

THE LORD'S DAY

Worship

November 29, 2026

NORTH MACON
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The Order of Worship
Sunday, November 29, 2026

Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise;
give thanks to him and praise his name.
Psalm 100:4

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements Rev. Hunter Stevenson

Introit

Call to Worship Psalm 100

Pastor: Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth!
People: Serve the LORD with gladness! Come before him with joyful songs!
Pastor: Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.
People: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him and praise his name!
Pastor: For the LORD is good, and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

***Opening Hymn** *#1 – All People That on Earth Do Dwell*

***Invocation** Mr. Jake Adams

** 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.

Pastor: Christian, what do you believe about the liberty Christ has purchased for you?

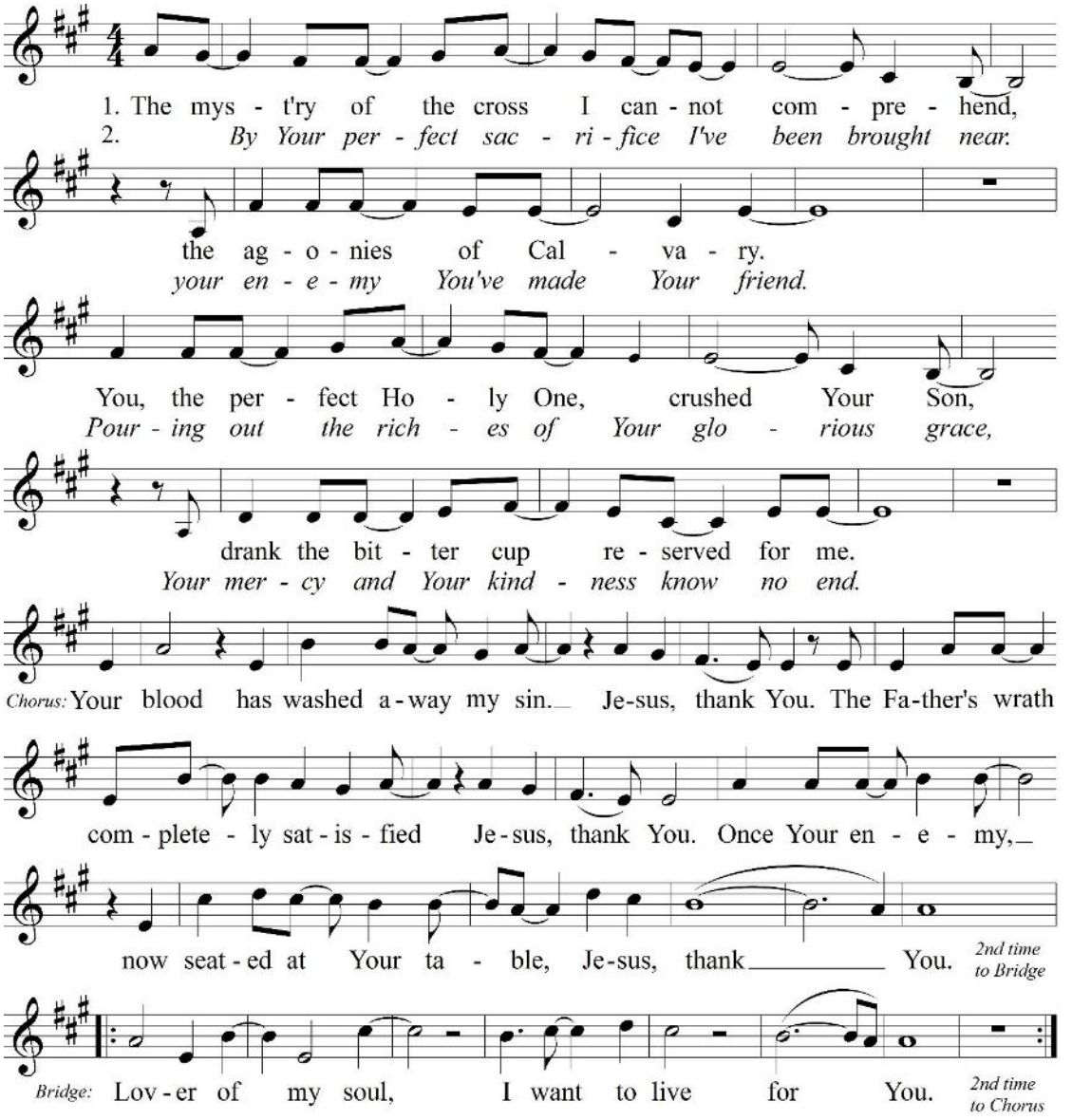
People: The liberty which Christ has purchased for us under the gospel
consists in our freedom from:
the guilt of sin,
the condemning wrath of God,
and the curse of the moral law;
and in our being delivered from:
this present evil world,
bondage to Satan,
dominion of sin,
the evil of afflictions,
the sting of death,
the victory of the grave,
and everlasting damnation;
and also in our free access to God,
and our yielding obedience unto him,
not out of slavish fear,
but a child-like love, and willing mind.

