



HOPE CHAPEL

WORSHIP GUIDE // AUGUST 5, 2018

CALLED BY GOD

⤴ GATHERING SONG

Oh Our Lord *Paul Baloche, Leslie Jordan, David Leonard, 2011*

We behold the breaking dawn,
The light that shines over everyone.
We look to You, we long for You, oh Lord.

We behold the rising sun,
The earth awakes, Your hope has come.
As we look to You, we long for You, oh Lord.

*Oh, oh, oh our Lord, Oh, oh, oh our Lord,
How majestic is Your name in all the earth!*

We behold the falling rain,
Like waters rise, flood this place,
We reach for You, we cling to You oh Lord.

Oh, Your name is a light in the darkness!
Oh, Your name is the word of truth!
Oh, Your name, oh Your name!

⤵ WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP // Psalm 89:52 - 90:2

Leader: Praise be to the LORD forever! Amen and Amen.

**All: Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations.
Before the mountains were born
or you brought forth the earth and the world,
from everlasting to everlasting you are God.**

*Why do we sing?
We sing as a way of
engaging our voices,
imaginings, words,
and desires in the
worship of God.*

*We sing together,
to God and to each other,
because of our calling to
be a people joined
together in Christ.*

*Why a "call to worship"?
Worship is something we
offer to God every day of
our lives in everything that
we do. If we are worship-
ing as we come in the
church doors, why do we
have a Call to Worship?
Implied in the phrase is
the word "corporate."
When we hear the Call to
(corporate) Worship, we
are called by God as one
community to worship
Him together.*

*What is unique about
Sunday is not that we
worship on that day and
not others; it is that we
worship together.*

What's with the arrows?

*Throughout the worship
guide you will notice
arrows pointing up, down,
and side-to-side. These
are a reminder that our
liturgy is a dialogue—it's
relational. God speaks,
we respond. We extend
peace to one another.
God provides sustenance
to us from his Word and
at his Table. This morning,
God invites you into this
holy "dance":*

We do we confess sin?

*Worship both draws us to
God and reveals where
we are distant from him.
Throughout Scripture,
when people see or
experience God they are
faced with the reality of
their own brokenness
and shame. Likewise, we
confess our sin, as a com-
munity and individually.*

**Why is it called "Words of
Forgiveness?"** *There's a
reason we don't call this
element "The Forgiveness
of Sins." As Protestants,
we truly believe that there
is only one mediator
between God and human-
kind—Jesus Christ (1 Tim
2:5). Therefore, no pastor
or priest can offer God's
pardon...this is the work of
Christ alone, given freely
by and directly from Him!
Therefore, we are assured
that as we confess our sins
and put our faith in Jesus
Christ, He indeed does
pardon us. Our pastors
and leaders in worship
merely offer this good
news as it is proclaimed in
Scripture (see 1 John 1:9).*

⤴ **SONG OF PRAISE**

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven *Henry Lyte (1834), Michael Van Patter (2010)*

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, to His feet Thy tribute bring;
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven; who, like me, His praise should sing?
O Praise Him, O praise Him! Praise the Everlasting King!

Praise Him for His grace and favor to our fathers in distress;
Praise Him, still the same for ever, slow to chide, and swift to bless;
O Praise Him, O praise Him! Glorious in His faithfulness.

Father-like, He tends and spares us; well our feeble frame He knows;
In His hands He gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.
O Praise Him, O praise Him! Widely as His mercy goes.

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⤴ **CONFESSION OF SIN**

Father in heaven,
you have brought your kingdom into the world through Jesus.
Your kingdom has begun to spread its healing reign
into our lives and into our world.
We have begun to taste of your goodness.

Yet there is much that remains broken in our lives and in our world.
You have told us to live in the hope
of your kingdom continuing its spread. Yet we have often lost hope.
We have given up the fight in many ways.
We have often settled for the mediocre kingdoms of this world: power,
image, fame, money, pleasure.

Forgive us and renew us.
Teach us to wait in hope.
Teach us to live in hope.
Teach us to work in hope.
Bring your kingdom. We need it. Our world needs it.
In Christ's name...

*** time for silent confession ***



Ⓣ WORDS OF FORGIVENESS // 1 Peter 1:3

If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand?
But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.
I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope;
my soul waits for the Lord
more than watchmen for the morning,
more than watchmen for the morning.

