

THE LORD'S DAY

Worship

February 16, 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.

*All you have made will praise you, O LORD;
your saints will extol you.
Psalm 145:10*

Prelude

Praise Him! Praise Him!
Monni Parrish & Melanie Buckner

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Introit

Call to Worship

from Psalm 148

Pastor: Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens:

People: Praise him, all his angels and all his heavenly hosts. Praise him, sun and moon and all you shining stars. Praise him, you highest heavens and you waters above the skies. Let them praise the name of the LORD, for he commanded and they were created.

Pastor: Praise the LORD from the earth:

People: Praise him, you great sea creatures and all ocean depths. Praise him, lightning and hail, snow and clouds, stormy winds that do his bidding. Praise him, you mountains and hills, fruit trees and cedars, wild animals and cattle, small creatures and flying birds.

Pastor: Praise him, kings of the earth and all nations; praise him, you princes and all rulers; praise him, young men and maidens, old men and children.

People: Let them all praise the name of the LORD! For his name alone is exalted; his splendor is above the earth and the heavens. Praise the LORD!

** those who are able please stand*

Praise Hymn

Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens, Adore Him

Praise the Lord! ye heav'ns, adore him; Praise him angels, in the height;
Sun and moon, rejoice before him; Praise him, all ye stars of light.
Praise the Lord! for he has spoken; Worlds his mighty voice obeyed;
Laws which never shall be broken For their guidance he has made.

Praise the Lord! for he is glorious; Never shall his promise fail;
God has made his saints victorious; Sin and death shall not prevail.
Praise the God of our salvation! Hosts on high his pow'r proclaim;
Heav'n, and earth, and all creation, Laud and magnify his name.

Worship, honor, glory, blessing, Lord, we offer unto thee;
Young and old, thy praise expressing, In glad homage bend the knee.
All the saints in heav'n adore thee, We would bow before thy throne;
As thine angels serve before thee, So on earth thy will be done.

***Invocation**

Duncan Cantrell

PASTOR: Christian, what do you believe?

ALL: I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand
of God the Father Almighty.
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*The Apostles' Creed was not written by the apostles but is a summary of their teachings.
It dates back to the 4th century and has been used by the church to identify believers,
instruct new converts, and provide a confession of faith for worship.*

*Hymn

115 - All Creatures of Our God and King
vs. 1, 4 and 5

My sacrifice, O God, is a broken spirit;
a broken and contrite heart, O God, you 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

Duncan Cantrell

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

Only Trust Him
Monni Parrish & Melanie Buckner

Come, every soul by sin oppressed, there's mercy with the Lord,
And He will surely give you rest, by trusting in His Word.

Refrain: Only trust Him, only trust Him, only trust Him now;
He will save you, He will save you, He will save you now.

For Jesus shed his precious blood, rich blessings to bestow;
Plunge now into the crimson flood that washes white as snow.

Yes, Jesus is the truth, the way, that leads you into rest;
Believe in Him without delay, and you are fully blessed.

Memory Verse 19

Pastor: Let us recite 1 Timothy 6:6.

People: **Godliness with contentment is great gain; 1 Timothy 6:6.**

Memory Verse 20

Reckless words pierce like a sword,
but the tongue of the wise brings healing; Proverbs 12:18.

Scripture Reading

James 3
pg. 978 in the pew Bible

Speak, O Lord

Townend and Getty



Speak, O Lord, as we come to You— to re-ceive the food of Your ho - ly word
Teach us Lord full o - be - di - ence, — ho - ly rev - er - ence true hu - mil - i - ty. —
Speak, O Lord, and re - new our minds; Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us.



Take Your truth, plant it deep in us;— Shape and fash-ion us— in Your like - ness,
Test our thoughts and our at - ti - tudes in the ra - di - ance— of Your pu - ri - ty.
Truths un - changed from the dawn of time, that will e - cho down through e - ter - ni - ty.



that the light of Christmight be seen to-day in our acts of love and our deed of faith.
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see Your ma - jes - tic love and au - thor - i - ty.
And by grace we'll stand on Your promi - ses; And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.



