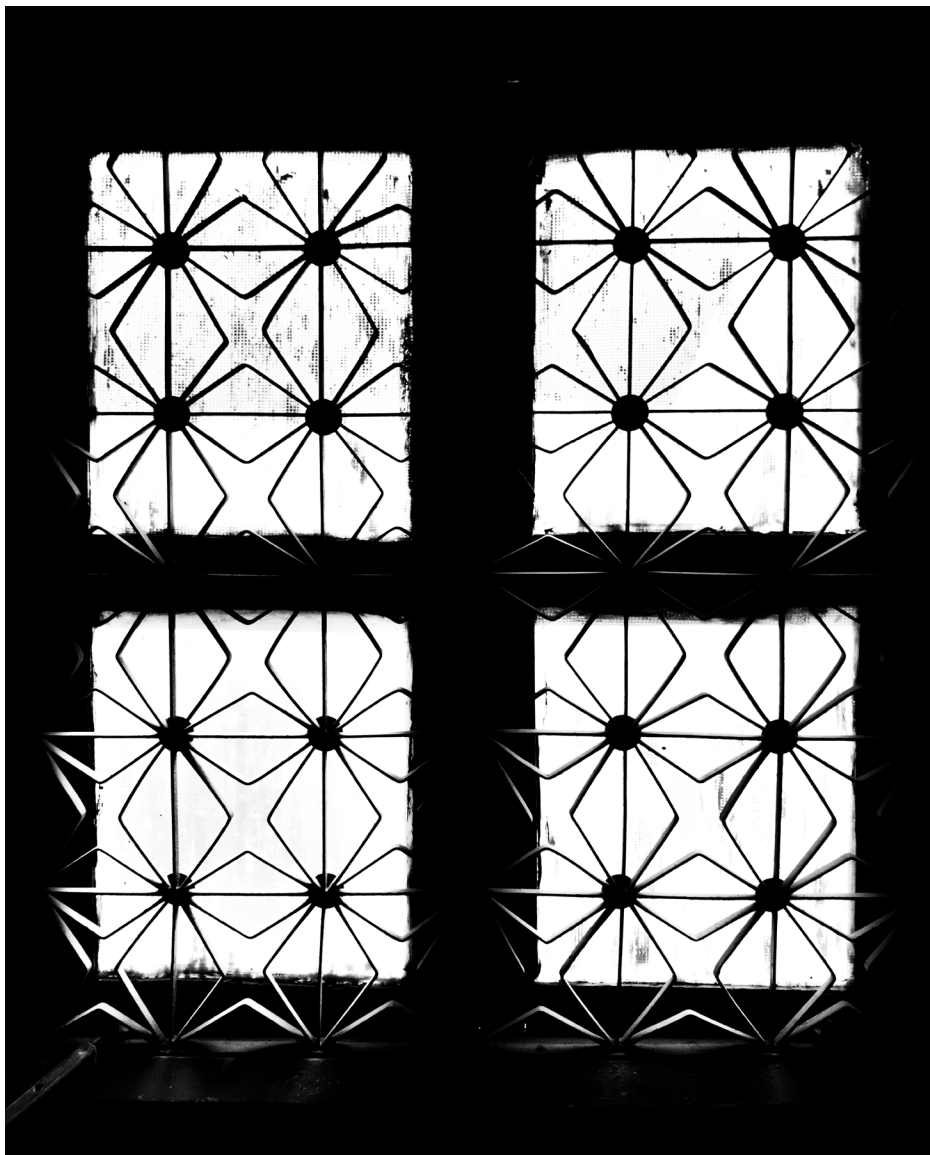


WORSHIP GUIDE

Hope Chapel Greensboro

October 9, 2022



Preparation

*To all who are weary and need rest;
To all who mourn and long for comfort;
To all who feel worthless and wonder if God cares;
To all who fail and desire strength;
To all who sin and need a Savior —
This church opens wide her doors with a welcome from Jesus Christ,
the ally of his enemies, the defender of the guilty,
the justifier of the inexcusable, the friend of sinners.
Welcome!*

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 Hail the Power of Jesus Name

All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall.
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all.

O seed of Israel's chosen race, now ransomed from the fall,
hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.

Let every tribe and every tongue on this terrestrial ball
to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all.

Oh, that with all the sacred throng we at his feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song and crown him Lord of all.

Edward Perronet (1780), Oliver Holden (1793)

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: I will extol you, my God and King,
and bless your name forever and ever.

**All: Every day I will bless you
and praise your name forever and ever.
Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised,
and his greatness is unsearchable.**

Leader: One generation shall commend your works to another,
and shall declare your mighty acts.
On the glorious splendor of your majesty,
and on your wondrous works, I will meditate.

