



# Hope Chapel

A GOSPEL COMMUNITY FOR THE FLOURISHING OF THE CITY

## WORSHIP GUIDE // MARCH 17, 2019 THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

### Prayer of Preparation

Eternal God, we prayer that You will direct our minds to Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior. Help us to capture His vision of goodness, and truth, and love. Enable us to take that spirit of His into our daily lives. Through Him, may we live life in a new dimension; and though lives transformed by Him, may this broken world find its way to truth and peace; in the Master's name. Amen.

*(Raymond J. Pontier)*

*Many times we arrive to worship with distracted hearts and minds. This prayer is provided as a way to help settle, or focus, your soul as worship begins. Remember that even in our intentionality to prepare and engage, it is the Lord who initiates with us to worship Him this morning. So rest in His loving invitation.*

## CALLED BY GOD

### ⤴ GATHERING SONG

**All Ye Refugees** *Chelsey Scott, Kellie Haddock, and Flo Paris (2014)*

I am the One, the earth is my handmade work,  
The skies I laid them wide, beauty unfurled.  
Horizon to horizon, creation to creation sings you home...

*Welcome home, gather round, all ye refugees, come in.*

Oh refugee, I did not cast you out,  
In death and broken ground, Salvation springs.  
My body and my blood, the healing that you need, come and receive...

Watch and wait and see, what is yet to be,  
Watch and wait and see, for the morning!

Go out in joy and join the great procession,  
The mountains and the heav'ns all will rejoice.  
Horizon to horizon, creation to creation, with one voice...

*Why do we sing?  
We sing as a way of  
engaging our voices,  
imaginations, 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.*

### *An Invitation*

*The Call to Worship is sometimes called the Invitation to Worship. As we shuffle through the doors on Sunday morning, we come to a Gospel-feast, invited by Jesus Christ. But not only does He offer the invitation, He also pays the cost of admission through His life, death and resurrection. And so we are honored guests, welcomed in and responding to this incredible grace.*

*Come, let us worship our Savior, Jesus Christ!*

### *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".*

## Ⓣ WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP // from Psalm 43

Leader: Send out your light and your truth;  
let them lead me;  
let them bring me to your holy hill  
and to your dwelling!

**All: Then I will go to the altar of God,  
to God my exceeding joy...  
Hope in God; for I shall again praise him,  
my salvation and my God.**

## Ⓣ SONG OF PRAISE

**All Hail the Power of Jesus Name** *Edward Perronet (1780), Oliver Holden (1793)*

All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall.  
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all.

O seed of Israel's chosen race now ransomed from the fall,  
hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.

Let every tongue and every tribe responsive to his call,  
to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all.

Oh, that with all the sacred throng we at his feet may fall!  
We'll join the everlasting song and crown him Lord of all.



# CLEANSSED BY GOD

## ⤴ CONFESSION OF SIN

Almighty God,  
you despise nothing you have made,  
and you forgive the sins of all who are repentant.  
Create in us new and contrite hearts,  
that, truly repenting of our sins  
and acknowledging our brokenness,  
we may receive from you, the God of all mercy,  
full pardon and forgiveness,  
through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Redeemer,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever....

*\*\* time for silent confession \*\**

## ⤵ WORDS OF FORGIVENESS // based on Psalm 91:14-15

Those who love me, I will deliver, says the Lord;  
I will protect those who know my name.  
When they call to me, I will answer them;  
I will be with them in trouble,  
I will rescue them and honor them  
and show them My salvation.  
Receive the good news of the gospel:  
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

## ↻ PASSING OF THE PEACE

*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).*

*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."*



# CELEBRATING GOD

## ⤴ SONGS OF PRAISE & THANKSGIVING

**God Delights In You** *George Romanacce, Eric Grover (2009)*

Calling every daughter, calling every son,  
All who've been adopted through a sacrifice of love;  
There's no need for you to fear, your debts have all been cleared.

Calling all the downcast who feel like they're alone,  
Anyone who's longing for a family of their own,  
God's prepared a place for you, He's calling you to...

*Come and sing, come and dance! The Father's singing over you.  
Come rejoice and be glad, for God delights in you, in you.*

Calling all who've wandered, gone off on their own,  
Anyone who wonders if they're welcome back at home.  
The God of grace makes all things new, He's calling you to...

You chose us to be the objects of Your love, in spite of all we have done.  
You gave Your beloved Son to die for us, to make us daughters and sons.

**Continuously** *Sandra McCracken (2016)*

I will hold your right hand, right beside you, my word is true  
I am continuously, continuously with you.  
Though your flesh and heart may fail, I will hold you in veil,  
I am continuously, continuously with you.

*Rest in my love as you sleep tonight, rest in the song that mercy sings,  
Your shield and strength, all through the fight  
I will be your covering.*

I'll be your shelter where e'r you go, when you wonder I'll bring you home.  
I am continuously, continuously with you.