Speak, O Lord, and ful - fill — in us— all Your pur - pos - es— for Your glo - ry.
Words of pow'r that can nev - er fail; Let their truth pre - vail o - ver un - be - lief.
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built and the earth is filled with Your glo - ry.

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Prayer for Covenant Children

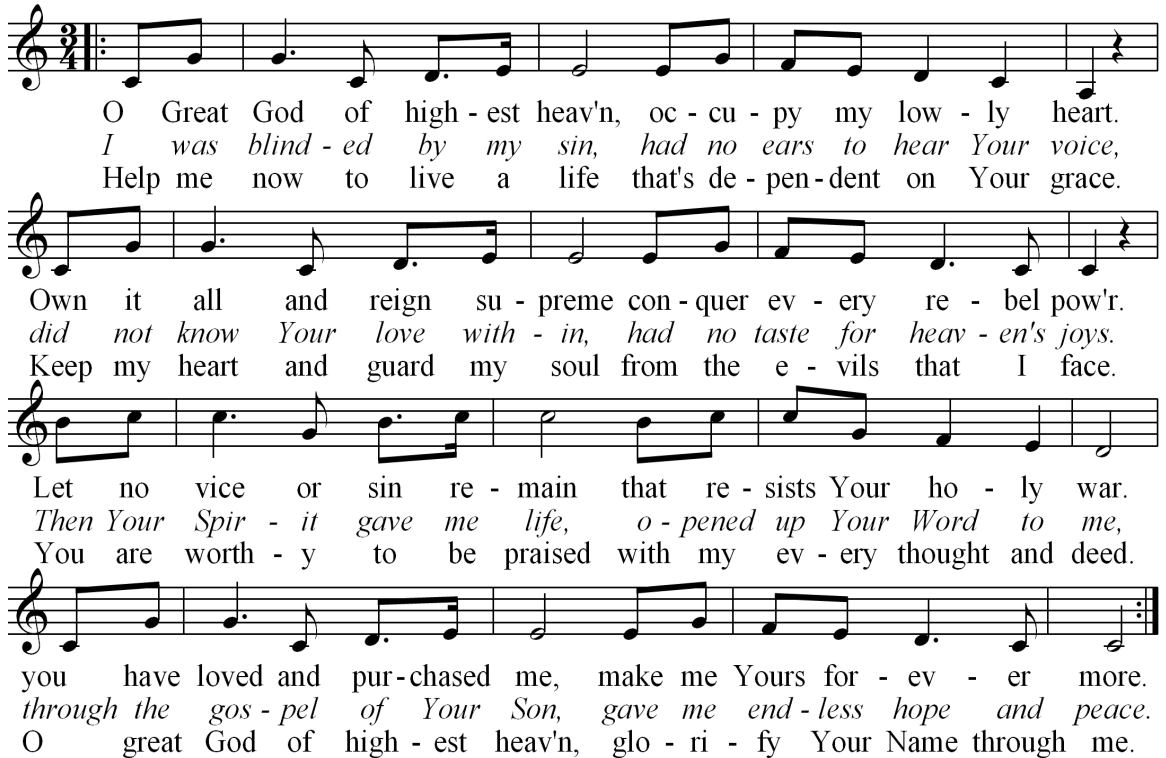
Sermon

The Power of the Tongue
Selected Proverbs

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

O Great God

Bob Kauflin



O Great God of high - est heav'n, oc - cu - py my low - ly heart.
I was blind - ed by my sin, had no ears to hear Your voice,
 Help me now to live a life that's de - pen - dent on Your grace.

Own it all and reign su - preme con - quer ev - ery re - bel pow'r.
did not know Your love with - in, had no taste for heav - en's joys.
 Keep my heart and guard my soul from the e - vils that I face.

Let no vice or sin re - main that re - sists Your ho - ly war.
Then Your Spir - it gave me life, o - pened up Your Word to me,
 You are worth - y to be praised with my ev - ery thought and deed.

you have loved and pur - chased me, make me Yours for - ev - er more.
through the gos - pel of Your Son, gave me end - less hope and peace.
 O great God of high - est heav'n, glo - ri - fy Your Name through me.

