



Important Reminders:

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

And just as we have borne the image of the earthly man, so shall we bear the image of the heavenly man.

1 Corinthians 15:49

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Duncan Cantrell

Introit

Call to Worship

Ephesians 1:3-8

Pastor: Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed

us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ!

People: For he chose us in Christ before the creation of the world to be holy

and blameless in his sight.

Pastor: In love he predestined us to be adopted as his sons through Jesus Christ,

in accordance with his pleasure and will—

People: To the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the

One he loves!

Pastor: In Christ we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins,

People: In accordance with the riches of God's grace that he lavished on us

with all wisdom and understanding.

^{*} those who are able please stand

*Invocation Dr. David Todd

*Confession of Faith

Belgic Confession, Article 20

Pastor: Christian, what do you believe?

People: We believe that God

—who is perfectly merciful and also very just—sent his Son to assume the nature in which the disobedience had been committed, in order to bear in it the punishment of sin by his most bitter passion and death.

So God made known his justice toward his Son, who was charged with our sin, and he poured out his goodness and mercy on us, who are guilty, and worthy of damnation, giving to us his Son to die, by a most perfect love, and raising him to life, for our justification, in order that by him we might have immortality and eternal life.

The Belgic Confession was composed in 1561 by Guido de Brés. It was adopted at the Synod of Dordt in 1619 as one of the doctrinal standards to which all office beaters in the Reformed churches were required to subscribe. The confession stands as one of the best symbolical statements of Reformed doctrine.

His Mercy Is More



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Call to Prayer 1 John 3:1-3

How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when he appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. Everyone who has this hope in him purifies himself, just as he is pure.

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Dr. David Todd

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

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Prayer for Covenant Children

Rev. Duncan Cantrell

Sermon

The Gospel That Transforms 2 Corinthians 3:7-18

Rev. Duncan Cantrell

Jesus, I Come



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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

#460 - Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound vs. 1-4, 6

*Benediction 2 Corinthians 13:14

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. 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

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: The Gospel That Transforms Text: 2 Corinthians 3:7-18

Pastor: Rev. Duncan Cantrell pg. 936 in the pew Bible

Pray for Our Members:

Chandler & Kristen Vaughn Clint, Ginger, Reid, Adelle, Knox & Ella Vinson Joan Voltmer Cindy Voss

Pray for Our Missionary of the Month:

Rodney & Jana Davila are transitioning to El Salvador to continue their work of planting churches and teaching and training pastors.

Pray for Those in Need:

Expecting: Meredith McKenzie (1/15) & Kaleigh Freel (2/25)

Newborns: Forrest Dozier, Benjamin Hornick, Charlie & Lillie Wohlrabe, Teddy Cantrell, Annie Monsted, Amelia Prestwood, Noah Andree & Eli Singleton

Members Caring for Loved Ones: Becky Gorman (Randy); Howard Gordon (mom); Monni Parrish (dad); Joseph Egloff (mom); Rana Munna (mom); Seth & Silas Peed (dad); Glenda Eaves (mom)

Recovering/Sick: Jerry Hogg (cancer); Sally Lee (knee); Connie Strawn (ankle); Debbie McCommon (hip replacement);

Bereaved: Liz Ream & the McKelveys (Buck); Jim Grier (Melanie); Cathe Dondes (David); Susana, Sarah Jane & Oscar Sandefur (Chris); Beth McSween (John); John & Joyce Meadows (son); Edith Adams (mother); Joe Stanley (Kathy); LeeAnn Wildman (mom); Skip Yetter (brother); Boo McKelvey (mom & dad); Tricia Barton (mom)

Officer Nominees: Cal Garretson, Jeff Kross, Charlie Parrish, Dan Strawn & Kevin Watson (elder); Josh Buckner & Rick Funk (deacon)

Our Leaders: the Session, Diaconate, and Staff; our local, state and federal governmental officials.

