

THE LORD'S DAY

Worship

September 20, 2026



NORTH MACON
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The Order of Worship
Sunday, September 20, 2026

*I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean;
I will cleanse you from all your impurities and from all your idols.
Ezekial 36:25*

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

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.**

*Opening Hymn

#693 – *Blessed Assurance*

** Those who are able, please stand*

*Please turn off all cellular devices during the worship service
and do not bring food or drink into the sanctuary.*

Q. Christian, how is our baptism to be improved by us?

A. The needful but much neglected duty of improving our baptism,
is to be performed by us all our life long,
especially in the time of temptation,
and when we are present at the administration of it to others;
by serious and thankful consideration of the nature of it,
and of the ends for which Christ instituted it,
the privileges and benefits conferred and sealed thereby,
and our solemn vow made therein;
by being humbled for our sinful defilement,
our falling short of, and walking contrary to,
the grace of baptism, and our engagements;
by growing up to assurance of pardon of sin,
and of all other blessings sealed to us in that sacrament;
by drawing strength from the death and resurrection of Christ,
into whom we are baptized,
for the mortifying of sin, and quickening of grace;
and by endeavoring to live by faith,
to have our conversation in holiness and righteousness,
as those that have therein given up their names to Christ;
and to walk in brotherly love,
as being baptized by the same Spirit into one body. Amen.

The Westminster Larger Catechism expresses the truths 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 our church and our denomination, the Presbyterian Church in America.

Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder

J. Newton/L. Taylor



1. Let us love and sing and won - der, let us praise the Sav - ior's name.
2. *Let us love the Lord who bought us, pit - ied us when en - e - mies,*
3. Let us sing though fierce temp - ta - tion, threat - ens hard to bear us down,
4. *Let us won - der grace and just - ice, join and point to mer - cy's store.*
5. Let us praise and join the chor - us of the saints en - throned on high;



He has hushed the law's loud thun - der; He has quenched Mount Si - nai's flame.
called us by his grace and taught us, gave us ears and gave us eyes.
 • for the Lord our strong sal - va - tion holds in view the conq - u'ror's crown.
When through grace in Christ our trust is just - ice smiles and asks no more.
 here they trust - ed him be - fore us, now their prais - es fill the sky.



He has washed us with His blood, He has washed us with His blood,
He has washed us with His blood, He has washed us with His blood,
 • He who washed us with His blood, He who washed us with His blood,
He who washed us with His blood, He who washed us with His blood,
 You have washed us with Your blood, You have washed us with Your blood,



He has washed us with His blood, He has brought us nigh to God.
He has washed us with His blood, He pre - sents our souls to God.
 • He who washed us with His blood soon will bring us home to God.
He who washed us with His blood has se - cured our way to God.
 You have washed us with Your blood, You are worth - y Lamb of God.

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Gracie Boush & Riley Prosser

1. Do you acknowledge yourself to be a sinner in the sight of God, justly deserving His displeasure, and without hope except in His sovereign mercy?
2. Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and depend upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel?
3. Do you now resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit that you will endeavor to live as becomes a follower of Jesus Christ?
4. Do you promise to serve Christ in His Church by supporting and participating in its worship and work to the best of your ability?
5. Do you submit yourself to the government and discipline of the Church, and promise to further its purity and peace?

Riley Prosser

Call to Confession

Jeremiah 2:13

My people have committed two sins: They have forsaken me, the spring of living water, and have dug their own cisterns, broken cisterns that cannot hold water.

Corporate Confession

Holy Jesus, Mighty Savior, Merciful King, Forgive my sins: forgive the sins that I remember, and the sins I have forgotten; forgive my many failures in the face of temptation, and those times when I have been stubborn in the face of correction; forgive the times I have been proud of my own achievements and the times when I have failed to boast in your works; forgive the harsh judgments I have made of others, and the leniency I have shown myself; forgive the lies I have told to others, and the truths I have avoided; forgive me the pain I have caused others and the indulgence I have shown myself. Lord Jesus, have mercy on me and make me whole; help me rest in your grace. Amen.

