

# WORSHIP GUIDE

Hope Chapel Greensboro

April 10, 2022



PALM SUNDAY

## PREPARATION

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;  
to all who mourn and long for comfort;  
to all who struggle and desire victory;  
to all who sin and need forgiveness;  
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;  
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;  
to whoever will come – this church opens wide her doors  
and welcomes you in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

### **Palm Sunday**

Now to the gate of my Jerusalem,  
The seething holy city of my heart,  
The saviour comes. But will I welcome him?  
Oh crowds of easy feelings make a start;  
They raise their hands, get caught up in the singing,  
And think the battle won. Too soon they'll find  
The challenge, the reversal he is bringing  
Changes their tune. I know what lies behind  
The surface flourish that so quickly fades;  
Self-interest, and fearful guardedness,  
The hardness of the heart, its barricades,  
And at the core, the dreadful emptiness  
Of a perverted temple. Jesus come  
Break my resistance and make me your home.

Malcom Guite  
from *Word in the Wilderness*, 2014

## GATHERING SONG

*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.*

### All Glory, Laud and Honor

All glory, laud and honor, to thee, Redeemer King,  
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.  
Thou art the King of Israel, Thou David's royal Son,  
Who in the Lord's name comest, the King and blessed one.

The company of angels are praising Thee on high,  
And mortal men and all things created make reply.  
The people of the Hebrews with palms before Thee went;  
Our prayer and praise and anthems before Thee we present.

To Thee, before Thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise;  
To Thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise.  
Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring,  
Who in all good delightest, thou good and gracious King.

*Theodulf, Bishop of Orleans (820), trans. J.M. Neale (c. 1850)*

## WELCOME

*We're glad you are here. If you are visiting with us, please take a moment to fill out a "Connect Card", available in a seat-back near you or online using this QR code. We would love the chance to connect with you and help you know more about our community.*



## CALL TO WORSHIP

*Created and Called. We believe that God created humans to be in relationship with Him, and to worship Him as their Creator. But it's more than that. He is also a loving Father who is calling, or inviting His children to come near. God's is both the Creator and the Invitor, and we respond to His grace!*

Leader: Open to me the gates of righteousness,  
that I may enter, and give thanks to the Lord.

All: **We will give You thanks, for You have answered us;  
You have become our salvation.**

Leader: The stone that the builders rejected has become  
the chief cornerstone.

All: **This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes.**

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made;

All: **We will rejoice and be glad in it.**

Psalm 118:19-24

### O Worship the King!

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!

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

## CONFESSION OF SIN

*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.*

King of Glory and Sustainer of the weary,  
 we know how we sang for joy when Christ came into our lives,  
 and how we have not followed him when he leads us on this journey.  
 We have hidden our faces from the pain and suffering of our world.  
 We have turned a deaf ear to the cries of the poor,  
 the hungry, the oppressed.  
 We trust in the promises of this world,  
 and not in your words that can transform our lives.

Forgive us, Steadfast God, and shine your face upon us.  
 Help us to have the same mind as Christ,  
 so we would know your promises;  
 help us to have the same heart as Christ,  
 so we might serve your children;  
 help us to have the same Spirit as Christ,  
 so we might go wherever you lead us.

*\*\* time for silent confession of sin \*\**

## WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

*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).*

<sup>4</sup> In him was life, and the life was the light of men. <sup>5</sup> The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it... <sup>12</sup> to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God.

John 1:4-5, 12

## PASSING OF THE PEACE

*Why is the Greeting put after our Words of Forgiveness? The book of 2 Corinthians reminds us that part of God's goal in reconciling Himself to us was that we might likewise be reconciled with one another. But for healing and wholeness to take place in our relationships (which is what the Greeting enacts as we acknowledge one another in the peace of our Lord), we must first know the healing of our relationship with God through Christ. God's pardon of us sets us free to love and forgive one another without reservation or qualification!*

## SONGS OF PRAISE & THANKSGIVING

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

### All Glory

We enter Your gates with thanksgiving  
 And with thanksgiving, we enter Your gates.  
 We pour out Your praise in Your presence  
 And in Your presence, we pour out Your praise.  
 And the song we sing, we sing forevermore...

*All glory to the Father, all glory to the Son,  
 All glory to the Spirit, the Spirit of our God!  
 As it was in the beginning and will be in the end;  
 All glory to Your everlasting name!*

This is the sound of the forgiven  
 A song of freedom, O Jesus, on and on Your name resounds.  
 We lift up a shout for You are risen,  
 And now we are risen, come on and pour His praises out...

And the song we sing, we sing forevermore!  
 And the song we sing, we sing for You alone!  
 Come on and pour His praises out,  
 Come on and sing His praises now!

