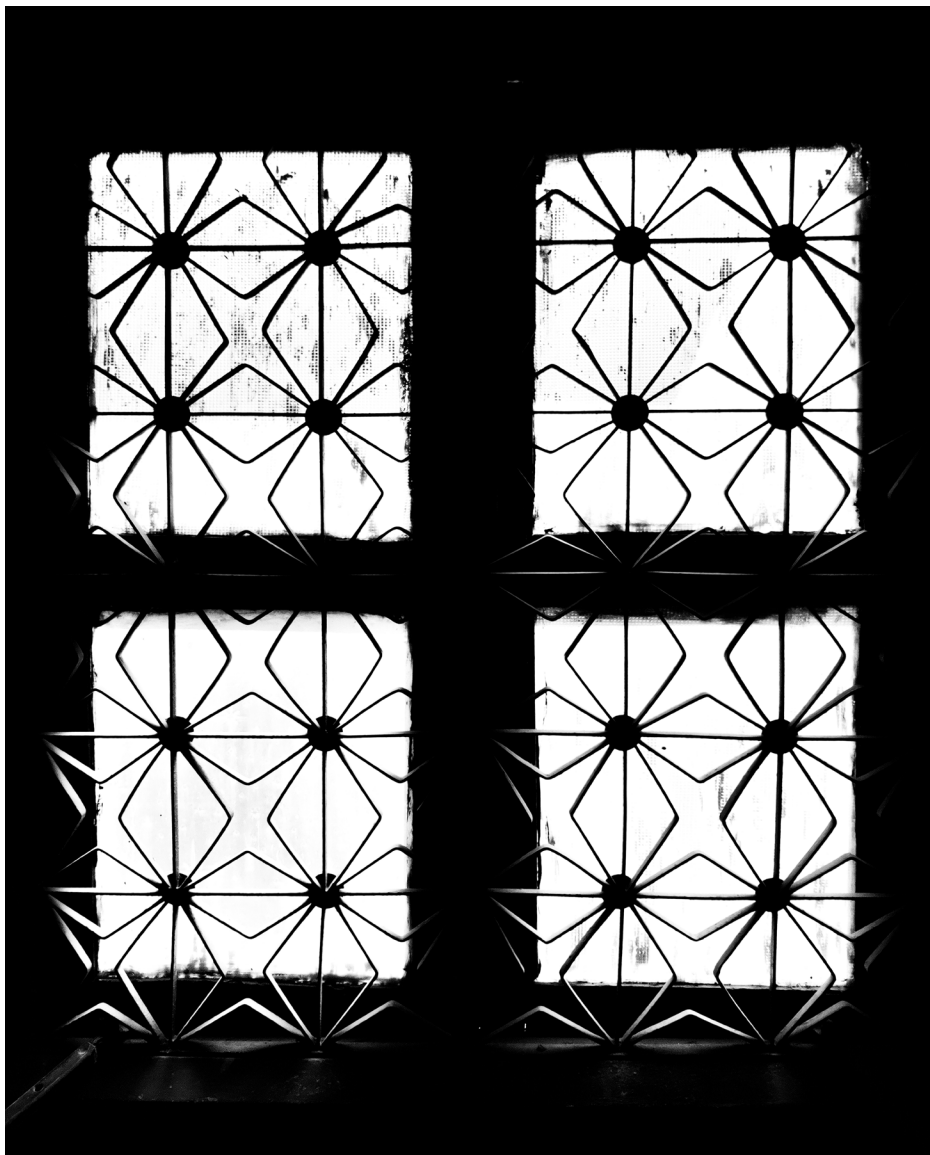


WORSHIP GUIDE

Hope Chapel Greensboro

November 13, 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.

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, to His feet Thy tribute bring;
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven; who, like me, His praise should sing?
O Praise Him, O praise Him! Praise the Everlasting King!

Praise Him for His grace and favor to our fathers in distress;
Praise Him, still the same for ever, slow to chide, and swift to bless;
O Praise Him, O praise Him! Glorious in His faithfulness.

Father-like, He tends and spares us; well our feeble frame He knows;
In His hands He gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.
O Praise Him, O praise Him! Widely as His mercy goes.

Henry Lyte (1834), Michael Van Patter (2010)

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: Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.

Worship the LORD with gladness;
come before him with joyful songs.

All: Know that the LORD is God.

