

THE LORD'S DAY

Worship

January 12, 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 this is what the high and exalted One says—he who lives forever, whose name is holy: "I live in a high and holy place, but also with the one who is contrite and lowly in spirit, to revive the spirit of the lowly and to revive the heart of the contrite."
Isaiah 57:15*

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Josh Garrett

Introit

Call to Worship

Psalm 89:5-8

Pastor: The heavens praise your wonders, O LORD, your faithfulness too, in the assembly of the holy ones.

People: **For who in the skies above can compare with the LORD? Who is like the LORD among the heavenly beings?**

Pastor: In the council of the holy ones God is greatly feared; he is more awesome than all who surround him.

People: **O LORD God Almighty, who is like you? You are mighty, O LORD, and your faithfulness surrounds you.**

Pastor: Praise be to the LORD forever!

*Praise Hymn

100 - *Holy, Holy, Holy*

*Invocation

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* *those who are able please stand*

- Q. 84. Christian, what does every sin deserve?
A. Every sin deserves God's wrath and curse, both in this life, and that which is to come.
- Q. 85. What does God require of us, that we may escape his wrath and curse, due to us for sin?
A. To escape the wrath and curse of God, due to us for sin, God requires of us faith in Jesus Christ, repentance unto life, with the diligent use of all the outward means whereby Christ communicates to us the benefits of redemption.
- Q. 86. What is faith in Jesus Christ?
A. Faith in Jesus Christ is a saving grace, whereby we receive and rest upon him alone for salvation, as he is offered to us in the gospel.
- Q. 87. What is repentance unto life?
A. Repentance unto life is a saving grace, whereby a sinner, out of a true sense of his sin, and apprehension of the mercy of God in Christ, does, with grief and hatred of his sin, turn from it unto God, with full purpose of and endeavor after new obedience.
- Q. 88. What are the outward and ordinary means whereby Christ communicates to us the benefits of redemption?
A. The outward and ordinary means whereby Christ communicates to us the benefits of redemption are his ordinances, especially the Word, sacraments, and prayer; all which are made effectual to the elect for salvation.

The Westminster Shorter Catechism expresses the truths of the Bible in summary form. It was comprised at the Westminster Assembly in London (1643-1648), and it sets forth the doctrinal standards of our church and our denomination, the Presbyterian Church in America.

Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder

J. Newton/L. Taylor



1. Let us love and sing and won - der, let us praise the Sav - ior's name.
 2. *Let us love the Lord who bought us, pit - ied us when en - e - mies,*
 3. Let us sing though fierce temp - ta - tion, threat - ens hard to bear us down,
 4. *Let us won - der grace and just - ice, join and point to mer - cy's store.*
 5. Let us praise and join the chor - us of the saints en - throned on high;



He has hushed the law's loud thun - der; He has quenched Mount Si - nai's flame.
called us by his grace and taught us, gave us ears and gave us eyes.
 • for the Lord our strong sal - va - tion holds in view the conq - u'ror's crown.
When through grace in Christ our trust is just - ice smiles and asks no more.
 here they trust - ed him be - fore us, now their prais - es fill the sky.



He has washed us with His blood, He has washed us with His blood,
He has washed us with His blood, He has washed us with His blood,
 • He who washed us with His blood, He who washed us with His blood,
He who washed us with His blood, He who washed us with His blood,
 You have washed us with Your blood, You have washed us with Your blood,



He has washed us with His blood, He has brought us nigh to God.
He has washed us with His blood, He pre - sents our souls to God.
 • He who washed us with His blood soon will bring us home to God.
He who washed us with His blood has se - cured our way to God.
 You have washed us with Your blood, You are worth - y Lamb of God.

