worship

February 2, 2020



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.

*For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich,
yet for your sake he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich.
2 Corinthians 8:9*

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Introit

Call to Worship

Psalm 146

Pastor: Praise the LORD!

People: Praise the LORD, O my soul! I will praise the LORD all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live!

Pastor: Do not put your trust in princes, in mortal men, who cannot save. When their spirit departs, they return to the ground; on that very day their plans come to nothing.

People: Blessed is the one whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD his God—the Maker of heaven and earth, the sea, and everything in them—the LORD, who remains faithful forever.

Pastor: He upholds the cause of the oppressed; He gives food to the hungry.

People: The LORD sets prisoners free; the LORD gives sight to the blind.

Pastor: The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous.

People: The LORD watches over the alien, and sustains the fatherless and the widow, but he frustrates the ways of the wicked.

Pastor: The LORD reigns forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations! Praise the LORD!

** those who are able please stand*

Praise Hymn

32 - Great Is Thy Faithfulness

*Invocation

Rev. Josh Garrett

*Confession of Faith

Belgic Confession, Article 20

Pastor: Christian, what do you believe?

People: We believe that God
—who is perfectly merciful and also very just—
sent his Son to assume the nature
in which the disobedience had been committed,
in order to bear in it the punishment of sin
by his most bitter passion and death.
So God made known his justice toward his Son,
who was charged with our sin,
and he poured out his goodness and mercy on us,
who are guilty, and worthy of damnation,
giving to us his Son to die,
by a most perfect love,
and raising him to life,
for our justification,
in order that by him
we might have immortality and eternal life. Amen.

The Belgic Confession was composed in 1561 by Guido de Brés. It was adopted at the Synod of Dordt in 1619 as one of the doctrinal standards to which all office bearers in the Reformed churches were required to subscribe. The confession stands as one of the best symbolical statements of Reformed doctrine.

*Hymn

455 - And Can It Be
vs. 1, 3, 5

This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers. If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother in need but has no pity on him, how can the love of God be in him? Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth.

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

Memory Verse 17

Pastor: Let us recite Proverbs 22:1.

People: A good name is more desirable than great riches;
to be esteemed is better than silver or gold; Proverbs 22:1.

Memory Verse 18

A generous man will prosper;
he who refreshes others will himself be refreshed; Proverbs 11:25.

*Hymn of Preparation

O the Deep, Deep Love

Oh the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

Samuel T. Francis/Bob Kauflin



Oh the deep, deep love of Je - sus, vast un-measured, bound-less free,
Oh the deep, deep love of Je - sus, spread His praise from shore to shore,
 Oh the deep, deep love of Je - sus, far surpass - ing all the rest,
 rol - ling as a might - y o - cean in its full - ness o - ver me,
how He came to pay our ran - som through the sav - ing cross He bore;
 it's an o - cean full of bless - ing in the midst of e - very test.
 un - der neath me all a - round me is the cur - rent of Your love,
how He watch - es o'er His loved ones, those He died to make his own,
 Oh the deep, deep love of Je - sus, might - y Sav - ior pre - cious friend,
 lead - ing on - ward, lead - ing home - ward to Your glo - rious rest a - bove.
how for them He's in - ter - ce - ding plead - ing now be - fore the throne.
 You will bring us home to glo - ry where Your love will ne - ver end.
 Oh the deep, deep love, all I need and trust is the deep, deep love of Je - sus.

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The Sacrament of Communion

All those who have placed their faith and trust in 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 allow the elements to pass, as you consider your relationship with Christ and His Church.

*Hymn of Response

How Deep the Father's Love For Us

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Stuart Townend



1. How Deep the Fath-er's love for us, how vast be-yond all meas-ure.
2. *Be - hold the Man up - on the cross, my sin up - on His shoul-ders.*
3. I will not boast in an - y - thing: No gifts, no pow'r, no wis - dom.



that he should give his on - ly Son to make a wretch his trea - sure.
A - shamed, I hear my mock-ing voice call out a - mong the scof-fers.
 But I will boast in Je - sus Christ: His death and res - ur-rec - tion.



How great the pain of sear - ing loss. The Fa - ther turns his face a - way
It was my sin that held him there un - til it was ac - com - plished;
 Why should I gain from His re - ward? I can - not give an an - swer.



as wounds which mar the cho - sen one, bring man - y sons to glo - ry.
His dy - ing breath has brought me life. I know that it is fin - ished.
 But this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ran - som.

