

THE LORD'S DAY

Worship

March 17, 2020



NORTH MACON
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Important Reminders:

Turn off all cellular devices during the worship service.

Do not bring food or drink into the sanctuary.

Maintain at least 6 feet between yourself and others.

Because your love is better than life, my lips will glorify you.

Psalm 63:3

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Introit

Call to Worship

Psalm 63:1-5

You, God, are my God, earnestly I seek you; I thirst for you, my whole being longs for you, in a dry and parched land where there is no water. I have seen you in the sanctuary and beheld your power and your glory. Because your love is better than life, my lips will glorify you. I will praise you as long as I live, and in your name I will lift up my hands. I will be fully satisfied as with the richest of foods; with singing lips my mouth will praise you.

Invocation

Duncan Cantrell

Praise Hymn

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

*Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, to his feet your tribute bring;
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who, like me, his praise should sing?
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King.*

*Praise him for his grace and favor to our fathers in distress;
Praise him, still the same forever, slow to chide and swift to bless.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Glorious in his faithfulness.*

*Father-like, he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows;
In his hands he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Widely as his mercy goes.*

*Frail as summer's flow'r we flourish, blows the wind and it is gone;
But while mortals rise and perish, God endures unchanging on.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the High Eternal One.*

Call to Prayer

Philippians 4:4-7

Rejoice in the LORD always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The LORD is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

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

Scripture Reading

Psalm 22

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from saving me, so far from the words of my groaning? O my God, I cry out by day, but you do not answer, by night, and am not silent.

Yet you are enthroned as the Holy One; you are the praise of Israel. In you our fathers put their trust; they trusted and you delivered them. They cried to you and were saved; in you they trusted and were not disappointed. But I am a worm and not a man, scorned by men and despised by the people. All who see me mock me; they hurl insults, shaking their heads: "He trusts in the LORD; let the LORD rescue him. Let him deliver him, since he delights in him." Yet you brought me out of the womb; you made me trust in you even at my mother's breast. From birth I was cast upon you; from my mother's womb you have been my God. Do not be far from me, for trouble is near and there is no one to help.

Many bulls surround me; strong bulls of Bashan encircle me. Roaring lions tearing their prey open their mouths wide against me. I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint. My heart has turned to wax; it has melted away within me. My strength is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth; you lay me in the dust of death. Dogs have surrounded me; a band of evil men has encircled me, they have pierced my hands and my feet. I can count all my bones; people stare and gloat over me. They divide my garments among them and cast lots for my clothing.

But you, O LORD, be not far off; O my Strength, come quickly to help me. Deliver my life from the sword, my precious life from the power of the dogs. Rescue me from the mouth of the lions; save me from the horns of the wild oxen. I will declare your name to my brothers; in the congregation I will praise you. You who fear the LORD, praise him! All you descendants of Jacob, honor him! Revere him, all you descendants of Israel! For he has not despised or disdained the suffering of the afflicted one; he has not hidden his face from him but has listened to his cry for help.

From you comes the theme of my praise in the great assembly; before those who fear you will I fulfill my vows. The poor will eat and be satisfied; they who seek the LORD will praise him—may your hearts live forever! All the ends of the earth will remember and turn to the LORD, and all the families of the nations will bow down before him, for dominion belongs to the LORD and he rules over the nations. All the rich of the earth will feast and worship; all who go down to the dust will kneel before him—those who cannot keep themselves alive. Posterity will serve him; future generations will be told about the Lord. They will proclaim his righteousness to a people yet unborn—for he has done it.

Blessed Be Your Name

Matt Redman and Beth Redman



1. [Bless - ed be Your name in the land that is plen - ti - ful,
Bless - ed be Your name when I'm found in the des - ert place,
 2. [Bless - ed be Your name when the sun's shin - ing down on me,
Bless - ed be Your name on the road marked with suf - fer-ing,



where Your streams of a - bund - dance flow, bless - ed be Your name.
though I walk through the wil - der - ness, bless - ed be Your name.
 when the world's all as it should be, bless - ed be Your name.
though there's pain in the of - fer - ing, bless - ed be Your name.



Ev -'ry bless - ing You pour out I'll turn back to praise.



When the dark - ness clos - es in, Lord, still I will say,

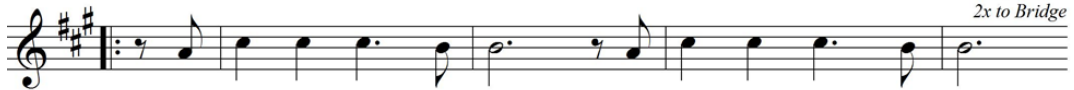


Chorus "Bless-ed be the name of the Lord bless-ed be Your name.

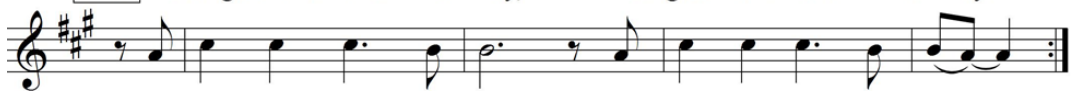


Bless - ed be the name of the Lord, bless - ed be Your glo - ri - ous name."