**All: They shall speak of the might of your awesome deeds,
and I will declare your greatness.
They shall pour forth the fame of your abundant goodness
and shall sing aloud of your righteousness.**

Psalm 145:1-7

Greater Than We Can Imagine

Every day we'll bless You and praise Your name
And on Your glorious splendor we will dwell.
On Your wondrous works, Lord, we'll meditate
And of Your awesome power we will tell.
We'll speak of Your salvation and Your abundant goodness...

*Because You are greater than we can imagine!
You are too beautiful for us to fathom!
Oh, You are great, and greatly to be praised!*

Every generation shall sing Your worth
And magnify Your mercy and Your grace.
We'll sing about the Savior who came to earth
To bear the sins of those He came to save.
You fill our hearts with wonder, we'll worship You forever...

George Romanacce, Eric Grover (2009)

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.

Heavenly Father, we confess
we dishonor you by our words, thoughts and deeds.

Depending on our own strength we stumble;
proclaiming our own goodness we sin;
glorying in our own righteousness we corrupt everything we touch.
We turn from you, and desire lasting satisfaction
from the things of this world.

We pray now, forgive us our many sins,
cleanse the darkness from our lives, turn our faces toward you.
In the name of your most precious son, Jesus Christ, we pray.

*** time for silent confession ***

Words of Forgiveness

We are not alone. The Bible teaches that Jesus understands what it is to be human. Because He was fully man, He is compassionate and merciful toward us in our sin and failures. But not only can He sympathize with us, Jesus also has set us free from the power of sin by his death and resurrection.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

1 Peter 1:3

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.

His Mercy Is More

What love could remember no wrongs we have done?
Omniscient, all-knowing, He counts not their sum;
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore,
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more.

What patience would wait as we constantly roam?
What Father so tender is calling us home?
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor;
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more.

*Praise the Lord, His mercy is more!
Stronger than darkness, new every morn';
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more!*

What riches of kindness He lavished on us!
His blood was the payment His life was the cost.
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford;
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more.

Matt Papa, Matt Boswell (2016)

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



Come and Tear Down the Walls

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.

Jenny Wahlström, Mark Alan Schoolmeesters (2016)

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.

Luke 9:10-17

¹⁰ On their return the apostles told him all that they had done. And he took them and withdrew apart to a town called Bethsaida. ¹¹ When the crowds learned it, they followed him, and he welcomed them and spoke to them of the kingdom of God and cured those who had need of healing. ¹² Now the day began to wear away, and the twelve came and said to him, “Send the crowd away to go into the surrounding villages and countryside to find lodging and get provisions, for we are here in a desolate place.” ¹³ But he said to them, “You give them something to eat.” They said, “We have no more than five loaves and two fish—unless we are to go and buy food for all these people.” ¹⁴ For there were about five thousand men. And he said to his disciples, “Have them sit down in groups of about fifty each.” ¹⁵ And they did so, and had them all sit down. ¹⁶ And taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing over them. Then he broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd. ¹⁷ And they all ate and were satisfied. And what was left over was picked up, twelve baskets of broken pieces.

Sermon

“Filled Full”

Todd Jones is Hope Chapel’s founding/lead pastor. This sermon is part of a series called “The Greatest Story”, where we are surveying the entire Bible using The Jesus Storybook Bible as a framework. 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.

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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.

The Feast

With wondering eyes, Lord we admire the feast prepared by grace;
 Come, Lord, and set our souls on fire, and fill each heart with peace.
 These emblems of thy precious love, by faith may we receive!
 And with a solemn pleasure prove, we in thy name believe.

*We eat this bread, we drink this wine,
 come give yourself to us.
 We know you're here, that's why we've come,
 to feast on thee with love.*

No goodness of our own we bring; we're sinners vile and base;
 Christ is our all; of Christ we sing, and long to see his face.
 O may we each, with heart and tongue sing, "Worthy is the Lamb";
 To him alone the praise belongs, and we'll adore his name.

William Gadsby (verses), 1838, Karl Digerness (2004)

Sending Song

Come to the Feast

Go to the highways and hedges, go to the farthest of fields.
 Go and compel the sick and the well,
 For our Father's hosue will be filled.

Go to the streets of the city, bring in the crippled and blind,
 All who would taste this banquet of grace
 Must come and waste no more time.

*Come to the feast, come to the table,
The great and the least, the rich and the poor!
Come to the feast, come to the table,
Come and hunger no more.*

In the robe of the lamb you'll be covered,
Dressed in his pure righteousness.
For all of your guilt, his blood it was spilt,
So come by your Father be blessed.

Jeff Lawson (2012)

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: May our Faithful God, who has promised
never to leave or forsake you,
fill you with all joy and peace in Christ,
so that you may overflow with hope
by the power of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

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

All: Thanks be to God!

Financial Update

Given Last Week:	\$13,484	Gifts can be placed in the offering
Required to Date	\$468,000	plate on Sundays or mailed to:
(Jan. 1 - Oct 2)		Hope Chapel
Given to Date	\$459,645	908 N. Josephine Boyd St
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