

WORSHIP GUIDE // JULY 5, 2020

#### 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".

#### 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.

## PREPARATION // based on Philippians 2:6-8

Come church and all creation, let us worship our Savior Jesus Christ. Who though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

# CALLED BY GOD

### **◆ WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP** // Psalm 95:1-3

Leader: Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD;

let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

All: Let us come before him with thanksgiving

and extol him with music and song.

Leader: For the LORD is the great God,

All: the great King above all gods.

## **® SONG OF PRAISE**

#### Glory to God

James Allen (1831), Ryan Bowles, Charlie Swing, Todd Van Patter, Michael Van Patter (2009)

Glory to God on high, Let heav'n and earth reply, "Praise His name!" His love and grace adore, Who all our sorrows bore, praise His name!

Sing aloud evermore: Worthy is the Lamb! Sing aloud evermore: Worthy is the Lamb!

Jesus, our Lord and God, Bore sin's tremendous load, praise His name! Tell what His arm has done, What spoils from death he won, praise His name!

Let all the hosts above Join in one song of love, praise His name! To Him ascribed be Honor and majesty, praise His name!



# **CLEANSED BY GOD**

### **⊕ CONFESSION OF SIN**

Most holy and merciful Father,
we acknowledge and confess before you
our sinful nature, prone to evil and slow in good.
We also confess to you the outworking of this sinful nature
in all our shortcomings and offenses.

You alone know how often we have sinned:

wandering from your ways;

wasting your gifts;

forgetting Your love.

But, O Lord, our sins do not have the last word!

For the sake of your dear Son,

have mercy upon us and forgive us our sins.

Teach us to hate our errors.

Cleanse us from our secret faults.

And grant that we would live in your light and walk in your ways.

We pray this in Christ's name.

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

## WORDS OF FORGIVENESS // based on 1 Cor. 15:54-57

Leader: This is what the Lord says: "Death is swallowed in victory.

O death, where is your victory?

O death, where is your sting?"

For sin is the sting that results in death.

All: But thank God! He has given us victory over sin and death through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Leader: In Christ, your sins are forgiven, death has no grip on you, and you will share in His victory.

All: Thanks be to God!

# ⊕ PASSING OF THE PEACE

Why 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 humankind-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.

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 aiven 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).

# **CELEBRATING GOD**

## **® GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERING**

## **® SONGS OF PRAISE & THANKSGIVING**

Marvelous Grace Julia H. Johnston (1911), D.B. Towner (1910)

Marvelous grace of our loving Lord, Grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt, Yonder on Calvary's mount out-poured, There where the blood of the Lamb was spilt.

> Grace, grace, God's grace, Grace that will pardon and cleanse within; Grace, grace, God's grace, Grace that is greater than all our sin.

Dark is the stain that we cannot hide, What can avail to wash it away! Look! there is flowing a crimson tide; Whiter than snow we may be today.

Marvelous, infinite, matchless grace, Freely bestowed on all who believe; All that are longing to see his face, May at this moment his grace receive.

All Things Rise Sam Yoder (2015)

God, how beautiful Your Holy Word That formed the worlds in such goodness. O, the shame that we would spurn it all, To turn and fall into darkness.

God, we'll sing how through Your Son You turned This loss and hurt into glory. How, when scorned in death You raised Him up, His gain's become the whole world's story.

Let all things rise and bless Your name!
All things made right and new again.
O Lord our God, Your goodness
Is free and boundless, is reaching endless through it all.



And on this road with every step we take, Your faithfulness is our portion. You've prepared a city bright and fair, Whose gates forever stay open.

Son of God, in You we've taken up The way of love's occupation. O, the joy to share in Your reward, The stunning turn of new creation.

# CHANGED BY GOD

## **PRAYER OF RENEWAL**

## **◆ SCRIPTURE READING** // Mark 3:20-35

<sup>20</sup> Then he went home, and the crowd gathered again, so that they could not even eat. <sup>21</sup> And when his family heard it, they went out to seize him, for they were saying, "He is out of his mind."

<sup>22</sup> And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem were saying, "He is possessed by Beelzebul," and "by the prince of demons he casts out the demons." <sup>23</sup> And he called them to him and said to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? <sup>24</sup> If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. <sup>25</sup> And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. <sup>26</sup> And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but is coming to an end. <sup>27</sup> But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man. Then indeed he may plunder his house.

 $^{28}$  "Truly, I say to you, all sins will be forgiven the children of man, and whatever blasphemies they utter,  $^{29}$  but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"— $^{30}$  for they were saying, "He has an unclean spirit."