Ⓣ PASSING OF THE PEACE

CELEBRATING GOD

Ⓣ SONGS OF PRAISE & THANKSGIVING

The Lion and the Lamb *Brenton Brown, Brian Johnson, Leeland Mooring (2015)*

He's coming on the clouds, kings and kingdoms will bow down;
And every chain will break, as broken hearts declare His praise.
Who can stop the Lord Almighty?

*Our God is the Lion, the Lion of Judah,
He's roaring with power and fighting our battles,
And every knee will bow before Him.
Our God is the Lamb, the Lamb that was slain
For the sin of the world, His blood breaks the chains,
And every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb.
Oh every knee will bow before Him.*

So open up the gates, make way before the King of kings!
The God who comes to save is here to set the captives free,
Who can stop the Lord Almighty?

*Our God is the Lion, the Lion of Judah,
He's roaring with power and fighting our battles,
And every knee will bow before Him.
Our God is the Lamb, the Lamb that was slain
For the sin of the world, His blood breaks the chains,
And every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb.
Oh every knee will bow before Him.*

The "passing of the peace": As recipients of God's grace, we gladly receive peace from Him. In response to His grace, we also extend that grace to one another with a handshake or a hug. Traditionally, Christians have greeted one another during this time in the service with the phrase, "May the peace of Christ be with you" and receive back the greeting "And also with you."

Responding to grace: After being reminded of God's lavish grace and love toward us, we respond by celebrating with singing.



Ⓢ GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Living Hope Brian Johnson, Phil Wickham (2017)

How great the chasm that lay between us,
How high the mountain I could not climb.
In desperation I turned to Heaven
And spoke Your name into the night.
Then through the darkness, Your loving kindness
Tore through the shadows of my soul.
The work is finished, the end is written; Jesus Christ, my living hope.

Who could imagine so great a mercy?
What heart could fathom such boundless grace?
The God of angels stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame.
The cross has spoken, I am forgiven;
The King of kings calls me His own.
Beautiful Savior, I'm Yours forever, Jesus Christ my living hope.

*Hallelujah, praise the one who set me free!
Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me!
You have broken every chain, there's salvation in Your name,
Jesus Christ, my living hope!*

Then came the morning that sealed the promise,
Your buried body began to breathe.
Out of the silence, the roaring lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me. Jesus, Yours is the victory!

What's the offering all about? The offering is a way for Christians to support the mission and ministry of the church. Christians offer a sacrificial portion of their resources-time, talents, possessions-as an act of faith and gratitude in response to God's grace. While many at Hope Chapel make their regular contributions through online giving and automated bill pay, offerings are a part of our worship service as an opportunity for the regular, proportionate and generous giving of the resources God has given us. If you are a guest, please feel no obligation to give. Giving is for the members and regular attenders who desire to give to God and His church so that we can be a blessing to Him and our community in even greater ways.

Ways to give:

You may drop a check or cash in the offering plate, give online at hopechapelgreensboro.org/give, or give through Venmo to @HopeChapel. (note: contributions made through Venmo are not receipted for tax purposes)



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⤴ PRAYER OF RENEWAL

⤵ SCRIPTURE READING // Psalm 68:1-6

- ¹ God shall arise, his enemies shall be scattered;
and those who hate him shall flee before him!
- ² As smoke is driven away, so you shall drive them away;
as wax melts before fire,
so the wicked shall perish before God!
- ³ But the righteous shall be glad;
they shall exult before God;
they shall be jubilant with joy!
- ⁴ Sing to God, sing praises to his name;
lift up a song to him who rides through the deserts;
his name is the Lord;
exult before him!
- ⁵ Father of the fatherless and protector of widows
is God in his holy habitation.
- ⁶ God settles the solitary in a home;
he leads out the prisoners to prosperity,
but the rebellious dwell in a parched land.

Sermon- Todd Jones
Series: Growing In Hope
Title: Thwarting Evil

What do we do during the Scripture Reading? Because the Word of God is one of the chief means through which God has chosen to speak to us, it is a principle and direct way we "hear from God" in worship. The public reading of Scripture, then, is a sacred act that deserves our full attention and focus. Especially in our age, we must discipline ourselves to listen to readings for longer periods of time, for God's Word is food for our soul.

