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COMMUNITY  
CHURCH

FAITH.  
*faith*

HOPE.  
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LOVE.  
*love*

## Welcome

We believe that God uses our time in corporate worship to conform us. He is like a master craftsman and we are his work of art. God is the one who invites us to worship him and in doing so we commune with the Father in Christ through the power of His Holy Spirit. We find a specific flow of worship in Scripture so our liturgy is based on a pattern that has been followed throughout Scripture and church history. We see that God speaks and we respond.

**Remembering God's Presence**-God's grace initiates an invitation to worship. We remember that God is holy, glorious and it is by grace that we are invited into his presence.

**Remembering God's Grace** - Since we are ushered into God's holy presence, we are made aware of our sin. We are reminded that our sin is forgiven in Christ, so we approach our God as his children. So we can be honest with him about our failures and be assured of his mercy.

**Renewal in Christ as Prophet** - God speaks to us through the Word of God proclaimed. The Holy Spirit uses this time to convict, rebuke, and encourage. This is a divine encounter with the true and living God.

**Renewal in Christ as Priest** - In this meal we are strengthened and nourished by the Spirit of Christ. We commune with God himself and with one another. This is not a time for mere commemoration, but God is at work in our hearts as we partake.

**Renewal in Christ as King** - Christ the king sends us out to be a missional presence in the world. We are assured of his presence as we seek to live in our communities with Christ as our king.

This worship pattern is both biblical and spiritual formative. We invite you to participate actively in worship or to just listen and observe at your discretion.

We would love to meet you and answer any questions you may have. Be sure to stop by the Welcome table after the service or reach out to us at [hopecc.church](mailto:hopecc.church).

## Exploring?

Do you have questions about the Christian faith?

Do you desire to learn more about the person and work of Jesus Christ?

Do you wonder why we, a beautiful and messy community, love and are so committed to a local church?

Do you wrestle with intellectual barriers that make belief seem implausible, even irresponsible?

Do you struggle to reconcile a good God with a hurting world?

We recognize that you may have questions. That's why:

- We want to create a welcoming place where you feel comfortable coming with your questions and doubts.
- We seek to be a community where you can belong before you believe.
- We believe that God draws both the convinced and unconvinced to worship.
- We desire to listen to skeptics. We do not listen to respond, but we listen to hear the doubts and questions.
- We long to speak and show you how the love of Jesus Christ and a local church has changed us.

I would love to take you out to lunch and discuss with you how the gospel has changed my life and listen to your story and try to answer your questions. Please reach out to me @ [jc@hopecc.church](mailto:jc@hopecc.church).

# Remembering God's Presence

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## **CALL TO WORSHIP - PSALM 9:1-2**

Please stand.

Minister: I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart; I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.

**All: I will be glad and exult in you; I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.**

The call to worship is a reminder that God is the great initiator. He is the one calling us into His presence

## **PASTORAL PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

## **SONG OF ADORATION**

*HOW GREAT IS OUR GOD*  
WORDS & MUSIC: CHRIS TOMLIN

Bold text is read together by the congregation.

Plain text is read by the leader.

Responsive readings remind

us that during corporate worship

God speaks to his people and we

respond together as a community.

The splendor of a King  
clothed in majesty  
Let all the Earth rejoice  
All the Earth rejoice  
He wraps himself in light  
And darkness tries to hide  
And trembles at His voice  
Trembles at His voice

How great is our God, sing with me  
How great is our God, and all will see  
How great, how great is our God

Age to age He stands  
And time is in His hands  
Beginning and the end  
Beginning and the end  
The Godhead Three in One  
Father Spirit Son  
The Lion and the Lamb  
The Lion and the Lamb

How great is our God, sing with me  
How great is our God, and all will see  
How great, how great is our God

Name above all names  
Worthy of our praise  
My heart will sing  
How great is our God

Name above all names  
Worthy of our praise  
My heart will sing  
How great is our God

How great is our God, sing with me  
How great is our God, and all will see  
How great, how great is our God

How great is our God, sing with me  
How great is our God, and all will see  
How great, how great is our God

*BLESSED ASSURANCE*

WORDS & MUSIC: FANNY CROSBY

This is my story, this is my song  
Praising my Savior all the day long  
This is my story, this is my song  
Praising my Savior all the day long

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!  
Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God  
Born of his Spirit, washed in His blood

Perfect submission, perfect delight  
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight  
Angels descending bring from above  
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love

This is my story, this is my song  
Praising my Savior all the day long  
This is my story, this is my song  
Praising my Savior all the day long

Perfect submission, all is at rest.  
I in my Savior am happy and bless'd,  
watching and waiting, looking above,  
filled with his goodness, lost in his love.

