



Hope Chapel

A GOSPEL COMMUNITY FOR THE FLOURISHING OF THE CITY

WORSHIP GUIDE // OCTOBER 6, 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

God of Wonders Marc Byrd, Steve Hindalong (2000)

Lord of all creation, of water earth and sky.
The heavens are your tabernacle.
Glory to the Lord on high.

*God of wonders beyond our galaxy, You are holy, holy.
The universe declares your majesty, You are holy, holy.
Lord of heaven and earth! Lord of heaven and earth!*

Early in the morning, I will celebrate the light.
When I stumble in the darkness,
I will call your name by night.

Hallelujah, to the Lord of heaven and earth! (x3)

⬇️ WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP // Psalm 107:1-3, 8-9

Leader: Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,
for his steadfast love endures forever!
Let the redeemed of the Lord say so,
whom he has redeemed from trouble
and gathered in from the lands,

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.*

The Call to Worship

*and the Benediction are
important traditions in
the history of Christian
worship. As the start and
close of the service, they
make an important point
to us about worship: God
gets the first and last
word.*

*We understand the Call to
Worship as God's call to
us. If we are ever to have
a relationship with God, it
is God who must first initi-
ate to us. God alone can
invite us and draw us in.*

*Likewise, in the Benedic-
tion, it is only by God's
blessing (which is what
a "benediction" is) and
power are we able to
go out into the world, to
surrender our lives in daily
worship, and to live out
God's mission.*

*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".*

from the east and from the west,
from the north and from the south.

**All: Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love,
for his wondrous works to the children of man!
For he satisfies the longing soul,
and the hungry soul he fills with good things.**

⤴ SONG OF PRAISE

All My Ways Are Known to You

Dustin Smith, Jonny Robinson Michael Farren Rich Thompson (2016)

In days of peace and days of rest, in times of loss and loneliness;
Though rich or poor, Your word is true that all my ways are known to You.

No trial has come beyond Your hand, no step I walk beyond Your plan.
The path is dark outside my view, still all my ways are known to You.

*And oh what peace that I have found, wherever I may be!
For all my ways are known to You. Hallelujah, they are known to You!*

I do not fear the final night for death will be the door to life.
You take my hand and lead me through, for all my ways are known to You.

Open up my eyes so I may see that You have made these ways for me.
Open up my eyes so I may see that You, my God, will walk with me.

CLEANSED BY GOD

⤴ CONFESSION OF SIN

Our Father in Heaven:
We confess that we are prodigals.
We have run away from you
In pursuit of pleasures that do not satisfy.

We have spurned your love and wasted your gifts,
Only to find ourselves alone, empty, and unfulfilled.
Please bring us to the end of ourselves,
And help us return to you,
That we might live in joy and freedom
As your beloved sons and daughters, through Jesus our Lord...

*** time for silent confession ***



*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.*

⬇️ WORDS OF FORGIVENESS // Galatians 4:4-7

When the set time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those under the law, that we might receive adoption to sonship. Because you are his sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, "Abba, Father." So you are no longer a slave, but God's child; and since you are his child, God has made you also an heir.

↻ PASSING OF THE PEACE

BAPTISM

Jack Barron Northrup

children of Andraya and Daniel

SONG OF BLESSING

Barocha *Michael Card (1998)*

The Lord bless you and keep you,
the Lord make His face shine upon you
And give you peace, and give you peace,
And give you peace forever.

The Lord be gracious to You.
The Lord turn His face towards you,
And give you peace, and give you peace,
And give you peace forever.

CELEBRATING GOD

⬆️ SONGS OF PRAISE & THANKSGIVING

The Lord Is My Joy *Nathan Partain (2008)*

The Lord is my joy...
When all that I have is lost, the Lord is my joy.
The Lord is my strength...
When I am too weak to go on, the Lord is my strength.

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."

Remember your own baptism. As we participate in today's baptism with our vows and affirmation, allow it to be a time of recommitment to the Lord.

