

THE LORD'S DAY

# Worship

March 5, 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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*Bchold! What great love the Father has lavished on us,  
that we should be called children of God!  
1 John 3:1a*

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### Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

### Introit

### Call to Worship

Psalm 95:1-7a

Pastor: Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD! Let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation!

People: **Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song!**

Pastor: For the LORD is the great God, the great King above all gods.

People: **In his hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to him.**

Pastor: The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.

People: **Come, let us bow down in worship! Let us kneel before the LORD our Maker!**

Pastor: For he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.

### \*Praise Hymn

*#77 - Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven*

*\* those who are able please stand*

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

Like a father, God has compassion on them,  
protects them,  
provides for them,  
and chastens them;  
yet, they 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.*

## Call to Prayer

Isaiah 49:14-16; 1 Peter 5:7

Zion said, The LORD has forsaken me, the Lord has forgotten me.

The LORD replied: Can a mother forget the baby at her breast and have no compassion on the child she has borne? Though she may forget, I will not forget you! Behold, I have engraved you on the palms of my hands; your walls are ever before me.

Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.

## Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

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

Mark 2:1-12; 5:24-34

## \*Hymn of Preparation

*Oh the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus  
printed on page 4*

## Prayer for Covenant Children

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

*Children's Church is for children 4 years old through 1st grade.  
If today is your child's first time attending, please accompany them to Children's Church.  
Also, we have a "Cry Room" for our young families, where you can see & hear the service.*

# Oh the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

Samuel T. Francis/Bob Kauflin

Oh the deep, deep love of Je - sus, vast un - mea - sured, 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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**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 come forward and partake of the Lord's Supper this morning. All others, please remain seated and consider your relationship with Christ and His Church during the sacrament.*

**\*Hymn of Response**

*Jesus, Thank You  
printed on page 6*

**\*Benediction**

2 Thessalonians 3:16

Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times and in every way.  
The Lord be with all of you. 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.

**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.*

# Jesus, Thank You

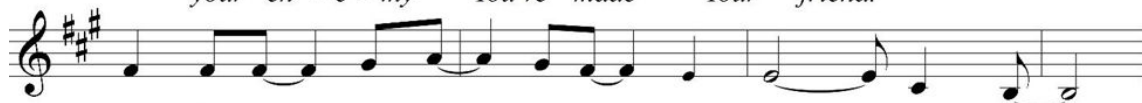
Pat Szebel



1. The mys - t'ry of the cross I can - not com - pre - hend,  
2. By Your per - fect sac - ri - fice I've been brought near.



the ag - o - nies of Cal - va - ry.  
your en - e - my You've made Your friend.



You, the per - fect Ho - ly One, crushed Your Son,  
Pour - ing out the rich - es of Your glo - rious grace,



drank the bit - ter cup re - served for me.  
Your mer - cy and Your kind - ness know no end.



*Chorus:* Your blood has washed a-way my sin. — Je-sus, thank You. The Fa-ther's wrath



com - plete - ly sat - is - fied Je - sus, thank You. Once Your en - e - my, —



now seat - ed at Your ta - ble, Je - sus, thank You. *2nd time to Bridge*



*Bridge:* Lov - er of my soul, I want to live for You. *2nd time to Chorus*

# • The Preached Word •

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**Title:** *Sons & Daughters of Christ*

**Text:** Mark 2:1-12; 5:24-34

**Pastor:** Dr. John L. Cox

pg. 813 in the pew Bible



**Pray for Our Members:**

Lyn Hogg  
Eric, Jennifer, Anderson & Benjamin Hornick; Nicholas & Abigail McCullough  
Reba Hudson  
Charles & Patricia Hughes

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

Brian and Megan Moore are involved in evangelism and church planting in Nuremberg, Germany.

**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)

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); Boø McKelvey (mom & dad); Tricia Barton (mom);  
Cathy Smith (JC); Madeline Thompson (mom); Mary Clare Freel (dad)

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

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)

Adult Bible Study on **Psalm 52** (Hunter Stevenson)

*March 8 menu: Shepherd's Pic, Salad Bar, Garlic Bread, Lemon Cake with Almond Frosting*

# • 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.

**Youth Girls Art Lesson** - 6th - 12th grade girls are invited to an Art Lesson & Lunch on Saturday, March 11, from 10:30 AM - 1:30 PM, at the home of Jack and Sara Pyles (3736 Overlook Ave). The cost is \$5; please sign up on Realm.

**Faith Promise Giving** - We have received 23 Faith Promise response cards, pledging \$36,290 towards World Missions in 2023. If you have not already, please turn in a response card 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.





# 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.

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Session	Class of 2023	Class of 2024	Class of 2025
	Ed Grimsley* Paul McCommon Rob Morton Howard Reed	Neal Ham*	Cal Garretson Tommy James* Charlie Parrish

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Diaconate	Class of 2023	Class of 2024	Class of 2025
	Lee Burch*		Joshua Buckner Rick Funk Hays Fyke*

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

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Staff	Every Member, <i>Ministers</i>	Kathy Pye, <i>Church Secretary</i>
	Hunter Stevenson, <i>Senior Pastor</i>	Monni Parrish, <i>Administrator, Financial Director &amp; Pianist</i>
	Mark Ballard, <i>Youth Director</i>	Melanie Buckner, <i>Music Director</i>
	Megan Cathey, <i>Interim Children's Ministry Director</i>	Riley Wilson, <i>North Macon Preschool Director</i>

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