This is my story, this is my song  
Praising my Savior all the day long  
This is my story, this is my song  
Praising my Savior all the day

# Remembering God's Grace

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Please be  
seated.

The call to  
repentance is  
an opportunity  
to remember  
God's grace and  
the goodness  
of the gospel as  
we confess our  
sins to Him.

## **CALL TO REPENTANCE - ROMANS 7:21-24**

So I find it to be a law that when I want to do right, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being, but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death?

## **PRAYER OF REPENTANCE**

**O gracious and gentle and condescending God,  
God of peace, Father of mercy, God of all comfort:  
we confess before you the evil of our hearts;  
we acknowledge that we are too inclined  
toward anger, jealousy, and revenge,  
to ambition and pride,  
which often give rise to discord and bitter feelings  
between others and us.  
Too often have we thus both offended and grieved you,  
O long-suffering Father.  
Forgive us this sin and permit us to partake of the blessing  
you have promised the peacemakers,  
who shall be called the children of God.  
Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

*SILENT CONFESSION*

## **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS - ROMANS 7:25-8:2**

Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, I myself serve the law of God with my mind, but with my flesh I serve the law of sin. There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.

## SONG OF ASSURANCE

*O GREAT GOD*

MUSIC & WORDS BY: SOVEREIGN GRACE

O great God of highest heaven  
Occupy my lowly heart  
Own it all and reign supreme  
Conquer every rebel power  
Let no vice or sin remain  
That resists Your holy war  
You have loved and purchased me  
Make me Yours forevermore

I was blinded by my sin  
Had no ears to hear Your voice  
Did not know Your love within  
Had no taste for heaven's joys  
Then Your Spirit gave me life  
Opened up Your Word to me  
Through the gospel of Your Son  
Gave me endless hope and peace  
Help me now to live a life  
That's dependent on Your grace

Keep my heart and guard my soul  
From the evils that I face  
You are worthy to be praised  
With my every thought and deed  
O great God of highest heaven  
Glorify Your Name through me  
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# Receiving Christ as Prophet

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## **CHILDREN'S CLASS**

(At the parents' discretion, children up to 3rd grade may go to a class designed for them or remain in the service.)

Please be seated.

## **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

God uses His  
Word to speak  
to us.

Genesis 21:1-7

21 The LORD visited Sarah as he had said, and the LORD did to Sarah as he had promised. 2 And Sarah conceived and bore Abraham a son in his old age at the time of which God had spoken to him. 3 Abraham called the name of his son who was born to him, whom Sarah bore him, Isaac. 4 And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac when he was eight days old, as God had commanded him. 5 Abraham was a hundred years old when his son Isaac was born to him. 6 And Sarah said, "God has made laughter for me; everyone who hears will laugh over me." 7 And she said, "Who would have said to Abraham that Sarah would nurse children? Yet I have borne him a son in his old age."

Reader: The Word of the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God.**

The Spirit uses  
His Word as a  
powerful means  
of nourishing  
and comforting  
God's people,  
and awakening  
people to new  
faith.

## SERMON

REV. J.C. BAYSINGER

### *HOPE SECURED*

Romans 4:13-25

13 For the promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world did not come through the law but through the righteousness of faith.

14 For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. 15 For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law there is no transgression.

16 That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspring—not only to the adherent of the law but also to the one who shares the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all, 17 as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. 18 In hope he believed against hope, that he should become the father of many nations, as he had been told, “So shall your offspring be.” 19 He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was as good as dead (since he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah’s womb. 20 No unbelief made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, 21 fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. 22 That is why his faith was “counted to him as righteousness.” 23 But the words “it was counted to him” were not written for his sake alone, 24 but for ours also. It will be counted to us who believe in him who raised from the dead Jesus our Lord, 25 who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification.



## Notes

Faith Seeking Understanding:

1. How does the law (Scripture) bring awareness to our sin?
2. How does the law point us to the gospel?
3. What are some things that cloud our hope?
4. What are some helpful ways that you can depend on the hope offered in the gospel?
5. How do vv. 24-25 provide security for those who trust in Christ?

