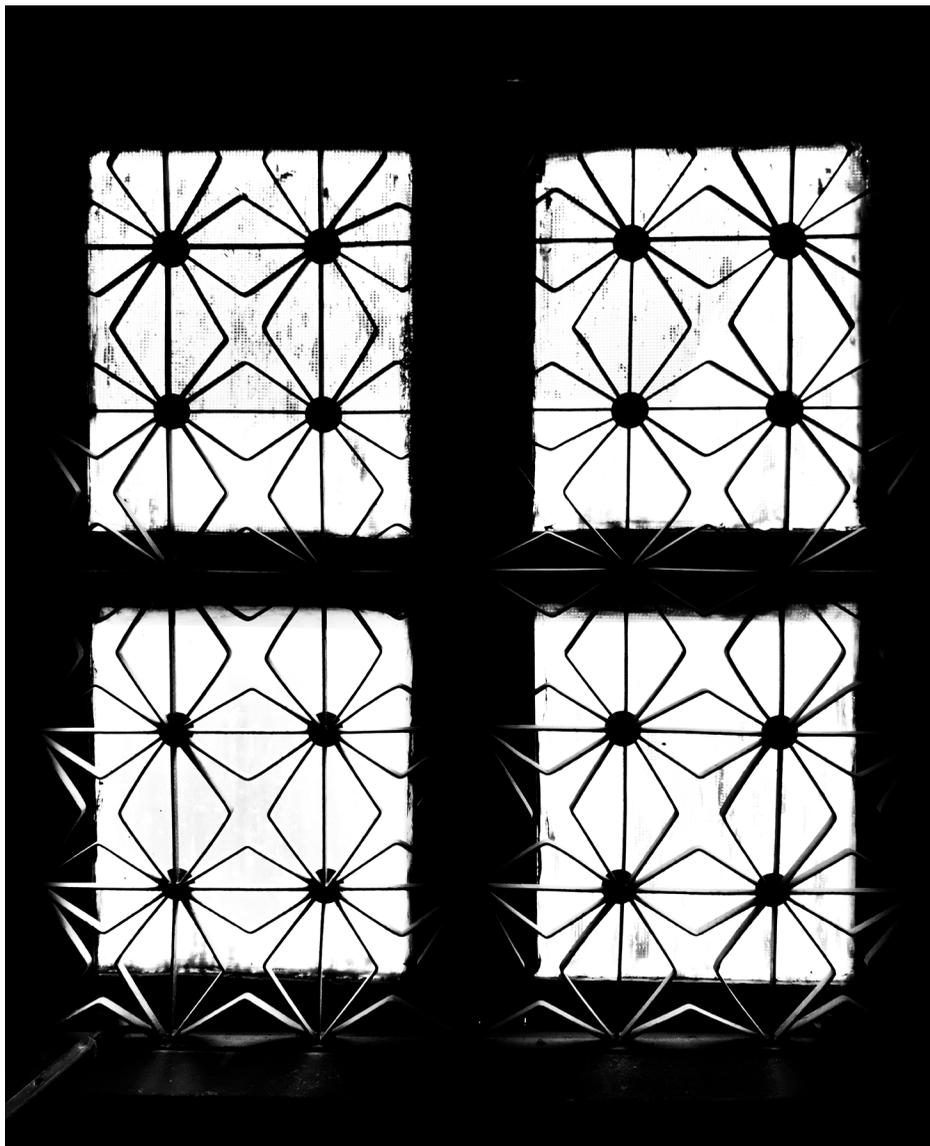


# WORSHIP GUIDE

Hope Chapel Greensboro

November 20, 2022



## 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.*

## 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 Ye Refugees

I am the One, the earth is my handmade work,  
The skies I laid them wide, beauty unfurled.  
Horizon to horizon,  
Creation to creation sings you home...

*Welcome home, gather round,  
All ye refugees, come in.  
Welcome home, gather round,  
All ye refugees, come in.*

Oh refugee, I did not cast you out,  
In death and broken ground, Salvation springs.  
My body and my blood,  
The healing that you need, come and receive...

Watch and wait and see, what is yet to be,  
Watch and wait and see, for the morning!

Go out in joy and join the great procession,  
The mountains and the heav'ns all will rejoice.  
Horizon to horizon,  
Creation to creation, with one voice...

Chelsey Scott, Kellie Haddock, and Flo Paris (2014)

## 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 Inviter, and we respond to His grace!*

Leader: Every day I will praise you  
and extol your name for ever and ever.

**All: Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise;  
his greatness no one can fathom.  
One generation commends your works to another;  
they tell of your mighty acts.**

Psalms 145:2-4

**Oh! Great Is Our God!**

Oh! Great is our God! So we should worship greatly!  
No song is too loud, no orchestra too stately  
To hail the majesty of our King!  
So lift your voices loud as we sing.

Oh! Great is our God! So let our songs be endless!  
So awesome His ways, how could we comprehend them?  
So we will make it known to our kids  
And we will sing about the gracious gifts you give.

*We will sing Your praise and pour forth your fame,  
We will bless your name!  
Let every one give thanks, because our God is great!*

Oh! Great is our God! And we cannot contain it!  
We sing from our souls, affected by His greatness.  
His mercy covers all that He's made,  
Showing His glory and His grace.

Brian Eichelberger (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.*

Our Father, forgive us

for thinking small thoughts of You  
and for ignoring Your immensity and greatness.

Lord Jesus, forgive us

for forgetting that You rule the nations  
and our small lives.