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Corporate Confession

O most great, most just and most gracious God, your eyes are too pure to look at iniquity. Yet you have promised mercy through Jesus Christ to all that repent and believe in him. We confess that we have all sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. We have neglected and abused your holy worship. We have dealt unjustly and unlovingly with our neighbors. We have not sought first your kingdom. You have revealed your wonderful love to us in Christ and have offered us pardon and salvation in him; but we have turned away. We have run into temptation. The sin that we should have hated, we have committed. Have mercy on us, most merciful Father! In your Son is our salvation, and in your promises our are hope. Remind us that we are your children, and make us alive with your Holy Spirit, and in the end, receive us into your glory, through Jesus Christ our only Savior. Amen.

Silent Confession

Words of Assurance

Isaiah 1:18

*“Come now, let us reason together,” says the LORD.
“Though your sins are like scarlett, they shall be as white as snow;
though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool.”*

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

Scripture Reading

1 Kings 19:9-18

*Hymn of Preparation

Come Ye Sinners

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Come ye sin - ners, poor and wretch-ed, weak and wound - ed,
Come ye need - y, come and wel - come; God's free boun - ty
Come ye wea - ry, hea - vy lad - en, bruised and bro - ken
Let not con - science make you lin - ger; nor of fit - ness
Lo! Th'in - car - nate God, as - cend - ed; pleads the mer - it
sick and sore. Je - sus, read - y stands to save you,
glor - i - fy; True be - lief and true re - pent - ance,
by the fall. If you tar - ry 'til you're bet - ter,
fond - ly dream. All the fit - ness He re - qui - res
of His blood. Ven - ture on Him; ven - ture whol - ly,
full of pi - ty joined with pow'r. He is a - ble,
ev' - ry grace that brings you nigh. With - out mon - ey,
you will nev - er come at all. Not the right - eous,
is to feel your need of Him. This He gives you,
Let no o - ther trust in - trude. None but Je - sus,
He is a - ble, He is wil - ling; doubt no more.
with - out mon - ey, Come to Je - sus Christ and buy.
not the right - eous; Sin - ners Je - sus came to call.
this He gives you, 'tis the Spir - it's ris - ing beam.
none but Je - sus can do help - less sin - ners good.

*Hymn of Response

We Will Feast in the House of Zion

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Sandra McCracken

We will feast in the house of Zi - on. We will sing with our
 hearts re - stored. He has done great things, we will say to - geth-er; We will feast
 and weep no more. We will not be burned by the fire, He
In the dark of night be-fore the dawn my
 Ev - 'ry vow we've bro - ken and be-trayed; You
 is the Lord our God. We are not con - sumed by the
soul be not a - fraid; for the prom - ised morn - ing, oh how
 are the faith - ful One. And from the gar - den to the
 flood; Up - held, pro - tect - ed, gath - ered up.
 long? O God of Ja - cob be my strength.
 grave bind us to - geth - er bring sha - lom.

***Benediction**

Revelation 1:5b-6

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

•The Preached Word•

Title: *A Surprising Prayer*

Pastor: Rev. Marlin Harris

Text: Luke 22:31-34

pg. 856 in the pew Bible

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

A Further Explanation

Providing a Home

We believe “Providing a Home” meets one of the unique needs for those living in North Macon. We tend to be isolated and lonely. We tend to live fragmented and disconnected lives, and advances in technology seem to be making matters worse. We tend to pride ourselves on “having it all together” and giving the appearance that we do not need anyone or anything.

We desperately need a place where we can take off our masks, admit our sin and failures, and be received and accepted. We long for a genuine community where we can be loved as we really are, and, in turn, love others as they really are. NMPC is committed to be that place—a home—where folks are welcomed, embraced, and loved.

Proclaiming the Gospel

NMPC’s primary task is to “Proclaim the Gospel”, for the Gospel is the power of God for salvation. To spell it out more particularly, we are committed to preach the good news of Jesus Christ, in the whole counsel of Scripture, by the power of the Holy Spirit, with Reformed theological convictions, in a caring and gracious community, so that we might present everyone perfect in Christ. Therefore, in every worship service, every Sunday school class, every small group, and every ministry of the church, we are committed to proclaim the Gospel as of chief importance for the transformation of lives.