# Receiving Christ as Priest

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## **CHILDREN'S CLASS/NURSERY**

(Parents are now excused to pick up their children and have them join us for the rest of worship.)

## **PROFESSION OF FAITH**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit  
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to hell.**

**The third day he rose again from the dead.**

**He ascended to heaven**

**and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.**

**From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,**

**the holy catholic church,**

**the communion of saints,**

**the forgiveness of sins,**

**the resurrection of the body,**

**and the life everlasting. Amen.**

—Apostles' Creed

## **PRAYER OF FAITH**

## **OFFERING**

All we have is given  
to us by God. Our  
offerings express this  
joyful dependance  
and our commitment  
to join God in his  
work of renewal.

## SONG OF PREPARATION

### *BY FAITH*

MUSIC & WORDS BY: STUART TOWNEND , KEITH GETTY & KRISTYN

By faith we see the hand of God  
In the light of creation's grand design  
In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness  
Who walk by faith and not by sight

By faith our fathers roamed the earth  
With the pow'r of His promise in their hearts  
Of a holy city built by God's own hand  
A place where peace and justice reign

We will stand as children of the promise  
We will fix our eyes on Him our soul's reward  
Till the race is finished and the work is done  
We'll walk by faith and not by sight

By faith the prophets saw a day  
When the longed-for Messiah would appear  
With the pow'r to break the chains of sin and death  
And rise triumphant from the grave

By faith the church was called to go  
In the pow'r of the Spirit to the lost  
To deliver captives and to preach good news  
In ev'ry corner of the earth

We will stand as children of the promise  
We will fix our eyes on Him our soul's reward  
Till the race is finished and the work is done  
We'll walk by faith and not by sight

# Receiving Christ as King

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## **SURSUM CODA**

Minister: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

## **PRAYER FOR THE SACRAMENT**

### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

### **MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION**

Minister: Therefore, let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

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

Minister: Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.

**People: Therefore, let us keep the feast.**

### **INVITATION**

Minister: These are the Gifts of God, for the People of God. Feed on him in your hearts by faith, and with thanksgiving.

### **DISTRIBUTION OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP**

( Directions for taking communion are on pages 14-15 )

### **PASSING THE PEACE**

Minister: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People: And also with you.**

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Sursum Corda is Latin for “lift up your hearts.” One of the oldest liturgical pieces still in use, it calls us to be heavenly-minded and summons us into the Lord’s presence. Along with the voices around you, hear the echo of 2,000 years of worshiping Christians who have gone before.

Communion (i.e., the Lord’s Supper or Eucharist) is a covenant renewal meal instituted by Jesus the night before his crucifixion. It points back to the cross, forward to the return of the King, but also, when we receive it in faith, it is true fellowship with King Jesus, in his presence and at his table, and real communion with your brothers and sisters in Christ. It is a symbol of our bond of love as fellow Christians.

## SONG OF BLESSING

*PSALM 126*

MUSIC & WORDS BY: SOJOURN MUSIC

Our mouths they were filled, filled with laughter  
Our tongues they were loosed, loosed with joy  
Restore us, O Lord  
Restore us, O Lord

Although we are weeping  
Lord, help us keep sowing  
The seeds of Your Kingdom  
For the day You will reap them  
Your sheaves we will carry  
Lord, please do not tarry  
All those who sow weeping will go out with songs of joy

The nations will say, "He has done great things!"  
The nations will sing songs of joy  
Restore us, O Lord  
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Lord, help us keep sowing  
The seeds of Your Kingdom  
For the day You will reap them  
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## BENEDICTION

Grace be with all who love our Lord Jesus Christ with love incorruptible.

Just as we  
begin with with  
God's gracious  
invitation, so  
we end with  
God's promise  
to always be  
with us.

It is appropriate  
to lift our heads  
as a symbol that  
through Christ  
God graciously  
lifts our head,  
and we hold out  
our hands palms  
up to symbolize  
our need and  
eagerness to  
receive God's  
blessing.

## NEXT AT HOPE

### Queen Creek Community Group

May 2nd from 7:00 - 8:15pm  
The DiPieros  
22484 E Creosote Dr.  
Queen Creek, 85142

### RAISING TECHWISE FAMILIES

May 20th 9:00 - 12:00pm  
@ KMBE  
Go to <https://hopecc.church/raising-techwise-families/> to register.

