HOPE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Sunday September, 22nd, 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 34:3,8,5

Minister: Oh, magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together! Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!

All: Those who look to him are radiant, and their faces shall never be ashamed.

SONG OF ADORATION

THE CHURCH'S ONE FOUNDATION
Songwriters: Samuel Stone

The Church's one foundation
Is Jesus Christ her Lord;
She is His new creation
By water and the Word:
From heav'n He came and sought her
To be His holy Bride;
With His own blood He bought her,
And for her life He died.

Elect from every nation,
Yet one o'er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation,
One Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy Name she blesses,
Partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses,
With every grace endued.

Yet she on earth hath union
With God the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion
With those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we,
Like them, the meek and lowly,
In love may dwell with Thee.

Rock of Ages

Songwriters: Augustus Toplady & Thomas Hastings

Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
let me hide myself in thee;
let the water and the blood,
from thy wounded side which flowed,
be of sin the double cure;
save from wrath and make me pure.

Not the labors of my hands
can fulfill thy law's demands;
could my zeal no respite know,
could my tears forever flow,
all for sin could not atone;
thou must save, and thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring,
simply to the cross I cling;
naked, come to thee for dress;
helpless, look to thee for grace;
foul, I to the fountain fly;
wash me, Savior, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath,
when mine eyes shall close in death,
when I soar to worlds unknown,
see thee on thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
let me hide myself in thee.

CALL TO REPENTANCE

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

PRAYER OF REPENTANCE

Almighty and most merciful Father,
we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep,
we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts,
we have offended against thy holy laws,
we have left undone those things which we ought to have done,
and we have done those things which we ought not to have done.
But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us,
spare thou those who confess their faults,
restore thou those who are penitent,
according to thy promises declared unto mankind
in Christ Jesus our Lord;
and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,
that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life,
to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

Silent Confession

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS - Romans 3:22b-25

For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins.

SONG OF ASSURANCE

O Church Arise

Songwriters: Keith Getty, Stuart Townend, & Kristyn Getty

O, church arise and put your armor on
Hear the call of Christ our captain
For now the weak can say that they are strong
In the strength that God has given
With shield of faith and belt of truth
We'll stand against the devil's lies
An army bold whose battle cry is love
Reaching out to those in darkness

Our call to war, to love the captive soul,
But to rage against the captor
And with the sword that makes the wounded whole
We will fight with faith and valor
When faced with trials on ev'ry side,
We know the outcome is secure,
And Christ will have the prize for which He died
An inheritance of nations

Come, see the cross where love and mercy meet,
As the Son of God is stricken
Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet,
For the Conqueror has risen
And as the stone is rolled away,
And Christ emerges from the grave,
This vict'ry march continues till the day
Ev'ry eye and heart will see Him

So Spirit, come, put strength in ev'ry stride,
Give grace for ev'ry hurdle,
That we may run with faith to win the prize
Of a servant good and faithful
As saints of old still line the way,
Retelling triumphs of His grace,
We hear their calls and hunger for the day
When, with Christ, we stand in glory

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 9:6-7

6 For to us a child is born,
to us a son is given;
and the government shall be upon his shoulder,
and his name shall be called
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.
7 Of the increase of his government and of peace
there will be no end,
on the throne of David and over his kingdom,
to establish it and to uphold it
with justice and with righteousness
from this time forth and forevermore.
The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.

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.

Pursuing Peace
Romans 14:13-23

13 Therefore let us not pass judgment on one another any longer, but rather decide
never to put a stumbling block or hindrance in the way of a brother. 14 I know and am
persuaded in the Lord Jesus that nothing is unclean in itself, but it is unclean for
anyone who thinks it unclean. 15 For if your brother is grieved by what you eat, you
are no longer walking in love. By what you eat, do not destroy the one for whom
Christ died. 16 So do not let what you regard as good be spoken of as evil. 17 For the
kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking but of righteousness and peace
and joy in the Holy Spirit. 18 Whoever thus serves Christ is acceptable to God and
approved by men. 19 So then let us pursue what makes for peace and for mutual
upbuilding.
20 Do not, for the sake of food, destroy the work of God. Everything is indeed clean,
but it is wrong for anyone to make another stumble by what he eats. 21 It is good not
to eat meat or drink wine or do anything that causes your brother to stumble. 22 The
faith that you have, keep between yourself and God. Blessed is the one who has no
reason to pass judgment on himself for what he approves. 23 But whoever has doubts
is condemned if he eats, because the eating is not from faith. For whatever does not
proceed from faith is sin.

Notes

Faith Seeking Understanding:

1. What are some ways we are tempted to break peace with our brothers and sisters in Christ?
2. How do we discern when someone is grieved by what we do?
3. How does this speak to our need as the body of Christ to be patient toward others?
4. What are the elements found in the kingdom of God in verse 17?
5. What are the ways we can pursue peace?

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

Have this mind among yourselves,
which is yours in Christ Jesus,
who, though he was in the form of God,
did not count equality with God
a thing to be grasped,
but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant,
being born in the likeness of men.
And being found in human form,
he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death,
even death on a cross.
Therefore God has highly exalted him
and bestowed on him the name that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

—Philippians 2:5-11

PRAYER OF FAITH

OFFERING

SONG OF PREPARATION

COME, YE SINNERS

Songwriters: Joseph Hart & Matthew Smith

Come, ye sinners, poor and wretched
Weak and wounded, sick and sore
Jesus, ready, stands to save you
Full of pity, joined with power
He is able, He is able
He is willing; doubt no more

Come ye needy, come, and welcome
God's free bounty glorify
True belief and true repentance
Every grace that brings you nigh
Without money, without money
Come to Jesus Christ and buy

Come, ye weary, heavy laden
Bruised and broken by the fall
If you tarry 'til you're better
You will never come at all
Not the righteous, not the righteous
Sinners Jesus came to call

Let not conscience make you linger
Nor of fitness fondly dream
All the fitness He requires
Is to feel your need of Him
This He gives you, this He gives you
'Tis the Spirit's rising beam

Lo! The Incarnate God, ascended
Pleads the merit of His blood
Venture on Him; venture wholly
Let no other trust intrude
None but Jesus, none but Jesus
Can do helpless sinners good

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

ESTABLISH THE WORK OF OUR HANDS
Songwriters: The Porter's Gate

If You don't build it, we labor in vain,
Without Your Spirit, we stand with no strength.
I know my life is passing away,
but the works of Your hands
are what will remain.
Let the favor of the Lord rest upon us…

O Lord, establish the work of our hands!
O Lord, establish the work of our hands!

Teach us to number the length of our days,
Pour out Your power, we'll pour out Your praise.
Teach us to run, to finish the race,
for only what's done in love will remain.
Let the favor of the Lord rest upon us

O Lord, establish the work of our hands!
O Lord, establish the work of our hands!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

BENEDICTION

THE DISMISSAL

Minister: Go in Peace.

NEXT AT HOPE

Community Group - Gilbert
Tuesday, 9/24/2024, from 7:00 pm - 8:15 pm
The Baysingers
7560 S. Peppertree Ln.
Gilbert, AZ 85298

Community Group - Florence
Tuesday, 9/24/2024, from 7:00 pm - 8:15 pm
The Tompkins
10741 E Marigold Ct.
Florence, AZ 85132

Men's Event
Wednesday, 9/25/2024, from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
The Arrowoods
2770 E. Wyatt Way
Gilbert, AZ 85297
Code #1776
Please bring a friend and join us for dinner as we seek to be missionally present.

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.

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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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