

# HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## *Order of Worship*

October 30th, 2022

“There are no little people in God’s sight, so there are no little places. To be wholly committed to God in the place where God wants him—this is the creature glorified ... This is the way of the Christian: he should choose the lesser place until God extrudes him into a position of more responsibility and authority.”

Francis Schaeffer

“The world shouldn’t dictate what we anticipate from God. As the West becomes more committed to a secular belief system, it doesn’t mean we should expect less from God during our lifetime. He is sovereign, which is why we should believe anything is possible. His Spirit can move when and where He wishes.”

Andy Jones

“So if I stand let me stand on the promise that you will pull me through  
And if I can’t, let me fall on the grace that first brought me to You  
And if I sing let me sing for the joy that has born in me these songs  
And if I weep let it be as a man who is longing for his home”

Rich Mullins, “If I Stand”

### CALL TO WORSHIP

*All: O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth!*

**Leader:** You have set Your glory above the heavens.

*All: Out of the mouth of babies and infants, You have established strength because of Your foes, to still the enemy and the avenger.*

**Leader:** When I look at Your heavens, the work of Your fingers, the moon and the stars, which You have set in place,

*All: what is man that You are mindful of him, and the son of man that You care for him? ... O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!*

From Psalm 8

*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

*Before the Throne of God Above*

### CALL TO CONFESSION

#### **Confession of Sin**

Almighty, eternal, and righteous God, we humbly thank You for revealing Your divine will to us in Your law about what we should do and what we should avoid. You know our poor souls and our great transgressions; we are poor, sick sinners. We intend to obey You, but are led, captive by our desires, into eager sin. Forgive us all our sins, we pray, and redeem us according to Your divine will. We also humbly pray that You would work in us true obedience, and strengthen and lead us by Your Holy Spirit to serve You in new obedience here, until we come to complete holiness before You in heaven. This we ask through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord; Amen.

#### **Silent Confession**

## **Assurance of Pardon**

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.

Romans 3:22b-25

## ***Great is Thy Faithfulness***

### **Covenant of Baptism (11am)**

***Salem Elizabeth Faulkner***

## ***Jesus Loves You***

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

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

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

**\*Children ages 3-5th grade are dismissed for the 5th Sunday Outreach Project. (8:30am)**

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

### **Offering & Doxology**

### **Life Together**

**Davis Mooney**

## **PREACHING OF THE WORD**

### **“Encouraging Words to Fragile People” Mooney**

**Davis**

<sup>7</sup> “And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write: ‘The words of the holy one, the true one, who has the key of David, who opens and no one will shut, who shuts and no one opens.

<sup>8</sup> ‘I know your works. Behold, I have set before you an open door, which no one is able to shut. I know that you have but little power, and yet you have kept my word and have not denied my name. <sup>9</sup> Behold, I will make those of the synagogue of Satan who say that they are Jews and are not, but lie—behold, I will make them come and bow down before your feet, and they will learn that I have loved you. <sup>10</sup> Because you have kept my word about patient endurance, I will keep you from the hour of trial that is coming on the whole world, to try those who dwell on the earth. <sup>11</sup> I am coming soon. Hold fast what you have, so that no one may seize your crown. <sup>12</sup> The one who conquers, I will make him a pillar in the temple of my God. Never shall he go out of it, and I will write on him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, the new Jerusalem, which comes down from my God out of heaven, and my own new name. <sup>13</sup> He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.’”

Revelation 3:7-13

**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.*

### *Christ Our Hope in Life and Death*

#### **BENEDICTION**

<sup>13</sup> 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

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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:** Fill out the online prayer card at <https://bit.ly/3BkKMis>.

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#### **LIFE TOGETHER**

**Middle School Campfire Night:** Middle schoolers, come join us for a good old-fashioned campfire! We'll meet in the Moretz's backyard on Sunday, October 30th from 7-8:30pm. Snacks and drinks will be served, and of course we'll be making s'mores over the fire! No need to bring anything except a friend. Contact [Davis Mooney](#) if you need the Moretz's address or have any questions. We hope to see you there!

