

THE LORD'S DAY

Worship

February 23, 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.

*They feast on the abundance of your house;
you give them drink from your river of delights.
Psalm 36:8*

Prelude

Sacred Harp Medley

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Introit

Spirit of God

Call to Worship

Psalm 36:5-9

Pastor: Your love, O LORD, reaches to the heavens, your faithfulness to the skies.

People: **Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains, your justice like the great deep.**

Pastor: O LORD, you preserve both man and beast!

People: **How priceless is your unfailing love!**

Pastor: Both high and low among men find refuge in the shadow of your wings.

People: **They feast on the abundance of your house; you give them drink from your river of delights.**

Pastor: For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light.

** those who are able please stand*

Come Thou Fount

Robinson/Brown



Come thou fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer; hith - er by thy help I'm come;
 O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con - strained to be;
O that day, when freed from sin - ning, I shall see Thy love - ly face;



streams of mer - cy ne - ver ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.
 let that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my wan - d'ring heart to Thee.
cloth - ed then in blood washed lin - en, how I'll sing Thy sov - 'reign grace.



Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove;
Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, wan - d'ring from the fold of God:
 Prone to wan - der — Lord, I feel it — prone to leave the God I love:
Come, my Lord, no long - er tar - ry, take my ran - somed soul a - way;



praise the mount! I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.
he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed His pre - cious blood.
 here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts a - bove.
send Thine an - gels now to car - ry me to realms of end - less day.

*Confession of Faith

Colossians 1:15-20

Pastor: Christian, who is Jesus Christ?

Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God,
the firstborn over all creation.
For by him all things were created:
things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible,
whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities;
all things were created by him and for him.
He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.
And he is the head of the body, the church;
He is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead,
so that in everything he might have the supremacy.
For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him,
and through him to reconcile to himself all things,
whether things on earth or things in heaven,
by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross. Amen.

*Hymn

164 - *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

Receiving New Members

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

*Rebekah Anaya; David, Megan & Autumn Anderson; Eric & Anderson Hornick;
Jennifer, Nicholas & Abigail McCullough; Bryan, Vanessa, Dallas, Caleb & Aiden Smith;
Martin & Tonya Wilson*

1. Do you acknowledge yourself to be a sinner in the sight of God, justly deserving His displeasure, and without hope except in His sovereign mercy?
2. Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and depend upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel?
3. Do you now resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes a follower of Jesus Christ?
4. Do you promise to serve Christ in His Church by supporting and participating in its worship and work to the best of your ability?
5. Do you submit yourself to the government and discipline of the Church, and promise to further its purity and peace?

Sacrament of Baptism

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Dallas Brinson Smith, Caleb Bryant Smith & Aiden Redding Smith

1. Do you acknowledge your children's need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ, and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?
2. Do you claim God's covenant promises in their behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for their salvation, as you do for your own?
3. Do you now unreservedly dedicate your children to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before them a godly example, that you will pray with and for them, that you will teach them the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?
4. Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting these parents in the Christian nurture of these children?

Congregational Prayer

Take My Life and Let It Be

*Take their lives and let them be consecrated, Lord, to Thee
Take their moments and their days; let them flow in ceaseless praise
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.*

Remind the people to be subject to rulers and authorities, to be obedient, to be ready to do whatever is good, to slander no one, to be peaceable and considerate, and always to be gentle toward everyone. At one time we too were foolish, disobedient, deceived and enslaved by all kinds of passions and pleasures. We lived in malice and envy, being hated and hating one another. But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life. This is a trustworthy saying. And I want you to stress these things, so that those who have trusted in God may be careful to devote themselves to doing what is good. These things are excellent and profitable for everyone.

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

*Be Thou My Vision/
My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*

Memory Verse 20

Pastor: Let us recite Proverbs 12:18.

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

Memory Verse 21

*Pleasant words are a honeycomb, sweet to the soul
and healing to the bones. Proverbs 16:24*

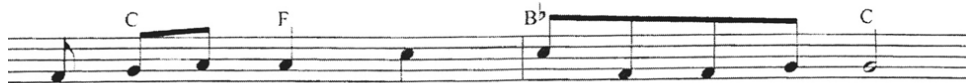
*Hymn of Preparation

Spirit of God

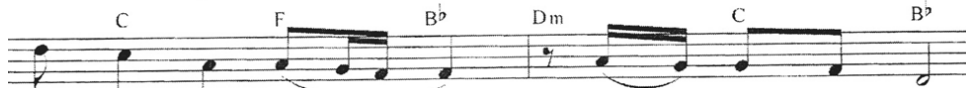
Spirit of God



Spi - rit of God, de - scend up - on my heart;
 Teach me to feel that Thou art al - ways nigh;
 Hast Thou not bid me love Thee, God and King?
 Teach me to love Thee as Thine an - gels love,



Wean it from earth; through all its puls - es move;
 Teach me the strug - gles of the soul to bear.
 All, all Thine own, soul, heart and strength and mind.
 One ho - ly pas - sion fill - ing all my frame;



Stoop to my weak - ness, might-y as Thou art;
 To check the ri - sing doubt, the re - bel sigh,
 I see Thy cross; there teach me to cling;
 The pre - sence of Thy de - scend - ed Dove,



And make me love Thee as I ought to love.
 Teach me the pa - tience of strug - gling in prayer.
 O let me seek Thee, and O let me find!
 My heart an al - tar, and Thy love the flame

Prayer for Covenant Children

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Sermon

Out of the Overflow of the Heart
 Selected Proverbs

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

Newton, Tomlin, and Giglio



1. A - maz - ing grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a_ wretch like me.
2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears re - lieved.
3. Through ma - ny dan - gers, toils, and snares, I have al - rea - dy come;
4. When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright shin - ing as the sun, —



I once was lost, but now I'm found, was blind but now I see. (to v. 2)
How pre - cious did the grace ap - pear, the hour I first be - lieved.
'tis grace that brough me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we've first be - gun.