*Benediction

Romans 15:13

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. 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

Missionaries Supported by NMPC

1. **TREY AND KIKKI ADAMS** are in the states now and plan to return to **Thailand** later this year.
 2. **MARGARET BAKER**, one of our own members, will provide administrative support to two of our missionaries, the Davilas and the Peters, in **Costa Rica**.
 3. **BRIAN AND MANDY** are part of a team which is planting a city-center church in a city of 10 million people in **South Asia**. They are also involved in training a network of national church-planters.
 4. **KAY BURKLIN** is MTW's (Mission to the World) European liaison with refugees.
 5. **RODNEY AND JANA DAVILA** minister in **Costa Rica**, planting churches and teaching and training pastors.
 6. **JONAS AND CHRISTINA DAVISON** are part of a church planting team in **Japan** where they use the arts to build bridges for evangelism & discipleship.
 7. **JEFF AND JAMIE** are church planters in **India**, and Jeff teaches rural pastors in a seminary.
 8. **RICH AND CHRISSE GREETE** have a counseling ministry to **Mission to the World** missionaries here in the States and on mission fields in other parts of the world.
 9. **DR. VICTOR AND NOSIZO NAKAH** are serving in **Africa** where Dr. Nakah is the international director of missions for Sub-Sahara Africa.
 10. **JIM AND MARY ALICE PATTERSON** have been working with Wycliffe Bible Translators in **Australia and Malaysia** on Vernacular Media Services, a project which helps produce and edit God's Word in audio format for people groups who can then hear the Scriptures in their own language.
 11. **DAVID AND ERIN PERVIS** are in a church planting ministry **Greece**, reaching people with the gospel through several means, one being teaching English.
 12. **JOHN AND DYLAN PETERS**, who are former members of NMPC, work in **Costa Rica** alongside of the Davilas. They minister to youth and college students through discipleship and mentoring.
 13. **MIKE AND ELI SABIN** help spread the gospel throughout **Southeast Asia** by means of Trans World Radio on Guam. Christian programming is broadcast to places that otherwise would have no Christian witness.
 14. **ROGER AND DIANNE SMALLING** write, distribute, and teach reformed literature in **Latin America**.
 15. **DAL AND BETH STANTON** lead a church planting team in Sofia, **Bulgaria**. They have developed a special outreach, the "Daughters of Bulgaria", a ministry to women who have been victims of trafficking.
 16. **NOAH AND KARLEIGH STEPHENS** are church planters in **Bangkok, Thailand**.
 17. **JOSH TSAVATEWA** is a missionary sent out from NMPC who works among the **Yakama Tribe in Washington State** as a Teaching Elder with Sacred Road Ministries.
 18. **BRUCE AND BARBARA WANNEMACHER** provide spiritual care, training and leadership for all MTW missionaries who are serving in **Sub-Sahara Africa**.
 19. **STEPHEN AND SARAH YOUNG** worked in Perth, **Australia with the Japanese people**. They are now located in Tennessee where Stephen continues his work with the Japanese and Sarah, an acclaimed author of best-selling devotional books (*Jesus Calling*), continues her writing ministry.
- **CAROLINE FLEMING**, one of NMPC's own missionaries, has worked in Bible translation and literacy. She continues such work through Wycliffe Associates and is self-funded.

