

# HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## *Order of Worship*

February 21st, 2021

### *Indoor Worship Service*

“A church can become crowded with legitimate causes, concerns, and needs. And it can be hard to find Jesus.”

Ray Ortlund

“The work of the Holy Spirit is the honoring of Jesus Christ . . . the work of the Holy Spirit is simply to thrill us with Christ.”

Dale Bruner

“Spirit of God, descend upon my heart.  
Wean it from earth; through all its pulses move;  
Stoop to my weakness, mighty as Thou art;  
and make me love Thee as I ought to love.

I ask no dream, no prophet ecstasies,  
No sudden rending of the veil of clay,  
No angel vision, no opening skies;  
but take the dimness of my soul away.”

George Croly

## **GATHERING IN GOD’S PRESENCE**

### **Call to Worship**

Praise the Lord!  
Praise the Lord, O my soul!  
I will praise the Lord as long as I live;  
I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

Put not your trust in princes,  
in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation.  
When his breath departs, he returns to the earth;  
on that very day his plans perish.

Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob,  
whose hope is in the Lord his God,  
who made heaven and earth,  
the sea, and all that is in them,  
who keeps faith forever;

who executes justice for the oppressed,  
who gives food to the hungry.

Psalm 146:1-7

### **Come Thou Fount**

Come Thou fount of ev'ry blessing / Tune my heart to sing Thy grace  
Streams of mercy never ceasing / Call for songs of loudest praise  
Teach me some melodious sonnet / Sung by flaming tongues above  
Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it / Mount of God's unchanging love

Here I raise my Ebenezer / Hither by Thy help I'm come  
And I hope by Thy good pleasure / Safely to arrive at home  
Jesus sought me when a stranger / Wand'ring from the fold of God  
He to rescue me from danger / Interposed His precious blood

O to grace how great a debtor / Daily I'm constrained to be  
Let that grace now, like a fetter / Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee  
Prone to wander Lord I feel it / Prone to leave the God I love  
Here's my heart, O take and seal it / Seal it for Thy courts above

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### **Holy Spirit**

There's nothing worth more that could ever come close / Nothing can compare You're our living hope  
Your Presence, Lord

I've tasted and seen of the sweetest of loves / Where my heart becomes free and my shame is undone  
Your Presence, Lord

*Holy Spirit You are welcome here / Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere  
Your glory God is what our hearts long for / To be overcome by Your Presence Lord*

Let us become more aware of Your Presence / Let us experience the glory of Your goodness (repeat)

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### **Call to Confession**

**Davis Mooney**

#### **Confession of Sin**

Lord, giver of life and breath, we confess that we have cherished the gifts more than the Giver. We have sought after what cannot satisfy, and held onto things that are not our own. Forgive us for the good we have withheld, and for the

wrongs we have dispensed; for where your glory was ignored, and vain shadows kept our gaze. Renew us by your Spirit, that we may love and serve you with singleness of heart, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

### **Silent Confession**

#### **Assurance of Pardon**

<sup>4</sup> ...when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, <sup>5</sup> he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, <sup>6</sup> whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, <sup>7</sup> so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Titus 3:4-7

#### **Great Are You Lord**

You give life, You are love / You bring light to the darkness  
You give hope, You restore ev'ry heart that is broken / And great are You Lord

*It's Your breath in our lungs / So we pour out our praise  
We pour out our praise / It's Your breath in our lungs  
So we pour out our praise to You only*

And all the earth will shout Your praise / Our hearts will cry, these bones will sing  
Great are You, Lord

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#### **Passing of the Peace of Christ**

**Leader:** May the peace of Christ be with you.

**All:** *And also with you.*

#### **Welcome and Prayers of the People**

**Sue Spainhour**

#### **Offering & Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow / Praise him all creatures here below  
Praise him above ye heavenly hosts / Praise father, son, and holy ghost

#### **Life Together**

**David Speakman**

### **ATTENDING TO GOD'S WORD**

#### **"The Greatest Gift"**

**David Speakman**

<sup>15</sup> "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. <sup>16</sup> And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, <sup>17</sup> even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.

<sup>18</sup> “I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. <sup>19</sup> Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. <sup>20</sup> In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. <sup>21</sup> Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him.” <sup>22</sup> Judas (not Iscariot) said to him, “Lord, how is it that you will manifest yourself to us, and not to the world?” <sup>23</sup> Jesus answered him, “If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. <sup>24</sup> Whoever does not love me does not keep my words. And the word that you hear is not mine but the Father’s who sent me.

<sup>25</sup> “These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. <sup>26</sup> But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you.

John 14:15-26

<sup>12</sup> So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. <sup>13</sup> For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. <sup>14</sup> For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. <sup>15</sup> For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!” <sup>16</sup> The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup> and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

Romans 8:12-17

**Leader:** This is the Word of God for the people of God.

**All:** *Thanks be to God*

## **The Lord’s Supper**

### **The Apostles’ Creed**

I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker 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 into Hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into 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.

## **Lord's Supper Instructions**

- We invite those seated furthest away from the pulpit to come to the table first. An usher will tell you when to come.
- Households may approach together. We ask that each household practice physical distancing when awaiting their turn.
- Communicants will cup their hands, ready to receive the bread.
- Another server will make a cup available for each communicant to pick up. Wine is the darker liquid and grape juice is the lighter liquid.
- Young children who have made a profession of faith may partake in the Lord's Supper when they have met with and been approved by the Session.

