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P | E **COMMUNITY**
CHURCH

FAITH.
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HOPE.
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LOVE.
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Sunday April, 14th, 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.

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.

Remembering God's Presence

CALL TO WORSHIP - PSALM 146:10 & 52:9

Please stand.

Minister: The Lord will reign forever, your God, O Zion, to all generations. Praise the Lord!

People: I will thank you forever, because you have done it. I will wait for your name, for it is good, in the presence of the Godly.

SONG OF ADORATION

WE WILL SAY IN THAT DAY

WORDS & MUSIC: WENDELL KIMBROUGH

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.

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

Please stand.

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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"
"Come and join in the song of the Lord"
"Come and join in the song of the Lord"

SONG OF PREPARATION

WHEN PEACE LIKE A RIVER

Words & Music: Horatio Gates Spafford

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way
When sorrows like sea billows roll
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say
It is well, it is well with my soul

It is well with my soul
It is well, it is well with my soul

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come
Let this blest assurance control
That Christ hath regarded my helpless estate
And hath shed His own blood for my soul

It is well with my soul
It is well, it is well with my soul

My sin, oh the bliss of this glorious thought
My sin, not in part but the whole
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul

It is well with my soul
It is well, it is well with my soul

And Lord haste the day when my faith shall be sight
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll
The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend
Even so, it is well with my soul

It is well with my soul
It is well, it is well with my soul

It is well with my soul
It is well, it is well with my soul

Remembering God's Grace

CALL TO REPENTANCE

Please be
seated.

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

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.

PRAYER OF REPENTANCE

**Almighty God,
in raising Jesus from the grave,
you shattered the power of sin and death.
We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear,
bound by the ways that lead to death.
Forgive us, God of mercy.
Help us to trust your power
to change our lives and make us new,
that we may know the joy of life abundant
given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord. Amen.**

Silent Confession

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS - Colossians 2:13-14

And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross.

SONG OF ASSURANCE

ON JORDAN'S STORMY BANKS
WORDS & MUSIC: INDELIBLE GRACE

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

I am bound, I am bound
I am bound for the promised land
I am bound, I am bound
I am bound for the promised land

O'er all 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 for the promised land
I am bound, I am bound
I am bound for the promised land

No chilling winds or poisonous breath
Can reach that healthful shore
Sickness and sorrow, pain and death
Are felt and feared no more

I am bound, I am bound
I am bound for the promised land
I am bound, I am bound
I am bound for the promised land

When I shall reach that happy place
I'll be forever blest
For I shall see my Father's face
And in his bosom rest

I am bound, I am bound
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Receiving Christ as Prophet

CHILDREN'S CLASS

Please be seated.

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

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 29:4-7

God uses His Word to
speak to us.

4 "Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: 5 Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat their produce. 6 Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease. 7 But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the Lord on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.

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

Living as Exiles

Romans 12:1-2

I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. 2 Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

Notes

Faith Seeking Understanding:

1. What are some of the challenges you face living in but not of the world?
2. What are “the mercies of God” Paul is referring to ?
3. How might God be calling you to be a “living sacrifice?”
4. In what areas are you tempted to be “conformed to the pattern of this world?”
5. What are some instruments the Holy Spirit uses “to renew our mind?”

Receiving Christ as Priest

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

How is this church preserved?

**This holy church is preserved by God
against the rage of the whole world,
even though for a time
it may appear very small
in the eyes of humankind—
as though it were snuffed out.**

RECEIVING NEW MEMBERS

Ken & Kathy Kaye
Jeremiah, Helen, and Gabby Bancroft

PRAYER OF FAITH

OFFERING

SONG OF PREPARATION

YOUR LABOR IS NOT IN VAIN

WORDS & MUSIC: THE PORTER'S GATE

Your labor is not in vain
Though the ground underneath you
Is cursed and stained
Your planting and reaping are never the same
Your labor is not in vain

Your labor is not unknown
Though the rocks they cry out
And the sea it may groan
The place of your toil may not seem like a home
But your labor is not unknown

For I am with you, I am with you
I am with you, I am with you
For I have called you
Called you by name
Your labor is not in vain

The vineyards you plant will bear fruit
The fields will sing out and rejoice with the truth
For all that is old will at last be made new
The vineyards you plant will bear fruit

The houses you labored to build
Will finally with laughter and joy be filled
The serpent that hurts and destroys will be killed
And all that is broken be healed

For I am with you, I am with you
I am with you, I am with you
For I have called you
Called you by name
Your labor is not in vain

For I am with you, I am with you
I am with you, I am with you
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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,

Receiving Christ as King

SONG OF BLESSING

ON JORDAN'S STORMY BANKS

WORDS & MUSIC: INDELIBLE GRACE

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I'll be forever blest
For I shall see my Father's face
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I am bound for the promised land

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

Florence Community Group

Tuesday 04/16/24, 7:00-8:15 pm
The Thompkins
10741 E Marigold Ct.
Florence, 85132

Gilbert Community Group

Tuesday 04/16/24, 7:00-8:15 pm
The Baysingers
7560 S Peppertree Dr.
Gilbert, 85298
Code: 0131

Men's Get Together

Thursday 04/18/24, 6:00-8:00 pm
The Baysingers
7560 S Peppertree Dr.
Gilbert, 85298
Code: 0131

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



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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

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.

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: _____

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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