Chorus: My chains are ___ gone. I've been set ___ free. My God, my



Sav - ior has ran - somed ___ me. And like a ___ flood His mer - cy



— rains, un - end - ing love, ___ a - maz - ing grace. ___

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*Benediction

Thessalonians 5:23-24

May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do it.

*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

- 16:23 A wise man's heart guides his mouth, and his lips promote instruction.
10:20 The tongue of the righteous is choice silver, but the heart of the wicked is of little value.
15:07 The lips of the wise spread knowledge; not so the hearts of fools.
15:28 The heart of the righteous weighs its answers, but the mouth of the wicked gushes evil.
- 22:11 He who loves a pure heart and whose speech is gracious will have the king for his friend.
16:24 Pleasant words are a honeycomb, sweet to the soul and healing to the bones.
15:30 A cheerful look brings joy to the heart, and good news gives health to the bones.
12:25 An anxious heart weighs a man down, but a kind word cheers him up.
15:01 A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.
25:15 Through patience a ruler can be persuaded, and a gentle tongue can break a bone.
- 24:26 An honest answer is like a kiss on the lips.
13:05 The righteous hate what is false, but the wicked bring shame and disgrace.
16:13 Kings take pleasure in honest lips; they value a man who speaks the truth.
12:22 The Lord detests lying lips, but he delights in men who are truthful.
- 10:31 The mouth of the righteous brings forth wisdom, but a perverse tongue will be cut out.
15:02 The tongue of the wise commends knowledge, but the mouth of the fool gushes folly.
10:14 Wise men store up knowledge, but the mouth of a fool invites ruin.
20:15 Gold there is, and rubies in abundance, but lips that speak knowledge are a rare jewel.
10:32 The lips of the righteous know what is fitting, but the mouth of the wicked only what is perverse.
25:11 A word aptly spoken is like apples of gold in settings of silver.
- 17:28 Even a fool is thought wise if he keeps silent, and discerning if he holds his tongue.
10:19 When the worlds are many, sin is not absent, but he who holds his tongue is wise.
12:23 A prudent man keeps his knowledge to himself, but the heart of fools blurts out folly.
21:23 He who guards his mouth and his tongue keeps himself from calamity.

• The Preached Word •

Title: *Out of the Overflow of the Heart*

Pastor: Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Text: Selected Proverbs

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Pray for our Members:

Rob & Anne Morton
Rana Munna & Joseph Egloff
Kim & Austin Murray
Clark Myers

Pray for our Ministries:

North Macon Pre-School. Pray for our director, Debbie McCommon, and for our teachers that they would be full of grace and truth; pray that our students would grow in wisdom and in stature and in favor with God and man.
Our elders, deacons, and staff would fear the Lord.

Our Missionary of the Month:

Dr. Kay Burklin, European Refugee Liaison - Pray for MTW's refugee work worldwide. Over half of the 70 million displaced people live in areas where MTW already works.
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: Morgan Adams, Meredith Covert, Jessie Schnetzer, Jenny Nicholson & Mary Lou Cantrell
Newborns: Winston Garrett, Ava Adams, Hudson Hannah, Kinley Jane Austin & Grace Elisabeth Behrens & Emerson Ann Newell.
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); Cheryl Willis (Jerry); Kathy Moore (Don); Kathy Cunningham (mom); Julie Strange (mom); Jack Pyles (grandfather); Jean Snow (Bill Sr.); Jason Hawkins (dad); Kathy Pye (dad).

Providing a Home ♦ Proclaiming the Gospel ♦ Partnering with Ministries

• Service Schedule •

Nursery Workers

Feb. 23 - Charles & Myra Baker

Mar. 1 - Mark & Kara Ballard

Children's Church

Feb. 23 - Steven & Jill Bloodworth

Mar. 1 - Morris & Jessica Butler

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 23 - John McSween, Jeff Thompson

Mar. 1 - Tommy James, Cleve Cunningham

• 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 26th is BBQ Chicken, Macaroni & Cheese, Broccoli, Salad Bar, Bread & Peach Cobbler

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
6:00 PM - Leaders' Dinner
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.

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

Men's Fellowship - The next Men's Fellowship is the chili cook-off on Friday, March 6th at 6 PM at Adam Griffin's barn (120 Grove Pointe Dr.)

New Members Class - If you are interested in learning more about NMPC or joining our membership, you are invited to attend the New Members Class, which is comprised of two Sunday night meetings: March 15th & 22th from 5:30 - 8:00 (dinner & childcare are provided). Please email Pastor Hunter (hunter@nmpc.net) to sign up or for more information. (We also provide make-up sessions if you cannot attend one night.)

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

Flowers - The flowers in the sanctuary today are in honor of Tommy & Lolly James in celebration of their birthdays: "To God be the Glory! We Love You!" by Chris, Hope, Lola Grace & Maddie James Wilson



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