Providing a Home • Proclaiming the Gospel • Partnering with Ministries

Discipleship Opportunities

Sunday School Schedule

2-3 Year Old: God's Family taught by Seth & Amy Peed; Room 112

4K– 5K: God Keeps His Promises taught by Anna Barnes in Room 114

1st-2nd: Growing in God taught by Steven & Jill Bloodworth, Hays & Andrea Fyke

and Patrick & Andrea Goff in Room 121

3rd-5th: God's Grace in the Law taught by Liz Ream & Tricia Barton in Room 122

6th-12th: Crazy Busy taught by Mark Ballard, Carly Godwin & Anna Smith in the

Youth Room

20s & 30s: The 10 Commandments taught by Charles Hall & Hunter Stevenson in the

Fellowship Hall

30s & 40s: Caring for One Another taught by Josh Garrett & Cal Garretson in MC #2

40s & 50s: The Book of James taught by Jason Churchwell & Kevin Watson in Room

144 (behind the sanctuary)

50s & 60s: 1 Peter taught by Cleve Cunningham, Ed Grimsley, Neal Ham, Howard

Reed and Dan Strawn in MC #1

60s & up: Colossians taught by Tommy James & Rob Morton in Room 125

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 Classes (K4 - 6th grade)

Youth Group (7th - 12th grade)

Officer Training Class (Josh Garrett)

Women's Bible Study (Heather Stevenson)

Adult Bible Study on the Psalms (Hunter Stevenson)

October 5 menu: Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Green Peas, Salad Bar and Brownies.

Announcements

Middle School Retreat - NMPC and FPC's middle school students are attending a Fall Retreat at Camp Kaleo in Forsyth, GA this weekend. Our very own Josh Garret is the speaker. He will be teaching on Colossians 3. Please pray that this retreat would be fruitful for our students & leaders*: Isaac, Joshua & Will* Daniels; Ella Goff; Griffey Gorman; Harley Langford; Tate Morris; Luke & Simon* Shepley; Anna Smith*; Maddie Smith; Josiah Tripp.

Monday Morning Prayer - We will gather tomorrow for Monday Morning Prayer from 9:00 - 10:00 AM. If you have a prayer request, please let one of the pastors know.

Hurricane Ian Relief - If you would like to help those affected by Hurricane Ian, you can make a check out to NMPC with "Ian Relief" on the memo line or you can give online.

Evangelism Explosion - The Fall Semester of training in Evangelism Explosion begins with a Share Your Faith Workshop on Sunday, October 9 from 2:00 - 5:30 PM.

Reformation Day - Join us on Sunday, October 23rd at 5:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall and behind the church for our annual Reformation Day celebration! There will be world famous BBQ from none other than Charlie Pye, inflatables, games, snow cones and more! Please register on Realm and bring a side or a dessert! If you would like to volunteer for the event please let Duncan know.

New Members Class - If you are interested in learning more about NMPC or joining our membership, you are invited to attend the New Members Class, which is comprised of two Sunday night meetings on October 30th & November 6th from 5:30 - 8:00 (dinner & childcare are provided). Please email Pastor Hunter (hunter@nmpc.net) to sign up or for more information. (We provide make-up sessions if you cannot attend one evening.)

Journey to Freedom - Out-of-Darkness is having their annual benefit dinner on Thursday, November 10th at 6:00 PM at Northway Church. This is an excellent opportunity to learn more about their ministry to the victims of human trafficking and to become involved.

Communion - Today we will serve communion by passing the plates down the aisles.



Mission

To glorify and enjoy God, love and equip His people for the work of His ministry, and make disciples of all nations.

Session

Class of 2022 Jason Churchwell Tommy James

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Ed Grimsley* Paul McCommon Rob Morton Howard Reed

Class of 2023

Class of 2024

Cleve Cunningham" Neal Ham"

Diaconate

Lee Burch Hays Fyke Grant Nicholson Shane Self

Class of 2022

Class of 2023

Silas Peed* Wes Seay* Class of 2024

Patrick Hoye" Brandon Youmans"

*indicates the officer is at the end of a 2nd term and will roll off

Staff

Every Member, Ministers
Hunter Stevenson, Senior Pastor
Josh Garrett, Associate Pastor
Duncan Cantrell, Assistant Pastor
Mark Ballard, Youth Director
Anna Smith, Youth Assistant

Carly Godwin, Youth Intern
Kathy Pye, Church Secretary
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