##### **Hope Kids Connection**

**Memory Verse:** October's Memory Verse is Psalms 118:24 If you have the verse memorized, tell Ms. Lisa and go to the Prize Box. Sing it! [This is the Day Psalms 118:24](#)

**5th Sunday Outreach Project:** Hope Kids will gather together for our 5th Sunday Outreach Project on October 30th, during the first service, to organize and sort the donations for the Clemmons Food Pantry.

**Hope Kids Worship - November 13th:** Children ages 3-4th grade are welcome to join us for Hope Kids Worship. We will gather in the lobby, after the passing of the peace, during the first service. Then we will go upstairs for a special time filled with singing worship songs, getting to know one another, and learning Biblical truths.

**First Wednesday Fellowship:** Thank you to everyone who joined us for our first ever First Wednesday Fellowship! We are very excited to see how God will use this fellowship opportunity and look forward to seeing everyone for our second dinner on November 2nd, 5-7pm. Dinner will be baked ziti, salad, bread, and dessert!

**Healing Service - November 2nd at 7:30pm:** The simple aim of the Healing Service is to make room for folks in need of healing to be prayed for. Bring your own needs. Bring the burden of someone you love. Bring your exhaustion and hopelessness. Bring your longing for Jesus to meet you and help you. If you have any questions, contact [David Speakman](#) for more information.

**Women's Dinner:** Join us for Dinner on Saturday, November 5th, 6-8pm at the home of Beth Chen. This will be an opportunity to connect with other women and hear some of our own Hope women share about an "Ebenezer" moment in their life where they clearly saw God's presence and faithfulness to them. Registration deadline is October 30th. [hopechurchws.org/womensdinner](http://hopechurchws.org/womensdinner)

**Men's Downtown Lunch Meetup:** Tuesday, November 8th, 12:00-1:15pm at Mellow Mushroom. Friends and coworkers are welcome!

**Adult Sunday School Recordings:** All recordings for our adult Sunday School on sexuality are posted on our website. You may visit that page here: [hopechurchws.org/adults/sexual-sanity](http://hopechurchws.org/adults/sexual-sanity). Because it is a secure site, please contact [Ethan Smith](#) to retrieve the password.

**The Gathering Hour:** The Gathering Hour will be a monthly morning fellowship and wellness gathering with the purpose of connection for Hope women and any friends or neighbors they choose to invite. Coffee and refreshments will be provided, as well as childcare! Occasionally, there will also be mornings with a wellness emphasis such as mental health guest speakers and other activities.

If you would like to join the planning team, the childcare team, or both for this event, please email Katy Abbott and Lindsay Reynolds at [gatheringhour@hopechurchws.org](mailto:gatheringhour@hopechurchws.org).

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## MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

### RUF Winston-Salem State University

“Reformed University Fellowship (RUF) is a campus ministry that reaches college students from all backgrounds with the hope of Jesus Christ. College is a time when beliefs are explored, decisions are made, and lives are changed. We invite students into authentic relationships and the study of God’s Word. Through the ministry of RUF, students

discover the love of Christ, find their significance in God's redemptive story, and engage in the life of His church." We at Hope are directly supporting RUF at Winston-Salem State University.

**Praises and Prayer Requests:** Praise God that RUF is now officially recognized as a campus ministry at WSSU, meaning they are now allowed to meet on campus and directly engage with students! One of their prayer (and partnering) requests is that they would have a supply of physical Bibles for their students to have (most do not have a physical Bible); their desire is for every student who comes to RUF to have a Bible of their own with a personal note from the person who donated it. Since being able to meet on campus for Large Group and Bible study, their group has grown to 24 students and continues to grow - praise God! Join with them in praying that their group would continue to grow as students are disciplined in God's Word.

**Contact:** [jonah.hooper@ruf.org](mailto:jonah.hooper@ruf.org)

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FINANCIAL STANDING AS OF OCTOBER 24, 2022				
	Actual	Budget	Difference	
<b>Tithes &amp; Offerings</b>	\$749,974	\$724,348	\$ 25,626	3.54%
<b>Expenses</b>	\$764,912	\$811,588	\$ (46,676)	-5.75%
<b>Surplus (Deficit)</b>	\$ (14,938)	\$ (87,240)	\$ 72,302	
<b>Annual Ministry Budget: \$978,000</b>				