

THE LORD'S DAY

# Worship

January 30, 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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*On his robe and on his thigh he has this name written:  
King of kings and Lord of lords.  
Revelation 19:16*

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### Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

### Introit

Call to Worship

Psalm 47:1-2, 5-8

Pastor: Clap your hands, all you nations! Shout to God with cries of joy!

People: **How awesome is the LORD Most High, the great King over all the earth!**

Pastor: God has ascended the throne amid shouts of joy, the LORD amid the sounding of trumpets.

People: **Sing praises to God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!**

Pastor: For God is the King of all the earth; sing to him a psalm of praise!

People: **God reigns over the nations; God is seated on his holy throne.**

\*Praise Hymn

#101 - *Come, Thou Almighty King*

*\* those who are able please stand*

\*Invocation

Rev. Duncan Cantrell

\*Confession of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism, Q. 1

Q. Christian, what is your only comfort in life and death?

A. That I am not my own,  
but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—  
to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ.  
He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood,  
and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil.  
He also watches over me in such a way  
that not a hair can fall from my head  
without the will of my Father in heaven;  
in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.  
Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit,  
assures me of eternal life  
and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready  
from now on to live for him. 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.*

## In Christ Alone

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1. In Christ a-lone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song;
2. *In Christ a-lone, who took on flesh, full-ness of God in help-less babe!*
3. There in the ground His bod-y lay, Light of the world by dark-ness slain;
4. *No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the pow'r of Christ in me;*



This Cor-ner-stone, this sol-id ground, firm through the fierc-est drought and storm.  
*This gift of love and right-eous-ness, scorned by the ones He came to save.*  
 Then burst-ing forth in glo-rious day, up from the grave He rose a-gain!  
*From life's first cry to fin-al breath, Je-sus com-mands my des-ti-ny.*



What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when striv-ings cease.  
*'Til on that cross as Je-sus died the wrath of God was sat-is-fied.*  
 And as He stands in vic-to-ry, sin's curse has lost its grip on me;  
*No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man, can ev-er pluck me from His hand;*



My Com-for-ter, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I stand.  
*For ev'-ry sin on Him was laid; here in the death of Christ I live.*  
 For I am His and He is mine, bought with the prec-ious blood of Christ.  
*'Til He re-tURNS or calls me home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.*

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## Call to Prayer

Hosca 14:1-2

Return, O Israel, to the LORD your God. Your sins have been your downfall! Take words with you and return to the LORD. Say to him: "Forgive all our sins and receive us graciously, that we may offer the fruit of our lips. Assyria cannot save us; we will not mount war-horses. We will never again say 'Our gods' to what our hands have made, for in You alone do the fatherless find compassion."

## Corporate Confession

Most just and most gracious God, your infinite greatness no one can fathom, but we have thought little of you and ignored your immensity, power, and glory. You give us access to the worship of heaven before your throne, but we have neglected and abused this holy privilege. You rule the nations and all of our lives, but we have not sought first your kingdom. You have made us to be a kingdom of priests and a holy nation, but we have forsaken this high calling to serve ourselves. You shower us with abundant grace in Christ, but we have turned away, squandering your gifts and seeking to save ourselves. Have mercy on us, most merciful Father! Your Son, the Lamb of God, is our salvation, and your promises our hope. Remind us that we are your children, enliven us with the Spirit of your Son, and in the end receive us into your glory, through Jesus Christ, our only Savior.

## Silent Confession

### Words of Assurance

Colossians 1:13-14

*He has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.*

### 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

### Scripture Reading

Ephesians 1:13-23

\*Hymn of Preparation

#642 - *Bc Thou My Vision*

Prayer for Covenant Children

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Sermon

*Worthy is the Lamb*  
Revelation 5:8-14

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\*Hymn of Response

*Christ Our Hope in Life and Death*  
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\*Benediction

Revelation 1:5b-6

Now 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

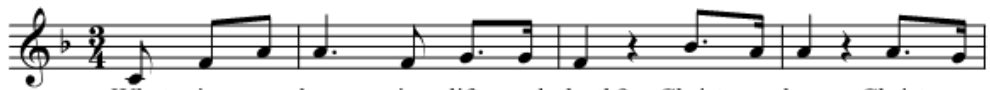
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Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above ye heavenly hosts; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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