Selected Proverbs on Speech

- 18:21 The tongue has the power of life and death, and those who love it will eat its fruit.
- 12:18 Reckless words pierce like a sword, but the tongue of the wise brings healing.
- 15:04 The tongue that brings healing is a tree of life, but a deceitful tongue crushes the spirit.
- 10:11 The mouth of the righteous is a fountain of life, but violence overwhelms the mouth of the wicked.
- 10:21 The lips of the righteous nourish many, but fools die for lack of judgment.
- 18:20 From the fruit of his mouth a man's stomach is filled; with the harvest from his lips he is satisfied.
- 12:14 From the fruit of his lips a man is filled with good things as surely as the work of his hands rewards him.
- 13:02 From the fruit of his lips a man enjoys good things, but the unfaithful have a craving for violence.
- 28:13 He who conceals his sins does not prosper but whoever confesses and renounces them finds mercy.
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- 12:06 The words of the wicked lie in wait for blood, but the speech of the upright rescues them.
- 11:09 With his mouth the godless destroys his neighbor, but through knowledge the righteous escape.
- 16:27 A scoundrel plots evil, and his speech is like a scorching fire.
- 26:18 Like a madman shooting firebrands or deadly arrows, is a man who deceives his neighbor and says, "I was only joking!"
- 18:06 A fool's lips bring him strife, and his mouth invites a beating.
- 18:07 A fool's mouth is his undoing, and his lips are a snare to his soul.
- 12:13 An evil man is trapped by his sinful talk, but a righteous man escapes trouble.
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- 17:27 A man of knowledge uses words with restraint, and a man of understanding is even-tempered.
- 15:28 The heart of the righteous weighs its answers, but the mouth of the wicked gushes evil.
- 11:12 A man who lacks judgment derides his neighbor, but a man of understanding holds his tongue.
- 13:03 He who guards his lips guards his life, but he who speaks rashly will come to ruin.
- 15:23 A man finds joy in giving an apt reply-and how good is a timely word!
- 31:26 She speaks with wisdom, and faithful instruction is on her tongue.
- 29:20 Do you see a man who speaks in haste? There is more hope for a fool than for him.

• The Preached Word •

Title: *The Power of the Tongue*

Pastor: Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Text: Selected Proverbs

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Pray for our Members:

Matt, Allie, Neva & Bowen Monsted
Curt, Amber, Abigail, Noah, Rachel & Luke Montgomery
Kathy Moore
Tate, Stephanie, Miles, Charlie & Tate Morris

Pray for 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.

Our Missionary of the Month:

Dr. Kay Burklin, European Refugee Liaison - Pray for the church and the workers that minister to refugees, especially to those in their job-training program.
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: Melissa Newell, Morgan Adams, Meredith Covert, Jessie Schnetzer, Jenny Nicholson & Mary Lou Cantrell
Newborns: Winston Garrett, Ava Adams, Hudson Hannah, Kinley Jane Austin & Grace Elisabeth Behrens.
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); Judy LaPish (sister, Joanne)
Recovering: Kathy Combs (surgeries); Sally Lee (hip); 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); Jean Snow (Bill Sr.)

• Service Schedule •

Nursery Workers

Feb. 16 - Lonnie & Donna Dye

Feb. 23 - Charles & Myra Baker

Children's Church

Feb. 16 - Dwayne & Natalie Benson

Feb. 23 - Steven & Jill Bloodworth

Greeters

February - Joseph Egloff/Rana Munna
John & Joyce Meadows

Soundboard Operator

February - Jim Grier

March - Ed Voss

Communion Preparation

March - Pat Jenkins & Kate Harrison

Usher Team

February - Patrick Hoyer

Matt Shepley

Jacob Wilson

Bryan Covert

Rick Funk

Ben Baker

Communion Elders

March - Charles Baker

Larry Breed

Matt Shepley

Kevin Watson

Jeff Thompson

Jeff Kross

Rob Morton

Howard Reed

Prayer Team

Feb 16 - Charles Baker, Kevin Watson

Feb 23 - John McSween, Jeff Thompson

• Financial Update •

as of January 31, 2020

General Operations

2020 Receipts: \$ 73,640

2020 Expenses: \$ 85,116

Faith Promise for Missions

2020 Receipts: \$ 1,276

Needed by June 30: \$ 24,725

to support our 19 missionaries

• 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 19th is Baked Spaghetti, Salad Bar, Bread & Lemon Cake with Almond Frosting.

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

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 not gather for prayer tomorrow. The church office will be closed for the President's Day holiday.

Faith Promise - NMPC supports 19 missionaries (listed on page 8) all over the world through Faith Promise giving. We ask that you turn in your response card by next Sunday, February 23.

Children's Ministry - If you are interested in volunteering for our Children's Ministry please speak to or email Duncan (duncan@nmnpc.net). We need Sunday School teachers/assistants, Buddy volunteers, and Wednesday evening teachers/assistants!

Bill Barnes - Bill Barnes has been called to be the Pastor of Byron Baptist Church. There will be an Ordination Service for Bill tonight at Bonaire First Baptist Church at 6:00 PM.

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.



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.

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

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