

CHRISTMAS EVE

# Worship

December 24, 2021

5:00 PM



**NORTH MACON**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## Important Reminders:

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

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*The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us.  
John 1:14a*

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Prelude

Welcome

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Introit

Call to Worship

Isaiah 12:2, 5-6

Pastor: Surely God is my salvation; I will trust and not be afraid.

People: **The LORD, the LORD, is my strength and my song; He has become my salvation!**

Pastor: Sing to the LORD, for he has done glorious things! Let this be known to all the world!

People: **Shout aloud and sing for joy, O people of Zion! For great is the Holy One of Israel among you!**

\*Hymn of Worship

203 - *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*

\*Invocation

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

*\* those who are able please stand*

Pastor: Christian, what do you believe about the Incarnation?

People: We believe that the Son of God,  
the second person in the Trinity,  
being truly and eternally God—  
of one substance and equal with the Father—  
did, when the fullness of time had come,  
take upon himself man's nature,  
with all its essential properties and common infirmities,  
yet without sin.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
in the womb of the virgin Mary and of her substance.  
In this way, two whole natures,  
the divine and the human, perfect and distinct,  
were inseparably joined together in one person  
without being changed, mixed, or confused.  
This person is truly God and truly man, yet one Christ,  
the only mediator between God and man. Amen.

*The Westminster Confession of Faith expresses the teachings of the Bible in summary form.  
It was comprised at the Westminster Assembly in London (1643-1648), and it sets forth the doctrinal  
standards of North Macon Presbyterian Church and our denomination, the Presbyterian Church in America.*

\*Hymn of Reflection

213 - *What Child is This?*

Scripture Reading

Luke 2:1-20  
page 832 in the pew Bible

\*Hymn of Worship

204 - *Away in a Manger*

## Special Christmas Offering

PCA Ministerial Relief Fund

*The PCA Ministerial Relief Fund is used to provide financial assistance to the widows and orphans of PCA ministers & missionaries and to retired pastors in need. You can give online via REALM or place cash or a check in the baskets in the narthex.*

### Offertory

*O Holy Night*

Dr. Melanie Buckner

### Homily

*The Word Became Flesh*  
John 1:14

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

### Candle Lighting

#### \*Hymn of Celebration

*Silent Night*

Silent night, holy night. All is calm, all is bright  
Round you Virgin Mother and Child. Holy Infant so tender and mild  
Sleep in heavenly peace; sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight  
Glories stream from heaven afar Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia!  
Christ, the Savior is born; Christ, the Savior is born.

Silent night, holy night. Son of God, love's pure light  
Radiant beams from Thy holy face With the dawn of redeeming grace  
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth. Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth.

#### \*Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up the light of his countenance upon you and give you peace, both now and forevermore. Amen.

#### \*Doxology

# • Christmas Poinsettias •

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*To the Glory of God and in Memory of:*

Dr. John Richards  
Dr. James Baird  
Dr. Allen Fleece

Billy & Beverly Adams

Albert & Betty Barnes

Naomi Barnes

Jim Bealle

The Barton Family

Collin Breed

Larry & LuAnn Breed

Donnic Wayne Churchwell  
John McSween

Jason, Payton, Jay, Emory & Packy Churchwell

Bub & Connie Hogan  
Ed Hogan  
Bob Cunningham

Cleve & Kathy Cunningham

James "Danny" Hughes, Sr.

Robby, Katy, Marshall, Hughes & Spencer Danner

Josh, Virginia & Malcolm Davies  
Trevor, Jr., Agnes & Trevor Chatfield, III

Phil & Tina Davies

Sturkie Dawson  
Larry Laurens

Carol Dawson

Dan Gibson

Barbara Gibson & Family

Melanie Grier  
Emily P. & James G. Grier, Sr.  
Bill & Mary Irby

Jim Grier

Kamron Elijah Ward

The Griffin Family

John & Faye Lee  
John & Elizabeth Grimsley

Ed & Peggy Grimsley

Larry Laurens  
Sturkie Dawson

Charlotte Laurens

Peggy Timberlake

George & Sally Lee

Walter E. Leggett, Jr.  
Walter E. (Billy) Leggett, Sr.

