

THE LORD'S DAY

# Worship

January 2, 2022



**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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*Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm.  
Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord,  
because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.  
1 Corinthians 15:58*

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### Prelude

### Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Josh Garrett

### Introit

### Call to Worship

Psalm 63:1-5

Pastor: O God, you are my God, earnestly I seek you.

People: My soul thirsts for you, my body longs for you, in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

Pastor: I have seen you in the sanctuary and beheld your power and your glory.

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

Pastor: I will praise you as long as I live, and in your name I will lift up my hands.

People: My soul will be satisfied as with the richest of foods; with singing lips my mouth will praise you.

### \*Praise Hymn

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

\* those who are able please stand

\*Confession of Faith

Westminster Confession of Faith, Chapter 12

Q. Christian, what do you believe about your adoption as a child of God?

A. We believe that all those who are justified,  
God graciously guarantees to make partakers of the grace of adoption,  
in and for his only Son, Jesus Christ.

By this act we are taken into the number of God's children  
and enjoy the liberties and privileges of that relationship:  
we are given His name;  
we receive the Spirit of adoption;  
we have access to the throne of grace with boldness;  
and we are enabled to cry, "Abba, Father."

Like a father, God has compassion on us, protects us,  
provides for us, and chastens us;  
yet, we will never be cast off,  
but are sealed to the day of redemption,  
and will inherit the promises as heirs of everlasting salvation.

*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*

# He Will Hold Me Fast

Habershon(1906)/M. Merker(2013)



1. When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;  
 2. *Those He saves are His de-light,* Christ will hold me fast;  
 3. For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast;



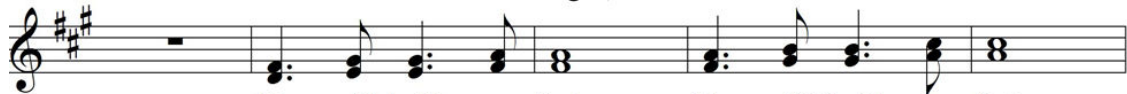
When the tempt - er would pre - vail, He will hold me fast.  
*Pre - cious in his ho - ly sight,* He will hold me fast.  
 Just - ice has been sat - is - fied; He will hold me fast.



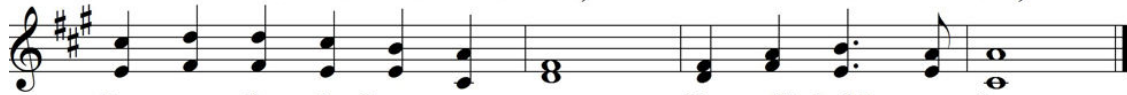
I could nev - er keep my hold through life's fear - ful path;  
*He'll not let my soul be lost;* His prom - is - es shall last;  
 Raised with Him to end - less life, He will hold me fast



For my love is oft - en cold; He must hold me fast.  
*Bought by Him at such a cost,* He will hold me fast.  
 'till our faith is turned to sight, When He comes at last!



He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;



For my Sa - vior loves me so, He will hold me fast.

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## Call to Prayer

Psalm 139:23-24

Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

## Corporate Confession

Most holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge before you our sinful nature and our many offenses. We are prone to do evil and slow to do good. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your way, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Lord, we are ashamed and sorry for all the ways that we have displeased you. Father, teach us to hate our rebellious acts, cleanse us from our secret faults, and forgive our sins for the sake of your Son. Help us to love you with all our heart and mind and strength. And give us the power of your Holy Spirit so that we may walk in your ways and serve you all of our days.

## Silent Confession

## Words of Assurance

Micah 7:18-19

Who is a God like you, who pardons sin and forgives the transgression of the remnant of his inheritance? You do not stay angry forever but delight to show mercy. You will again have compassion on us; you will tread our sins underfoot and hurl all our iniquities into the depths of the sea.

## 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

**\*Hymn of Preparation**

*#32 - Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

**Prayer for Covenant Children**

Rev. Josh Garrett

**Sermon**

*Discouraged People, Faithful God*  
Haggai 2:1-9

Rev. Josh Garrett

**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**

*Oh the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus*  
*printed on page 6*

**\*Benediction**

Hebrews 13:20-21

Now may the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory 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**

# 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 - der neath 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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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](mailto:monni@nmpc.net) and she will add you to the distribution list.*

# • The Preached Word •

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**Title:** *Discouraged People, Faithful God*

**Text:** Haggai 2:1-9

**Pastor:** Rev. Josh Garrett

pg. 769 in your pew Bible



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**Pray for Our Members:**

Benjamin Baker  
Charles & Myra Baker  
Margaret Baker  
Rod & Bess Baker

**Pray for Our Missionary of the Month:**

Roger & Dianne Smalling write, distribute and teach reformed literature in Latin America.

**Pray for Those in Need:**

Expecting Mothers: Kathlyn Wöhlrabe (1/29)& Jennifer Hornick (6/18)  
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); Seth Peed (dad)  
Recovering/Sick: Kathy Stanley (Parkinson's); Seth Daniels (leg); Cathe Dondes (elbow); John LaPish (cancer); Terry Rohn (shoulder); Debbie Yetter (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); 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 •

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## Sunday School Schedule

Sunday, January 2: no classes

Sunday, January 9: Community Based SS classes begin

## Wednesday Night Activities

We will resume Wednesday Night Dinner & Activities on January 12th, 2022.

# • Financial Update •

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as of November 30, 2021

General Operations		Faith Promise for Missions	
2021 Receipts:	\$ 1,374,574	Paid out June 30:	\$ 26,742
2021 Expenses:	\$ 1,111,567	to support our 19 missionaries for the first half of 2021	
<b>Building Loan Balance</b>			
November 30:	\$ 444,222		

# • Announcements •

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**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.

## **Sunday School Schedule**

January 2: No classes

January 9: Community Based Sunday School classes begin

**Ladies' Bible Study** - The Friday Morning Ladies' Bible Study will resume on Friday, January 7, 2022 at 10:00 AM.

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

**Mission Trip to Sacred Road** - NMPC will send a team of short-term missionaries to Washington State the week of June 4-11, 2022 to assist Sacred Road Ministries as they minister to the Yakama Tribe of Native Americans. If would you like more information, please contact Mark Ballard or Duncan Cantrell.



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