Partnering with Ministries

NMPC is also committed to carrying the good news of the Gospel—in word and deed—into our community and around the world. We seek to do so through strategic partnerships with ministries in our community and with missionaries around the globe. We are committed to **pray** for, **partner** with, and **participate** in these ministries so that we might make disciples of Jesus Christ of all nations.

Pray for our Members:

Jeff & Cindy Kross
Melissa & Harley Langford
John, Judy & Betsy LaPish
Charlotte Laurens

Pray for our Ministries:

Youth Ministry; Mark & Kara Ballard; teachers & helpers; Our students would have a passion for Christ and His Kingdom;
Our church leaders would be full of faith and the Holy Spirit.

Our Missionary of the Month:

Trey & Kikki Adams - Please pray as they are seeking to discover where the Lord will send them next on the mission field.

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: Heather Austin, Morgan Adams, Meredith Covert & Jessie Schnetzer

Newborns: Lily Hearn, Winston Garrett, Ava Adams & Hudson Hannah

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

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).

• Service Schedule •

Nursery Workers

Jan. 12 - Jeff & Madeline Thompson

Jan. 19 - Dan & Connie Strawn

Children's Church

Jan. 12 – Kevin & Scarlett Watson

Jan. 19 – Brandon & Beth Youmans

Greeters

January - Al & Margaret Rogers

Soundboard Operator

January - Ben Baker

Communion Preparation

January - Kate Harrison, Carol Dawson
& Charlotte Laurens

Usher Team

January - Matt Cathey

Paul McCommon

David Todd

Robby Danner

Chase Garrison

Communion Elders

January - Larry Breed

Howard Reed

Kevin Watson

Jeff Thompson

Jeff Kross

Ed Grimsley

Rob Morton

Charles Baker

Prayer Team

Jan. 12 - Tommy James & Jeff Thompson

Jan. 19 - Ed Grimsley, Jeff Kross

• Financial Update •

as of November 30, 2019

General Operations

2019 Receipts: \$ 967,063

2019 Expenses: \$ 932,753

Faith Promise for Missions

Paid out June 30: \$22,175

in support our 17 missionaries
for the first half of 2019

Needed July - Dec: \$ 23,450

Collected July - Nov: \$ 27,553

• 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, Jan 15 is Chicken Pot Pie, Rice, Salad Bar, Bread & Cookies

Small Groups

All of our Small Groups will begin meeting again soon. 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

• 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.

College Lunch - All college and graduate students are invited to lunch after the worship service this morning. We look forward to get to know you better!

Wednesday Morning Ladies' Bible Study - On Wed, Jan 15th at 9:30 AM we will start our new Bible study. This semester we will be studying the book *From Garden to Glory* by Courtney Doctor and we have the privilege of Pastor Josh Garrett teaching us.

Missions - The Missions Committee invites you to a Covered Dish Dinner on Sunday, January 26 at 6:00 pm to hear an update from Rodney and Jana Davila, missionaries in Costa Rica. Our church sent a team last summer to Costa Rica to work along side of the Davilas, and another team will be sent this summer. Come learn more about the work they are doing and explore if you may want to go with this year's team. The Missions Committee will provide fried chicken. A sign up sheet will be in the narthex beginning January 12th.

Flowers - The flowers in the sanctuary are given for the glory of God and in honor of Kathy Pye for 29 years of service as the Church Secretary at NMPC.



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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>	Kathy Pye, <i>Administrative Assistant</i>
	Josh Garrett, <i>Associate Pastor</i>	Monni Parrish, <i>Administrator, Financial Director & Pianist</i>
	Mark Ballard, <i>Youth Director</i>	Debbie McCommon, <i>North Macon Preschool Director</i>
	Duncan Cantrell, <i>Children's Director & Operations Manager</i>	

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