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**P | E**      **COMMUNITY**  
**CHURCH**

**FAITH.**  
*faith*

**HOPE.**  
*hope*

**LOVE.**  
*love*

Sunday March, 3rd, 2024

## 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 and 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 [info@hopecc.church](mailto:info@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, 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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Please stand.

## **CALL TO WORSHIP - Psalm 95:6-7**

Leader: Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

**All: For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.**

## **SONG OF ADORATION**

*WE WILL FEAST IN HOUSE OF ZION*  
WORDS & MUSIC: Sandra McCracken

Chorus:

We will feast in the house of Zion  
We will sing with our hearts restored  
He has done great things, we will say together  
We will feast and weep no more

We will not be burned by the fire  
He is the Lord, our God  
We are not consumed by the flood  
Upheld, protected, gathered up

Chorus

In the dark of night, before the dawn  
My soul, be not afraid  
For the promised morning, oh, how long?  
O God of Jacob, be my strength

Chorus

Every vow we've broken and betrayed  
You are the faithful One  
And from the garden and to the grave  
Bind us together, bring shalom

Chorus (2x)

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

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.

## SONG OF PREPARATION

### *GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS*

Words & Music: Thomas Chisholm & William Runyan

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father  
There is no shadow of turning with Thee  
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not  
As Thou hast been, Thou forever will be

Great is Thy faithfulness  
Great is Thy faithfulness  
Morning by morning new mercies I see  
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided  
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest  
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love

Great is Thy faithfulness  
Great is Thy faithfulness  
Morning by morning new mercies I see  
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided  
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow  
Blessings all mine with 10, 000 beside

Great is Thy faithfulness  
Great is Thy faithfulness  
Morning by morning new mercies I see  
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided  
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me

# Remembering God's Grace

## CALL TO REPENTANCE

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Minister: Let us confess our sins before our righteous and holy God.

### PRAYER OF REPENTANCE

Almighty God, you have raised Jesus from the grave and crowned him Lord of all.  
We confess that we have not bowed before him  
or acknowledged his rule in our lives.

We have gone along with the way of the world and failed to give him glory.  
Forgive us and raise us from sin,  
that we may be your faithful people,  
obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who rules the world and is head of the church, his body. **Amen.**

*Silent Confession*

### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS - Revelation 1:4b-7

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth. To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen.

## SONG OF ASSURANCE

*WE WILL SAY IN THAT DAY*

WORDS & MUSIC: WENDELL KIMBROUGH

You will see there a highway from God's own hand  
That will lead back the lost to the Promised Land  
And the voice of the Savior will call us friends  
Saying, "Join in the song of the Lord!"

We will call back our armies: "Return from war!"  
And we'll make into plowshares our useless swords  
Very soon to forget what they once were for  
When we join in the song of the Lord!

Chorus:

We will say in that day, "To the Lord, give thanks!"  
We will not be afraid, for He comes to save  
We will shout; we will call every tribe and race  
"Come and join in the song of the Lord!"

You will see there a banquet for sinners spread  
Where we'll sit with the Lord at the table's head  
And our Shepherd himself is our wine and bread  
And we'll join in the song of the Lord!

Chorus

When the remnant return to the promised land  
When the highway of God brings us home to Him  
We'll be welcomed with love by our Savior friend  
And we'll join in the song of the Lord!

Chorus (2x)

# Receiving Christ as Prophet

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Please be seated.

## **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.)

God uses His Word to  
speak to us.

## **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

Isaiah 42:5-9

5     Thus says God, the Lord,  
who created the heavens and stretched them out,  
who spread out the earth and what comes from it,  
          who gives breath to the people on it  
and spirit to those who walk in it:  
6     “I am the Lord; I have called you in righteousness;  
I will take you by the hand and keep you;  
          I will give you as a covenant for the people,  
a light for the nations,  
7     to open the eyes that are blind,  
          to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,  
from the prison those who sit in darkness.  
8     I am the Lord; that is my name;  
my glory I give to no other,  
nor my praise to carved idols.  
9     Behold, the former things have come to pass,  
and new things I now declare;  
          before they spring forth  
I tell you of them.”

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.

## JESUS HEALS

John 9

**9** As he passed by, he saw a man blind from birth. **2** And his disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” **3** Jesus answered, “It was not that this man sinned, or his parents, but that the works of God might be displayed in him. **4** We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming, when no one can work. **5** As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.” **6** Having said these things, he spit on the ground and made mud with the saliva. Then he anointed the man’s eyes with the mud **7** and said to him, “Go, wash in the pool of Siloam” (which means Sent). So he went and washed and came back seeing.

