

# WORSHIP GUIDE

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, March 17, 2019

#### **Call to Worship**

John 4:23-24

"No Other Name"

#### **Corporate Confession**

Isaiah 64:7-8

"Hallelujah For The Cross"

"How Great Is Your Love"

#### **Pastoral Prayer**

#### Offering

"What Mercy Did For Me"

#### Sermon

Romans 1:18-20

"I Stand Amazed (How Marvelous)"

#### **Benediction**

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

The Scriptural call to worship at the beginning of our service reminds us of the centrality of God's Word. God reveals Himself to us through His Word and invites us to respond corporately to Him in worship.

But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and in truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship Him. God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.

John 4:23-24

#### CORPORATE CONFESSION

In light of God's holiness, wrath, and grace, we acknowledge that we have all sinned against God and are in need of His sanctifying grace. This confession occurs in the context of a covenant relationship made possible through the perfect life, substitutionary death, and victorious resurrection of Jesus. As Christians, our confession is not so that God should forgive us, but because, through Christ, He has already forgiven us.

There is no one who calls upon Your name, who rouses himself to take hold of You; for You have hidden Your face from us, and have made us melt in the hand of our iniquities. But now, O Lord, You are our Father; we are the clay, and You are our potter; we are all the work of Your hand.

Isaiah 64:7-8

# OFFERING

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

## THE GOSPEL IN THE NEW TESTAMENT

Throughout the New Testament, the Gospel is referred to as a Gospel from God (Rom 1:2), as opposed to a Gospel from man (Gal 1:11). This fits nicely with the God-centered emphasis of the New Testament. In fact, the New Testament highlights how each member of the trinity uniquely contributes to our understanding of the Gospel.

#### The Gospel in the New Testament:

#### 1. Was Planned by the Father

The Father sent the Son to accomplish all that he gave him to do (John 17:4). Motivated by love, the Father gave his Son and now rejoices when sinners turn to him (John 3:16, Luke 15). Acts tell us that the crucifixion was according to the Father's *definite plan* (Acts 2:23). This plan leads to our adoption (Eph 1:3, Rom 8:15, Gal 4:5), our forgiveness (Eph 4:32, Col 3:13), and our peace with God (Rom 5:1, Phil 4:9). The New Testament calls us to worship the Father as the great initiator of our salvation.

#### 2. Was Accomplished by the Son

Jesus lived a sinless life, died a sinner's death, rose victoriously on the third day, and now reigns from heaven. As a sinless sacrifice, Jesus is the lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world (John 1:21). He is the true temple who was torn down and yet rose in three days (John 2:19). Jesus is the true rock who provides water to thirsty people in the desert (1 Cor 10:4). Jesus is the second Adam whose obedience leads to our justification (Rom 5:12-21). Believers are united with him in his death and his resurrection (Gal 2:20, Rom 6:5). One day, Jesus will return to call believers home, defeat the devil, and make all things new! The New Testament calls us to worship the Son as the author and perfecter of our faith (Heb 12:2).

#### 3. Is Empowered by the Spirit

The New Testament tells us that Jesus was empowered by the Spirit (Luke 4:1-19, Rom 1:4). The Spirit blows where he wishes and convicts the world concerning sin, righteousness, and judgment (John 3:8, 16:8). In Acts, Jesus tells his disciples to wait to be filled with the Spirit (Acts 1:8). Now, the Holy Spirit empowers believers to live a holy life and admonishes us with end-time dialogue (Rom 8:13, Gal 5:16, Heb 3:7-8, 10:15-17). The New Testament calls us to live in the power of the Spirit, knowing that he who is in us is greater than he who is in the world (1 John 4:4)!

The New Testament is a celebration of what the Father has done through the Son through the power of the Holy Spirit!

<sup>1</sup> See Thomas R. Schreiner, New Testament Theology: Magnifying God in Christ (Baker Academic, 2008), 119–167.

# who's your DNE?

Imagine if every one at Hickory Grove could answer that question with the name of a person who is far from God—a person for whom they're praying and with whom they're seeking to share the Gospel.

That's the intention behind *Who's Your One*. We believe God's people don't merely need another method for evangelism— what we need is a passion to see people who are far from God experience the new life He offers through Jesus Christ.

It is time for our church to prioritize personal ownership of the Great Commission as we each **intentionally pursue one person** with the hope of the Gospel.

At times, it seems the mission is simply too complex and too vast. While we can't do everything, we can do something. We can all take responsibility for one. And, because of God's power and the work of His Spirit, each of our ones can add up to make a significant impact for God's kingdom.

#### Romans 10:1

"Brothers, my heart's desire and prayer to God for them is that they may be saved." (ESV)

#### RESOURCE RECOMMENDATION



# The Bible Memory App

# Available in the App Store and on Google Play

The Bible Memory App is a complete, all-inclusive Bible memory system that equips you to easily MEMORIZE, ORGANIZE, & REVIEW verses on your own, customizable review schedule.

## SCRIPTURE MEMORY

During the Romans sermon series, take the challenge to memorize different verses from Romans. The Scripture memory passages are:

For I am not ashamed of the Gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith."

#### Romans 1:16-17

For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse. For although they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their foolish hearts were darkened.

Romans 1:20-21

## **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.

# **Schedule**

Sunday, March 17

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

Adult Choir Rehearsal: 4 PM HG Kids Choir: 5:15 PM

Wednesday, March 20 Senior Adult Choir: 10 AM

Dinner: 5 PM Awana: 6:15 PM

Infant-4 years old: 6:30 PM Student Worship: 6:30 PM Pastors' Class: 6:30 PM Orchestra Rehearsal: 6:30 PM

# EMPOWERED TO CONNECT CONFERENCE SIMULCAST

Friday, April 5 & Saturday, April 6 10 AM-6 PM, Mallard Creek Campus Experience practical teaching to better serve children impacted by adoption and foster care. Learn more at HickoryGrove. org/Adoption.

#### SECRET CHURCH

Friday, April 26, 7 PM - 1 AM, Saturday, April 27, Mallard Creek Campus Cost: \$10. Register online at HickoryGrove.org/SecretChurch.

#### MARRIAGE & THE GOSPEL

Begins Wednesday, April 3, 6:30 PM This 3-week class will examine how your marriage can portray the Gospel. Register at HickoryGrove.org/EquipHG.

# FALL 2019 WEE SCHOOL & PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

Mallard Creek Campus

Hickory Grove Christian School is excited to announce that we will expand our Early Education Center to include a Wee School & Preschool program this fall. Registration is currently open for church members and will open to the public on March 22. For more information, please email mallardcreekeec@hgchristian.org

#### **CAR CARE**

Saturday, April 13, 9 AM
Free oil change for widows and single
moms. Must make appointment by calling
704-531-4028 to reserve your spot.

#### **GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE**

Friday, April 19, 6:30 PM, Worship Center

SERMON NOTES	Sunday, March 17, 2019