Silent Confession

Words of Assurance

Titus 3:4-7

*But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared,
He saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy.
He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit,
whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that,
having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life.*

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Mr. Jake Adams

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**

#500– Rock of Ages

Prayer for Covenant Children

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

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

Please check-in your child for Children's Church at the registration station located in the Children's wing.

Also, we have a "Cry Room" for our young families where you can see & hear the service.

Sermon *God's Judgment Ushers in God's Salvation*
Habakkuk 2:6-20

Rev. Hunter Stevenson

***Hymn of Response**

The Power of the Cross
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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 turn his face toward you and give you peace. Amen.

***Doxology**

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**

The Power of The Cross

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1. Oh, to see the dawn of the dark - est day;
 2. Oh, to see the pain writ - ten on Your face,
 3. Now the day - light flees, now the ground be - neath
 4. Oh, to see my name writ - ten in the wounds,

Christ on the road to Cal - va - ry. Tried by sin - ful men,
 bear - ing the awe - some weight of sin. Ev - 'ry bit - ter thought,
 quakes as its Mak - er bows His head. Cur - tain torn in two,
 for through your suf - f'ring I am free. Death is crushed to death;

torn and beat - en, then nailed to a cross of wood.
 ev - 'ry e - vil deed, crown - ing Your blood - stained brow.
 dead are raised to life. "Fin - ished!" the vic - t'ry cry.
 life is mine to live, won through your self - less love!

Chorus 1 - 3: This the pow'r of the cross: Christ be - came sin for us.
 4: This the pow'r of the cross: Son of God slain for us.

Took the blame, bore the wrath. We stand for giv - en at the cross.
 What a love, what a cost! We stand for - giv - en at the cross. (repeat final chorus)

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Lord Jesus, I want to become your follower. I come to You acknowledging I am a sinner justly deserving eternal condemnation. I realize there is nothing I can do to make myself acceptable to you through my own efforts. I believe you are God the Son who became a man, lived a perfect life, and then allowed Yourself to be crucified. I believe that as You hung on the cross, God the Father, knowing all about me, took all my sins—past, present, and future—and put them on You, and punished You in my place. I believe You took the wrath of God for me, and you died. I believe your body was placed in a tomb, but after paying for all my sins, You came back from the dead and are alive forevermore. I trust You to save me from my sins and the condemnation I deserve. You are able to do that because You were condemned in my place. I ask You to forgive my sins and give me the gift of eternal life with You. I ask You to save me to a new life lived with and for You. Thank You for Your love. Give me the grace I need so that I might learn Your ways and follow You every day. Amen.

• The Preached Word •

Title: *God's Judgement Ushers In God's Salvation*

Text: Habakkuk 2:6-20

Pastor: Rev. Hunter Stevenson

An Outline of Habakkuk
by David Dorsey

- A. 1st complaint (1:2-4): *how long must I wait for Your justice?*
- B. 1st answer (1:5-11): *the unstoppable army of Babylon!*
- C. 2nd complaint (1:12-17): *how can a just God employ a wicked instrument?*
- D. CENTER (2:1-5): ***wait for it; the wicked will be punished; meanwhile, the righteous will live by faith***
- C. 2nd answer (2:6-20): *5 woes upon the wicked—justice is coming!*
- B. Final answer (3:1-15): *the unstoppable army of the LORD!*
- A. Final resolution (3:16-19): *I will wait for the LORD.*

Providing a Home

- Members: Patrick, Andrea, Ella & Wilcy Goff
Howard Gordon
Becky Gorman
Skyler, Lizzie, Gray & Reed Gossett
- Expecting: Bonnie Andree (10/7) & Hali Leskosky (10/28)
- Newborns: Charlotte Garrison, Reed Gossett, Isaac Martin, Tommy Swicgood, Shepherd Henning
- Recovering: Bess Baker (stroke); Charlie Parrish (transplant)
- Bereaved: Fiona Leggett (mom); Donna Rohn (Terry); Sandy Manwaring (Dick); Reba Hudson (son); Cindy Gibson (Jamic); Rebecca Lober (mom & Bill); Joan Barr (grandson); Jackie Wachob (Chuck); Ron Henning (dad & mom); Lee Mumford (Aunt Tyresa); Rick Moran (Julie); Jack Pyles (cousin); Rana Munna (mom)
- Caring for Loved Ones: Kathy Pyc (mom); Phil Davies (Tina); Skip Yetter (Debbie); Monni Parrish (dad; Charlie); Joseph Egloff (mom); Margaret Rogers (mom); Rod Baker (Bess)

