

# **WORSHIP GUIDE**

**Hope Chapel Greensboro**

**February 15, 2026**



## What is liturgy?

Every worship service has a liturgy; it's simply the way and order in which a community worships. "The Greek word "leitourgia" means a public work, the work of the people. And that's what liturgy is—the action of God's gathered people, but only in response to his prior action of sending Jesus Christ for our salvation.

The liturgy itself is a retelling of the Gospel story. It begins with God's call upon us, his meeting with us, speaking among us, and ministering to us. We remember and confess our sinfulness, and celebrate God's forgiveness and complete acceptance of us. We are fed from the Scriptures and Sacraments and are sent out to love and serve the Lord in the world.

Liturgy reminds us that worship is not only individual, but an action of a community. Proper liturgy deliberately evokes our corporate response, gives voice to our common celebration and lament, and engages us together in dialogue with our Creator and Savior. Mark Earey writes that liturgy "goes beyond the personal encounter with God (without denying it) to the corporate drama of being the people of God."

Liturgy is the church at prayer, serving as a priestly people, interceding on behalf of the whole church and world, and being sent out together on God's mission. In all of this, liturgy draws us into the enacted story of salvation.

*adapted from City Church Philadelphia*

## Preparation

*O God, by your power may we, with all the saints,  
comprehend the breadth and length and height and depth  
of the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge,  
so that we may be filled with your fullness. Amen.*

—based on Ephesians 3:18-19

## 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.*

### King of Kings (Psalm 45)

My heart is stirred by a noble theme as I write verses for my King,  
Adorned in gold we come to the wedding feast.  
As we draw near we will take heed and not tie ourselves to what used to be,  
Gladly giving You our everything.

*You are the King of kings, You're robed in splendor and majesty;  
You've conquered every enemy, Your throne will last forever.  
You are the King of kings, the nations fall beneath Your feet,  
We join together and loudly sing, "All praise to You forever!"  
You are the King of kings!*

You judge with truth and humility,  
There is nothing Your right hand cannot achieve.  
Excellent beyond what we've ever seen,  
You rule with grace and with a sword, in victory Your armies roar.

You let your sharpest arrows fly, You gird your sword at your side,  
You pierce the hearts of Your enemies;  
Yet You've made us Your bride despite everything,  
So we give You everything, everything...

Kendra Adachi (2025)

## 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 con-  
nect with you and help you know more about our community.*



## Call to Worship

Psalms 105:1-3

*The Call to Worship and the Benediction are important traditions in the history of Christian worship. As the start and close of the service, they make an important point to us about worship: God gets the first and last word.*

*We understand the Call to Worship as God's call to us. If we are ever to have a relationship with God, it is God who must first initiate to us. God alone can invite us and draw us in.*

*Likewise, in the Benediction, it is only by God's blessing (which is what a "benediction" is) and power are we able to go out into the world, to surrender our lives in daily worship, and to live out God's mission.*

Leader: Oh give thanks to the Lord; call upon his name;  
make known his deeds among the peoples!

**All: Sing to him, sing praises to him;  
tell of all his wondrous works!**

Leader: Glory in his holy name;

**All: let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice!**

## Song of Praise

### Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!  
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near;  
Praise Him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who over all things so wondrously reigneth,  
Shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!  
Hast thou not seen how thy desires ever have been  
Granted in what He ordaineth?

*Praise the Lord; praise the Lord, oh my soul!  
Praise the Lord!*

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;  
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.  
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,  
If with His love He befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore Him!  
 All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him.  
 Let the Amen sound from His people again,  
 Gladly for aye we adore Him.

*Joachim Neander (1680), Lobe den Herren (1665)  
 Chorus: Michael Van Patter (2010)*

## 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 in heaven, we come to You now, as our King.  
 We can only come to You  
     because You welcome the needy and the afflicted.  
     And that is who we are.

Father, our central need is for Your reign,  
     yet, we run from it.  
 We are afraid of being weak,  
     because we don't trust You to carry us.  
 We try to look out for our own well-being,  
     because we don't think You're capable of doing that.