All which were common also to believers under the law;
but under the New Testament,
the liberty of Christians is further enlarged
in our freedom from the yoke of slavery to the ceremonial law
to which the Jewish Church was subjected,
and in greater boldness of access to the throne of grace,
and in fuller communications with the Spirit of God,
than believers under the law did ordinarily partake. Amen.

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 our church and our denomination, the Presbyterian Church in America.

Jesus, Thank You

Pat Sczebel



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Call to Confession Isaiah 66:2b

This is what the LORD says: "This is the one I esteem: he who is humble and contrite in spirit, and who trembles at my Word."

Corporate Confession from Psalm 130

Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD; O Lord, hear my voice. Let your ears be attentive to my cry for mercy. If you, O LORD, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness; therefore you are feared.

I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I put my hope. My soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen wait for the morning, more than watchmen wait for the morning.

Silent Confession

Words of Assurance Psalm 103:10,12

He does not treat us as our sins deserve
or repay us according to our iniquities.
As far as the east is from the west,
so far has he removed our transgressions from us.

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

Scripture Reading 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

***Hymn of Preparation** *#116 – For the Beauty of the Earth*

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 *A Life Pleasing to God*
Psalm 50 Rev. Hunter Stevenson

***Hymn of Response** *Come Thou Fount*
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***Benediction** Revelation 1:5b-6

Now to him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father—to him be glory and power for ever and ever! 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**

Come Thou Fount

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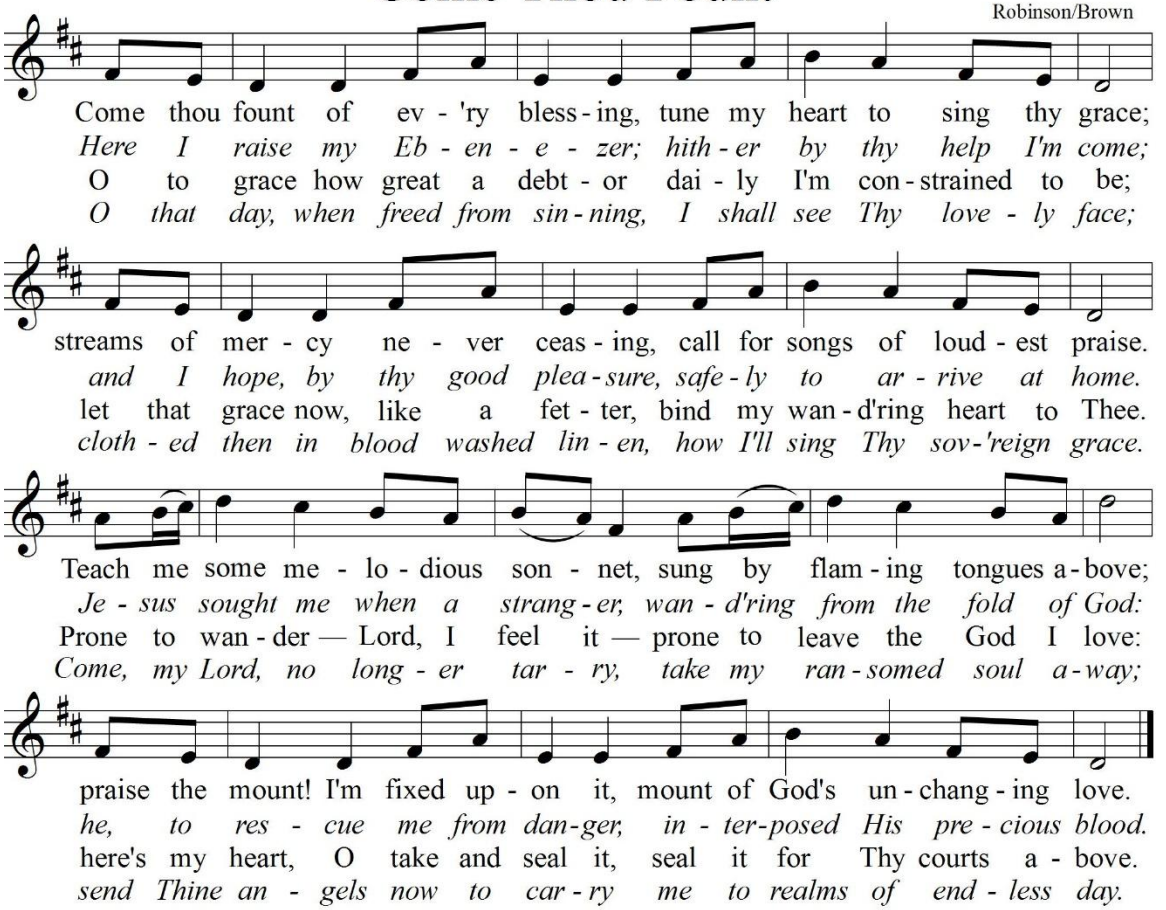

. The Preached Word .

