



HICKORY GROVE
BAPTIST CHURCH

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

Harris Campus (Main) | Week of November 18, 2018

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, November 18, 2018

Call to Worship

Romans 11:33-36

“Praise To The Lord, The Almighty”

Corporate Confession

Isaiah 53:4-6

“O Praise The Name”

“How Great Is Your Love”

Pastoral Prayer

Offering

“Thou, Oh Lord”

Sermon

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

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.

*Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!
How unsearchable are His judgments and how inscrutable His ways!
For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been His
counselor? Or who has given a gift to Him that He might be repaid?
For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him be
glory forever. Amen.*

Romans 11:33-36

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.

*Surely He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we
esteemed Him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But He was
pierced for our transgressions; He was crushed for our iniquities;
upon Him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with His
wounds we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have
turned-every one-to his own way; and the Lord has laid upon Him
the iniquity of us all.*

Isaiah 53:4-6

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.

THANKSGIVING

Every Christian should be thankful. When one considers all that God has done for us through Christ, no other attitude is appropriate. Unthankfulness is a sin and is not an option for those who have been forgiven of their sins, adopted into the family of God, united with Christ as an heir with him, and indwelt by the Spirit of God to guide and comfort us.

Writing to the church in Colossae, the apostle Paul reminds them of their duty as Christians to be marked by thankfulness. "Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body.

Our worship is always a response to what God has done through Christ, and He has done more than we could ever ask or think. ✝

And be thankful. 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

3:15-17.) Paul writes, not of a glib or naïve thankfulness, but a settled attitude of the heart that remains unchanged in all circumstances.

As Christians, thankfulness becomes the continual thread woven through every experience in our lives. When we endure hardships and suffering, we do so with thankful hearts, trusting that God is loving and faithful and that He is working all things for His glory and our good. We become grateful for the good but often overlooked graces in our lives like food to eat and homes in which to live.

When we sing together in church, we sing with thankful hearts. Our worship is always a response to what God has done through Christ, and He has done more than we could ever ask or think. As we sing together in worship, the important thing is not whether we can sing well, but whether we have a reason to sing at all. And every Christian has a reason to sing with thankfulness to the Lord.

Paul closes this passage with a statement regarding all of our activity. "Whatever you do," he writes, "do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him." There are no loopholes. There are no exceptions. Let's make sure that every word, every action, every thought, is one that is honoring to the Lord and one for which we can give thanks to God.

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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 47

Does The Lord's Supper add anything to Christ's atoning work?

No, Christ died once for all. The Lord's Supper is a covenant meal celebrating Christ's atoning work; as it is also a means of strengthening our faith as we look to Him, and a foretaste of the future feast. But those who take part with unrepentant hearts eat and drink judgment on themselves.

For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God. . .

1 Peter 3:18

PRAYER

Conqueror of Death, we celebrate your finished work when we take The Lord's Supper. May our eating be a confession of faith, that though we are unworthy, we have been joined together with the worthiness of Christ. May we come to your table with repentant hearts, putting away pride and self-sufficiency, enjoying the free grace you offer to us. Amen.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

2018

Tuesday, November 20

Dinner: 5 PM

Worship: 6:30 PM

The Lord's Supper

Thursday-Friday, November 22-23

Church offices closed

Sunday, December 2

ADORE, Night of Worship: 5 PM

Mallard Creek Campus (North)

Wednesday, December 5

HG Kids Choir Musical: 6:30 PM

Sunday, December 9

Christmas Night of Worship: 5 PM

Harris Campus (Main)

Wednesday, December 12

No PM Ministry Activities

Wednesday, December 19

No PM Ministry Activities

Sunday, December 23

Worship/Sunday School

Regular Schedule

Monday, December 24

Christmas Eve Services

Harris Campus (Main): 4 PM

Mallard Creek Campus (North): 5:15 PM

Church offices closed

Tuesday, Dec 25 (Christmas)

Church offices closed

Wednesday, December 26

No PM Ministry Activities

Sunday, December 30

Worship/Sunday School

Regular Schedule

2019

Wednesday, January 2

No PM Ministry Activities

Sunday, January 6

Deacon Ordination

Wednesday, January 9

Wednesday Night Ministry
Activities Resume

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 18

Worship: 8 & 11 AM
Sunday School: 9:30 AM

Tuesday, November 20

Thanksgiving Dinner: 5 PM
Worship: 6:30 PM
The Lord's Supper

Wednesday, November 21

No Evening Activities

THANKSGIVING DINNER & WORSHIP

Tuesday, November 20

Join us for a Thanksgiving dinner at 5 PM, followed by a worship service. We will observe The Lord's Supper during the service at 6:30 PM. Cost for dinner: \$5 Adults / \$3 Children

CHURCH CONFERENCE

Wednesday, November 28, Event Center

A vote on the budget (without discussion) will take place on Wednesday, November 28, after the Pastors' Class.

HG KIDS: "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