# Christ Our Hope in Life and Death



What is our hope in life and death? Christ a-lone, Christ a-  
*What truth can calm the trou-bled soul? God is good, God is*  
Un - to the grave, what will we sing? "Christ, He lives; Christ, He



lone. What is our on - ly con - fi - dence? That our souls to Him be -  
*good. Where is His grace and good-ness known? In our great Re-deem-er's*  
lives!" And what re - ward will heav - en bring? Ev - er - last - ing life with



long. Who holds our days with - in His hand? What comes, a -  
*blood. Who holds our faith when fears a - rise? Who stands a -*  
Him. There we will rise to meet the Lord, Then sin and



part from His com-mand? And what will keep us to the  
*bove the storm - y trial? Who sends the waves that bring us*  
death will be de - stroyed, And we will feast in end - less



end? The love of Christ, in which we stand. —  
*nigh un - to the shore, the rock of Christ — O sing ha - le-*  
joy, When Christ is ours for - ev - er - more. —



*lu - jah! Our hope springs e - ter - nal; O sing ha - le - lu - jah! Now and*



*ev - er we con - fess Christ our hope in life and death.*

# • The Preached Word •

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**Title:** *Worthy is the Lamb*

**Text:** Revelation 5:8-14

**Pastor:** Rev. Hunter Stevenson

pg. 994 in the pew Bible



**Pray for Our Members:**

Josh & Melanie Buckner  
Lee, Jennifer & Jennalee Burch  
Morris, Jessica, Mary Blue, Sally, Morris & Ben Butler  
Duncan, Mary Lou, Eleanore, Charlie & Theo Cantrell

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

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

**Pray for Those in Need:**

Expecting Mothers: Jennifer Hornick (6/18)

Newborns: Charlie & Lillie Wohlrabe, Teddy Cantrell, Annie Monsted, Amelia Prestwood, Noah Andree, Eli Singleton, Lakelyn Newell, Smith Dozier & Mary Louise Cathey.

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 & Silas Peed (dad)

Recovering/Sick: Kathy Stanley (Parkinson's); John LaPish (cancer); Dick Manwaring (minor stroke);

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); Reba Hudson (Wayne)

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

2 & 3 Year Old:	<i>Beginners Gospel Story Bible</i> taught by Seth & Amy Peed; Room 112
4K– 5K:	<i>Serving the Savior</i> taught by Anna Barnes & Jill Peed; Room 114
1st & 2nd Grade:	<i>Growing in God</i> taught by Kelly Smith, Caleb & Hannah Henning, Patrick & Andrea Goff; Room 121
3rd-5th Grade:	<i>Trusting God</i> taught by Liz Ream & Tricia Barton; Room 122
Jr. High:	Identity & Purpose (Genesis) taught by Matt Shepley; Room 123
Sr. High:	Hosca taught by Mark Ballard & Anna Smith in the Youth Room
College & Up:	Led by Tommy James, Paul McCommon & Shane Self in Room 142
20s & 30s:	Led by Hunter & Heather Stevenson in Room 125
30's & 40s:	Led By Josh Garrett & Cal Garretson in the Fellowship Hall
40s & 50's:	Led By Jason Churchwell & Kevin Watson in Room 126
50s & 60s:	Led by Ed Grimsley, Dan Strawn & Jeff Thompson in MC #1
60s & up:	Led by Charles Baker & Rob Morton in MC #2

## 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 February 2 is Chicken with Lemon Butter Mushroom Sauce, Rice, Green Beans, Salad, Rolls & Cookies.*

# • Financial Update •

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as of January 9, 2022

General Operations		Faith Promise for Missions	
2021 Receipts:	\$ 1,636,581	Paid out in 2021:	\$ 54,020
<u>2021 Expenses:</u>	<u>\$ 1,253,984</u>	to support our 20 missionaries	
2021 Surplus:	\$ 382,597	Faith Promise Surplus:	\$ 22,831
Building Loan Balance		PCA Ministerial Relief Fund	
December 31:	\$ 438,408	Dec 24 Offering:	\$ 10,243
<u>Nov/Dec Receipts:</u>	<u>\$ 289,000</u>		
Bldg Loan Balance:	\$ 149,408		

# • 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.

**Wednesday Women's Bible Study** - A morning session at 10 AM and an evening session at 6:30 PM; both groups studying are Galatians. See Payton for a study book.

**Friday Women's Bible Study** - The Friday Morning Women's Bible Study meets at 10 AM in the Conference Room and they are studying *Free of Me* by Sharon Miller.

**Marriage Conference** - NMPC will host a Marriage Conference with Dr. John Cox on February 11-12. Please sign up on Realm.

**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.

**Preschool Director** - Riley Wilson has been hired to be our next Preschool Director.



# 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 2022	Class of 2023	Class of 2024
Session	Jason Churchwell Tommy James	Ed Grimsley* Paul McCommon Rob Morton Howard Reed	Cleve Cunningham* Neal Ham*

	Class of 2022	Class of 2023	Class of 2024
Diaconate	Lee Burch Hays Fyke Grant Nicholson Shane Self	Silas Peed* Wes Seay*	Patrick Hoye* Brandon Youmans*

*\*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 &amp; 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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