

THE LORD'S DAY

# Worship

February 26, 2023



**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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*I am the LORD, and there is no other;  
apart from me there is no God.  
Isaiah 45:5*

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### Preclude

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

### Introit

Call to Worship

Psalm 97:1-6

Pastor: The LORD reigns, let the earth be glad! Let the distant shores rejoice!

People: **Clouds and thick darkness surround him; righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.**

Pastor: Fire goes before him and consumes his foes on every side.

People: **His lightning lights up the world; the earth sees and trembles.**

Pastor: The mountains melt like wax before the LORD, before the Lord of all the earth.

People: **The heavens proclaim his righteousness, and all peoples see his glory.**

\*Praise Hymn

*#2 - O Worship the King*

\*Invocation

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

*\* those who are able please stand*

Pastor: Christian, what do you believe about God?

We believe there is only one true and living God,  
who is infinite in being and perfection.

He is a most pure spirit, invisible,  
with neither body, parts, nor passive properties.

He is unchangeable, boundless, eternal, and incomprehensible.

He is almighty, most wise, most holy, most free, and most absolute.

He works all things according to the counsel of his own unchangeable  
and most righteous will, for his own glory.

He is most loving, gracious, merciful, long-suffering,  
abundant in goodness and truth,  
forgiving iniquity, transgression, and sin,  
and he is the rewarder of those who diligently seek him.

He is also most just and terrifying in his judgments,  
hating all sin, and will by no means acquit the guilty.

God has all life, glory, goodness, and blessedness in and of himself.

He alone is all-sufficient, in and to himself,  
not standing in need of any creatures which he has made,  
nor deriving any glory from them,  
but rather manifesting his own glory in, by, to, and on them.

He alone is the fountain of all being,  
of whom, through whom, and to whom are all things.

He has absolute sovereignty over them,  
to do by them, for them, or upon them whatever he pleases.

In his sight all things are open and manifest;  
his knowledge is infinite, infallible, and independent of his  
creatures; so that nothing to him is contingent or uncertain.

He is most holy in all his counsels, in all his works,  
and in all his commands.

To him is due from angels and men, and every other creature,  
whatever worship, service, or obedience  
he is pleased to require of them. Amen.

# Only a Holy God

Farren, Robinson, Smith, and Thompson



1. Who else com - mands all the hosts of heav - en?
2. *What oth - er beau - ty de - mand such prais - es?*
3. What oth - er glo - ry con - sumes like fi - re?
4. *Who else could res - cue me from my fail - ing?*



Who else could make ev - 'ry king bow down?  
*What oth - er splen - dor out - shines the sun?*  
 What oth - er pow - er can raise the dead?  
*Who else would of - fer His on - ly Son?*



Who else can whis - per and dark - ness trem - bles? On - ly a Ho - ly God. *(to v. 2)*  
*What oth - er maj - es - ty rules with just - ice? On - ly a Ho - ly God.*  
 What oth - er name re - mains un - de - feat - ed? On - ly a Ho - ly God.  
*Who else in - vites me to call Him Fa - ther? \*On - ly my Ho - ly God.\**



Come and be - hold Him, the One and the On - ly. Cry out, sing



ho - ly, for - ev - er a Ho - ly God. Come and worship the Ho - ly God.

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Return, 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.”

### Corporate Confession

We have sinned against you, O Lord, our Maker, our Defender, and our Redeemer. Our natures are corrupt and sinful; prone to fall away from you, sluggish to do good and swift to do evil. Vain thoughts have come upon us and found lodging within us, defiling and disquieting our minds, and keeping out good thoughts. We have burdened ourselves with that care which you have commanded us to cast upon you. We have failed in our duties one to another and have provoked one another as much to folly and anger as to love and good works. We have been cold in our love to you, weak in our desires toward you, unsteady in our walking with you, and are even at this time poorly prepared to serve you. We beseech you—Forgive all our sins, for Christ’s sake, and be at peace with us in Him who died to make peace and lives to make intercession for us. Amen.