Proclaiming the Gospel

- Church's Leaders: The Session, Diaconate, and Staff
- Ministry of the Week: Children's Ministry

Partnering with Ministries

- Missionary of the Week: Joshua & Ruth Tsavatewa (Sacred Road Ministries); serving as Head Pastor of Hope Fellowship Church and Middle School Director for Sacred Road.
- Sister Church of the Week: Covenant Presbyterian (Milledgeville)
- Local Ministry Partner of the Week: PCA Mission to North America

Discipleship Opportunities

Sunday School Classes 9:30 - 10:30 AM

NMPC offers Sunday School for children ages 2-5th grade and middle & high school students (6th-12th grade).

Sunday Adult Communities 9:30 - 10:30 AM

We offer 4 season-of-life based Sunday Communities for adults at NMPC:
20s-30s (Daniel); 30s-50 (John); 50s-60s (Isaiah); and 66+ (John).

To see a profile of each Community, go to the Adult Christian Education page on the church website, www.nmpc.net, to see which one is the best fit for you.

Mcn's Bible Studies (all studies meet at NMPC)

Sunday Night, 5 pm – 1st & 2nd Kings

Tuesday at Noon – “Brown Bag Theology”: *The Shorter Catechism Made Simple* (starts 9/1)

Wednesday Night, 6:30 pm – *The Godly Man's Picture*

Thursday Morning, 6:45 am – *Encounters with Jesus*

Ladies' Bible Studies (all studies meet in the conference room at NMPC)

Tuesday morning, 10:00 am - *Turn Your Eyes*

Wednesday Night, 6:30 pm - *Turn Your Eyes*

Friday morning, 10:00 am – *Turn Your Eyes*

Wednesday Nights @ NMPC

Join us for dinner with the church family at 5:45, then stay for small groups and Bible studies for children, youth and adults from 6:30-7:30. Along with the studies mentioned above, Rev. Eric Freel will be leading a Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall.
Dinner is \$7/adults/teen, \$3/child, with a family max \$20.

Menu: Hamburger Steak, Onions, Gravy, Creamed Potatoes, Salad Bar & Chocolate Sheet Cake

Announcements

Welcome, Guests! - We are so glad you've come to worship with us today! If you'd like to receive email communications from the church, please email Monni Parrish at monni@nmnpc.net and she will add you to the distribution list. She can also assist you with NMPC's app, Realm Connect.

Monday Prayer - Join us tomorrow at 9 AM in the Conference Room to pray for the needs of the congregation and the work of the church.

Attention men! Join us for the **Men's River Excursion** this Saturday, September 26th, as we paddle down the Ocmulgee River and enjoy the beauty of the Oconee National Forest together. We will meet at 8 AM at Juliette Park, enjoy Chick-fil-A biscuits, and plan to return to the park by noon. Men are encouraged to bring their sons, aged middle school and up. The cost is \$25 per person, which includes all the supplies. Register at the table in the Narthex or on Realm.

Women's Fall Flower Fellowship – Please join us on October 3rd at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall as we gather for fellowship, food and flowers. Our ladies will enjoy a snack while arranging live flowers in a provided container. Register on Realm or call Kathy in the church office.

Flowers – The flowers on the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in honor of Skip & Debbie Yetter's 18th Wedding Anniversary.

Security & Ushers (9/26): Team 7: Josh Buckner, Reece Freel, Charles Hall & Josh Miller

Finances (8/31) - Income:	\$ 914,662	Faith Promise 2026 Pledged:	\$ 107,770
Expenses:	\$ 921,083	Faith Promise Receipts:	\$ 95,316