



HICKORY GROVE
BAPTIST CHURCH

W O R S H I P G U I D E

Harris Campus (Main) | Week of November 11, 2018

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, November 11, 2018

Call to Worship

Psalm 150:1-2, 6

“Every Praise”

Corporate Confession

Hebrews 7:25-26

“Before The Throne of God Above”

“What A Beautiful Name”

Pastoral Prayer

Offering

“How Great Is Your Love”

Sermon

Genesis 43

“It Is Well With My Soul”

Benediction

CALL TO WORSHIP

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.

Praise the Lord! Praise God in His sanctuary; praise Him in His mighty heavens! Praise Him for His mighty deeds; praise Him according to His excellent greatness! Let everything that has breath praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

Psalm 150:1-2, 6

CORPORATE CONFESSION

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.

Consequently, He is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them. For it was indeed fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, innocent, unstained, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens.

Hebrews 7:25-26

OFFERING

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.

ORPHAN SUNDAY

Today, all around our world, churches are observing Orphan Sunday. Orphan Sunday occurs each year in November as an opportunity for local churches and communities to rally together in response to God's call to care for orphaned and vulnerable children. Today is a reminder of what is happening here in Charlotte, the United States, and all over the world. **Millions of children are growing up without a family. It is time for the church to be more involved by adopting these children and caring for the families** who are risking much to live out the Gospel in a very real way.

God has used this community of believers to support us, pray for us, and care for us in ways only real family members can. ✝

Personally, this is a special week for me and my family. One year ago, my wife and I nervously drove down a crowded street in Kunming, China, to meet—for the first time—our fourth daughter. After years of educating ourselves, praying, counseling with others, and finally saying “Yes”, God had finally brought our worlds together.

Our daughter was abandoned on a street corner in a small village in China at just three days old. She spent the first two years of her life not knowing the security, comfort, and love of a real family. She lived in an orphanage with 50 other children, who like her, may never know the love of a forever family.

But God changed all of that in an instant when she became our daughter and was an orphan no more.

Over the past year, God has also given her a church family that loves her, accepts her, cares for her, and teaches her the Good News of Jesus weekly. God has used this community of believers to support us, pray for us, and care for us in ways only real family members can.

God wants to do more here at Hickory Grove! **He is calling families to not just observe a day but for all to be actively involved in orphan care.** Some may be able to bring a child physically into their family, but if you can't, there is so much you can do to help the 153 million orphans worldwide by helping those who can.

How is God calling you to be involved? ■

Kyle Scarlett

Family Discipleship Pastor

HOW CAN I HELP?

At Hickory Grove, we seek to be an example of the rich mercy and great love that God has shown us (Ephesians 2:4) by **supporting families involved in foster care and adoption**. We need a team of volunteers fulfilling a variety of needs to assist these families practically and encourage them not to grow weary in doing good. Whatever your skill, there is a place for you to help.

HOW TO HELP:

- ▶ Preparing meals for foster and adoptive families
- ▶ Providing gift cards for families
(groceries, restaurants, Walmart, Target, etc.)
- ▶ Writing notes of encouragement to foster and adoptive moms
- ▶ Providing lawn care to foster and adoptive families
- ▶ Becoming a prayer partner for foster and adoptive families
- ▶ Another skill that you would like to deploy in service or help to these families

Sign up to volunteer to support these families online:

HickoryGrove.org/AdoptionSupport

THE NEW CITY CATECHISM

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.

Part 3: Spirit, Restoration, Growing in Grace

QUESTION 46

What is The Lord's Supper?

Christ commanded all Christians to eat bread and to drink from the cup in thankful remembrance of Him and His death. The Lord's Supper is a celebration of the presence of God in our midst; bringing us into communion with God and with one another; feeding and nourishing our souls. It also anticipates the day when we will eat and drink with Christ in His Father's kingdom.

For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

1 Corinthians 11:23–26

PRAYER

Bread of Life, we take The Lord's Supper in reverent obedience. We do not want to receive it unworthily, so we come in repentance and faith. Help us to forgive the sins of those who have sinned against us, especially the believers with whom we share the bread and the cup. May our partaking of this meal proclaim your saving death and our desperate need of it. Amen.

SCHEDULE & ANNOUNCEMENTS



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, November 11

Worship: 8 & 11 AM

Sunday School: 9:30 AM

Choir Rehearsal: 4 PM

HG Kids Choir: 5:15 PM

Wednesday, November 14

Dinner: 5 PM

Awana: 6:15 PM

Infant-4 years old: 6:30 PM

Student Worship: 6:30 PM

Pastors' Class: 6:30 PM

*Church Conference following
Pastors' Class*

Orchestra Rehearsal: 7 PM

VETERANS DAY

We would like to thank all our veterans for serving our country and protecting our freedoms!

CHURCH CONFERENCE

Wednesday, November 14, Event Center

The Proposed 2019 Church Budget will be presented to the church family. A vote on the budget (without discussion) will take place on Wednesday, November 28, after the Pastors' Class.

HG KIDS PRESENTS: "CRAZY, BUSY, PEACEFUL, HOLY NIGHT"

Wednesday, December 5, 6:30 PM

Join HG Kids as they present a musical focusing on the peace of Christ in the midst of Christmas craziness.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Bless a child this Christmas season with a shoebox full of gifts! Drop off your shoebox in the Welcome Center by November 19. Learn more at HickoryGrove.org/OCC.

CHRISTMAS NIGHT OF WORSHIP

Sunday, December 9, 5 PM

Come join us as we sing and pray together this Christmas season. A cookie fellowship will follow.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

Monday, December 24

Harris Campus (Main) - 4 PM

Mallard Creek Campus (North) - 5:15 PM

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