

THE LORD'S DAY

Worship

September 5, 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 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.
Psalm 63:2-3*

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Introit

Call to Worship

Revelation 7:9-12

Pastor: After this I looked and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and in front of the Lamb.

People: **They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands.**

Pastor: And they cried out in a loud voice:

People: **Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!**

Pastor: All the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They fell down on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying:

People: **Amen! Praise and glory, wisdom and thanks, honor and power and strength, be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!**

*Praise Hymn

#296 - All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

vs. 1, 3, 5, 6

** those who are able please stand*

*Confession of Faith

Belgic Confession, Article 20

Pastor: Christian, what do you believe?

People: We believe that God

—who is perfectly merciful and also very just—
sent his Son to assume the nature
in which the disobedience had been committed,
in order to bear in it the punishment of sin
by his most bitter passion and death.
So God made known his justice toward his Son,
who was charged with our sin,
and he poured out his goodness and mercy on us,
who are guilty, and worthy of damnation,
giving to us his Son to die,
by a most perfect love,
and raising him to life,
for our justification,
in order that by him
we might have immortality and eternal life.

The Belgic Confession was composed in 1561 by Guido de Brés. It was adopted at the Synod of Dordt in 1619 as one of the doctrinal standards to which all office bearers in the Reformed churches were required to subscribe. The confession stands as one of the best symbolical statements of Reformed doctrine.

Jesus, Thank You

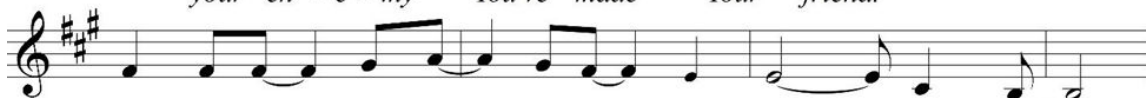
Pat Sczebel



1. The mys - t'ry of the cross I can - not com - pre - hend,
2. By Your per - fect sac - ri - fice I've been brought near.



the ag - o - nies of Cal - va - ry.
your en - e - my You've made Your friend.



You, the per - fect Ho - ly One, crushed Your Son,
Pour - ing out the rich - es of Your glo - rious grace,



drank the bit - ter cup re - served for me.
Your mer - cy and Your kind - ness know no end.



Chorus: Your blood has washed a-way my sin.— Je-sus, thank You. The Fa-ther's wrath



com - plete - ly sat - is - fied Je-sus, thank You. Once Your en - e - my,—



now seat - ed at Your ta - ble, Je-sus, thank _____ You. *2nd time to Bridge*



Bridge: Lov - er of my soul, I want to live for You. *2nd time to Chorus*

Call to Prayer

1 John 1:8-9

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Corporate Confession

Almighty and merciful Father, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve your present and eternal punishment. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us. Renew us and lead us by your Holy Spirit so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name.

Silent Confession

Words of Assurance

1 Peter 2:24

"He himself bore our sins" in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; "by his wounds you have been healed."

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

Only a Holy God

Farren, Robinson, Smith, and Thompson



1. Who else com - mands all the hosts of heav - en?
2. *What oth - er beau - ty de - mand such prais - es?*
3. What oth - er glo - ry con - sumes like fi - re?
4. *Who else could res - cue me from my fail - ing?*



Who else could make ev - 'ry king bow down?
What oth - er splen - dor out - shines the sun?
 What oth - er pow - er can raise the dead?
Who else would of - fer His on - ly Son?



Who else can whis - per and dark - ness trem - bles? On - ly a Ho - ly God. *(to v. 2)*
What oth - er maj - es - ty rules with just - ice? On - ly a Ho - ly God.
 What oth - er name re - mains un - de - feat - ed? On - ly a Ho - ly God.
*Who else in - vites me to call Him Fa - ther? *On - ly my Ho - ly God.**



Come and be - hold Him, the One and the On - ly. Cry out, sing



ho - ly, for - ev - er a Ho - ly God. Come and wor - ship the Ho - ly God.

