

THE LORD'S DAY

Worship

August 20, 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.

*But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you;
and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem,
and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.
Acts 1:8*

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Introit

Call to Worship

Psalm 67

Pastor: May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face shine upon us

People: **So that your ways may be known on earth, your salvation among all nations.**

Pastor: May the peoples praise you, O God! May all the peoples praise you!

People: **May the nations be glad and sing for joy!**

Pastor: For you rule the peoples justly and guide the nations of the earth.

People: **May the peoples praise you, O God! May all the peoples praise you!**

Pastor: Then the land will yield its harvest, and God, our God, will bless us.

People: **God will bless us, and all the ends of the earth will fear him.**

* Confession of Faith

Matthew 5:14-16; 1 Peter 2:9

Q. Christian, what is the role of the church in the world?

A. Our Lord Jesus Christ said,
We are the light of the world.
A city on a hill cannot be hidden.
Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl.
Instead they put it on its stand,
and it gives light to everyone in the house.
In the same, we are to let our light shine before men
so that they may see our good deeds
and praise our Father in heaven.

The apostle Peter said,
We are a chosen people, a royal priesthood,
a holy nation, a people belonging to God
so that we may declare the praises of him
who called us out of darkness into his marvelous light.

*Hymn

#164 - O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Call to Prayer

Romans 10:13-15

Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can they preach unless they are sent? As it is written, How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!

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

Scripture Reading

Revelation 8:6-9:21
on page 996 in the pew Bible

*Hymn of Preparation

#521 - My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

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.*

Sermon

Revelation 10:1-11:19
The 7 Trumpets & the 2 Witnesses

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

*Hymn of Response

O Church Arise (Arise, Shine)
printed on page 6

*Benediction

Ephesians 3:20-21

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

*Doxology

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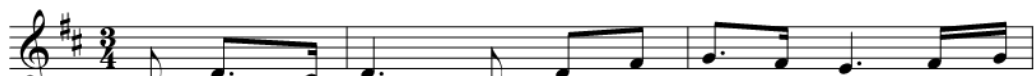
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above ye heavenly hosts; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Postlude

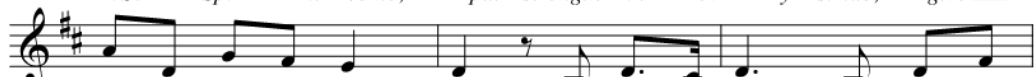
Visitors: Welcome! Please feel free to speak with one of the pastors or elders after the service. They would be glad to answer any questions you may have and would enjoy meeting you. *If you desire to receive email communications from the church, please email Monni Parrish at monni@nmpc.net and she will add you to the distribution list.*

O Church Arise (Arise, Shine)

Getty, Tomlin and Townend



1. O Church, a - rise, and put your ar - mour on; Hear the
2. *Our call to war; to love the cap - tive soul, but to*
3. Come see the cross, where love and mer - cy meet, as the
4. *So Spi - rit come, put strength in ev - 'ry stride, give*—



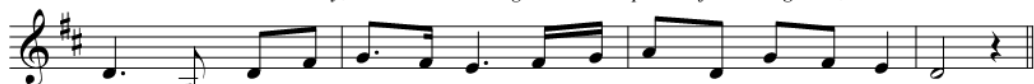
call of Christ our Cap - tain. For now the weak can say that
rage a - gainst the cap - tor; And with the sword that makes the
Son of God is strick - en; Then see his foes lie crushed be -
grace for ev - 'ry hur - dle, that we may run with faith to



they are strong in the strength that God has gi - ven. With shield of
wound - ed whole, we will fight with faith and val - or. When faced with
neath his feet, for the Con - quer - or has ri - sen! And as the
win the prize of a ser - vant good and faith - ful. As saints of



faith and belt of Truth, we'll stand a - gainst the de - vil's lies; An ar - my
trials on ev - 'ry side, we know the out - come is se - cure, and Christ will
stone is rolled a - way and Christ e - mer - ges from the grave, this vic - t'ry
old still line the way, re - tell - ing tri - unphs of His grace, we hear their



bold, whose bat - tle cry is love, reach - ing out to those in dark - ness. *(to vs. 2)*
have the prize for which he died, an in - her - i - tance of na - tions. (chorus)
march con - ti - nues 'til the day ev - 'ry eye and heart shall see Him. *(to vs. 4)*
calls and hun - ger for the day when with Christ we stand in Glo - ry. (chorus)



A - rise, shine, for your Light has come. A - rise,



shine for the ris - en - Son. Lift your eyes, we are His



ra - diant bride. A - rise O Church, a - rise.

