



**HICKORY GROVE**  
BAPTIST CHURCH

**W O R S H I P   G U I D E**

*Harris Campus (Main) | Week of September 30, 2018*

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

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*Main Campus - Sunday, September 30, 2018*

## **Call to Worship**

*Colossians 3:16-17*

“Lion And The Lamb”

## **Corporate Confession (8 AM)**

*Psalm 139:23-24*

## **Parent/Child Dedication (11AM)**

“Death Was Arrested”

“God Be Praised/Our God Reigns”

## **Pastoral Prayer**

“Living Hope”

## **Missionary Commissioning**

## **Sermon**

*Genesis 39:13-23*

“Whom Shall I Fear”

## **Benediction**

## CALL TO WORSHIP

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The Scriptural call to worship at the beginning of our service is a reminder that as we gather it is God who initiates and reveals Himself to us through His Word, and we respond to Him.

*Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.*

**Colossians 3:16-17**

## CORPORATE CONFESSION

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During this time we acknowledge that we have sinned against a holy God, and we have the assurance that because of Christ we have been forgiven and are blessed recipients of God's mercy, grace and love.

*Search me, O God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts! And see if there be any grievous way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.*

**Psalms 139:23-24**

## OFFERING

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Giving is an act of worship in which we give generously of our substance to further the mission of the church and to bring glory to God.

# PARENT/CHILD DEDICATION

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## What is a Parent/Child Dedication?

The Scripture is clear that God has called parents to be the primary disciple-makers in the lives of their children. One way we take this calling seriously at Hickory Grove is through our Parent/Child Dedication ceremony, during which we formally recognize, in a corporate worship service, parents who have had a new child enter the family and charge them to Pass the Torch in their own home.

This time is designed for parents to publicly commit before the church that they will, with God's help, be the primary disciple-maker(s) in the life of their child. It is also designed for parents to acknowledge God's sovereignty over their child, recognizing that "children are a heritage from the Lord" (Psalm 127:3), and that this child has been entrusted to them by God.

It is imperative for the church to commit corporately to partner with these families by coming alongside them as they seek to raise their children to love Christ above all things.

## How can the church partner with families?

While Scripture has called parents to be the primary disciple-makers in the lives of their children, the local church should support these parents in a partnership. As a member of the body of Christ, here are some ways you can come alongside these families in partnership:

**1. Pray.** Pray that God will help parents faithfully shepherd their children during their most formative years. Pray also for our children, that they will be protected from the evil one (John 17:15) and that they will one day put their faith in Jesus Christ.

**2. Get Involved.** Join Hickory Grove's efforts in Passing the Torch to the next generation by getting involved in the HG Kids or HG Students Ministries. These ministries partner with families and the opportunities for discipleship are endless, so join the team.

# MISSIONARIES TO BULGARIA

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31 PEOPLE GROUPS, 8 UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUPS, 2% EVANGELICAL CHRISTIANS



Ryan, Julia, Audrey (4), Alyse (2) and Adalyn (1) will be serving in Bulgaria with the International Mission Board (IMB). Their primary focus will be church planting among unreached people groups. For more information on the Edwards, email [RyanandJuliaE@gmail.com](mailto:RyanandJuliaE@gmail.com).



Ryan, Stacey, Autumn (9), Olivia (8), Grace (6) and Knox (3) will be serving in Bulgaria with Apex International. Their primary focus will be church planting among unreached people groups. If you would like to support the Fischer's, email [ryfischer@gmail.com](mailto:ryfischer@gmail.com)

# THE NEW CITY CATECHISM

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The New City Catechism is a modern-day resource aimed at helping children and adults alike learn the core doctrines of the Christian faith via 52 questions and answers. Learn more at [NewCityCatechism.com](http://NewCityCatechism.com).

## Part 3: Spirit, Restoration, Growing in Grace

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### QUESTION 40

## What should we pray?

The whole Word of God directs and inspires us in what we should pray, including the prayer Jesus himself taught us.

*For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.*

**Ephesians 3:14–21**

### PRAYER

God Who Hears, let your living Word shape our desires and our prayers. May it challenge us to pray for things that don't seem possible. May it inform our view of you as we approach you as beloved sons and daughters. May it drive us to our knees as we recognize our need of you. Amen.

Read the full commentary for this question at [NewCityCatechism.com](http://NewCityCatechism.com).

# SCHEDULE & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## Guest Information

If you are a guest, we welcome you and invite you to stop by any Guest Information Area to learn more about Hickory Grove and to get answers to your questions. Be sure to pick up a Guest Information Card, fill it out, and either drop it in the offering plate or leave it at any Guest Information Area.

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## Schedule

### **Sunday, September 30**

Worship: 8 & 11 AM

Sunday School: 9:30 AM

Choir Rehearsal: 4 PM

HG Kids Choir: 5:15 PM

### **Wednesday, October 3**

Dinner: 5 PM

Awana: 6:15 PM

Infant-4 yr olds: 6:30 PM

Student Worship: 6:30 PM

Pastors' Class: 6:30 PM

Orchestra Rehearsal: 7 PM

## **RADICAL HOSPITALITY WOMEN'S CONFERENCE**

*October 5-6, Cost: \$20*

*Mallard Creek Campus (North)*

Dr. Rosaria Butterfield will share her story of coming to know and believe in Christ and how to turn strangers into neighbors. Register at [HickoryGrove.org](http://HickoryGrove.org).

## **COLLEGE TAILGATE**

*Saturday, October 13, 12 PM, UNCC O O*

All college students are invited to attend. Game starts at 3:30 PM. No cost for the tailgate and UNCC students are admitted to the game free with their student ID.

## **DISCOVER HG**

*Begins Sunday, October 14*

9:30 AM, Room 1111/1112

Discover HG provides a unique opportunity to learn who Hickory Grove Baptist Church is and what we believe. RSVP at [HickoryGrove.org/DiscoverHG](http://HickoryGrove.org/DiscoverHG).

## **OPERATION CHARLOTTE**

*October 21-27*

Operation Charlotte is a week-long ministry event where we come together as a church and serve with various organizations throughout Charlotte. Register at [HickoryGrove.org](http://HickoryGrove.org).

## **STUDENTS: BIBLE WORKSHOP**

*Sunday, October 28, 5 PM*

*Mallard Creek Campus (North)*

Students will learn how to know, love, and engage with the Bible. The cost is \$10, which includes dinner and a book. Register at [HickoryGrove.org/Students](http://HickoryGrove.org/Students).

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## Genesis 39:13-23