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Prayer for Covenant Children

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Sermon

A Paradigm for Worship
Isaiah 6:1-13

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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

#565 - All For Jesus

*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

#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

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@nmpe.net and she will add you to the distribution list.*

•The Preached Word•

Title: *A Paradigm for Worship*

Text: Isaiah 6:1-13

Pastor: Rev. Hunter Stevenson

pg. 557 in your pew Bible

Pray for Our Members:

Grant, Jenny & Olivia Nicholson
Kim Noegel
Bryan & Lisa O'Quinn
Charlie, Monni, Andrei & Nicole Parrish

Pray for Our Missionary of the Month:

Dr. Victor & Nosizo Nakah are serving in Africa where Dr. Nakah is the international director of missions for Sub-Sahara Africa.

Pray for Those in Need:

Expecting Mothers: Kathlyn Wohlrabe (1/29) & Mary Lou Cantrell (1/31)
Newborns: Annie Monsted, Amelia Prestwood, Noah Andrec, 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); Jennifer Burch (back); John LaPish (surgery); Paul Kanode (cancer)
Bereaved: Joe Timberlake (Peggy); Liz Ream & the McKelveys (Buck); Chris Wilson (dad); Cathy Crumbley (mom); Cindy Voss (Ed); Jim Grier (Melanie); Cathc 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).
Our Leaders: the Session, Diaconate, Women's Ministry Committee, and Staff; our local, state and federal governmental officials.

Providing a Home ♦ Proclaiming the Gospel ♦ Partnering with Ministries

• Discipleship Opportunities •

Sunday School Classes

Adults: Discussing *Gentle & Lowly* in the Fellowship Hall

Youth: Discussing *Gentle & Lowly* in the Youth Room

3rd-6th Grade: Communicants Class taught by Duncan Cantrell in Room 142

K4-2nd Grade: *Living Together: the Faithfulness of God in the Families of the Patriarchs*—taught by Jill Bloodworth, Caleb & Hannah Henning & Kelly Smith in Room 121.

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, September 8th is Meatloaf with sauce, mashed potatoes, green peas, salad, rolls and cookies.

Small Groups

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

• 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.

Ladies' Friday Morning Bible Study - The Ladies' Friday Morning Bible Study will begin on Friday, September 10th at 10:00 AM in the new conference room. They will be reading "Free of Me" by Sharon Hodde Miller. The books will be available for \$5 at the first meeting.

Ladies' Wednesday Bible Study - The Ladies' Wednesday Bible Study will begin on Wednesday, September 15th at 10:00 AM and 6:30 PM. Both groups will be reading "What's She Doing Here" by Susan Tynner. Please sign up on Realm.

Ministry Interest Survey - Please scan the QR Code to fill out the Ministry Interest Survey. There will be hard copies at the coffee bar.



Grief Share - NMPC will begin hosting a Grief Share Group on Tues, Sept 14th at 6:00 PM. This 13-week study is open to anyone and will focus on how to navigate through the loss of a loved one. Grief Share is a wonderful, safe place where you can not only share your pain but also face these challenges and move forward toward rebuilding your life. You'll find others who can empathize with your pain, learn helpful & practical information that will help you move forward, and become a part of a group that will walk with you through the process. For more information, pick up a brochure on the coffee bar in the narthex or contact Payton Churchwell. Sign ups are opened now.

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 on Sept 19th & Oct 3rd from 5:30 - 8:00 PM (dinner & childcare are provided). Please email Pastor Hunter (hunter@nmpc.net) to sign up or for more information. (We provide make-up sessions if you cannot attend one evening.)

Flowers - The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in honor of Randy & Becky Gorman's 50th wedding anniversary by their friends.



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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 Ministry Coordinator</i>	Melanie Buckner, <i>Music Director</i>
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