HOPE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Sunday August, 18th, 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

Please stand.

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.

CALL TO WORSHIP - Psalm 9:1-2

Minister: We will give thanks to you, O LORD, with our whole heart;
we will tell of all your wonderful deeds.

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

SONG OF ADORATION

COME THOU ALMIGHTY KING
SONGWRITERS: ANONYMOUS

Come Thou Almighty King
Help us Thy name to sing
Help us to praise
Father, all glorious
O'er all victorious
Come and reign over us
Ancient of Days

Come Thou Incarnate Word
Gird on Thy mighty sword
Our pray'r attend
Come, and Thy people bless
And give Thy Word success
Spirit of holiness
On us descend

Come Holy Comforter
Thy sacred witness bear
In this glad hour
Thou Who almighty art
Now rule in every heart
And ne'er from us depart
Spirit of pow'r

To Thee, great One in Three
Eternal praises be
Hence, evermore
His sov'reign majesty
May we in glory see
And to eternity
Love and adore

By Faith

Songwriters: Keith and Kristyn Getty

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 power 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
'Til 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 every corner of the earth

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

By faith this mountain shall be moved
And the power of the gospel shall prevail
For we know in Christ all things are possible
For all who call upon His name

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

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

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

PRAYER OF REPENTANCE

Almighty God, we confess that we were conceived and born in sin,
and are often inclined to evil and slow to good.
We confess that we transgress your holy commandments
and corrupt ourselves daily.
We are truly sorry and humbly seek your grace and help.
Have mercy upon us, most gracious and merciful Father,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Fill us with your blessed Holy Spirit
that we may recognize our sin, truly repent,
and turn to you for newness of life. Amen

Silent Confession

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS - 1 John 1:6-9

6 If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. **7** But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. **8** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. **9** If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

SONG OF ASSURANCE

GUIDE ME O THOU GREAT JEHOVAH

SONGWRITERS: 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

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.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

1 Corinthians 15:56-58

56 The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. **57** But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.
58 Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

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.

Sin's Destruction

Psalm 38

1O Lord, rebuke me not in your anger, nor discipline me in your wrath!
2For your arrows have sunk into me, and your hand has come down on me.
3There is no soundness in my flesh because of your indignation; there is no health in my bones because of my sin.
4For my iniquities have gone over my head; like a heavy burden, they are too heavy for me.
5My wounds stink and fester because of my foolishness,
6I am utterly bowed down and prostrate; all the day I go about mourning.
7For my sides are filled with burning, and there is no soundness in my flesh.
8I am feeble and crushed; I groan because of the tumult of my heart.
9O Lord, all my longing is before you; my sighing is not hidden from you.
10My heart throbs; my strength fails me, and the light of my eyes—it also has gone from me.
11My friends and companions stand aloof from my plague, and my nearest kin stand far off.
12Those who seek my life lay their snares; those who seek my hurt speak of ruin and meditate treachery all day long.
13But I am like a deaf man; I do not hear, like a mute man who does not open his mouth.
14I have become like a man who does not hear, and in whose mouth are no rebukes.
15But for you, O Lord, do I wait; it is you, O Lord my God, who will answer.
16For I said, "Only let them not rejoice over me, who boast against me when my foot slips!"
17For I am ready to fall, and my pain is ever before me.
18I confess my iniquity; I am sorry for my sin.
19But my foes are vigorous, they are mighty, and many are those who hate me wrongfully.
20Those who render me evil for good accuse me because I follow after good.
21Do not forsake me, O Lord! O my God, be not far from me!
22Make haste to help me, O Lord, my salvation!

Notes

Receiving Christ as Priest

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.

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
We believe there is no condemnation
for those who are in Christ Jesus;
for we know that all things work together for good
for those who love God,
who are called according to God's purpose.
We are convinced that neither death, nor life,
nor angels, nor rulers,
nor things present, nor things to come,
nor powers, nor height, nor depth,
nor anything else in all creation,
will be able to separate us from the love of God
in Christ Jesus our Lord.
—from Romans 8:1, 28, 38-39, NRSV

PRAYER OF FAITH

OFFERING

SONG OF PREPARATION

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

Songwriters: George Matheson & Christopher Miner

O Love that will not let me go
I rest my weary soul in Thee
I give Thee back the life I owe
That in thine ocean depths its flow
May richer, fuller be

O Light that follows all my way
I yield my flick'ring torch to Thee
My heart restores its borrowed ray
That in Thy sunshine's blaze its day
May brighter, fairer be

O Joy that seekest me through pain
I cannot close my heart to Thee
I trace the rainbow through the rain
And feel the promise is not vain
That morn shall tearless be

O Cross that liftest up my head
I dare not ask to fly from Thee
I lay in dust, life's glory dead
And from the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless be

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.

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,

SONG OF BLESSING

GLORIA PATRI

SONGWRITERS: ANONYMOUS

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 DISMISSAL

Minister: Go in Peace.

NEXT AT HOPE

Women's Bible Study
Beginning Tuesday, 8/20/2024, 9:30 -11:00 am
The Tauntons
39183 N Hailey Ln.
San Tan Valley, 85140
Gate Code: #0930
To sign up, go to
www.faithhopelove.churchcenter.com

Men's Event
Wednesday, 8/21/2024, from 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Feed My Starving Children
1345 S Alma School Rd.
Mesa, AZ 85210
RSVP @ www.faithhopelove.churchcenter.com

July-June 2023-2024

YTD	Budgeted	Actual	Difference
Internal Giving	$185,000	$176,208	-$8,792
Expenses	$236,165	$216,917	-$19,248

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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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.

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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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Address: _____

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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 worshiping 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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