

THE LORD'S DAY

Worship

January 9, 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.

*The LORD has established his throne in heaven,
and his kingdom rules over all.*

Psalm 103:19

Preclude

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Introit

Call to Worship

Psalm 93:1-4

Pastor: The LORD reigns! He is robed in majesty; the LORD is robed in majesty and armed with strength. Indeed, the world is established, firm and secure.

People: **Your throne was established long ago; you are from all eternity.**

Pastor: The seas have lifted up, O LORD, the seas have lifted up their voice; the seas have lifted up their pounding waves.

People: **Mightier than the thunder of the great water, mightier than the breakers of the sea—the LORD on high is mighty!**

*Praise Hymn

*#2 - O Worship the King
vs. 1-5*

** those who are able please stand*

*Confession of Faith

Apostles' Creed

PASTOR: Christian, what do you believe?

ALL: I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand
of God the Father Almighty.
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

*The Apostles' Creed was not written by the apostles but is a summary of their teachings.
It dates back to the 4th century and has been used by the church to identify believers,
instruct new converts, and provide a confession of faith for worship.*

The Sacrament of Baptism

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Anne Charlotte Monsted

Baptismal Vows

1. Do you acknowledge your child's need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ, and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?
2. Do you claim God's covenant promises in her behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for her salvation, as you do for your own?
3. Do you now unreservedly dedicate your child to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before her a godly example, that you will pray with and for her, that you will teach her the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring her up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?
4. Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting these parents in the Christian nurture of this child?

Congregational Prayer

Take My Life and Let It Be

*Take her life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee
Take her moments and her days; let them flow in ceaseless praise
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.*

Blessed is the one whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. Blessed is the one whose sin the LORD does not count against them and in whose spirit is no deceit.

When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy on me; my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer. Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." And you forgave the guilt of my sin.

Corporate Confession

Almighty and merciful Father, we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the evil desires of our own hearts. We have willingly broken your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. Lord, have mercy upon us and forgive us all of our sins. Turn our wandering hearts back to you, and lead us by your Holy Spirit in the way of righteousness, holiness, and truth.

Silent Confession

Words of Assurance

1 John 1:9

*If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.*

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

Before the Throne of God Above

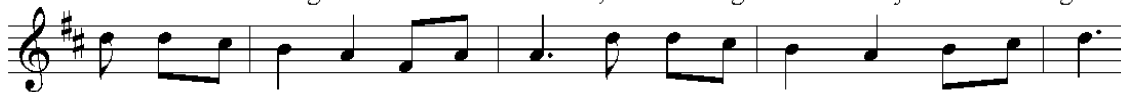
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Be - fore the throne of God a - bove I have a strong and per - fect plea;
When Sa - tan tempts me to des - pair and tells me of my guilt with - in.
Be - hold Him there the ri - sen Lamb, my per - fect spot - less Right - eous - ness;



A great High Priest whose name is love, who ev - er lives and pleads for me.
Up - ward I look and see Him there who made an end of all my sin.
the Great un - change - a - ble I Am, the King of Glo - ry and of grace.



My name is gra - ven on His hands; My name is writ - ten on His heart.
Be - cause the sin - less Sav - ior died, my sin - ful soul is count - ed free.
One with Him - self I can - not die; my soul is pur - chased by His blood.



I know that while in heav'n He stands, **no tongue can bid me thence de - part.**
For God, the just, is sat - is - fied, to look on him and par - don me.
My life is hid with Christ on high, **with Christ my Savi - ior and my God.**

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Prayer for Covenant Children

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Sermon

A Throne in Heaven
Revelation 4:1-5

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Behold Our God

Baird and Altrogge



Who has held the o - ceans in his hands? Who has num-bered ev-'ry grain of sand?
Who has gi-ven coun-sel to the Lord? Who can ques-tion an-y of his words?
Who has felt the nails up - on His hands, bear-ing all the guilt of sin - ful man?



Kings and na-tions trem-ble at his voice. All cre - a - tion ris-es to re - joice.
Who can teach the One who knows all things? Who can fath-om all his won-drous deeds?
God e - ter - nal hum-bled to the grave, Je - sus, Sav-ior, ri-sen now to reign!



Chorus: Be - hold our God. seat-ed on his throne. Come let us a - dore Him.



Be - hold our King, noth-ing can com-pare, come, let us a - dore — Him!



Men: You will reign for - ev-er, Je-sus Christ our Sav-ior.

Women: *Let your glo - ry fill the earth. All cre - a - tion sings Your worth.*



You will reign for - ev-er, — Je - sus Christ our Sav-ior. Be-
Let your glo - ry fill the earth. All cre - a - tion sings,



hold our God. seat-ed on his throne. Come let us a - dore Him.



Be - hold our King, noth-ing can com - pare, come, let us a - dore Him! Be-

(repeat chorus)

***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**

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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 and she will add you to the distribution list.*

• The Preached Word •

Title: *A Thronc in Hcaven*

Text: Revelation 4:1-5

Pastor: Rev. Hunter Stevenson

pg. 993 in your pew Bible

Pray for Our Members:

Mark & Kara Ballard
Bert, Anna, Bo & Hatcher Barnes
Rodger, Tricia & Ben Barton
Paul, Sara, Benjamin & Grace Behrens

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 Wohlrabe (1/29) & Jennifer Hornick (6/18)
Newborns: Theo 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 Peed (dad)
Recovering/Sick: Kathy Stanley (Parkinson's); 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.

• Financial Update •

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	
Building Loan Balance			
November 30:	\$ 444,222		

• 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 resume our Wednesday Night Activities this week. Dinner will be served at 5:45 PM, followed by classes for our children, youth group for our students, and a Bible Study on 2 Samuel taught by Pastor Josh for the adults. Come and join us! The menu this week is Taco Salad and Peach Cobbler.

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 you would like more information, please contact Mark Ballard or Duncan Cantrell.



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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	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 & 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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