• The Preached Word •

Title: *The 7 Trumpets & the 2 Witnesses*

Text: Revelation 10:1-11:19

Pastor: Rev. Hunter Stevenson

pg. 996 in the pew Bible

Surface Conflict: the World persecutes the Church (Rev 1-11)

Cycle 1: 7 churches (Rev 1-3)

Cycle 2: 7 seals (Rev 4 - 8:5)

Cycle 3: 7 trumpets (Rev 8:6 - 11)

Deeper Conflict: the Dragon opposes Christ (Rev 12-22)

Cycle 4: War against the Dragon (Rev 12-14)

Cycle 5: 7 bowls (Rev 15-16)

Cycle 6: Fall of Babylon (Rev 17-20)

Cycle 7: New Heaven & New Earth (Rev 21-22)

Pray for Our Members:

Steven, Jill, Anderson, Isaiah, Lowndes and Nolan Bloodworth
Larry & LuAnn Breed
Jane Brooks
Josh & Melanie Buckner

Pray for Our Missionary of the Month:

Roger & Dianne Smalling write, publish, distribute, and teach reformed literature in Latin America

Pray for Those in Need:

Expecting: Hannah Henning (10/14), Mackenzie Lyles (11/8), Lizzie Gossett (12/7), Katie Singleton (12/23) & Bonnie Andree (1/7)

Newborns: Junc Adams, Ryder Newell, Eleanor Frecl, Ben McKenzie & Benjamin Hornick

Members Caring for Loved Ones: Becky Gorman (Randy); Howard Gordon (mom); Joseph Egloff (mom); Rana Munna (mom); Ron Henning (parents)

Recovering/Sick: Dick Manwaring (stroke), Claire Chastain (surgery) & Mark Ballard (surgery)

Bereaved: Susana, Sarah Jane & Oscar Sandefur (Chris); Beth McSween (John); Cathy Smith (JC); Madeline Thompson (mom); Mary Clare Frecl (dad); Kate Harrison (sister); Carol Dawson (sister); John Dukes (dad); Lynn & Aaron Hogg, Melissa Newell (Jerry); Brad Bibb (mom); Helen Johnson (mom); Amelia Smith (mom)

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

• Discipleship Opportunities •

Fall Sunday School Schedule—begins Sept 10th

- 2-3 Year Old: *God's People* taught by Seth & Amy Peed in Room 112
4k-2nd: *God Created All Things* taught by Steven & Jill Bloodworth, Hays & Andrea Fyke and Patrick & Andrea Goff in Room 121
3rd-5th: *God's Servants* taught by Myra Baker & Tricia Barton in Room 122
6th-12th: *1 Peter* taught by Mark Ballard and Bryce Little in the Youth Room
College: We encourage college students to pick one of the following 4 classes
Young Adults: *Let's Study 1 Corinthians* taught by Charles Hall, Matt McCommon & Paul Common in MC #1
Middle Adults: *Saints, Sufferers, and Sinners: Loving Others as God Loves Us* taught by Steven Bloodworth, Cal Garretson & Tate Morris and in the Fellowship Hall
Older Adults: *The Good News We Almost Forgot* taught by Ed Grimsley, Neal Ham, Howard Reed in MC #2
Senior Adults: *Let's Study 2 Peter and Jude* taught by Tommy James & Rob Morton in the Conference Room

Wednesday Night Activities—begins Aug 23rd

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 - 5th grade)

Youth Group (6th-12th grade)

Adult Bible Study on Romans taught by Rev. Eric Freel

Menu: Pork Tenderloin, Cheesy Potatoes, Green Beans, Salad Bar & Brownie Bites

• Financial Update •

July 31, 2023

General Operations

2023 Receipts: \$ 786,144
2023 Expenses: \$ 750,575

Faith Promise for Missions

Paid out June 30: \$ 28,950
to support our 18 missionaries
for the first half of 2023

Needed by Dec. 30: \$ 30,550
Cash available: \$ 37,037

• Announcements •

Ladies Lunch Today - All ladies are invited to a Women's Ministry Lunch after worship this morning from 12:20 - 1:20 PM to learn more about the Women's Ministry.

Monday Morning Prayer - We will gather for Monday Prayer tomorrow at 9 AM. Please let Pastor Hunter know if you have a prayer request.

Wednesday Night Activities - Our Wednesday Activities begin this week at 5:45 PM. See page 9 for more information.

Fall Sunday School Classes - The Fall SS Quarter begins on Sun, Sept 10. See page 9 for more information. (We will conclude *The Pilgrim's Progress* next Sun, Aug 27 and have a churchwide brunch the following Sun, Sept 3 from 9:30-10:30).

Women's Bible Studies - Our Women's Bible Studies will be studying Lamentations this Fall, beginning the week of September 6th. There are 3 meeting times:

- Wed at 10:00 AM led by Anna Barnes in the Fellowship Hall
- Wed at 6:15 PM led by Heather Stevenson & Sara Pyles in the Conference Room
- Fri at 10:30 AM led by Pat Jenkins in the Conference Room

Men's Small Groups - Our Men's Small Groups will also begin the week of Sept 6th. We will provide a list of the Groups next week.



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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.

Session

Cal Garretson²⁵
Ed Grimsley^{23*}
Neal Ham^{24*}
Tommy James^{25*}

Paul McCommon²³
Rob Morton²³
Charlie Parrish²⁵
Howard Reed²³

Diaconate

Joshua Buckner²⁵
Lee Burch^{23*}

Rick Funk²⁵
Hays Fyke^{25*}

*The number indicates the officer's class; *indicates the officer is at the end of a 2nd term and will roll off*

Staff

Every Member, *Ministers*
Hunter Stevenson, *Senior Pastor*
Mark Ballard, *Youth Director*
Bryce Little, *Youth Intern*
Megan Cathey, *Interim Children's
Ministry Director*

Kathy Pye, *Church Secretary*
Monni Parrish, *Administrator,
Financial Director & Pianist*
Melanie Buckner, *Music Director*
Holly Shepley, *North Macon
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