



# Hope Chapel

A GOSPEL COMMUNITY FOR THE FLOURISHING OF THE CITY

WORSHIP GUIDE // FEBRUARY 14, 2021

## CALLED BY GOD

### ① GATHERING SONG

**I Will Sing** *Leslie Jordan and Sandra McCracken (2019)*

With my mouth, I will tell of Your faithfulness,  
I'll declare, Lord, Your covenant with my life.

*I will sing of the Lord's great love forever,  
I will sing of the Lord's great love.  
I will sing of the Lord's great love forever,  
I will sing, oh I will sing.*

Lord You are the glory of all our strength,  
Your presence along the way for all our days.

Oh Lord, God Almighty, who is like You?  
Oh Lord, God Almighty, none beside You.  
Oh Lord, God Almighty, all the earth and sky belong to You.

*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 34:1-3

Leader: I will extol the LORD at all times;  
his praise will always be on my lips.  
I will glory in the LORD;  
let the afflicted hear and rejoice.

**All: Glorify the LORD with me; let us exalt his name together.**

## Ⓢ SONG OF PRAISE

### O Worship the King!

*R. Grant (1833), J.M. Kraus (1756), 4th Verse: David Guthrie (1991)*

O worship the King, all glorious above,  
O gratefully sing His wonderful love.  
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,  
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

O tell of His might, O sing of His grace,  
Whose robe is the light and canopy space.  
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form  
And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.

O measureless might, ineffable love,  
While angels delight to worship above.  
Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end;  
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend.

All hail to the King! In splendor enthroned,  
Glad praises we bring, Thy wonders make known;  
Returning victorious, great conqueror of sin,  
King Jesus, all glorious, our vict'ry will win!



# CLEANSSED BY GOD

## ⤴ CONFESSION OF SIN

Oh Great God:  
In Jesus Christ you did not disdain the company of sinners  
But welcomed them with love.

Look upon us in mercy, we pray.  
Our sins are more than we can bear;  
Our pasts enslave us;  
Our misdeeds are beyond correcting.

Forgive the wrongs we cannot undo;  
Free us from a past we cannot change; Heal what we can no longer fix.  
By your grace, turn the tears of our past  
Into the joys of new life with you...

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

## ⤵ WORDS OF FORGIVENESS // Psalm 66:16-20

Come and hear, all you who fear God,  
and I will tell what he has done for my soul.  
I cried to him with my mouth, and high praise was on my tongue.  
If I had cherished iniquity in my heart, the Lord would not have listened.  
But truly God has listened;  
he has attended to the voice of my prayer.  
Blessed be God, because he has not rejected my prayer  
or removed his steadfast love from me!

## ⤴ GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERING

## ↻ 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 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."*



*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).*

**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

### **Awake My Soul** Sandra McCracken (2002)

The image of God invisible, the firstborn of all life.  
Before and within, He holds it all in;  
One name, one faith, one Christ.

*No one is good enough to save himself;  
Awake my soul tonight to boast nothing else!*

I trust no other source or name, nowhere else can I hide  
This grace gives me fear, and this grace draws me near;  
And all that it asks it provides.

No seam in this garment, all my rags to hide,  
No less than your love for Jesus is mine.

When I stand on the edges of Jordan  
With the saints and the angels beside;  
When my body is healed and the glory revealed,  
Then still I can boast only Christ!

### **Come and Tear Down the Walls** Jenny Wahlström, Mark Alan Schoolmeesters (2016)

Come and tear down the walls I've built up,  
Every wall I've built up, every wall I've built up.  
Cause You deserve every piece of my heart,  
Every piece of my heart, every piece of my heart.

Lord, I am trusting that You are a faithful Father  
And all that you have, it is good.  
You're a generous giver,  
Your love's like no other,  
Won't you come and break through to me ...

Over and over and over again,  
I am bringing my heart to You with open hands.  
Closer and closer, You're drawing me in,  
As the depths of my heart lay before You again.



# CHANGED BY GOD

## ⤴ PRAYER OF RENEWAL

## ⤵ SCRIPTURE READING // Ephesians 2:1-7

<sup>1</sup> And you were dead in the trespasses and sins <sup>2</sup> in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— <sup>3</sup> among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. <sup>4</sup> But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, <sup>5</sup> even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— <sup>6</sup> and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, <sup>7</sup> so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

**Sermon-** Todd Jones

Series: Flourishing Together

Title: Acknowledging a Common Problem

*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.*



Todd is Hope Chapel's  
founding/lead pastor.

This sermon is part of our  
annual vision series. For  
past sermons, please visit  
our website.

#### What Is Communion?

What we do during  
communion isn't merely a  
symbolic act or a remem-  
brance—it's more than that.

1 Corinthians 10:16-17  
teaches us that we are  
actually communing with  
Christ Himself as we par-  
take of the elements. We  
mysteriously "participate  
in the body and blood" of  
Jesus. As we take commu-  
nion, 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 wor-  
ship guide).

We hope this time is help-  
ful to you as you consider  
your relationship with  
Jesus Christ and with his  
people, the church.

PLEASE NOTE:  
All bread is gluten-free.

## Ⓣ COMMUNION

**All:** I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth:  
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary.  
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
On the third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated  
at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Minister: The Lord be with you.

**All:** And also with you.

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

**All:** We lift them up to the Lord!

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

**All:** It is right to give Him thanks and praise,  
joining our voices with Your people  
on earth and all the company of heaven,  
who forever sing to the glory of Your Name.

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 the elements \*\***



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

All: **Thanks be to God!**

Minister: Let us pray together:

All: **Holy God, we see Your glory in the face of Jesus Christ:  
may we who are partakers at His table  
reflect His life in word and deed,  
that all the world may know His power to change and save.  
This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## 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

### Christ Be All Around Me

*David Leonard, Jack Mooring, Leeland Mooring, Leslie Jordan (2015)*

As I rise, strength of God go before, lift me up.

As I wake, eyes of God look upon, be my sight.

As I wait, heart of God satisfy and sustain.

As I hear, voice of God lead me on, be my guide.

*Above and below me, before and behind me,  
In every eye that sees me, Christ be all around me.*

As I go, Hand of God, my defense, by my side.

And as I rest, breath of God fall upon, bring me peace.

Your life, Your death, Your blood was shed

For every moment, every moment.

## ↔ COMMUNITY LIFE

### ⤵ BLESSING & SENDING // 2 Corinthians 13:14

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.**

**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

## OPERATING BUDGET

Given Last Week:	\$8,919	Gifts can be placed in the offering
Required to Date	\$63,816	plate on Sundays or mailed to:
(Jan. 1 - Feb. 7)		
Given to Date	\$47,818	Hope Chapel
Over/[Under]	[\$15,998]	908 N. Josephine Boyd St
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