

THE LORD'S DAY

Worship

October 3, 2021



NORTH MACON
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Important Reminders:

Turn off all cellular devices during the worship service.
Do not bring food or drink into the sanctuary.

*I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the fellowship
of sharing in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death,
and so, somehow, to attain to the resurrection from the dead.
Philippians 3:10-11*

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Introit

Call to Worship

Ephesians 1:3-8

Pastor: Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ!

People: **For he chose us in Christ before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight.**

Pastor: In love he predestined us to be adopted as his sons through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will—

People: **To the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves!**

Pastor: In Christ we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins,

People: **In accordance with the riches of God's grace that he lavished on us with all wisdom and understanding.**

*Praise Hymn

#77 - Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven
vs. 1-4

*Invocation

Rev. Duncan Cantrell

** those who are able please stand*

Pastor: Christian, why is the Son of God called “Jesus,” meaning “savior”?

People: Because he saves us from our sins,
and because salvation should not be sought
and cannot be found in anyone else.

Pastor: Why is he called “Christ,” meaning “anointed”?

People: Because he has been ordained by God the Father
and has been anointed with the Holy Spirit to be
our chief prophet and teacher
 who fully reveals to us
 the secret counsel and will of God for our salvation;
our only high priest
 who has delivered us by the one sacrifice of his body,
 and who continually pleads our cause with the Father;
and our eternal king
 who governs us by his Word and Spirit,
 and who guards us and keeps us
 in the freedom he has won for us.

Pastor: And why are you called a Christian?

People: Because by faith I am a member of Christ
and so I share in his anointing.
I am anointed
 to confess his name,
 to present myself to him as a living sacrifice of thanks,
 to strive with a good conscience against sin and the devil
 in this life,
 and afterward to reign with Christ over all creation
 for all eternity. Amen.

*The Heidelberg Catechism was composed in Heidelberg, Germany in 1563.
It has been translated into many European, Asian, and African languages
and is the most widely used and most warmly praised catechism of the Reformation period.*

Before the Throne of God Above

Bancroft/Cook



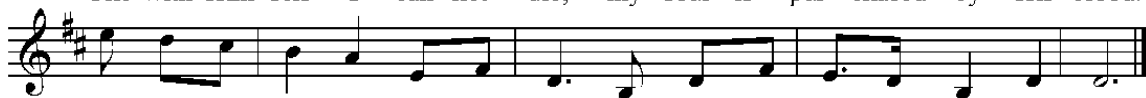
Be - fore the throne of God a - bove I have a strong and per - fect plea;
When Sa - tan tempts me to des - pair and tells me of my guilt with - in.
 Be - hold Him there the ri - sen Lamb, my per - fect spot - less Right-eous-ness;



A great High Priest whose name is love, who ev - er lives and pleads for me.
Up - ward I look and see Him there who made an end of all my sin.
 the Great un - change - a - ble I Am, the King of Glo - ry and of grace.



My name is gra - ven on His hands; My name is writ - ten on His heart.
Be - cause the sin - less Sav - ior died, my sin - ful soul is count - ed free.
 One with Him - self I can - not die; my soul is pur - chased by His blood.



I know that while in heav'n He stands, **no tongue can bid me thence de - part.**
For God, the just, is sat - is - fied, to look on him and par - don me.
 My life is hid with Christ on high, **with Christ my Savi - ior and my God.**

If anyone else thinks he has reasons to put confidence in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; in regard to the law, a Pharisee; as for zeal, persecuting the church; as for legalistic righteousness, faultless.

But whatever was to my profit I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. What is more, I consider everything a loss compared to the surpassing greatness of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them rubbish, that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ—the righteousness that comes from God and is by faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the fellowship of sharing in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, and so, somehow, to attain to the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already been made perfect, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. Brothers, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus. All of us who are mature should take such a view of things.

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Rev. 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

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

***Hymn of Preparation**

#310 - Rejoice, the Lord is King

Prayer for Covenant Children

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Sermon

The Risen and Reigning Christ
Revelation 1:14-20

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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

***Benediction**

Ephesians 3:20-21

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

***Doxology**

#731

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**

How Deep the Father's Love For Us

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.

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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: *The Risen and Reigning Christ*

Text: Revelation 1:14-20

Pastor: Rev. Hunter Stevenson

pg. 991 in your pew Bible

Pray for Our Members:

Al & Margaret Rogers
Terry & Donna Rohn
Ryan, Jessie, Evie, Emerson, Eleanor & Frankie Schnetzer
Wes, Marie, Elizabeth & Matthew Seay

Pray for Our Missionary of the Month:

Jim & 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.