### Silent Confession

### Words of Assurance

Isaiah 43:25

*I, even I, am he who blots out your transgressions, for my own sake,  
and remembers your sins no more.*

### Pastoral Prayer & Lord’s Prayer

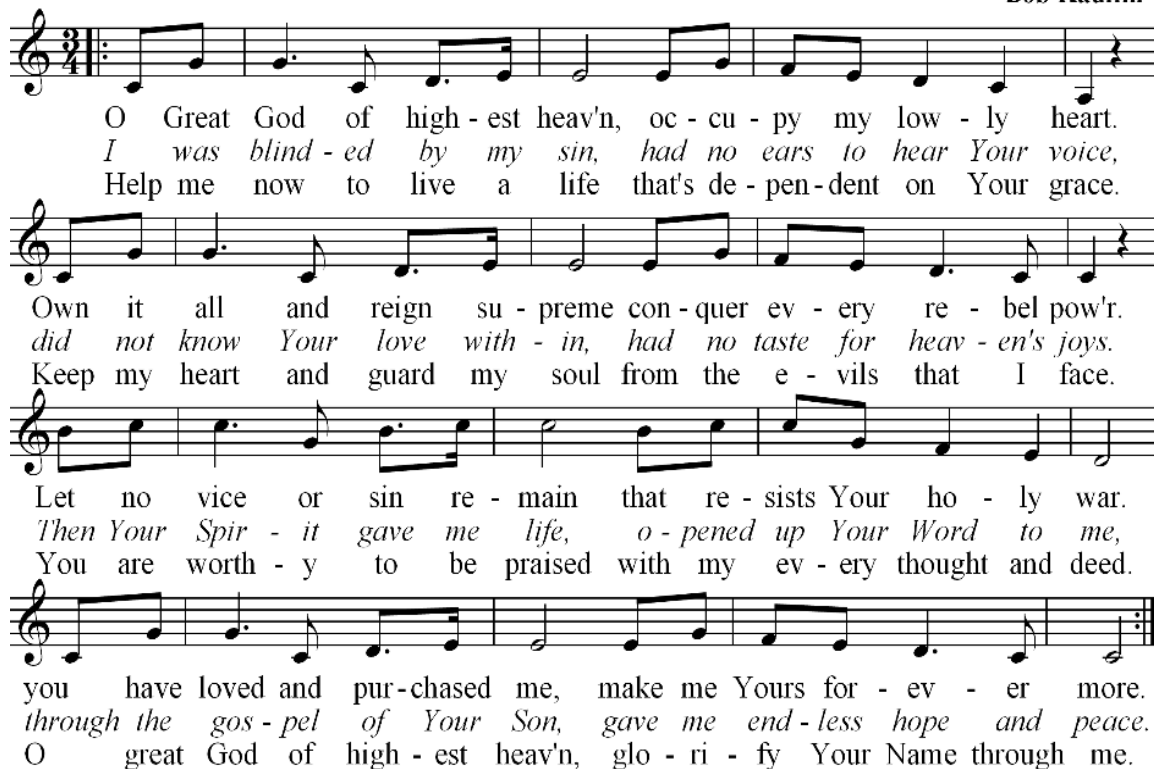
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Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

### Offertory

## O Great God

Bob Kaufflin



O Great God of high - est heav'n, oc - cu - py my low - ly heart.  
*I was blind - ed by my sin, had no ears to hear Your voice,*  
 Help me now to live a life that's de - pen - dent on Your grace.

Own it all and reign su - preme con - quer ev - ery re - bel pow'r.  
*did not know Your love with - in, had no taste for heav - en's joys.*  
 Keep my heart and guard my soul from the e - vils that I face.

Let no vice or sin re - main that re - sists Your ho - ly war.  
*Then Your Spir - it gave me life, o - pened up Your Word to me,*  
 You are worth - y to be praised with my ev - ery thought and deed.

you have loved and pur - chased me, make me Yours for - ev - er more.  
*through the gos - pel of Your Son, gave me end - less hope and peace.*  
 O great God of high - est heav'n, glo - ri - fy Your Name through me.

