

# HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## *Order of Worship*

May 29th, 2022

“Ordinary love, anonymous and unnoticed as it is, is the substance of peace on earth, the currency of God's grace in our daily life.”

Tish Harrison Warren

“All other gods are actually powerless, because there is no true power without love. And there is no true love without compassion, no true compassion without suffering. Which means Christ, the one who innocently and truly suffered, the one who truly feels with us, the only one who has shown God's true love for us—only Christ has the power of God for salvation, which means only Christ can be worshiped as God and King.”

NT Wright

“Love moves toward people, even if that means confrontation. It doesn't leave them alone in their suffering or in their selfishness. Sometimes people are so paralyzed that unless we intrude, unless we break through both of our natural reserves, we can't love them. When I need to talk to one of our teenagers about something and know I'll get an earful, I remind myself that love moves toward people. I don't even need to know what to say—I can just move closer.”

Paul Miller

### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Sing to the Lord, all the earth;  
proclaim his salvation day after day.  
Declare his glory among the nations,  
his marvelous deeds among all peoples.

1 Chronicles 16:23-24

*Come Thou Fount*

*Lord I Need You*

### **CALL TO CONFESSION**

#### **Confession of Sin**

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Forgive us, O Lord. Draw us close and bind us together in your mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forevermore. Amen.

#### **Silent Confession**

#### **Assurance of Pardon**

The Lord is merciful and gracious,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.  
He will not always chide,

nor will he keep his anger forever.  
He does not deal with us according to our sins,  
nor repay us according to our iniquities.  
For as high as the heavens are above the earth,  
so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;  
as far as the east is from the west,  
so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

Psalm 103:8-12

### *My Jesus I Love Thee*

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

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

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

**\*3-year-old children are dismissed for their worship class. (9am only)**

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

#### **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**

**Ethan Smith**

#### **PREACHING OF THE WORD**

#### **“Renewing Mission: The Movement of True Love”**

**Ethan Smith**

<sup>7</sup> Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God.

<sup>8</sup> Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. <sup>9</sup> In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. <sup>10</sup> In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. <sup>11</sup> Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. <sup>12</sup> No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us.

<sup>13</sup> By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. <sup>14</sup> And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world.

1 John 4:7-14

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

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

#### **THE LORD’S SUPPER**

**Leader:** The Lord be with you.

**Congregation:** *And also with you.*

**Leader:** Lift up your hearts.

**Congregation:** *We lift them up to the Lord.*

**Leader:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**Congregation:** *It is right to give him thanks and praise.*

**Leader:** Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**All:** *Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.*

*Here is Love*

## BENEDICTION

<sup>20</sup>The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

Romans 16:20

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## 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.

**Prayer Requests:** text **hopeprayers** to 94000 if you would like to send us your prayer requests.

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## LIFE TOGETHER

### Worship Schedule Beginning May 29:

- 9:00am-10:15am - Worship
- 10:15-10:45am - Hope Cafe
- 10:45-12:00pm - Worship

**Help Us Honor Our Graduates!** We'd love to recognize and honor those who are completing academic work or training, whether that's high school, college, trade school, a medical program, seminary, or another course of study. Please [fill out this simple form](#) to let us know.

**Food Drive for Clemmons Food Pantry:** The students and deacons of Hope will be hosting a food drive for Clemmons Food Pantry on Sunday, June 12th. There will be volunteers at a table in the back of the worship hall ready to accept your non-perishable and canned donations in between the worship services (from 10:15-10:45am). The Clemmons Food Pantry is in need of canned meat, canned fruit, dry white rice, jelly, peanut butter, condiments, and snacks.

**Experience Strength and Hope Al-Anon Group:** Thursday evenings, 7:00-8:00pm, in the middle school room. Al-Anon is a mutual support program for people whose lives have been affected by someone else's drinking. Al-Anon is not a ministry of Hope church, but is open to anyone who may benefit from the program. If you have any questions please contact Hal Roach, 661-210-5183.

**Summer Bible Study Training:** The course will meet June 15, 29, July 13, 27 and August 10 from 7:30 to 8:30pm in the Adult Sunday School classroom. You do not have to attend every session, but we do ask that you come as much as you can. There is a \$19 registration fee that can be reimbursed. The deadline to register is June 8th. Visit [hopechurchws.org/BST](http://hopechurchws.org/BST) for more information and to register.

**Discovering Hope:** This is our course on what it means to follow Jesus and participate as a member of a local church, and it is the next step for those who wish to become a member of Hope Church. Our next class offering will be on June 17th-18th, a weekend version where we will cover everything in a Friday evening (7:30-9pm) and Saturday morning (9-11:30am). Register at [hopechurchws.org/DH](http://hopechurchws.org/DH).

**Summer Lawn Parties:** Hope is once again hosting evening (6-8pm) lawn parties throughout the summer! We'd love for you to join us, so please save these dates in your calendar: June 26, July 17, and August 21. Each lawn party will have its own unique flavor, so keep your eye out for more details soon!

**World Relief International Festival:** On June 25th, 4-7pm, World Relief is hosting a free festival intended to cultivate relationships across the Triad. There will be food, games/activities, and various cultural performances. All are welcome to attend and there is no cost involved. Flyers with more information are available in the back of the worship hall.

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### MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

**Jeremy and Gina Sink** have been serving in Japan as missionaries through Serge. They are a part of Serge's first dedicated team to Japan! Since stepping down as lead pastor of their church, Jeremy has had the opportunity to focus on developing leaders within the Japanese church - this has opened even more opportunities for Jeremy and Gina to mentor people one-on-one.

**Prayer Requests:** Thank God for clear and positive results to Gina's health concerns! Praise God for His continual and faithful care for their family and their team! Additionally, join them in praising God for the way He is continuing to grow their team in Japan. Jeremy and Gina are so thankful for the way so many people have generously continued to support them financially, at the same time, they also ask that you pray for additional financial support for them (theirs has been gradually declining). Pray for Jeremy and Gina's continued work with leaders and wives - pray that in a culture that encourages isolation and hiding your brokenness, the leaders and wives would find freedom in Christ and

in a Christian community. At the end of May, Jeremy and Gina will be attending a conference - pray that this time is refreshing for them and that they will be encouraged.

**Contact:** [grace4japan@gmail.com](mailto:grace4japan@gmail.com)

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<b>FINANCIAL STANDING AS OF MAY 23, 2022</b>				
	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Difference</b>	
<b>Tithes &amp; Offerings</b>	\$329,529	\$352,825	\$ (23,296)	-6.60%
<b>Expenses</b>	\$370,237	\$400,890	\$ (30,653)	-7.65%
<b>Surplus (Deficit)</b>	\$ (40,708)	\$ (48,065)	\$ 7,357	
<b>Annual Ministry Budget: \$978,000</b>				