<sup>31</sup> And his mother and his brothers came, and standing outside they sent to him and called him. <sup>32</sup> And a crowd was sitting around him, and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers are outside, seeking you." <sup>33</sup> And he answered them, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" <sup>34</sup> And looking about at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! <sup>35</sup> For whoever does the will of God, he is my brother and sister and mother."

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 on the New Testament book of Mark.
For past sermons, please visit our website.

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

What Is Communion?

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).

this sacrament. Let's enjoy

the feast!

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. Sermon- Daniel Northrup

Series: The Gospel of Mark

Title: A New Family

## **©** COMMUNION

Up on a Mountain Vito Aiuto (2010)

Up on a mountain our Lord is alone Without a family, friends or a home He cries ooh, ooh, ooh, will you stay with me? He cries oh, oh, oh, will you wait with me?

Up on a mountain our Lord is afraid Carrying all the mistakes we have made And He knew, it's a long way down Do you know, it's a long way down?

Up in the heavens our Lord prays for you He sent his spirit to carry us through So it's true that you're not alone Do you know He came all the way down?



#### 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

Seeds of the Kingdom Wendell Kimbrough (2017)

Jesus scatters the seeds of His Kingdom; Far and wide, He announces new birth: "I, the Lord of Creation, am making new every inch of the groaning earth!"

Like the smallest of seeds in the winter is the Kingdom of God as its sown; But the powers of hell shall against it fail when the Kingdom of God is grown.



Though we wait for the Lord of the harvest, and we long for our King to appear, Even now in our hearts, by the Spirit's pow'r, the Kingdom of God is near!

He has planted the seeds of His Kingdom in the hearts of the poor and the weak. He declares to the captives, "I bring good news: You shall be mighty oaks of strength!"

Through the city of God flows a river: from the throne of the Lamb waters pour.
And behold, on the banks grows the Tree of Life, Where the nations are healed and restored!

# 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.

## **⊕** COMMUNITY LIFE

### BLESSING & SENDING

Minister: Go now, knowing that all our God and Father asks of us,

He provides through the power of His Spirit

and through the work of His Son.

All: Amen.

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

All: Thanks be to God.

# FINANCIAL UPDATE

Given Last Week: \$9,408 Gifts can be placed in the offering Required to Date \$274,144 plate on Sundays or mailed to:

(Jan. 1 - June 28)

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Online giving is available on our website: www.hopechapelgreensboro.org/give We also accept donations via Venmo: @HopeChapel.

# **Elder Candidates**

#### **Brian Riker**

I grew up in Morrow, GA, a small town twenty minutes south of Atlanta. I was led to Christ by my high school baseball coach, Mike Creasman. I attended college at The University of Georgia where I received a degree in Business Administration and majored in Marketing. While attending UGA I was involved in a discipleship ministry group called the Navigators. As part of the ministry team I was discipled and learned how to disciple others.

I moved to Greensboro in 1986 for my first job. I met my wife, Jenny, in 1988 and we were married in 1990. We have two children, our daughter, Leah, 26, and our son, Kyle, 25. I am self employed as a General Contractor and Jenny is a nurse at Cone Health. I enjoy playing corn hole and taking daily walks with Jenny and our little four-year-old dog Sophie.

I look forward to serving alongside fellow Christ followers at Hope Chapel as we seek to grow Gods kingdom in Greensboro and around the world.

### Jon Sink

Jon's story is one that shows God's faithfulness and long-suffering, even to those who have zealously professed the Truth with their mouth without really knowing it in their heart. For as long as Jon can remember, he has been seeking after God. Early on, though, his efforts were misguided. At six years old, he "prayed the prayer" and was baptized. But, for the next fifteen years, Religion was his god. Jon grew in knowledge, wisdom, and external holiness, all while failing to truly encounter and repent of the brokenness in his heart and acknowledge his utter dependence on God's grace. While in college, Jon's pride finally broke against the rock of God's sovereignty. He came face-to-face with his insufficiency and begged for God's mercy.

For the last fifteen years, God has been rooting Jon in the true gospel of Jesus, and teaching him (albeit slowly but surely) to learn to wait rather than assert, to learn to submit rather than control, and to learn to love rather than demand. Jon remains manifestly flawed. No doubt, the process of sanctification will continue on indefinitely.