Benediction

Revelation 1:5b-6

Now to him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father—to him be glory and power for ever and ever!

*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 and she will add you to the distribution list.*

Selected Proverbs on Generosity

- 29:07 The righteous care about justice for the poor, but the wicked have no such concern.
- 31:20 She opens her arms to the poor and extends her hands to the needy.
- 14:31 He who oppresses the poor shows contempt for their Maker, but whoever is kind to the needy honors God.
- 19:17 He who is kind to the poor lends to the Lord, and he will reward him for what he has done.
- 11:25 A generous man will prosper; he who refreshes others will himself be refreshed.
- 22:09 A generous man will himself be blessed, for he shares his food with the poor.
- 11:24 One man gives freely, yet gains even more; another withholds unduly, but comes to poverty.
- 28:27 He who gives to the poor will lack nothing, but he who closes his eyes to them receives many curses.
- 11:17 A kind man benefits himself, but a cruel man brings trouble on himself.
- 13:21 Misfortune pursues the sinner, but prosperity is the reward of the righteous.
- 11:16 A kindhearted woman gains respect, but ruthless men gain only wealth.
- 15:27 A greedy man brings trouble to his family, but he who hates bribes will live.
- 28:25 A greedy man stirs up dissension, but he who trusts in the Lord will prosper.
- 29:03 A man who loves wisdom brings joy to his father, but a companion of prostitutes squanders his wealth.
- 28:20 A faithful man will be richly blessed, but one eager to get rich will not go unpunished.
- 28:22 A stingy man is eager to get rich and is unaware that poverty awaits him.
- 22:22 Do not exploit the poor because they are poor and do not crush the needy in court,
- 22:23 For the LORD will take up their case and will plunder those who plunder them.
- 21:13 If a man shuts his ears to the cry of the poor, he too will cry out and not be answered.
- 13:22 A good man leaves an inheritance for his children's children, but a sinner's wealth is stored up for the righteous.
- 28:08 He who increases his wealth by exorbitant interest amasses it for another, who will be kind to the poor.
- 30:15 The leech has two daughters. "Give! Give!" they cry.
There are three things that are never satisfied, four that never say, "Enough!":
- 30:16 the grave, the barren womb, land—which is never satisfied with water, and fire—which never says, "Enough!"

•The Preached Word•

Title: *God Loves a Cheerful Giver*

Pastor: Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Text: Selected Proverbs

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North Macon Presbyterian Church

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

More specifically, NMPC seeks to glorify God and make disciples by...

Providing a Home

- Warm & welcoming
- Connected & caring for one another
- Vulnerable & gracious

Proclaiming the Gospel

- Christ-centered worship & expository preaching
- Classes to educate, encourage & equip
- Small Groups to disciple & deepen relationships

Partnering with Ministries

- North Macon Preschool
- *RUF, STF, CCS, EE, CC and OOD*
- 17 Missionaries & 2 Mission Trips
- Central GA Presbytery & General Assembly

*Local Ministries

RUF – Reformed University Fellowship (Mercer, Wesleyan & Valdosta State)

STF – Strong Tower Fellowship

CCS – Covenant Care Services

EE – Evangelism Explosion

CC – Campus Clubs

OOD – Out of Darkness

Raising \$20,000

<u>Gift Amount:</u>	<u>Number of Gifts:</u>	<u>Cumulative Total:</u>
\$2500	1	\$2500
\$1200	3	\$6100
\$600	5	\$9100
\$300	10	\$12,100
\$200	15	\$15,100
\$100	25	\$17,600
\$50	30	\$19,100
\$20	45	\$20,000

Pray for our Members:

Diane McCallum
Paul & Debbie McCommon
Matt & Hannah McCommon
Jennifer, Nicholas & Abigail McCullough

Pray for 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.

Our Missionary of the Month:

Trey & Kikki Adams - Let us give thanks that God has graciously provided sub-letters for their house in Chiang Mai, Thailand. The Adams hope to return to Thailand by the middle of June, sell their house in Chiang Mai, and find housing in Bangkok.
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).

