THE MINOR PROPHETS

Nahum:

God's Work For Good vs. Evil

Nahum 1:1-8, 14-15





ORDER OF WORSHIP | March 2, 2025

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SONG OF GATHERING & PREPARATION

The people of God always sang as they ascended the hill in Jerusalem up to the temple to worship (see Psalms 120-134). We, as well, prepare our hearts, minds, and bodies for worship by singing about the God we serve.

Goodness Of God

CALL TO WORSHIP | 2 Peter 3:8-11 (ESV)

We read God's Word, the Bible, together. It reveals to us who God is and what He expects of us.

But do not overlook this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance. But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a roar, and the heavenly bodies will be burned up and dissolved, and the earth and the works that are done on it will be exposed. Since all these things are thus to be dissolved, what sort of people ought you to be in lives of holiness and godliness.

PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION

We pray together praising God for who He really is (Adoration) and admitting our inability to live up to what He expects of us (Confession).

ASSURANCE OF PARDON | Psalm 27:1, 4-5 (ESV)

We read God's Word together and are reminded that mercy and grace are freely given to all who have faith in Jesus Christ.

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? ... One thing have I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to inquire in his temple. For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high upon a rock.

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace for us in Jesus by giving generously to the work of His church and the kingdom of God.

When I Survey The Wondrous Cross

PRAISE & CELEBRATION

Our response to God's free grace is celebratory worship. We express our praise to God for who He is and what He has done for us.

Shelter God Is Love

KIDS' WORSHIP & COMMUNITY KIDS' DISMISSAL (Infants - Kindergarten)

Please see your child's check-in name tag for class assignment.

GREETING

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & INTERCESSION

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PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD | Tim Rice, Founding & Teaching Pastor

A small portion of God's Word is explained to us and applied to our lives and circumstances.

CONFESSION OF FAITH

As an expression of our faith in Jesus Christ in solidarity with his people, we declare the substance of what we believe.

The Apostles' Creed: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

The ritual meal of Communion is a sign and seal of the grace we have in Jesus. That is, it symbolizes the work Christ did for our salvation (sign) and communicates the grace and mercy we have been given (seal) as a result of His death and resurrection.

SONG OF RESPONSE

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace by singing again of His goodness and greatness.

We Will Dwell

BENEDICTION

Because the hand of God's wrath was raised against Jesus, we now receive the hand of God's blessing as we are sent out to live our lives to the glory of God.

May the LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn His face toward you and give you His peace, both now and forevermore. Amen.

SCRIPTURE PASSAGE & SERMON OUTLINE

Proclamation of God's Word

Text: Nahum 1:1-8, 14-15 (ESV)

Title: Nahum: God's Work For Good vs. Evil

Teacher: Tim Rice

1 An oracle concerning Nineveh. The book of the vision of Nahum of Elkosh. 2 The Lord is a jealous and avenging God; the Lord is avenging and wrathful; the Lord takes vengeance on his adversaries and keeps wrath for his enemies. 3 The Lord is slow to anger and great in power, and the Lord will by no means clear the guilty. His way is in whirlwind and storm, and the clouds are the dust of his feet. 4 He rebukes the sea and makes it dry; he dries up all the rivers; Bashan and Carmel wither; the bloom of Lebanon withers. 5 The mountains quake before him; the hills melt; the earth heaves before him, the world and all who dwell in it. 6 Who can stand before his indignation? Who can endure the heat of his anger? His wrath is poured out like fire, and the rocks are broken into pieces by him. 7 The Lord is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble; he knows those who take refuge in him. 8 But with an overflowing flood he will make a complete end of the adversaries, and will pursue his enemies into darkness. ... 14 The Lord has given commandment about you: "No more shall your name be perpetuated; from the house of your gods I will cut off the carved image and the metal image. I will make your grave, for you are vile." 15 Behold, upon the mountains, the feet of him who brings good news, who publishes peace! Keep your feasts, O Judah; fulfill your vows, for never again shall the worthless pass through you; he is utterly cut off.

INTRO: How good is a promise for good if evil is not stopped?

OVERWHELMING POWER

Why does it matter that there is someone that the wicked cannot overcome?

TEARING DOWN EVIL IN HIS TIME What will surely happen to adversaries of the LORD?

SECURING HIS PEOPLE

How is the LORD gracious to save all who turn away from their sin to trust Him?

YOU CAN PRAY WITH US ...

- 1. Worship the LORD, God Almighty, for His greatness! Praise Him, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, that He is holy, incomparable, and that He alone is un-created so no creature can possibly rival Him in power.
- 2. How have you lived as if you are God's adversary by exerting your will against His? Confess your prideful rebellion to Jesus, asking Him to forgive you and reconcile your heart to His rule as your King.
- 3. Give thanks to Jesus that even in the face of the threat of our sin, death and hell that He became our stronghold. Thank Him for satisfying justice (dying in our place) and conquering death (by His resurrection).
- 4. Who do you know that doubts that they are culpable before God? Pray for them, asking the Lord to open their eyes to their spiritual peril and that He would give you openings to talk with them about Jesus.
- 5. Read John 10:1-5, 14-15. Ask the Holy Spirit to help you trust that Jesus really does know those who take refuge in Him. Pray for such security in Christ that, like King David (Psalm 23), you would fear no evil.

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Retirees Prayer Luncheon

March 6, 12p

Contact John Tucker at jtuckerdc@gmail.com for details.



High School Girls Snack Board Night

March 7, 6p

Contact Taylor Hart for details. **Scan the code to register.**





2nd Sunday Women's Prayer Gathering

March 9, 10:15a

Contact Laura McCaulley for details.



High School Guys Golf Tournament Scramble

March 9, 1:30p

Contact Bud Daniel for details.

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Young Adults Trivia Night

March 14, 7p



Scan the code to register.





Churchwide Serve Day

March 29, 8a Contact the Church Office for details.

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Churchwide Easter Picnic

April 6, 12p at Fletcher Park

Don't forget your basket for the Easter egg hunt!

Please bring your own lunch,

chairs, and blankets.



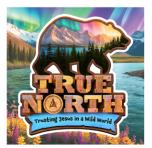
Women's Retreat 2025

April 25-27

Contact Laura McCaulley for details.

Scan the code to register.





VBS - True North

June 16-20

Registration opens on April 6!

Contact Callie Sandman for details.

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Community Bible Reading

communitybiblereading.org March 3-8, 2025

(3-year plan: read blue passages | 1-year plan: read all)

Monday	Acts 20 1 Kings 13	Genesis 44 Isaiah 36
Tuesday	Acts 21 1 Kings 14	Genesis 45 Isaiah 37
Wednesday	Acts 22 1 Kings 15	Genesis 46 Isaiah 38
Thursday	Acts 23 1 Kings 16	Genesis 47 Isaiah 39
Friday	Acts 24 1 Kings 17	Genesis 48 Isaiah 40
Saturday	Psalm 62	Psalm 10 Psalm 114

Scripture Memory for the Week: Nahum 1:15 (ESV)

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Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday | 8:30a - 5:00p & Friday | 8:30a-12:00p

Sunday Worship | 8:45a & 10:30a

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