If you were baptized as an infant, think about how your baptism was a picture of your utter helplessness before God—how He found you, loved you, and clothed you with righteousness, even before you were able to choose and respond to Him.

If you were baptized as an older child or adult, think about how your baptism was a conscious public profession before people that you would follow Christ. Allow God's covenant to be renewed in your life today.



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

*My all in all is He, my healing King,
My master tends to me, for Him my soul shall sing.*

The Lord is my rock...
When all I have faith in fails, the Lord is my rock.
The Lord is my delight...
Above all the joys of life, the Lord is my delight.

I wait, and wait upon you, to come to me in rescue;
Give strength, my heart is failing. Yet still, my lips will praise You.

You who gave Your only Son, I dare not doubt Your steadfast love.
Come, I beg you take my life, if I am Yours, then all is right.

Ⓢ GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERING

Fairest Lord Jesus *Anon. German hymn text (1677), Music: Schlesische Volkslieder (1842), Add. lyrics & music: Paul Baloche, Todd Fields (2018)*

Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature;
O thou of God and man the Son.
Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor,
Thou my soul's glory, joy and crown.

Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight
And all the twinkling, starry host.
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer
Than all the angels heaven can boast.

*You're my soul's glory
Oh my soul's glory
You're my soul's glory, joy and crown.*

Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands,
robed in the blooming garb of spring:
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer
who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Beautiful Savior, Lord of all the nations,
Son of God and Son of Man.
Glory and honor, praise, adoration,
Now and forevermore be thine!



CHANGED BY GOD

Ⓣ SCRIPTURE READING // 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

²³ For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, ²⁴ and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." ²⁵ In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." ²⁶ For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Sermon- Daniel Northrup
Series: Practical Transformation
Title: Communion

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.

Daniel is Hope Chapel's associate pastor for youth, outreach, and assimilation.

This sermon is part of a series examining how the elements of our liturgy can shape and transform both our personal lives and life together in community.

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. **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.

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.

Prayer After Communion *Greg LaFollette (2018)*

Our Father we give you thanks and praise
That when we were still far off
You met us in Your Son and brought us home.

Dying and living, declaring Your love
He gave His grace
And opened the gates of glory to us

So may we who share Christ's body
Live His risen life.
We who drink His cup bring life to others
We whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.

Keep us firm in the hope
That You've set before us
So we and all Your children shall be free

And the whole earth live to praise Your name
Through Christ our Lord, Amen.



SENT BY GOD

⤴ SENDING SONG

We Will Feast Sandra McCracken (2014)

*We will feast in the house of Zion,
We will sing with our hearts restored.
"He has done great things", we will sing together.
We will feast and weep no more.*

We will not be burned by the fire, He is the LORD our God.
We are not consumed, by the flood;
Upheld, protected, gathered up.

In the dark of night, before the dawn, my soul, be not afraid.
For the promised morning, oh how long?
Oh God of Jacob, be my strength.

Every vow we've broken and betrayed; You are the Faithful one.
And from the garden to the grave
Bind us together, bring shalom.

↔ COMMUNITY LIFE

⤵ BLESSING & SENDING

Minister: May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: Amen.

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

All: Thanks be to God.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

OPERATING BUDGET

Given Last Week:	\$4,367
Required to Date (Jan. 1 - Sept 29)	\$331,851
Given to Date	\$348,249
Over/[Under]	\$16,398

ROOTED FOR RENEWAL 2021

Goal:	\$900,000
Pledged:	\$459,000
Needed:	\$441,000
Given to date:	\$101,971

Gifts can be placed in the offering
plate on Sundays or mailed to:
Hope Chapel
908 N. Josephine Boyd St
Greensboro, NC 27408

Online giving is available on our website: www.hopechapelgreensboro.org/give
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 bless-
ing. 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 to-
gether in worship of our
one great God.