Pray for Those in Need:

Expecting: Sara Behrens, Melissa Newell, Morgan Adams, Meredith Covert, Jessie Schnetzer & Jenny Nicholson
Newborns: Winston Garrett, Ava Adams, Hudson Hannah & Kinley Jane Austin
Caring for Loved Ones: Becky Gorman (Randy); Steve Smith (dad); Amelia Smith (mom); Howard Gordon (mom); Melanie Grier (mom); Amy Self (mom); Judy McDonald (dad).
Recovering: Brenda Crutchfield (COPD); Kathy Combs (surgeries); Sally Lee (hip); Anderson Hornick (surgery); Kathy Stanley (Parkinson's); Howard Gordon (shingles)
Bereaved: : Linda Scott (Richard); Diane McCallum (Jimmy); Pearson Kelly (mom); Andrew Wood (grandparents); Cheryl Willis (Jerry); Kathy Moore (Don); Kathy Cunningham (mom); Julie Strange (mom); Jack Pyles (grandfather)

• Service Schedule •

Nursery Workers

Feb. 2 - Andrew & Kathlyn Wohlrabe
Feb. 9 - Levy & Joan Youmans

Children's Church

Feb. 2 – Bert & Anna Barnes
Feb. 9 – Stephen & Christian Barnes

Greeters

February - Joseph Egloff/Rana Munna
John & Joyce Meadows

Soundboard Operator

February - Jim Grier

Communion Preparation

February - Joan & Levy Youmans

Usher Team

February - Patrick Hoye
Matt Shepley
Jacob Wilson
Bryan Covert
Rick Funk
Ben Baker

Communion Elders

February - Jason Churchwell
Tommy James
Cleve Cunningham
Neal Ham
Dan Strawn
John McSween
Frank Fleming
Paul McCommon

Prayer Team

Feb 2 - Rob Morton, Jason Churchwell
Feb 9 - Buck Ream, Larry Breed

• Financial Update •

as of December 31, 2019

General Operations

2019 Receipts: \$ 1,127,389
2019 Expenses: \$ 1,051,984

Faith Promise for Missions

2019 Receipts: \$54,683
2019 Paid Out: \$46,900
to support our 17 missionaries

The \$7,783 surplus has been distributed to our missionaries who were low on support.

• Discipleship Opportunities •

Sunday School - Winter Quarter (Jan 5 - Mar 29)

Adult Electives

Relationships: A Mess Worth Making by Timothy Lane & Paul David Tripp—led by Jason Churchwell; Room #127

1 Peter—led by Ed Grimsley, Neal Ham & Dan Strawn; Room #142

Understanding and Appreciating the Sacraments - led by Josh Garrett; Fellowship Hall

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

Ladies' Class — *Study of Galatians* (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, February 5 is Taco Salad, Salad Bar & Lemon Squares.

Small Groups

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

• Activities this Week •

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 •

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.

Mission Trip Dates

2020 Costa Rica Mission Trip: May 23-30

2020 Sacred Road Mission Trip: May 30 - June 6

Capital Campaign Update as of December 31:

2019 Pledges received: \$82,570

2019 Gifts received: \$162,398

2019 Total received: \$244,968

Final Cost: \$4,339,248

Gifts & Pledges: — \$3,575,984

Remaining Balance: \$ 763,264

Flowers - If you are interested in placing flowers in the sanctuary one Sunday, in honor or in memory of a loved one, please contact Kathy Pye in the church office.



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Mission

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	Class of 2020	Class of 2021	Class of 2022
Session	Ed Grimsley Kevin Watson*	Cleve Cunningham Neal Ham Dan Strawn* Jeff Thompson*	Jason Churchwell Tommy James

	Class of 2020	Class of 2021	Class of 2022
Diaconate	Matt Monsted* Silas Peed Wes Seay	Dwayne Benson Matt Cathey* Patrick Hoye Brandon Youmans	Lee Burch Hays Fyke Grant Nicholson Shane Self

*indicates the officer is at the end of a 2nd term and will roll off

Staff	Every Member, <i>Ministers</i>	Payton Churchwell, <i>Women's Ministry Coordinator</i>
	Hunter Stevenson, <i>Senior Pastor</i>	Monni Parrish, <i>Administrator, Financial Director & Pianist</i>
	Josh Garrett, <i>Associate Pastor</i>	Melanie Buckner, <i>Music Director</i>
	Mark Ballard, <i>Youth Director</i>	Debbie McCommon, <i>North Macon Preschool Director</i>
	Duncan Cantrell, <i>Children's Director & Operations Manager</i>	
	Kathy Pye, <i>Church Secretary</i>	

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