Holy Spirit, forgive us

for quenching your power and squandering Your gifts.

We confess that our blindness to Your glory, O triune God,  
has resulted in shallow confession, tepid conviction,  
and only mild repentance.

Have mercy upon us,

in the name of the Father, The Son, and the Holy Spirit...

*\*\* 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.*

For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus.

Romans 3:23-24

## Passing of the Peace

*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."*

## 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 I Have Is Christ

I once was lost in darkest night, yet thought I knew the way.  
The sin that promised joy and life had led me to the grave.  
I had no hope that You would own a rebel to Your will  
And if You had not loved me first I would refuse You still.

But as I ran my hell-bound race, indifferent to the cost,  
You looked upon my helpless state and led me to the cross.  
And I beheld God's love displayed, You suffered in my place;  
You bore the wrath reserved for me, now all I know is grace.

*Hallelujah – all I have is Christ!*

*Hallelujah – Jesus is my life!*

Now, Lord, I would be Yours alone and live so all might see  
The strength to follow Your commands could never come from me.  
O Father, use my ransomed life in any way You choose  
And let my song forever be my only boast is You.

*Jordan Kauflin (2008)*

## 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](https://hopechapelgreensboro.org/give), or give through Venmo to @HopeChapel (note: contributions made through Venmo are not receipted for tax purposes).*



## The Goodness of Jesus

Come, you weary heart now to Jesus.  
 Come, you anxious soul now and see.  
 There is perfect love and comfort in your tears,  
 Rest here in His wondrous peace.

*Oh, the goodness, the goodness of Jesus.  
 Satisfied, He is all that I need.  
 May it be, come what may, that I rest all my days  
 In the goodness of Jesus.*

Come find what this world cannot offer,  
 Come and find your joy here complete.  
 Taste the living water, never thirst again,  
 Rest here in His wondrous peace.

Come and find your hope now in Jesus,  
 He is all he said he would be.  
 Grace is overflowing from the Savior's heart,  
 Rest here in His wondrous peace.

*Rich Thompson, Jaywan Maxwell, Jonny Robinson,  
 Harrison Druery, Fiona Aghajanian and Michael Farren (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.*

## Luke 24:36-53

<sup>36</sup> Now while they were telling these things, Jesus Himself suddenly stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be to you."<sup>37</sup> But they were startled and frightened, and thought that they were looking at a spirit.<sup>38</sup> And He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why are doubts arising in your hearts?<sup>39</sup> See My hands and My feet, that it is I Myself; touch Me and see, because a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you plainly see that I have."<sup>40</sup> And when He had said this, He showed them His hands and His feet.<sup>41</sup> While they still could not believe it because of their joy and astonishment, He said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?"<sup>42</sup> They served Him a piece of broiled fish;<sup>43</sup> and He took it and ate it in front of them.

<sup>44</sup> Now He said to them, "These are My words which I spoke to you while I was still with you, that all the things that are written about Me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled."<sup>45</sup> Then He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures,<sup>46</sup> and He said to them, "So it is written, that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day,<sup>47</sup> and that repentance for forgiveness of sins would be proclaimed in His name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem.<sup>48</sup> You are witnesses of these things.<sup>49</sup> And behold, I am sending the promise of My Father upon you; but you are to stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high."

<sup>50</sup> And He led them out as far as Bethany, and He lifted up His hands and blessed them.<sup>51</sup> While He was blessing them, He parted from them and was carried up into heaven.<sup>52</sup> And they, after worshiping Him, returned to Jerusalem with great joy,<sup>53</sup> and were continually in the temple praising God.

## Sermon

### "The Sun Stops Shining"

*Jim Osborne is a practicing physician and founding member/elder of Hope Chapel. Since 2008, he has been a regular part of the teaching team at Hope.*

*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.

### 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.

### **Alleluia, Sing to Jesus**

Alleluia, sing to Jesus; His the scepter His the throne.  
 Alleluia, His the triumph, His the victory alone.  
 Hark the songs of peaceful Zion, thunder like a mighty flood!  
 Jesus out of every nation has redeemed us by His blood.

Alleluia, not as orphans are we left in sorrow now.  
 Alleluia He is near us; faith believes nor questions how.  
 Though the cloud from sight received Him when the forty days were o'er,  
 Shall our hearts forget His promise, "I am with you evermore"?

Alleluia, Bread of Heaven, here on Earth our food, our stay.  
 Alleluia, here the sinful flee to You from day to day.  
 Intercessor, Friend of sinners, Earth's Redeemer, hear our plea;  
 Where the songs of saints and angels sweep across the crystal sea.

*William Dix (1866), Rowland Prichard (1830)*

## **Sending Song**

### **On Jordan's Stormy Banks**

On Jordan's stormy banks I stand and cast a wishful eye  
 To Canaan's fair and happy land, where my possessions lie.

All o'er those wide extended plains, shines one eternal day;  
 There God the Son forever reigns and scatters night away.

*I am bound (I am bound), I am bound (I am bound),  
 I am bound for promised land.*

No chilling winds nor poisonous breath can reach that healthful shore;  
 Sickness, sorrow, pain and death, are felt and feared no more.

When shall I reach that happy place and be forever blessed?  
 When shall I see my Father's face and in His bosom rest?

*Samuel Stennett (1787), Christopher Miner (1997)*

## 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 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

Given Last Week:	\$9,089	Gifts can be placed in the offering
Required to Date (Jan. 1 - Nov. 13)	\$538,200	plate on Sundays or mailed to:
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