**8** The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar were saying, “Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?” **9** Some said, “It is he.” Others said, “No, but he is like him.” He kept saying, “I am the man.” **10** So they said to him, “Then how were your eyes opened?” **11** He answered, “The man called Jesus made mud and anointed my eyes and said to me, ‘Go to Siloam and wash.’ So I went and washed and received my sight.” **12** They said to him, “Where is he?” He said, “I do not know.”

**13** They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. **14** Now it was a Sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. **15** So the Pharisees again asked him how he had received his sight. And he said to them, “He put mud on my eyes, and I washed, and I see.” **16** Some of the Pharisees said, “This man is not from God, for he does not keep the Sabbath.” But others said, “How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?” And there was a division among them. **17** So they said again to the blind man, “What do you say about him, since he has opened your eyes?” He said, “He is a prophet.”

**18** The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight, until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight **19** and asked them, “Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?” **20** His parents answered, “We know that this is our son and that he was born blind. **21** But how he now sees we do not know, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself.” **22** (His parents said these things because they feared the Jews, for the Jews had already agreed that if anyone should confess Jesus to be Christ, he was to be put out of the synagogue.) **23** Therefore his parents said, “He is of age; ask him.”

**24** So for the second time they called the man who had been blind and said to him, “Give glory to God. We know that this man is a sinner.” **25** He answered, “Whether he is a sinner I do not know. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see.” **26** They said to him, “What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?” **27** He answered them, “I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want



to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?” <sup>28</sup> And they reviled him, saying, “You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. <sup>29</sup> We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from.” <sup>30</sup> The man answered, “Why, this is an amazing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. <sup>31</sup> We know that God does not listen to sinners, but if anyone is a worshiper of God and does his will, God listens to him. <sup>32</sup> Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a man born blind. <sup>33</sup> If this man were not from God, he could do nothing.” <sup>34</sup> They answered him, “You were born in utter sin, and would you teach us?” And they cast him out.

<sup>35</sup> Jesus heard that they had cast him out, and having found him he said, “Do you believe in the Son of Man?” <sup>36</sup> He answered, “And who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?” <sup>37</sup> Jesus said to him, “You have seen him, and it is he who is speaking to you.” <sup>38</sup> He said, “Lord, I believe,” and he worshiped him. <sup>39</sup> Jesus said, “For judgment I came into this world, that those who do not see may see, and those who see may become blind.” <sup>40</sup> Some of the Pharisees near him heard these things, and said to him, “Are we also blind?” <sup>41</sup> Jesus said to them, “If you were blind, you would have no guilt; but now that you say, ‘We see,’ your guilt remains.

## 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.)

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.

### **PROFESSION OF FAITH**

Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

- 1 Corinthians 15:1-4

### **PRAYER OF FAITH**

### **OFFERING**

## SONG OF PREPARATION

*GUIDE ME, O THOU GREAT JEHOVAH*

WORDS & MUSIC: WILLIAM WILLIAMS & JEREMY CASELLA

Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah,  
Pilgrim through this barren land.  
I am weak, but Thou art mighty;  
Hold me with Thy powerful hand.

Bread of heaven,  
Feed me now and evermore;  
Bread of heaven,  
Feed me now and evermore.

Open now the crystal fountain,  
Whence the healing waters flow;  
Let the fire and cloudy pillar  
Lead me all my journey through.  
Strong Deliverer,  
Be Thou still my Strength and Shield.  
Strong Deliverer,  
Be Thou still my Strength and Shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan,  
Bid my anxious fears subside;  
Death of death, and hell's destruction,  
Land me safe on Canaan's side.  
Songs of praises, I will ever give to Thee;  
Songs of praises, I will ever give to Thee.

Land me safe on Canaan's side  
Bid my anxious fears, bid my anxious fears  
Land me safe on Canaan's side  
Bid my anxious fears, bid my anxious fears, goodbye

## **SURSUM CORDA**

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 worshipping 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,

## **SONG OF BLESSING**

*GLORIA PATRI*  
WORDS & MUSIC: UNKNOWN

Glory be to the Father,  
and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end.  
Amen, amen.

## **BENEDICTION**

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

## **THE DISMISSAL**

Minister: Go in Peace

## NEXT AT HOPE

COMMUNITY GROUP - Gilbert  
Tuesday 03/5/24, 7:00-8:15 pm  
The Baysingers  
7560 S Peppertree Dr.  
Gilbert, 85298  
Gate Code: 0131

COMMUNITY GROUP - Florence  
Tuesday 03/5/24, 7:00-8:15 pm  
The Tompkins  
10741 E Marigold Ct.  
Florence, 85132

FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON  
Sunday, 3/24/24, immediately after worship.  
Join us for brunch with your church family.

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 questions 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 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 Requests 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 concerns. Please contact me at:

(\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Day      Evening

Please hand this card in 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 and return it to the welcome table. Don't hesitate to check the box to meet with our pastor to help you learn more about HCC. We are here to serve you.

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

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

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

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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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