*1x to v.2
 2x to Bridge*



Bridge You give and take a - way, You give and take a - way.



My heart will choose to say, "Lord, bless-ed be Your name."

Slaves, submit yourselves to your masters with all respect, not only to those who are good and considerate, but also to those who are harsh. For it is commendable if a man bears up under the pain of unjust suffering because he is conscious of God. But how is it to your credit if you receive a beating for doing wrong and endure it? But if you suffer for doing good and you endure it, this is commendable before God. To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps. "He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth." When they hurled their insults at him, he did not retaliate; when he suffered, he made no threats. Instead, he entrusted himself to him who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were like sheep going astray, but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

Hymn of Response

*Jesus I Am Resting, Resting
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***Benediction**

1 Peter 5:10-11

And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast. To him be the 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.

Please exit the sanctuary one family at a time, back rows first.

***Postlude**

Jesus I Am Resting, Resting

David Hampton



1. Je - sus, I am rest - ing, rest - ing in the joy of what Thou art.
2. *Oh, how great Thy lov - ing kind - ness, vast - er, broad - er than the sea.*
3. Sim - ply trust - ing Thee, Lord Je - sus, I be - hold Thee as Thou art.
4. *Ev - er lift Thy face up - on me as I work and wait for Thee.*



I am find - ing out the great - ness of Thy lov - ing heart.
Oh, how mar - vel - ous Thy good - ness lav - ished all on me.
And Thy love so pure, so change - less sat - is - fies my heart,
Rest - ing 'neath Thy smile Lord Je - sus, earth's dark shad - ows flee.



Thou hast bid me gaze up - on Thee, and Thy beau - ty fills my soul
Yes, I rest in Thee, Be - lov - ed, know what wealth of grace is Thine,
sat - is - fies its deep - est long - ings, meets, sup - plies its ev - 'ry need,
Bright - ness of my Fa - ther's glo - ry, sun - shine of my Fa - ther's face;



for by Thy trans - form - ing pow - er, Thou hast made me whole.
know Thy cer - tain - ty of prom - ise and have made it mine.
com - pass - eth me 'round with bless - ings, Thine is love in - deed.
keep me ev - er trust - ing, rest - ing, fill me with Thy grace.



Je - sus, I am rest - ing, rest - ing in the joy of what Thou art. —



I am find - ing out the great - ness of Thy lov - ing heart. —

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• The Preached Word •

Title: *Entrust Yourself to the Just Judge*

Text: 1 Peter 2:18-25

Pastor: Rev. Hunter Stevenson

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Pray for Those in Need:

Expecting: Meredith Covert, Jessie Schnetzer, Jenny Nicholson & Mary Lou Cantrell

Newborns: Kennedy Adams, Winston Garrett, Ava Adams, Hudson Hannah, Kinley Austin, Grace Behrens & Emerson Newell.

Newlyweds & Engaged Couples: Jon & Bonnie Andree (3/21); Eric & Jennifer Hornick (4/25); Audrey Drummond & Ben Yost (5/29); Eric Hall & Jessica Cummings (10/24).

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

Recovering: Sally Lee (hip); Kathy Stanley (Parkinson's); David Lee (neck fusion); John LaPish (chemo).

Moving: Paul & Pam Kanode; Stephen & Christian Barnes' family.

Bereaved: Linda Scott (Richard); Diane McCallum (Jimmy); Pearson Kelly (mom); Cheryl Willis (Jerry); Kathy Moore (Don); Jean Snow (Bill Sr.); Jason Hawkins (dad); Kathy Pye (dad); Judy LaPish (sister); Larry & LuAnn Breed (Collin); Joe Timberlake (Peggy).

Our Leaders: our Session, Diaconate, Women's Ministry Committee, and Staff; our local, state and federal governmental officials.

• Discipleship Opportunities •

Women's Summer Bible Study

This summer the PCA is offering a women's Bible study on Ephesians.

It will be taught by video and has a workbook for daily study.

Additionally, NMPC will provide opportunities for our ladies to discuss the material.

Please contact Payton Churchwell to sign up or for more information.

NMPC Summer Reading

This summer will be our 10th year reading a book together!

We will read Rosaria Butterfield's *The Gospel Comes with a House Key*.

The books are now available in the Narthex for \$5.00.

The Adult Christian Education Committee is working diligently to provide opportunities for us to discuss the book. More information will be forthcoming.

• Financial Update •

as of April 30, 2020

General Operations

2020 Receipts: \$380,476
2020 Expenses: \$341,400

Faith Promise for Missions

2020 Receipts: \$ 30,686
Needed by June 30: \$ 24,725
to support our 19 missionaries

• Announcements •

Monday Morning Prayer - We will gather for prayer on Monday from 9:00 - 10:00 AM. We will send out a link to join the meeting via Zoom this afternoon. If you have a prayer request, please let Hunter or Josh know.

Notes to our High School graduates - Monni sent out a link last week for us to write a note of encouragement, share a passage of Scripture, record a memory, or even record a prayer for our high school graduates. Join us in celebrating our high school graduates!

Flowers - The flowers are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the birth of Kennedy Joan Adams and in memory of her grandmother, Joan Adams, whose birthday would have been May 21, by Jon & Morgan Adams and Wade Adams.



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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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