*Children's Church is for those 4 years old through 1st grade.*

*If today is your child's first time to attend Children's Church, please accompany them.*

# Turn Your Eyes

Turn your eyes up-on Je - sus look full in His won-der-ful  
Turn your eyes to the hill - side where jus - tice and mer - cy em -  
Turn your eyes to the morn - ing and see Christ the li - on a -  
Turn your eyes to the hea - vens, our King will re - turn for His  
face. and the things of earth will grow strange - ly dim, in the  
brace. There the Son of God gave His life for us, and our  
wake. What a glo - rious dawn, fear of death is gone, for we  
own. Ev - ery knee will bow, ev - ery tongue will shout "All the  
light of His glo - ry and grace. (to 2nd vs.) Je - sus to You we lift our  
mea - sure-less debt was e - rased.  
car - ry His life in our veins.  
glo - ry to Je - sus a - lone!"  
eyes. Je - sus our glo-ry and our prize. We a-dore You be -  
hold You our Sav-ior ev - er true. Oh Je - sus we turn our eyes to You.

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## \*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.

# • The Preached Word •

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**Title:** *The One True God*

**Text:** Isaiah 41:21-29

**Pastor:** Rev. Hunter Stevenson

pg. 621 in the pew Bible



**Pray for Our Members:**

Kate Harrison  
Jason, Allison, Benjamin & Patton Hawkins  
Caleb & Hannah Henning  
Ron & Robin Henning

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

Tomo Ito is on staff with Sacred Road Ministries in Washington State and is working to establish a similar ministry to the Native American tribes in Warm Springs, OR.

**Pray for Those in Need:**

Expecting: Kaleigh Freel (2/25), Melissa Newell (4/8) & Laura Adams (8/29)

Newborns: Ben McKenzie, Forrest Dozier, and Benjamin Hornick

Members Caring for Loved Ones: Becky Gorman (Randy); Howard Gordon (mom);  
Monni Parrish (dad); Joseph Egloff (mom); Rana Munna (mom); Mary Clare Freel  
(dad)

Recovering/Sick: Jerry Hogg (cancer); Patricia Hughes (jaw); John LaPish (leg);  
Phyllis Gamble (knee); Terry Rohn (knee)

Bereaved: Susana, Sarah Jane & Oscar Sandefur (Chris); Beth McSween (John); John  
& Joyce Meadows (son); Edith Adams (mother); Joe Stanley (Kathy); LeeAnn  
Wildman (mom); Boo McKelvey (mom & dad); Tricia Barton (mom); Cathy  
Smith (JC); Madeline Thompson (mom)

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

Marriage Conference on March 3-4

Sacred Road Mission Trip on June 3-10

# • Discipleship Opportunities •

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## Winter Sunday School Schedule

- 2-3 Year Old: *God's Son* taught by Seth & Amy Peed in Room 112  
4k- 5k: *Living in God's Family* taught by Anna Barnes in Room 114  
1st-2nd: *Knowing Jesus* taught by Steven & Jill Bloodworth, Hays & Andrea Fyke and Patrick & Andrea Goff in Room 121  
3rd-5th: *God's Design for Worship* taught by Myra Baker & Tricia Barton in Room 122  
6th-12th: *Mark* taught by Mark Ballard & Anna Smith in the Youth Room  
20s & 30s: *Ecclesiastes* taught by Charles Hall, Matt McCommon & Hunter Stevenson in the Fellowship Hall  
30s & 40s: *In the Lord, I Take Refuge* taught by Cal Garretson and Steven Bloodworth in MC #2  
50s & 60s: *James* taught by Ed Grimsley, Neal Ham, Howard Reed and Dan Strawn in MC #1  
60s & up: *Philippians* taught by Tommy James & Rob Morton in the Conference

## 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)

Women's Bible Study (Heather Stevenson)

Missionary Report from Brian & Mandy Stock

*March 1 menu: Pizza, Salad Bar & Ice Cream*

# • Financial Update •

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as of January 31, 2023

General Operations		Faith Promise for Missions	
2022 Receipts:	\$ 110,840	2022 Receipts:	\$ 7,103
2022 Expenses:	\$ 104,024	Needed by June 30:	\$ 32,150
		to support our 20 missionaries for the first half of the year	
Building Loan Balance			
January 31:	\$ 20,725		

# • Announcements •

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**Monday Morning Prayer** - We will gather for Monday Prayer tomorrow at 9 AM. Please let Pastor Hunter (hunter@nmpc.net) know if you have a prayer request.

