

THE LORD'S DAY

Worship

November 21, 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.

*Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good!
His love endures forever.
Psalm 136:1*

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Introit

Call to Worship

Psalm 136:1-4, 23-26

Pastor: Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good!

People: **His love endures forever!**

Pastor: Give thanks to the God of gods.

People: **His love endures forever.**

Pastor: Give thanks to the Lord of lords.

People: **His love endures forever.**

Pastor: Give thanks to the Lord who alone does great wonders.

People: **His love endures forever.**

Pastor: Give thanks to the One who remembered us in our low estate.

People: **His love endures forever.**

Pastor: Give thanks to our God who freed us from our enemies.

People: **His love endures forever.**

Pastor: Give thanks to our God who gives food to every creature.

People: **His love endures forever.**

Pastor: Give thanks to the God of heaven!

People: **His love endures forever!**

*Praise Hymn

#53 - Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

*Invocation

Rev. Josh Garrett

*Confession of Faith

Romans 8:1-2, 28, 31b-32, 38-39

Pastor: Christian, let us confess what we believe.

We believe there is now no condemnation
for those who are in Christ Jesus,
because through Christ Jesus,
the law of the Spirit of life
set us free from the law of sin and death.

And we know that in all things
God works for the good of those who love Him,
who have been called according to His purpose.

If God is for us, who can be against us?
He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—
how will he not also, along with him,
graciously give us all things?

And we are convinced
that neither death nor life,
neither angels nor heavenly rulers,
neither the present nor the future, nor any powers,
neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation,
will be able to separate us from the love of God
that is in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

*Hymn

#693 - Blessed Assurance

* *those who are able please stand*

*Phil & Tina Davics, Charles & Kelley Hall,
George & Sally Lee, Chandler & Kristen Vaughn*

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?

Right Hand of Fellowship

NMPC Elders

Call to Prayer

Psalm 107:1-9

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever. Let the redeemed of the LORD say this—those he redeemed from the hand of the foe, those he gathered from the lands, from east and west, from north and south.

Some wandered in desert wastelands, finding no way to a city where they could settle. They were hungry and thirsty, and their lives ebbed away. Then they cried out to the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress. He led them by a straight way to a city where they could settle. Let them give thanks to the LORD for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for men, for he satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things.

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

*Hymn of Preparation

My Heart Is Filled With Thankfulness

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Townend and Getty



My heart is filled with thank-ful-ness to Him who bore my pain;
My heart is filled with thank-ful-ness to Him who walks be - side;
 My heart is filled with thank-ful-ness to Him who reigns a - bove;



Who plumbed the depths of my dis - grace and gave me life a - gain;
Who floods my weak-ness-es with strength and caus-es fears to fly.
 Whose wis - dom is my per-fect peace, whose ev - 'ry thought is love.



Who crushed my curse of sin - ful - ness and clothed me with his light
Whose ev - 'ry pro - mise is e - nough for ev - 'ry step I take.
 For ev - 'ry day I have on earth is giv - en by the King.



and wrote his law of right-eous-ness with pow'r up - on my heart.
Sus - tain - ing me with arms of love and crown - ing me with grace.
 So I will give my life, my all, to love and fol - low Him.

Prayer for Covenant Children

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Sermon

An Open Door
Revelation 3:7-13

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*Hymn of Response

Oh the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus
printed on page 6 in the bulletin

*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.

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

Oh the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

Samuel T. Francis/Bob Kauflin

Oh the deep, deep love of Je - sus, vast un-meas - ured, bound-less free,
Oh the deep, deep love of Je - sus, spread His praise from shore to shore,
Oh the deep, deep love of Je - sus, far sur-pass - ing all the rest,

rol - ling as a might - y o - cean in its full - ness o - ver me,
how He came to pay our ran - som through the sav - ing cross He bore;
it's an o - cean full of bless - ing in the midst of e - very test.

un - derneath me all a - round me is the cur - rent of Your love,
how He watch - es o'er His loved ones, those He died to make his own,
Oh the deep, deep love of Je - sus, might - y Sav - ior pre - cious friend,

lead - ing on - ward, lead - ing home - ward to Your glo - rious rest a - bove.
how for them He's in - ter - ce - ding plead - ing now be - fore the throne.
You will bring us home to glo - ry where Your love will ne - ver end.

Oh the deep, deep love, all I need and trust is the deep, deep love of Je - sus.

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•The Preached Word•

Title: *An Open Door*

Text: Revelation 3:7-13

Pastor: Rev. Hunter Stevenson

pg. 993 in your pew Bible

Pray for Our Members:

Chuck & Jackie Wachob
Gregory Washington
Helen Watson
Kevin, Scarlett, Will & Rives Watson

Pray for Our Missionary of the Month:

David & Erin Purvis are in a church planting ministry in Greece, reaching people with the gospel through several means, one being teaching English.

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, 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); Joseph Egloff (mom); Rana Munna (mom)
Recovering/Sick: Kathy Stanley (Parkinson's); Seth Daniels (leg); Cathc Dondes
(elbow); John LaPish (cancer); Terry Rohn (shoulder); Debbie Yetter (hip).
Bereaved: Liz Ream & the McKelveys (Buck); 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); Vicki Anderson (Matthew);
Bobby Freeman (brother); Claire Chastain (brother); Dustin Newell (dad)
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 Stories Behind Your Favorite Verses* taught by Pastor Josh
in the Fellowship Hall

Adult Elective: *Marriage Enrichment* taught by Pastor Hunter
in the Sanctuary

Wednesday Night Activities

We will not have Wednesday Night Activities or Dinner this week.

• Financial Update •

as of November 1, 2021

General Operations		Faith Promise for Missions	
2021 Receipts:	\$ 1,255,495	Paid out June 30:	\$ 26,742
2021 Expenses:	\$ 987,421	to support our 19 missionaries for the first half of 2021	
Building Loan Balance		Needed by Dec. 30:	\$ 25,675
October 31:	\$ 449,965	Cash available:	\$ 32,629

• 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.

Wednesday Night Activities - We will not meet on Wednesday this week due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

Sunday School - We will not have Sunday School next Sunday (Nov 28) due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

Women's Christmas Dinner - Please mark your calendars for December 7th at 6:30 for the Women's Christmas Dinner. Details and invitations coming soon!

Marriage Conference - NMPC will host a Marriage Conference with Dr. John Cox on February 11-12. Please save the date!



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 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>
Mark Ballard, <i>Youth Director</i>	Debbie McCommon, <i>North Macon Preschool Director</i>	

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