Pray for Those in Need:

Expecting Mothers: Kathlyn Wohlrabe (1/29) & Mary Lou Cantrell (1/31)
Newborns: Annie Monsted, Amelia Prestwood, Noah Andree, Eli Singleton, Lakelyn Newell, Betsy Lambert, Smith Dozier, Mary Louise Cathey and Ford Anderson.
Members Caring for Loved Ones: Becky Gorman (Randy); Steve Smith (dad); Amelia Smith (mom); Howard Gordon (mom); Tricia Barton (mom); Monni Parrish (dad).
Recovering/Sick: Kathy Stanley (Parkinson's); Seth Daniels (leg); Cathe Dondes (elbow); John LaPish (cancer in hip)
Bereaved: Liz Ream & the McKelveys (Buck); Cindy Voss (Ed); Jim Grier (Melanie); Cathe Dondes (David); Jill Bloodworth (mom); Monni Parrish (mom); Cheryl Willis (sister); Jennifer Hornick (step-dad); Susana, Sarah Jane & Oscar Sandefur (Chris); Beth McSween (John); Pam Kanode (Paul); Vicki Anderson (Matthew); Claire Chastain (brother)
Our Leaders: the Session, Diaconate, Women's Ministry Committee, and Staff; our local, state and federal governmental officials.

• Discipleship Opportunities •

Sunday School Classes

2 & 3 Year - Beginners Gospel Story Bible taught by Jill Bloodworth & Megan Cathey
4K- 5K - Serving the Savior taught by Anna Barnes & Jill Peed
1st & 2nd Grade - Growing in God taught by Kelly Smith, Caleb & Hannah Henning,
Patrick & Andrea Goff
3rd-5th Grade: Trusting God taught by Liz Ream & Tricia Barton
Jr. High: Philippians taught by Matt Shepley in Room 144 (behind the sanctuary)
Sr. High: Philippians taught by Mark Ballard & Anna Smith in the Youth Room
Adult Elective: *The History & Trustworthiness of the Bible* taught by Pastor Duncan
Adult Elective: *Marriage Enrichment* taught by Pastor Hunter

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 Class (K4 - 6th grade)
Youth Group (7th - 12th grade)
Adult Bible Study: 2 Samuel

The menu for Wed, October 6th is roast beef, gravy, carrots & potatoes, salad, rolls and cookies.

If you are interested in joining a Small Group, please contact Josh or Payton.

• Financial Update •

as of August 31

General Operations		Faith Promise for Missions	
2021 Receipts:	\$ 992,400	Paid out June 30:	\$ 26,742
2021 Expenses:	\$ 773,107	to support our 19 missionaries for the first half of 2021	
Building Loan Balance		Needed by Dec. 30:	\$ 25,675
September 13:	\$ 461,385	Cash available:	\$ 26,195

• Announcements •

Monday Morning Prayer - We will gather for Monday Morning Prayer from 9:00 - 10:00 AM. If you have a prayer request, please let one of the pastors know.

Reformation Day Festival: On Sunday, October 24th from 5:00 - 7:00 PM we will have a Reformation Day Festival with inflatables for all ages, game stations, candy apples, snow cones, face painting and more. Non-scary costumes are encouraged. Bring a friend or a neighbor! Charlie Pye and company will be serving BBQ - please bring 1 side or dessert per family. Please sign up in Realm or contact Monni so we can get a headcount for food.

Communion - The center sections will come down the center aisle to receive the elements and then return to their seats via the interior aisles. The outside sections will come down the outside aisles and return via the interior aisles. Please hold the elements until everyone has been served so that we can partake together. At the beginning, those with mobility issues will be served; simply raise your hand to be identified.

Flowers - The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in memory of James Danny Hughes, Sr. by Robby, Katy, Marshall, Hughes & Spencer Danner.



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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 2021	Class of 2022	Class of 2023
Session	Cleve Cunningham Neal Ham Dan Strawn* Jeff Thompson*	Jason Churchwell Tommy James	Ed Grimsley* Paul McCommon Rob Morton Howard Reed

	Class of 2021	Class of 2022	Class of 2023
Diaconate	Dwayne Benson Matt Cathey* Patrick Hoye Brandon Youmans	Lee Burch Hays Fyke Grant Nicholson Shane Self	Silas Peed* Wes Seay*

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

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

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