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

**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](http://hopechapelgreensboro.org/give), or give through Venmo to @HopeChapel. (note: contributions made through Venmo are not receipted for tax purposes)*



## ⤴ GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERING

**God with Us** *Jason Ingram, Leslie Jordan (2012)*

You've come to bring peace, to be love, to be nearer to us.  
You've come to breathe life, to be light, to shine brighter in us.  
Oh Emmanuel, God with us.

*Our Deliverer, You are Savior,  
In Your presence we find our strength.  
Over everything, our redemption;  
God with us, You are God with us.*

You've come to be hope to this world, for Your honor and name.  
You've come to take sin, to bear shame and to conquer the grave.  
Oh Emmanuel, God with us.

## CHANGED BY GOD

### ⤴ PRAYER OF RENEWAL

### ⤵ SCRIPTURE READING // Philippians 2:12-18

<sup>12</sup> So then, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your salvation with fear and trembling; <sup>13</sup> for it is God who is at work in you, both to will and to work for His good pleasure.

<sup>14</sup> Do all things without grumbling or disputing; <sup>15</sup> so that you will prove yourselves to be blameless and innocent, children of God above reproach in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you appear as lights in the world, <sup>16</sup> holding fast the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I will have reason to glory because I did not run in vain nor toil in vain. <sup>17</sup> But even if I am being poured out as a drink offering upon the sacrifice and service of your faith, I rejoice and share my joy with you all. <sup>18</sup> You too, I urge you, rejoice in the same way and share your joy with me.

**Sermon-** John Freeman

Series: Vision // The Growth of the Kingdom

Title: Power of Christ as Source of Kingdom Growth

*Church, City, World*  
Corporate prayer is an essential part of the worship and work of God's people. We pray for specific needs- naming and sometimes lamenting the brokenness in the world- mindful to ask a powerful and merciful help for the Church, the city, the world, and for one another.

The leader will end each section of the prayer by saying "Lord, in Your mercy..." and the congregation responds with "...Hear our prayer".

**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.

*John is a member at Hope Chapel and the director of Grace Discipleship ([gracegreensboro.org](http://gracegreensboro.org))*

*This sermon is part of our annual "vision series", when we start the year renewing our focus on the mission of Hope Chapel.*

*For past sermons, please visit our website.*



### **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:**  
*All bread is gluten-free.*

## Ⓣ COMMUNION

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

Minister: As we come to the table,  
let us give thanks to the Lord our God:  
**All: It is right, and a good and joyful thing,  
always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father!  
So we praise You, joining our voices with Your  
people on earth and all the company of heaven,  
who forever sing to the glory of your Name.**

Minister: As our Savior taught us, so we pray,  
**All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.  
Your kingdom come, Your will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.  
For Yours is the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

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 elements \*\**



Minister: These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Minister: Let us give thanks to God.

**All: God of mercy, You are full of tenderness and compassion,  
slow to anger, rich in mercy, and always ready to forgive.**

**Thank You for Your grace, demonstrated to us on the cross.**

**Grant us grace to turn from our sin and to cling to Christ,  
finding all life, worth, and confidence in Him.**

**This we ask through the power of Jesus Christ, our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with You  
and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

**You Are the Living Word** *Fred Hammond, Noel Hall (2000)*

Bread of life sent down from glory,  
Many things you were on earth;  
A Holy King, a carpenter,  
But you are the Living Word.

Awesome ruler, gentle Redeemer,  
God with us, the Living Truth,  
And what a friend we have in you;  
You are the Living Word.

Jesus, Jesus! That's what we call you.  
Manger born, but on a tree  
You died to save humanity,  
You are the Living Word.



# SENT BY GOD

## ⤴ SENDING SONG

**All Must Be Well** *Mary Bowly Peters (1847), Matthew Smith (2007)*

Through the love of God our Savior, all will be well.  
Free and changeless is His favor, all is well.  
Precious is the blood that healed us,  
Perfect is the grace that sealed us,  
Strong the hand stretched forth to shield us, all must be well.

Though we pass through tribulation, all will be well.  
Ours is such a full salvation, all is well.  
Happy still in God confiding,  
Fruitful if in Christ abiding,  
Steadfast through the Spirit's guiding, all must be well.

We expect a bright tomorrow; all will be well.  
Faith can sing through days of sorrow, all is well.  
On our Father's love relying,  
Jesus every need supplying,  
Yes in living or in dying, all must be well.

## ↔ COMMUNITY LIFE

### ⤵ BLESSING & SENDING // Jude 23-24

Minister: Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever.

**All: Amen.**

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

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## FINANCIAL UPDATE

<b>Given Last Week:</b>	\$14,540	Gifts can be placed in the offering
<b>Required to Date</b> (Jan. 1 - March 10)	\$85,090	plate on Sundays or mailed to:
<b>Given to Date</b>	\$91,012	Hope Chapel
<b>Over/[Under]</b>	\$5,922	908 N. Josephine Boyd St Greensboro, NC 27408

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We also accept donations via Venmo: @HopeChapel.

*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.*