Todd is Hope Chapel's founding/lead pastor. For past sermons, please visit our website.

This sermon is part of a series based in the Psalms exploring how God speaks words of hope into places of struggle, pain, and brokenness.

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What Is Communion?

What we do during communion isn't merely a symbolic act or a remembrance—it's more than that.

1 Corinthians 10:16-17 teaches us that we are actually communing with Christ Himself as we partake of the elements. We mysteriously "participate in the body and blood" of Jesus. As we take communion, let us remember that Christ is spiritually present in a special way for us in this sacrament. Let's enjoy the feast!

If you are not a follower of Jesus or are not prepared to share in the meal, please feel free to not participate and instead spend this time in prayer ("Prayers for Reflection" are included in this worship guide).

We hope this time is helpful to you as you consider your relationship with Jesus Christ and with his people, the church.

PLEASE NOTE:
Gluten-free bread is available in both serving lines.

⬇️ COMMUNION

**All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth:
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary.
Suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.**

**On 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.**

**He will come again 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**

Minister: The Lord be with you. **All: And also with you.**

Minister: Lift up your hearts! **All: We lift them up to the Lord!**

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right to give him thanks and praise,
joining our voices with your people on earth and all the company
of heaven, who forever sing to the glory of your Name.**

Minister: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of the faith:

All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Minister: Christ, our Passover, is sacrificed for us.

All: Therefore, let us keep the feast.

*** institution of the elements ***

Minister: Brothers and sisters, since the Lord has fed us at his Table,
let us praise God's holy name with heartfelt thanksgiving!

Bless the Lord, O my soul;

All: and all that is within me, bless God's holy name!

Minister: Bless the Lord, O my soul,

All: and forget not all God's benefits,

Minister: who forgives all your iniquity,

All: who heals all your diseases.

Minister: Who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all,
and will also give us all things with him.

**All: Therefore we praise you, God, with our hearts and our voices,
now and forevermore. Amen.**



PRAYERS FOR REFLECTION

Prayer for those searching

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open me to the reality of who you are. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life you promise.

Prayer of belief

Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful I ever before believed, but through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross, and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and my Lord.

Prayer for those struggling with sin

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my need, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and faithfully follow you in life.

Prayer for renewal and commitment

Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism, to love God and neighbor, and to a life of committed discipleship in your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with your people, to pursue forgiveness, reconciliation, and peace, and to live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.

SENT BY GOD

⤴ SENDING SONG

Your Labor Is Not in Vain *Wendell Kimbrough, Paul Zach, Isaac Wardell (2017)*

Your labor is not in vain,
though the ground underneath you is cursed and stained;
Your planting and reaping are never the same,
But your labor is not in vain.

*For I am with you, I am with you.
I am with you, I am with you
For I have called you, called you by name
Your labor is not in vain.*

Guides for prayer:

If you are not a follower of Jesus or are not prepared to share in the meal, please feel free to not participate and instead, to spend this time in prayer. The prayers provided here may serve as a good place to start.



*What is the benediction?
Benediction is a word with Latin origin (bene = "well," and dicere = "to speak"); a benediction is a word which "speaks wellness/goodness" to us, therefore properly understood as a blessing. The benediction in worship has ancient roots, going back to the worship of God's people in the Temple. When we utilize the benediction in our worship, we connect ourselves with an ancient practice of God's people and join with them together in worship of our one great God.*

Your labor is not unknown
though the rocks they cry out and the sea it may groan.
The place of your toil may not seem like a home
but your labor is not unknown.

The vineyards you plant will bear fruit
the fields will sing out and rejoice with the truth,
for all that is old will at last be made new:
the vineyards you plant will bear fruit.

The houses you labored to build
will finally with laughter and joy be filled.
The serpent that hurts and destroys shall be killed
and all that is broken be healed.

⊕ COMMUNITY LIFE

⊕ BLESSING & SENDING

Minister: 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.

All: Amen.

Minister: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Given Last Week:	\$6,227	Gifts can be placed in the offering plate on Sundays or mailed to:
Required to Date (Jan. 1 - July 29)	\$211,920	
Given to Date	\$242,311	Hope Chapel
Over/[Under]	\$30,391	1825 Spring Garden St Greensboro, NC 27403

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We also accept donations via Venmo: @HopeChapel.