<u>Mar. 2023</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Internal Giving	\$15,048	\$19,146	\$4098
Expenses	\$17,892	\$ 17,112	\$-781

To stay up to date on all our activities or add your name and contact information, sign-up with church center at [faithhopelove.churchcenter.com](http://faithhopelove.churchcenter.com)

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## DISTRIBUTION OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

### *Directions for taking communion:*

Hope Community Church welcomes all baptized believers who are trusting in Jesus Christ for salvation and understand the meaning of the Lord's Supper to eat with us. Please note that we use wine for Communion; if you prefer non-alcoholic grape juice, the grape juice is white and the wine is red. Our bread is gluten free.

### *When and how to come forward for communion:*

Starting with the first row walk towards the center aisle and come forward. Once you have received the elements please wait till all have been served and we will partake together.

### *A Word to Parents:*

Children are welcome at the communion table. To receive the Lord's Supper, a child must have been baptized and been formally received as a communing member at Hope Community Church or the governing body of the church to which you belong. If you have any question about how the process works, please contact Pastor J.C. Send him an email at [jc@hopecc.church](mailto:jc@hopecc.church)

Children may take the wine at their parents' discretion.

## PRAYERS FOR THOSE NOT COMMUNING

(Hope Community Church is not only for those who are committed followers of Jesus Christ, but also for those who are curious, skeptical, unsure, etc. Our desire is for you to feel that you belong, even if you are unsure if you believe that Jesus is Lord.)

## PRAYERS FOR THOSE SEARCHING FOR TRUTH

Lord, I am restless, and I am unsure why. I have desires that have no explanation. I am thirsty, but nothing seems to satisfy. I am hungry, but I can never get enough. I am restless. Please help me to understand and trust that you are my rest. Reveal yourself to me and show me that you are the way, the truth, and the life. I am restless, help me to find my rest in you.

## PRAYERS OF BELIEF

Lord, I am convicted that I am a sinner in need of forgiveness. Forgive me for sinning against you in thought, word, and deed. Enable me to turn from trusting in my own efforts to trusting in you. Thank you for taking the punishment my sins deserved on the cross and by giving me new life in Christ, forgiveness of sins, and a righteousness that is not my own. Just as you raised Jesus Christ from the dead, I ask that you give me new life in him. Empower me to love you with my heart, soul, mind, and strength and my neighbor as myself. Help me to follow you in baptism and live as a committed disciple to you by faith in the power of your Spirit.

## Prayer Request and Comments

We want to pray for you and hear your comments, suggestions and praises. Please write them in the space below.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to speak with someone about the prayer request or other concern. Please contact me at:

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Day      Evening

*Please hand this card in to at the welcome table.*

## *We Are Glad You Are Here Today!*

We know it can be hard to connect with a new church. We want to help you in any way we can. Feel free to fill out the tear-off card below to let us know what information would be helpful. Place it in the offering plate or give it to an usher or leader. Don't hesitate to check the box to meet with a pastor to help you learn more about HCC. We are here to serve you.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

Children: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please add me to the church directory.

Please add me to the church email list.

### *Please Let Us Know If You Are:*

First Time Visitor

Repeat Visitor

### *Please Contact Me About:*

Joining a Community Group

Membership at Hope

Meeting with a Pastor

Getting Involved

## Hope Community Church

**Our Vision:** At Hope Community Church we are a worshipping community of believers in Jesus Christ who are committed to developing our faith in him, depending on the hope he offers in the gospel, and deepening our love for Him and our neighbors.

Developing Faith-Everybody expresses faith to some degree. The question is, where is that faith directed? Are you banking on yourself, your family, science, the good of humanity, or are you ultimately depending on Christ? The beauty of the gospel is that when we begin to trust in Jesus, everything changes. We believe living by faith means moving into a realm whereby we are uncertain of ourselves but more confident of God and his faithfulness. As our faith increases, we become more like Christ as we seek to follow him.

Depending on Hope-As we express faith in Christ, we also depend on hope in the gospel. One Christian thinker puts it this way, "all hope must rest on something, but the key question is whether God and his scriptural promises are that foundation on which we find refuge by the power of the Spirit." One of the purposes of our church is to point people to the true source of hope, Jesus Christ.

Deepening in Love- As we develop our faith and depend on hope, our love for God and one another will increase. Our motive for loving others, not only those like us, but those who are radically different than us, is to glorify God in obedience to the gospel.

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