



Hope Chapel

A GOSPEL COMMUNITY FOR THE FLOURISHING OF THE CITY

WORSHIP GUIDE // MARCH 3, 2019

Prayer of Preparation

O God, you pour out the spirit of grace and love.
Deliver us from cold hearts and wandering thoughts,
that with steady minds and burning zeal
we may worship you in spirit and truth. Amen.

CALLED BY GOD

⤴ GATHERING SONG

Holy, Holy, Holy *Reginald Heber (1826), John Dykes (1861)*

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,
Who was, and is, and evermore shall be.

Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide Thee,
Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see;
Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee,
Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy Name, in earth, and sky, and sea;
Holy, holy, holy; merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

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.

*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 worshipping 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".*

Ⓣ WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP // Psalm 63:1-5

Leader: You, God, are my God, earnestly I seek you;
I thirst for you, my whole being longs for you,
in a dry and parched land where there is no water.

**All: I have seen you in the sanctuary
and beheld your power and your glory.
Because your love is better than life, my lips will glorify you.**

Leader: I will praise you as long as I live,
and in your name I will lift up my hands.

**All: I will be fully satisfied as with the richest of foods;
with singing lips my mouth will praise you.**

Ⓢ SONG OF PRAISE

Come Ye Sinners Joseph Hart (1759), Matthew Smith (2000)

Come, ye sinners, poor and wretched, weak and wounded, sick and sore;
Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity joined with power.
He is able, He is able, He is willing, doubt no more.

Come ye needy, come and welcome, God's free bounty glorify.
True belief and true repentance, every grace that brings you nigh.
Without money, without money, come to Jesus Christ and buy.

Come ye weary, heavy laden, bruised and broken by the fall.
If you tarry till you're better, You will never come at all.
Not the righteous, not the righteous, sinners Jesus came to call.

Lo The Incarnate God ascended, pleads the merit of His blood.
Venture on Him, venture wholly, let no other trust intrude.
None but Jesus, none but Jesus, can do helpless sinners good.



CLEANSSED BY GOD

⤴ CONFESSON OF SIN

Creator God:

We confess our tendency

To chase after idols.

We may not bow down

Before images of gold, silver, and wood;

Yet our heart's inclination is fundamentally the same.

We replace Creator with creation

And look for life, meaning, and joy In temporary things.

Forgive us, redeem us,

And cause us to worship only You,

Through Jesus Christ our Lord...

** time for silent confession **

⤵ WORDS OF FORGIVENESS // Titus 3:5-7

He saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

↔ PASSING OF THE PEACE

MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT: PRAYER

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 community 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."



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

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?

Who You Say I Am *Ben Fielding, Reuben Morgan (2017)*

Who am I that the highest King would welcome me?
I was lost but He brought me in; oh His love for me! Oh His love for me!

*Who the Son sets free, oh is free indeed;
I'm a child of God, yes I am.
In my Father's house there's a place for me,
I'm a child of God, yes I am.*

Free at last, He has ransomed me; His grace runs deep.
While I was a slave to sin, Jesus died for me. Yes He died for me.

I am chosen, not forsaken, I am who You say I am!
You are for me, not against me,
I am who You say I am! I am who You say I am!



CHANGED BY GOD

Ⓣ SCRIPTURE READING // Philippians 1:27-30

¹Therefore if there is any encouragement in Christ, if there is any consolation of love, if there is any fellowship of the Spirit, if any affection and compassion, ² make my joy complete by being of the same mind, maintaining the same love, united in spirit, intent on one purpose. ³ Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind regard one another as more important than yourselves; ⁴ do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others.

Sermon- Jim Osborne

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Ⓢ GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERING

Behold The Lamb *Keith & Kristyn Getty, Stuart Townend (2007)*

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away, slain for us, and we remember
The promise made that all who come in faith find forgiveness at the cross.
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice,
As a sign of our bonds of peace, around the table of the King.

The body of our Savior, Jesus Christ, torn for you; eat and remember.
His wounds that heal, His death that brings us life,
Cursed of God to make us one.
So we share in this bread of life and we drink of His sacrifice,
As a sign of our bonds of love around the table of the King.

The blood that cleanses ev'ry stain of sin shed for you, drink and remember.
He drained death's cup that all may enter in to receive the life of God.
So we share in this bread of life and we drink of His sacrifice.
As a sign of our bonds of grace, around the table of the King.

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise to respond and to remember
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ, as His body here on earth.
As we share in His suffering, we will proclaim Christ will come again.
And we'll join in the feast of heaven, around the table of the King.

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.

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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'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)

Ⓣ COMMUNION

Minister: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

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

All: God of all Good, we bless You for the means of grace; teach us to see in them Your loving purposes and the joy and strength of our souls. You have prepared for us a feast; and though we are unworthy to sit down as guests, We wholly rest on the merits of Jesus.

Minister: While we gaze upon the emblems of our Savior's death, may we ponder why he died, and hear him say,

All: 'I gave my life to purchase yours, presented myself an offering to pay for your sin, shed my blood to blot out your guilt, opened my side to make you clear, endured your curses to set you free, bore your condemnation to satisfy divine justice.'

Minister: In the supper we remember his eternal love, boundless grace, infinite compassion, agony, cross, redemption, and receive assurance of pardon, adoption, life, glory.

Christ, our Passover, is sacrificed for us.

All: Therefore, let us keep the feast.

**** institution of the 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.**

**As the outward elements nourish our bodies,
so may Your indwelling Spirit invigorate our souls,
until that day when we hunger and thirst no more,
and sit with Jesus at His heavenly feast.**

When I Think About the Lord *James Huey (1998)*

When I think about the Lord,
How He saved me, how He raised me,
How He filled me with the Holy Ghost,
How He healed me to the uttermost.
When I think about the Lord,
How He picked me up, turned me around,
How He set my feet on solid ground...

It makes me wanna shout,
"Hallelujah! Thank you Jesus!
Lord, You are worthy of all the glory,
All the honor, all the praise!"

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.



SENT BY GOD

⤴ SENDING SONG

On Jordan's Stormy Banks *Samuel Stennett (1787), Christopher Miner (1997)*

On Jordan's stormy banks I stand and cast a wishful eye
To Canaan's fair and happy land, where my possessions lie.

All o'er those wide extended plains, shines one eternal day;
There God the Son forever reigns and scatters night away.

*I am bound (I am bound), I am bound (I am bound),
I am bound for promised land.*

No chilling winds nor poisonous breath can reach that healthful shore;
Sickness, sorrow, pain and death, are felt and feared no more.

When shall I reach that happy place and be forever blessed?
When shall I see my Father's face and in His bosom rest?

↻ COMMUNITY LIFE

⤵ BLESSING & SENDING // I Thessalonians 3:11-13

Minister: May the Lord make your love increase and overflow
for each other and for everyone else...
and may he strengthen your hearts
so that you will be blameless and holy
in the presence of our God and Father. **Amen.**

Minister: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

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.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

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