**It is he who made us, and we are his;
we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.**

Leader: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise;
give thanks to him and praise his name.

**All: For the LORD is good and his love endures forever;
his faithfulness continues through all generations.**

Psalm 100

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)

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.

Father in heaven,
wholeness, healing and flourishing
come from what You have done.
Through Jesus' life, death and resurrection,
You have reconciled us with You.

We come to You this morning forsaking our own efforts
to earn your acceptance.

We now turn away from them
and rest in what You have done
instead of trying to build a foundation on what we have done...

*** 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

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.

Jesus, Strong and Kind

Jesus said that if I thirst, I should come to Him;
No one else can satisfy, I should come to Him.

Jesus said, if I am weak, I should come to Him;
No one else can be my strength, I should come to Him.

*For the Lord is good and faithful,
He will keep us day and night.
We can always run to Jesus,
Jesus, strong and kind.*

Jesus said that if I fear, I should come to Him;
No one else can be my shield, I should come to Him.

Jesus said, if I am lost, He will come to me;
And He showed me on that cross, He will come to me.

*Rich Thompson, Jonny Robinson,
Michael Farren, Colin Buchanan (2019)*

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).*



God Delights In You

Calling every daughter, calling every son,
 All who've been adopted through a sacrifice of love;
 There's no need for you to fear,
 your debts have all been cleared.

Calling all the downcast who feel like they're alone,
 Anyone who's longing for a family of their own,
 God's prepared a place for you, He's calling you to...

*Come and sing, come and dance!
 The Father's singing over you.
 Come rejoice and be glad,
 For God delights in you, in you.*

Calling all who've wandered, gone off on their own,
 Anyone who wonders if they're welcome back at home.
 The God of grace makes all things new, He's calling you to...

You chose us to be objects of Your love
 In spite of all we have done.
 You gave Your beloved Son to die for us
 To make us daughters and sons.

George Romanacce, Eric Grover (2009)

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.

John 20:11-18

¹¹ But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb, and as she wept she stooped to look into the tomb. ¹² And she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had lain, one at the head and one at the feet. ¹³ They said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping?” She said to them, “They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.” ¹⁴ Having said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵ Jesus said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you seeking?” Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.” ¹⁶ Jesus said to her, “Mary.” She turned and said to him in Aramaic, “Rabboni!” (which means Teacher). ¹⁷ Jesus said to her, “Do not cling to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to my brothers and say to them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’” ¹⁸ Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, “I have seen the Lord”—and that he had said these things to her.

Sermon

“The Sun Stops Shining”

Andy Koesters serves as Pastor to Churches and Families with Families Alive (familiesalive.org). He and his family worship with us regularly at Hope Chapel.

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.

Crown Him with many Crowns

Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne.
 Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own!
 Awake, my soul, and sing of Him Who died for thee,
 And hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of love! Behold His hands and side—
 Rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.
 All hail, Redeemer, hail! For Thou hast died for me:
 Thy praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of life! Who triumphed o'er the grave,
 Who rose victorious in the strife For those He came to save.
 His glories now we sing, who died and rose on high,
 Who died eternal life to bring and lives that death may die.

Crown Him the Lord of heaven! One with the Father known,
 One with the Spirit through Him given from yonder glorious throne.
 To Thee be endless praise, for Thou for us hast died.
 Be Thou, O Lord, through endless days adored and magnified!

Matthew Bridges (1851), Michael Van Patter (2011)

Sending Song

In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song.
 This Cornerstone, this solid ground,
 firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
 What heights of love! What depths of peace!
 When fears are stilled, when strivings cease.
 My Comforter, my All in All, here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless babe.
 This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones He came to save.
 'Till on that cross, as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied.
 For every sin on Him was laid; here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay, light of the world by darkness slain;
 Then bursting forth in glorious Day, up from the grave He rose again.
 And as He stands in victory, sin's curse has lost it's grip on me,
 For I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the power of Christ in me.
 From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.
 No power of hell, no scheme of man can ever pluck me from His hand.
 'Till He returns or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

Keith Getty, Stuart Townend (2001)

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:	\$11,471	Gifts can be placed in the offering
Required to Date (Jan. 1 - Nov. 6)	\$526,500	plate on Sundays or mailed to: Hope Chapel
Given to Date	\$548,982	908 N. Josephine Boyd St
Over/[Under]	\$22,482	Greensboro, NC 27408

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