## **ENGAGING GOD'S WORLD**

### **Spirit of the Living God**

O Spirit of the living God / Thou Light and Fire Divine  
Descend upon Thy church once more / And make it truly Thine  
Fill it with love and joy and pow'r / With righteousness and peace  
Till Christ shall dwell in human hearts / And sin and sorrow cease

Blow, wind of God, with wisdom blow / Until our minds are free  
From mists of error, clouds of doubt / Which blind our eyes to Thee  
Burn, winged fire, inspire our lips / With flaming love and zeal  
To preach to all Thy great good news / God's glorious commonweal

So shall we know the power of Christ / Who came this world to save  
So shall we rise with Him to life / Which soars beyond the grave  
And earth shall win true holiness / Which makes Thy children whole  
Till, perfected by Thee, we reach / Creation's glorious goal

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### **Benediction**

“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.”

Romans 15:13

## ADDITIONAL PRAYERS AND MEDITATIONS

### **Prayer for Those Struggling with Sin**

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my needs and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to you, the author and perfecter of my faith. Amen.

### **Prayer for Those Searching for the Truth**

Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

### **Prayer of Belief**

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross, and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as Savior and Lord. Amen.

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## LIFE TOGETHER

**Childcare During the Indoor Worship Service:** Two nursery rooms (previous Infant & Ones rooms) will be open for individual family use. The rooms are equipped with TV's displaying the morning worship livestream and surfaces are cleaned prior to the service. We ask that those who use the space, please sign in on the door prior to entering the space and place toys used in the "Used Toy" container upon leaving.

**Lenten Devotionals Available:** Join us on a journey to Easter with *Beauty of the Cross* by Tim Chester, which is full of daily meditations on Isaiah 52-53. Pick up a free copy at the connections table this week or contact the church office.

**Lent Book Study: "Word in the Wilderness" by Malcolm Guite.** Lent is a season for reflection, repentance, and reorientation – three things the creative arts are uniquely gifted to help us do. The book is complimentary, the poetry is accessible, and it promises to be a well-spent journey. Meetings are led by Michael Kuehn via Zoom on Wednesdays at 7:30pm starting February 24th. Register online: [hopechurchws.org/lentbookstudy](https://hopechurchws.org/lentbookstudy).

**Devotional Art Exhibition:** Throughout the season of Lent, a devotional art exhibit entitled *The Stations of the Cross* will be installed outside on the church grounds. Visitors can come take a "pilgrimage" around the church building, prayerfully walking through the events of Holy Week. The companion book may be picked up in the Worship Center or the church office starting Ash Wednesday.

**Men's Cohorts:** Registration is live for our spring cohorts, which kick off the first week in March. These are small groups that meet for connection and study the Bible together. Various days and times are available. Register at [hopechurchws.org/men](http://hopechurchws.org/men).

**Spring Women's Event: *A Day to Be* - March 20th, 9:00am-3:30pm.** Come join us for a day to be! Be with other women outdoors on the beautiful grounds of Nomad Farms in nearby Tobaccoville. Be with the Lord in times of reflection, listening, journaling and praying. Be with yourself and take time to receive care for your soul. Register online by March 7th: [hopechurchws.org/aDaytoBe](http://hopechurchws.org/aDaytoBe).

**Marked Men for Christ Weekend** - March 17-19th, Camp Caraway Conference Center - Asheboro, NC. This a transformational retreat for men who are ready to go deeper with Jesus Christ and become stronger, more fruitful for him. We will be following all Covid-19 protocols to keep everyone safe. Because of Covid, every man will get his own room in the conference center. Go to [www.markedmenforchrist.org](http://www.markedmenforchrist.org) to register. The cost is \$275. Financial assistance is available. Contact Clyde Godwin at [cgodwin@priorityone.org](mailto:cgodwin@priorityone.org) with your questions.

**Church-wide Camping Trip:** Save the date for a fun overnight camping experience at Stone Mountain Park, May 7-8. All are welcome—young or old, single or married, families or no kids. Registration will be available in April.

**Life Groups:** Life Groups are smaller communities (typically 12-15 adults) made up of members, regular attenders, and friends of Hope Church that meet anywhere from once a week to twice a month. [hopechurchws.org/lifegroups](http://hopechurchws.org/lifegroups)

## SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

**Mask Donations:** Speas Elementary needs child-size disposable face masks for their students. If you'd like to help with this need, you can follow the link to an Amazon wishlist to make a purchase and have it delivered to the school. <https://a.co/8gxw1N0>

If you'd prefer to deliver child-size face masks to the school yourself, the address is: Speas Elementary School, 2000 Polo Road, Winston-Salem, NC 27106

## MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

### Winston-Salem Fellows Program

The Fellows program's goal is to inspire and equip a rising generation of leaders to embrace the reality of who they are, to live their faith seamlessly in all areas, and to participate in things that are greater than themselves. They accomplish this by providing an intensely practical ten-month experience designed to help young adults successfully bridge the transition from college to career as men and women prepared to live lives of passion and purpose.

### Prayer Requests:

- Pray for the fellows as they begin the job/grad school applications.
- Please pray for Caroline Wolfe's mother as she undergoes cancer treatment.

- Please pray for Caroline Filston's mother as she undergoes cancer treatment.
- Pray for the flourishing of the relationship between the Fellows and Crossnore, the current location of the Fellows' House. Pray that the Fellows would be able to serve Crossnore students, even with the limitations of COVID-19.

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