**Brian & Mandy Stock** - On Wednesday Night, the Stocks will give us a report about the persecution they faced in India and their new plans to plant churches in Malaysia.

**Marriage Conference 2023** - We are delighted to welcome back Dr. John Cox for a second Marriage Conference on March 3-4. The cost is \$20 per person, \$35 for a couple, and free for college students. Scan the QR code to register.



**Faith Promise Giving** - The way NMPC supports its 20 missionaries around the world is through Faith Promise giving. Ask the Lord how much He would have you contribute to the spread of the gospel around the world this year, and then commit to give that amount as God provides. Please turn in a response card by today.

**Sacred Road Mission Trip 2023** - We are now assembling the team to go to Washington State the week of June 3-10 to work alongside Sacred Road Ministries as they seek to minister God's grace to the Yakama Tribe of Native Americans. Please scan the QR code to sign up.



# Old Testament Prophecies Fulfilled in the Life of Christ

## His Birth:

Promised Seed of the Woman (Genesis 3:15)  
Descendant of Abraham (Genesis 12:3)  
Lion of tribe of Judah (Genesis 49:10)  
Lineage of David (2 Samuel 7:12; Isaiah 9:6)  
Born in Bethlehem (Micah 5:2)  
Born of a virgin (Isaiah 7:14)  
Called Jesus, "he saves" (Isaiah 53:5-6)  
Called Immanuel (Isaiah 7:14)

## His Ministry:

A Forerunner goes before him (Isaiah 40:3)  
Filled with the Holy Spirit (Isaiah 11:1)  
Preached the Good News (Isaiah 61:1)  
Light to the Gentiles (Isaiah 49:6)  
The good shepherd (Micah 5:4)  
Ministry was in Galilee (Isaiah 9:1)  
Powerful Teacher (Deut 18:18)  
Blind see (Isaiah 35:3)  
Deaf hear (Isaiah 35:3)  
Lame walk (Isaiah 35:3)  
Dumb speak (Isaiah 35:3)  
Dead raised (2 Kings 4:35-36)

## Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem:

Entered as king (Zechariah 9:9)  
Riding on a donkey (Zechariah 9:9)  
Many praising God (Isaiah 35:10; Ps 118:25-26)  
Cleansing the Temple (Malachi 3:1; Ps 69:9)

## Betrayal by Judas:

Betrayed by a close friend (Psalm 41:9)  
For 30 pieces of silver (Zechariah 11:13)  
Money scattered in temple (Zechariah 11:13)  
Disciples abandoned him (Psalm 69:20)

## Trial:

Surrounded by wicked (Psalm 22:12)  
Falsely accused (Psalm 22:13)  
Silent before accusers (Isaiah 53:7)  
Oppression & violence (Isaiah 53:7)  
The innocent condemned (Isaiah 53:9)

## Crucifixion:

Encircled by the wicked (Psalm 22:16)  
Despised by men (Isaiah 53:3)  
Human form marred (Isaiah 52:14)  
Pierced hands & feet (Psalm 22:16)  
Crucified with criminals (Isaiah 53:12)  
Divided up his clothes (Psalm 22:18)  
Cast lots for clothing (Psalm 22:18)  
Scorned (Psalm 22:6)  
Insulted (Psalm 22:7)  
Mocked (Psalm 22:8)  
Gloated over (Psalm 22:17)  
Given vinegar for thirst (Psalm 69:21)  
Died (Isaiah 53:8, 12)  
No broken bones (Ex 12:46; Num 9:12)  
Associated with the wicked & the rich in his death (Isaiah 53:9)

## Resurrection:

Three days in the grave (Jonah 1:17)  
Rose again from the dead (Isaiah 53:11)  
Life was a guilt offering (Isaiah 53:10)  
Justified many (Is 53:11; Ez 36:25)  
Brought us peace (Micah 5:5)  
Made us righteous (Jeremiah 23:6)  
Brought us great joy (Isaiah 35:10)  
Sat at Father's right hand (Psalm 110:1)  
Highly exalted (Isaiah 52:13)