Title: *A Life Pleasing to God* **Text:** Psalm 50

Pastor: Rev. Hunter Stevenson

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.*

Providing a Home

Members: Sandy Manwaring
Sophie, Nate, Bo, Asher, Jeremiah & Isaac Martin
Diane McCallum
Matt, Hannah & Scottie McCommon

Expecting: Izzy Sukhia (4/7) and Hannah Henning (5/26)

Newborns: Ella Burns Leskosky, Archer Andree, Charlotte Garrison, Reed Gossett, Isaac Martin, Tommy Swicegood

Recovering: Bess Baker (stroke); Charlie Parrish (transplant)

Bereaved: Fiona Leggett (mom); Donna Rohn (Terry); Sandy Manwaring (Dick); Reba Hudson (son); Cindy Gibson (Jamie); Rebecca Lober (mom & Bill); Joan Barr (grandson); Jackie Wachob (Chuck); Ron Henning (mom & dad); Lee Mumford (Aun Tyresa); Rick Moran (Julie); Rana Munna (mom); Amy Peed (Dad); Davey Deal (mom)

Caring for Loved Ones: Kathy Pye (mom); Phil Davies (Tina); Skip Yetter (Debbie); Monni Parrish (dad; Charlie); Joseph Egloff (mom); Margaret Rogers (mom); Rod Baker (Bess); Amy Peed (Mom)

Proclaiming the Gospel

Church's Leaders: The Session, Diaconate, and Staff
Ministry of the Week: Missions Committee

Partnering with Ministries

Missionary of the Week: Clay & Hannah Jones (SHELTER): leading a faith-based nonprofit building homes in El Salvador (learn more at www.selterhelps.com.

Sister Church of the Week: Day Springs Presbyterian (Forsyth)

Local Ministry Partner of the Week: Campus Clubs

Discipleship Opportunities

Sunday School Classes
9:30 - 10:30 AM

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

Sunday Adult Communities
9:30 - 10:30 AM

We offer 5 season-of-life based Sunday Communities for adults at NMPC: College & Career (Mark); 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.

Men'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*
Wednesday Night, 6:30pm – *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

Wednesday nights have concluded for 2026.
We will resume on January 13, 2027.

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@nmpc.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.

Lessons and Carols - Please join us for Lessons and Carols on **Wednesday, December 2nd** at 7 pm. This will be a special night of celebrating Christ's first coming. We will sing Christmas carols alongside our children, the Ensemble, and instrumentalists, and be led by the Scriptures to worship Jesus, our Emmanuel. (***Dinner will not be served beforehand.***)

Congregational Meeting – There will be a congregational meeting immediately following the worship service on **Sunday, December 6th** to elect church officers The elder candidates are John Harman, Ron Henning & Matt Shepley; the deacon candidate is Paul Johnson.

Poinsettias for Christmas – Please help us decorate for Christmas by purchasing a poinsettia in honor or in memory of someone special. Please include your name and the honoree's name. The cost per poinsettia is $20.00, which can be paid by cash, check, or by scanning the QR code.

Ladies' Christmas Dinner – Ladies, please plan to join us on **Wednesday, December 9th** @ 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall for dinner, music and a special presentation. It promises to be a sweet night of Christmas fellowship! Register in the narthex or by scanning the QR code.

Security & Ushers (12/06): Team 8: Jack Pyles, John Harman, Jim Gamble, Mark Baxter & Grant Harman

Finances (10/30) -Income:	$ 1,226,586	Faith Promise 2026 Pledged:	$ 107,770
Expenses:	$ 1,198,753	Faith Promise Receipts:	$ 105,246

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 by providing a home, proclaiming the Gospel, and partnering with ministries.

Session

Jim Gamble
Cal Garretson
Ed Grimsley
Charles Hall
Tommy James
Rob Morton
Charlie Parrish
Howard Reed

Diaconate

Joshua Buckner
Matt Cathey
Rick Funk
Hays Fyke
Jack Pyles

Staff

Every Member, *Ministers*
Hunter Stevenson, *Senior Pastor*
Bob Brunson, *Executive Pastor*
David Todd, *Pastor Emeritus*
Jake Adams, *Director of Student Ministries*
Abigail Stevenson, *Girls' Discipleship Coordinator*
Megan Cathey, *Children's Ministry Director*
Melanie Buckner, *Music Director*
Kathy Pye, *Church Secretary*
Monni Parrish, *Admin, Pianist & Financial Director*
Holly Shepley, *North Macon Preschool Director*

North Macon belongs to the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA), a denomination seeking to be Faithful to the Scriptures, True to the Reformed Faith, and Obedient to the Great Commission.