Jon, his wife, Haven, and their three boys Shepherd (6), Gideon (3), and Chandler (6 mo.), live in northwest Greensboro. For fifteen years, Haven has simultaneously been God's scalpel of love, and His harp of peace in Jon's life. Their lives are interwoven and inseparable. They long to serve the church with their gifts in whatever capacity they are called. Jon, his wife, Haven, and their three boys Shepherd (6), Gideon (3), and Chandler (6 mo.), live in northwest Greensboro. For fifteen years, Haven has simultaneously been God's scalpel of love, and His harp of peace in Jon's life. Their lives are interwoven and inseparable. They long to serve the church with their gifts in whatever capacity they are called.

# **Deacon Candidates**

## **Jeremy Frens**

I was born and raised in the small town of Fremont, MI (baby food capital of the world). I was blessed to have a strong Christian family who taught me much about who Jesus was and our need for Him, and I accepted Christ as a young man. I went to Calvin College in Grand Rapids for a few years before transferring to the University of Michigan to complete my pharmacy degree. After some additional training in Sacramento, CA where I met my wife, Mary Ann, we moved to Greensboro in 1996. We both took pharmacist jobs at Moses Cone Hospital where we continue to work today. We have two sons - Nicolas is a rising senior at NC State, and Ben starts at Carolina in the fall. I also enjoy running, playing games, as well as listening to and playing music.

Soon after moving to Greensboro, we joined Christ Community Church where I was able to strengthen my faith by teaching and attending Sunday School, being in community groups and eventually becoming a community group leader. After about 10 years of church membership, I started serving as a deacon. I enjoyed my time as deacon, especially getting to know the other men and women with whom I had the privilege to serve. I really like the diaconate model at Hope Chapel, where deacons focus on meeting needs of the church body as best we can.

# Marianne Weatherly

I grew up in a small rural community outside of Lexington, NC. My family was very involved in our church, but it wasn't until a camp counselor led me to Christ at age 11 that I began to understand what it meant to have a personal relationship with Jesus. I will be forever grateful to this young woman who radiated JOY and who the Holy Spirit used to draw me to Himself. Unfortunately, I remained mostly a "rule following" Chris-

tian throughout high school, with little understanding of how to grow and mature in my faith.

After graduating, I headed to UNC-Chapel Hill, where I was a cheerleader. Through a friend on the squad, I got involved in Intervarsity, where God showed me the importance of regular Bible study and small group discipleship with fellow believers. During the summer of my sophomore year, I rededicated my life to Christ, with a commitment to serve Him as both Savior and Lord. I met my husband Walker (yes, he is a Duke fan) on a blind date during our Junior year. We married on March 7, 1981 and settled in Greensboro. I pursued a Masters of Education in Counseling from UNC-G and worked as a high school counselor for several years before opting to be a stay-at-home mom to our three children: Chris (Kristina), Laura (Kevin), and Caroline. We have one grandchild and another on the way in late June.

Over the years, I have been honored to serve the church in several capacities-choir member, youth leader, women';s Bible study facilitator, Support Ministry coordinator and a member of the music/worship teams. I am excited to begin this journey as a Deacon at Hope Chapel, and I ask for your prayers that I may serve this amazing body with gratitude, compassion and the heart of Christ.

## Cathy York

My family and I were on the launch team of Hope Chapel in 2008. I never imagined myself being part of a church plant team, yet, when I heard the vision for Hope Chapel from Todd and Michael I knew God was directing my path to join in this effort of renewing our city. I had a similar experience when my husband, Brent, proposed marriage over 27 years ago. I knew to say "yes" and have never looked back.

I originally met Todd and Michael at Christ Community Church where I benefited from the service of church deacons. When our sons, Silas and Calvin had cranial reconstruction surgeries as babies (over 20 years ago), I was blown away by the love of the church and the service of deacons. I benefited from this again at Hope Chapel as I fought breast cancer in 2016 and received the care of my deacon, Alicia Windsor. I love that the role of deacon is created to serve the church congregation.

In the fall of 2019, I was offered an additional job but decided to decline due to the time it would require. It was a catalyst for me to evaluate what I wanted to do with my extra time since Brent and I were empty nesters. I decided that I would love to serve the Lord by leading in some way at church. After participating in the fall Leadership class, I decided I was open to the idea of serving as a Deacon.

I was blessed to be raised in the church. Christ opened my eyes to my sin and the fact I need a Savior when I was 14 years old. He has grown my faith in Him every year. He blessed me in marriage to Brent York and it has been our blessing to serve together in many ways at Hope Chapel. I love the fact that we share a love for The Lord and for His church.