Mary Jane & Joey Leggett

George Watt  
Connie Manwaring

Dick & Sandy Manwaring

Jimmy McCallum

Diane McCallum

Willard Boyett  
Vivian Anderson

Nicholas & Abigail McCullough

Buck Ream

Boo & Rebecca McKelvey

Don Moore

Kathy Moore

David Dondes  
Melanie Grier  
Paul Kanode  
John McSween  
Chris Sandefur  
Ed Voss

NMPC Family

Papa V, Grammy & Nonni

Andrei & Nicole Parrish

Major & Mrs. W. Ed Norwood

The Jack Pyles Family

Buck Ream

Liz Ream

Pauline M. Stevenson  
Martha G. Trupia

Hunter & Heather Stevenson

Jude William Taylor (our beautiful son)

The Taylor Family

Albert & Doris Timms; Mike Timms;  
Harry & Lola Hatfield; Ronnie Hatfield;  
Lester Westbrooks

John & Ann Timms

Ed Voss

Cindy Voss

Jerry Willis

Cheryl Willis

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## *To the Glory of God and in Honor of:*

Bert, Anna, Bo & Hatch Barnes Jon, Bonnie & Noah Andree	Naomi Barnes
Janice Bealle	The Barton Family
Mark, Kara & Aliya Ruth Preethi	Jason, Payton, Jay, Emory & Packy Churchwell
Anabel Cunningham	Cleve & Kathy Cunningham
Lydia Johnson	D Group
David Carter	D Group
Clark Myers	D Group
Marshall, Hughes & Spencer Danner	Robby & Katy Danner
Holly Garretson	Cal, Caroline & Camp Garretson
Her Grandchildren - James Grace, Everett & Hudson Gibson	Barbara Gibson
Church Staff	Betty Luce
Liz Ream	Boo & Rebecca McKelvey
Our Pastors & Staff	Rob & Anne Morton
Granddaddy, John & Ann Timms	Andrei & Nicole Parrish
To the glory of God	Liz Ream
Jane Brooks The Wildman Family	The Seay Family

Pat Jenkins

Lucy, Simon, Luke & Clifton Jake Shepley

NMPC Pre-School Teachers  
Debbie McCommon  
Special Needs ministry Buddy Volunteers

The Bryan Smith Family

Liz Ream

Hunter, Heather, Mary Rachel, Mia, Stone & Hunt Stevenson

Heather Stevenson

Hunter Stevenson

Liz Ream & Tricia Barton

Their Sunday School Class

The Garrett Family  
The Stevenson Family  
Hodges, Annie Beyer & Isabel Hoye  
Their 10 grandchildren - Mary Blue, Sallie, Morris & Ben Butler;  
David, Anna Caroline & Eleanor Todd; Sam, Breck & Ruthie Griffin

David & Murray Todd

Church Staff  
Elders & Deacons

Chuck & Jackie Wachob

*Lord Jesus, I want to become your follower. I come to You acknowledging I am a sinner justly deserving eternal condemnation. I realize there is nothing I can do to make myself acceptable to you through my own efforts. I believe you are God the Son who became a man, lived a perfect life, and then allowed Yourself to be crucified. I believe that as You hung on the cross, God the Father, knowing all about me, took all my sins—past, present, and future—and put them on You, and punished You in my place. I believe You took the wrath of God for me, and you died. I believe your body was placed in a tomb, but after paying for all my sins, You came back from the dead and are alive forevermore. I trust You to save me from my sins and the condemnation I deserve. You are able to do that because You were condemned in my place. I ask You to forgive my sins and give me the gift of eternal life with You. I ask You to save me to a new life lived with and for You. Thank You for Your love. Give me the grace I need so that I might learn Your ways and follow You every day. Amen.*