



Hope Chapel

A GOSPEL COMMUNITY FOR THE FLOURISHING OF THE CITY

WORSHIP GUIDE // AUGUST 16, 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 148:1-2, 8

Leader: Praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord from the heavens;
praise Him in the heights!
Praise Him, all His angels;
praise Him, all His hosts!

**All: Let them praise the name of the Lord,
for His name alone is exalted;
His majesty is above earth and heaven.**

⤴ 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!

CLEANSSED BY GOD

⤴ CONFESSION OF SIN

Lord, You command us to follow you,
But we do not obey.
You call us to worship you,
But we do not listen.
You invite us to repent,
But we do not turn to you.

Though you have forgiven us,
We do not forgive our enemies.
Though you have loved us,
We fail to love our neighbors as ourselves.

We acknowledge our sin
And confess our weakness.
Though we are faithless,
You are always faithful!
Please forgive us for Jesus' sake,
And change us by your Holy Spirit.

*** time for silent confession ***

⤵ WORDS OF FORGIVENESS // 1 John 4:9-11

In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

↔ 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 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

*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, offer-
ings 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: con-
tributions made through
Venmo are not receipted
for tax purposes).*

Ⓢ SONGS OF PRAISE & THANKSGIVING

Cannons *Phil Whickem (2008)*

It's falling from the clouds, a strange and lovely sound,
I hear it in the thunder and the rain.
It's ringing in the skies, like cannons in the night,
The music of the universe plays.

*We're singing, You are holy, great and mighty,
The moon and the stars declare who You are!
I'm so unworthy, but still You love me,
Forever my heart will sing of how great You are!*

Beautiful and free, the song of galaxies,
Reaching far beyond the Milky Way.
Let's join in with the sound, come on let's sing it out,
As the music of the universe plays.

All glory, honor, power is Yours, amen...

Christ Our Hope In Life and Death

Keith Getty, Matt Boswell, Jordan Kauflin, Matt Merker, Matt Papa (2020)

What is our hope in life and death?
Christ alone, Christ alone.
What is our only confidence?
That our souls to Him belong.
Who holds our days within His hand?
What comes, apart from His command?
And what will keep us to the end?
The love of Christ, in which we stand.

*O sing hallelujah!
Our hope springs eternal;
O sing hallelujah!
Now and ever we confess
Christ our hope in life and death.*



What truth can calm the troubled soul?
God is good, God is good.
Where is His grace and goodness known?
In our great Redeemer's blood.
Who holds our faith when fears arise?
Who stands above the stormy trial?
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh
Unto the shore, the rock of Christ?

Unto the grave, what shall we sing?
"Christ, He lives; Christ, He lives!"
And what reward will heaven bring?
Everlasting life with Him.
There we will rise to meet the Lord,
Then sin and death will be destroyed,
And we will feast in endless joy,
When Christ is ours forevermore.

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.

CHANGED BY GOD

⤴ PRAYER OF RENEWAL

⤵ SCRIPTURE READING // Mark 6:1-6

¹ He went away from there and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. ² And on the Sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished, saying, "Where did this man get these things? What is the wisdom given to him? How are such mighty works done by his hands?" ³ Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon? And are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. ⁴ And Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor, except in his hometown and among his relatives and in his own household." ⁵ And he could do no mighty work there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and healed them. ⁶ And he marveled because of their unbelief.

And he went about among the villages teaching.



*Daniel is Hope Chapel's
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and assimilation.*

*This sermon is part of a se-
ries on the New Testament
book of Mark.*

*For past sermons, please
visit our website.*

Sermon- Daniel Northrup
Series: The Gospel of Mark
Title: Rejected In Nazareth

SERMON NOTES:



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.

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.*



SENT BY GOD

⬆️ GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERING

⬆️ SENDING SONG

Let Your Kingdom Come *Bob Kauflin (2006)*

Your glorious cause, O God, engages our hearts.
May Jesus Christ be known wherever we are.
We ask not for ourselves, but for Your renown.
The cross has saved us so we pray Your kingdom come...

*Let Your kingdom come, let Your will be done,
So that everyone might know Your name.
Let Your song be heard everywhere on earth,
Till Your sovereign work on earth is done; let Your kingdom come!*

Give us Your strength, O God, and courage to speak.
Perform Your wondrous deeds through those who are weak.
Lord, use us as You want, whatever the test.
By grace we'll preach Your gospel till our dying breath.

↻ COMMUNITY LIFE

⬇️ BLESSING & SENDING

Minister: May the peace of God,
which transcends all understanding,
guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

All: Amen.

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

All: Thanks be to God.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

OPERATING BUDGET

Given Last Week: \$6,370
Required to Date \$337,408
(Jan. 1 - Aug 9)
Given to Date \$296,886
Over/[Under] [\$40,522]

ROOTED FOR RENEWAL 2021

Goal: \$900,000
Pledged: \$461,611
Needed: \$438,389
Given to date: \$209,862

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 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.