Many are the times in this past week  
     when we have wrestled control of our lives away from You.  
 In those times, we have turned our hearts  
     away from Your heart and our feet away from Your commandments.

So, receive us now as Your children.  
 Receive us, not because we're good  
     or because we vow to do better;  
     but receive us because You rejected Your Son in our place.  
 We pray in His name...

*\*\* 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 (being fully God) also has set us free from the power of sin by his death and resurrection.*

Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD!

O Lord, hear my voice!

Let your ears be attentive

to the voice of my pleas for mercy!

If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities,

O Lord, who could stand?

But with you there is forgiveness,

that you may be feared.

Psalm 130:1-4

## Passing of the Peace

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## 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.*

### He Is Making All Things Right

Hail the rightful ruler, Christ who come to save,  
King of truth and justice, Lord of love and grace.  
He who bore the cross to bring His people peace,  
Broke the chains of sin and set the captive free.

*He is making all things right,  
He is making all things right!*

Hail the humble Shepherd bending low to serve;  
Bread for all our hunger, water for our thirst.  
He who helps his neighbor, loves the least of these,  
Welcomes in the stranger, sets the captive free.

*He is making all things right,  
He is making all things right!  
In His goodness, in His time,  
He is making all things right!*

Hail the coming Savior, hope of every heart;  
Healer of the nations, bright and morning star.  
He will win the battle, put the world at peace;  
He'll fin'ly and for - ever, set the captive free.

*Ben Shive, Bryan Fowler, Skye Peterson (2024)*

## 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).



## All You Do Is Good

You are full of compassion and abounding in love,  
 You create things from nothing, call what's not though it was.  
 You are light with no shadow, with no shifting or change.  
 You turn weeping to dancing and despair into thanks.

*You are good and all You do is good.  
 You are good and all You do is good.  
 You are good and all You do is good, all You do is good,  
 All You do is good.*

You release every captive, cut the shackles from slaves,  
 Those who hate You, You ransom, Give Your blood for their shame.  
 With the bent stem, You're tender, shield the smoldering flame,  
 You bring home the unwanted, call the lost back by name.

You lift up, You, You revive, You, You restore, You, You increase, You,  
 You anoint, You, You fill up, You, You spill out, You, You release, You,  
 You make grow, You, You bring forth, You, You call out, You, You set free  
 It's who You are, It's who You were, It's who You will always be.

Your life is eternal, not in measure but kind,  
 Running over with healing, inexhaustible might.  
 You in us, and we in You, the delight in Your face.  
 Resting here we enjoy You, and our joy is Your praise.

*Nathan Partain (2015)*



## 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 our powerful and merciful God for 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

**2 Peter 1:1-15** (ESV)

p. 957 IN CHURCH BIBLE

Simeon Peter, a servant and apostle of Jesus Christ,

To those who have obtained a faith of equal standing with ours by the righteousness of our God and Savior Jesus Christ:

<sup>2</sup> May grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord.

<sup>3</sup> His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence, <sup>4</sup> by which he has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire. <sup>5</sup> For this very reason, make every effort to supplement your faith with virtue, and virtue with knowledge, <sup>6</sup> and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with steadfastness, and steadfastness with godliness, <sup>7</sup> and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love. <sup>8</sup> For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they keep you from being ineffective or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup> For whoever lacks these qualities is so nearsighted that he is blind, having forgotten that he was cleansed from his former sins. <sup>10</sup> Therefore, brothers, be all the more diligent to confirm your calling and election, for if you practice these qualities you will never fall. <sup>11</sup> For in this way there will be richly provided for you an entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

<sup>12</sup> Therefore I intend always to remind you of these qualities, though you know them and are established in the truth that you have. <sup>13</sup> I think it right, as long as I am in this body, to stir you up by way of reminder, <sup>14</sup> since I know that the putting off of my body will be soon, as our Lord Jesus Christ made clear to me. <sup>15</sup> And I will make every effort so that after my departure you may be able at any time to recall these things.