*Jonas Myrin, Matt Redman (2017)*

## GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERING

*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).*



### Goodness of God

I love You Lord, oh Your mercy never fails me;  
 All my days I've been held in Your hands.  
 From the moment that I wake up until I lay my head  
 I will sing of the goodness of God.

*All my life You have been faithful,  
 All my life You have been so, so good!  
 With every breath that I am able  
 I will sing of the goodness of God.*

I love Your voice, You have led me through the fire.  
 In darkest nights, You are close like no other.  
 I've known You as a father, I've known You as a friend;  
 I have lived in the goodness of God.

Your goodness is running after, it's running after me  
 Your goodness is running after, it's running after me  
 With my life laid down, I'm surrendered now, I give You everything  
 Your goodness is running after, it's running after me

*Jenn Johnson, Jason Ingram, Ben Fielding, Ed Cash, Brian Johnson (2018)*

## PRAYER OF RENEWAL

*Church, City, World. Corporate prayer is an essential part of the worship and work of God's people. We pray for specific needs— naming and sometimes lamenting the brokenness in the world— mindful to ask a powerful and merciful help for the Church, the city, the world, and for one another.*

*The leader will end each section of the prayer by saying "Lord, in Your mercy..." and the congregation responds with "...Hear our prayer".*

## SCRIPTURE READING

*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.*

### MARK 1:9-15

<sup>9</sup> In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. <sup>10</sup> And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. <sup>11</sup> And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

<sup>12</sup> The Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. <sup>13</sup> And he was in the wilderness forty days, being tempted by Satan. And he was with the wild animals, and the angels were ministering to him.

<sup>14</sup> Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, <sup>15</sup> and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel."

## SERMON

### “BAPTISM & TEMPTATION OF JESUS”

*Harrison Holbrook is Hope Chapel’s associate pastor of assimilation & discipleship.*

*This sermon is part of a series called “Mark in Reverse”, where we are studying the Gospel of Mark beginning at the resurrection and moving backward. For past sermons, please visit our website. For past sermons, please visit our website.*

## COMMUNION

***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 LITANY

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: Together we proclaim the mystery of the faith:

All: Dying, You destroyed our death;  
rising, You restored our life.  
Lord Jesus, come in glory.

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: Merciful God, pour out Your Holy Spirit  
on these gifts of bread and wine, that in eating and drinking  
we may be made one with Christ and one another.

All: Amen.

Minister: Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, now and forever.

As our Savior taught us, so we pray,

All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name.

Your kingdom come, Your will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For Yours is the kingdom, the power,

and the glory, forever and ever. 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. Amen.

### 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. Amen.

### 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. Amen.

### 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.

### Thy Boundless Grace

Lord, we adore thy boundless grace,  
 The heights and depths unknown,  
 Of pardon, life, and joy, and peace, in thy beloved Son.

*Come, all ye pining, hungry poor, the Saviour's bounty taste;  
 Behold a never-failing store for every willing guest.*

O wondrous gifts of love divine,  
 Dear Source of every good;  
 Jesus, in thee what glories shine!  
 How rich thy flowing blood!

Here shall your numerous wants receive  
 A free, a full supply;  
 He has unmeasured bliss to give, and joys that never die.

*Anne Steele (1760), Brian T. Murphy (2010)*

## SENDING SONG

### Give Reviving

Father, for Thy promised blessing, still we plead before Thy throne.  
 For the times of sweet refreshing, which can come from Thee alone.  
 Blessed earnest, Thou hast given, but in these we would not rest;  
 Blessings still with Thee are hidden, pour them forth and make us blessed!

Prayer ascendeth to Thee ever; answer, Father! Answer prayer!  
 Bless, oh bless, each weak endeavor, blood-bought pardon to declare  
 Wake Thy slumbering children, wake them, bid them to Thy harvest go  
 Blessings, oh our Father, make, round their steps let blessings flow!

Let no people be forgotten, let Thy showers on all descend,  
 That in one loud blessed anthem, millions may in triumph blend!  
 Give reviving, give refreshing, give the looked-for Jubilee.  
 To Thyself may crowds be pressing, bringing glory unto Thee!

*Albert Midlane (b. 1825), Chelsey Scott and Aaron Sands (2007)*

## COMMUNITY LIFE

### BLESSING & SENDING

*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.*

**Minister:** Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace  
at all times in every way. The Lord be with you all.

**All:** And also with you.

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

**All:** Thanks be to God.

2 Thessalonians 3:16

### FINANCIAL UPDATE

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| Given Last Week:   | \$14,146   | Gifts can be placed in the offering |
| Required to Date   | \$163,800  | plate on Sundays or mailed to:      |
| (Jan. 1 - April 3) |            | Hope Chapel                         |
| Given to Date      | \$148,798  | 908 N. Josephine Boyd St            |
| Over/[Under]       | [\$15,002] | Greensboro, NC 27408                |

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