## **Sermon**

### **“Growth: The Framework”**

*Harrison Holbrook is serves as pastor of assimilation & discipleship. This sermon is part of a series on the New Testament book of 2 Peter. For past sermons, please visit our website.*

## **Notes:**

## 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

### *The Great Thanksgiving*

Minister: The Lord be with you.

**All: And with your spirit.**

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

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

Minister: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

**All: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Minister: It is right and good and a joyful thing,  
always and everywhere to give thanks unto You,  
O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God.  
Therefore, we join our voices with Your people  
on earth and all the company of heaven,  
who forever sing to the glory of Your name...

**Sung: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are filled with your glory!  
Hosanna in the highest! hosannah in the highest!  
And blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

### *Words of Institution*

### *Prayer of Approach*

Minister: Therefore, together, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**All: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

Minister: Gracious God, pour out Your Holy Spirit upon us  
and upon these Your gifts of bread and wine,  
that the bread we break and the cup we bless  
may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ.  
By your Spirit make us one with Christ,  
that we may be one with all who share this feast.

**All: As this bread is Christ's body for us,  
send us out to be the body of Christ in the world,  
for by Him, with Him, and in Him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honor and glory is Yours,  
Almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.**

Minister: Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed,  
once for all upon the Cross.

**All: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

### *Preparation for the Table*

#### *The Feast*

### *Prayer after Communion*

Minister: Let us pray.

**All: Heavenly Father, we thank You for feeding us  
with the spiritual food of the most precious  
body and blood of Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the body of Your Son,  
and heirs of Your eternal Kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out to do the work  
You have given us to do, to love and serve You  
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to You, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for 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 than 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.

## Until He Comes Again

By this we remember in faith,  
As we gather with bread and wine,  
We remember until He comes again.

By this we remember in hope,  
As we gather with bread and wine,  
We remember until He comes again.

*When He comes again like a thief in the night,  
When He comes again all the wrongs will be right;  
Oh the earth lifted up as heaven comes down,  
We remember until He comes again.*

By this we remember in love,  
As we gather with bread and wine,  
We remember until He comes again.

*Ricky Vasquez, Ike Ndolo, Sandra McCracken,  
Mitch Wong & Matt Maher (2022)*

## Sending Song

### Seeds of the Kingdom

Jesus scatters the seeds of His Kingdom;  
Far and wide, He announces new birth:  
"I, the Lord of Creation, am making new  
every inch of the groaning earth!"

Like the smallest of seeds in the winter  
is the Kingdom of God as its sown;  
But the powers of hell shall against it fail  
when the Kingdom of God is grown.

*Though we wait for the Lord of the harvest,  
and we long for our King to appear,  
Even now in our hearts, by the Spirit's pow'r,  
the Kingdom of God is near!*

He has planted the seeds of His Kingdom  
in the hearts of the poor and the weak.  
He declares to the captives, "I bring good news:  
You shall be mighty oaks of strength!"

Through the city of God flows a river:  
from the throne of the Lamb waters pour.  
And behold, on the banks grows the Tree of Life,  
Where the nations are healed and restored!

*Wendell Kimbrough (2017)*

# Community Life

## Blessing & Sending

Minister: The Lord bless you and keep you;  
The Lord make his face to shine upon you  
And be gracious to you;  
The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.  
**All: Amen.**  
Minister: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**All: Thanks be to God!**

## Financial Update

Given Last Week:	\$16,521	Gifts can be placed in the offering
Required to date:	\$1125,075	plate on Sundays or mailed to:
(Jan. 1 - Feb. 8)		Hope Chapel
Given to date:	\$102,452	908 N. Josephine Boyd St
Over/[Under]	[\$22,623]	Greensboro, NC 27408

### Building Fund: \$201,721 of \$320k goal

We have a goal of paying off our mortgage by March 2026.  
To make a donation toward this effort, please use this link  
and specify, "building fund."



Online giving is available on our website: [www.hopechapelgreensboro.org/give](http://www.hopechapelgreensboro.org/give)  
We also accept donations via Venmo: @HopeChapel.

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