



HICKORY GROVE
BAPTIST CHURCH

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

Mallard Creek Campus | Week of April 14, 2019

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, April 14, 2019

Welcome

Call to Worship

Isaiah 42:6-7

“This Is Amazing Grace”

“Come Behold The Wondrous Mystery”

Sermon

Matthew 27:11-26

Prayer/Offering

“King Of My Heart”

“Behold Our God”

Benediction

1 Timothy 1:17

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.

*"I am the Lord; I have called you in righteousness;
I will take you by the hand and keep you;
I will give you as a covenant for the people,
a light for the nations,
to open the eyes that are blind,
to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,
from the prison those who sit in darkness."*

Isaiah 42:6-7

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.

BENEDICTION

To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

1 Timothy 1:17

PALM SUNDAY

What is Palm Sunday?

The Sunday before Jesus died on the cross, He and His disciples traveled back to Jerusalem for the Passover feast. The people of Israel had seen and heard of Jesus' mighty works and many believed He may be the promised Messiah who would save them from their Roman rulers. However, Jesus was not the Savior they were expecting. He came to save Israel from a power far deadlier than the Roman government; He came to save His people from their sins.

Jesus entered Jerusalem riding on a donkey, demonstrating that He was the promised Messiah by fulfilling the prophecy of Zechariah 9:9, "Your king is coming to you...humble and mounted on a donkey." As he approached the city gates, the gathering crowd began to honor him by spreading on the road their cloaks and palm branches. With great joy and expectation, they shouted: "Hosanna! (Which means 'Save us now!') Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!"

On Palm Sunday, we remember that Jesus is the Savior of the world who intentionally came to die for sinners like you and me.

Why should I emphasize Palm Sunday in my home?

The most important week in world history is the week leading up to Jesus' death and resurrection. During this week, God set into motion what would change our lives forever. Palm Sunday marks the beginning of this week, and its message is one you and your family should know. Here's why:

1. Palm Sunday teaches us to worship Christ for who He says He is. When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the people shouted with great joy because they thought He was coming to free them from Roman rule. They worshipped Him for the wrong reason. Similarly, it is easy for us to worship Christ as King as long as He meets our every demand. This Palm Sunday, help your children see that they must worship Christ for who He says He is, not what they *want* Him to be.
2. Palm Sunday teaches us that Jesus' death was no accident. When Jesus entered into Jerusalem, He knew what He was doing. By riding into town on a donkey, He declared Himself to be the king prophesied in Zechariah, provoking the religious leaders to call for His crucifixion. The cross was no accident. It is easy for children to think that Jesus didn't want to die but ended up being killed anyway. This Palm Sunday, help your children see that Jesus' death was no accident—Jesus understood what was coming and embraced it so that you and I might be reconciled to God.

Palm Sunday Continued...

How can I teach my child more about Palm Sunday?

As a parent, God has called you to be the primary disciple-maker in your child's life. Here are three ways you can teach your child more about Palm Sunday:

- 1. Read the Bible story together.** All four gospels record this story (Matthew 21:1-17, Mark 11:1-11, Luke 19:29-40, John 12:12-19). Pick one or a few and read them together.
- 2. Talk about why Jesus would willingly die for us.** Ask your children why and help them see how amazing His love is for undeserving people like you and me!
- 3. Pray together.** When you pray together, let your children hear you thank God not just for material blessings but for sending Christ.

THE PASLAYS



Hickory Grove Baptist Church is committed to seeing Gospel-centered churches thrive all around the world. Our church and the North American Mission Board are partnering with First Baptist Church of Pacific Beach in San Diego, Calif., to send Justin Paslay as their senior pastor and prayerfully see a work of God done in San Diego.

For more information on how you can pray, give, or go visit **sendsandiego.com** or attend one of the following meetings:

Information Meetings:

Today at 11:45 AM
Room 304/305, Mallard Creek Campus

Sunday, April 28, at 12:30 PM (Register online)
Room 1111/1112, Harris Campus



GOOD FRIDAY

S E R V I C E

April 19 6:30 PM

HARRIS CAMPUS

Join the Worship Ministry
for this somber service
as we mourn our sins and glory
in the redemption that
is ours through Christ's
atoning death on the cross.
We will also be observing
The Lord's Supper.

Good Friday: The Atonement of Christ

The Bible teaches that Jesus died a substitutionary death on a cross to absorb the full wrath of God that sinners deserve.¹ He was crucified as a sinless sacrifice in our place. This is the bedrock of everything we hold to be true about salvation—namely, that Jesus saves those who place their faith *in his blood* (Romans 3:25). The scriptures teach that the penalty for sin is death (Romans 6:23) but God sent His son to pay that penalty with His life. The crucifixion, then, upholds God's unwavering commitment to justice and demonstrates His unfailing love for sinners. Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus (Romans 8:1). The great news of the Gospel is that instead of judgment, Christians receive adoption (Romans 8:15), the Spirit (Romans 8:16), and God's love (Romans 8:31-39). None of these would be possible apart from the atonement of Christ. At Hickory Grove, we believe that a deep understanding of the atonement leads us to worship the Lord Jesus with profound joy and clarity.

¹Jarvis J Williams, "Violent Atonement in Romans: The Foundation of Paul's Soteriology," *Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society* 53, no. 3 (September 2010): 579-599;
Wayne Grudem, *Systematic Theology: An Introduction to Biblical Doctrine* (Leicester, England : Grand Rapids, Mich: Zondervan, 1994), 568-603;
Daniel L. Akin, David Paul Nelson, and Peter R. Schemm, *A Theology for the Church* (B&H Publishing Group, 2007), 439-480.

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, April 14

Sunday School: 8:45 AM
Worship: 10:15 AM

HG Kids Choir: 5 PM
Equip HG Classes: 5 PM

Wednesday, April 17

No Evening Activities

CHURCH CONFERENCE

Wednesday, April 24

The Church Conference will be in Room 327 following the Pastors' class.

SECRET CHURCH

Friday, April 26, 7 PM - 1 AM

Cost: \$10. Register online at HickoryGrove.org/SecretChurch.

FATHER & CHILD CAMPOUT

Friday, May 3-Saturday, May 4

For more information and to register, visit HickoryGrove.org/Campout. Cost is \$15 per person or \$40 max per family.

HICKORY GROVE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Monday, April 29

HGCS Tournament will be at Pine Lake Country Club to benefit academics, athletics and fine arts. Register at HGChristian.org.

FALL 2019 WEE SCHOOL & PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

Mallard Creek Campus

For more info or to register your child, email mallardcreekeec@hgchristian.org.

VBS: "IN THE WILD"

June 17-20, 6-8:30 PM

Volunteer for Vacation Bible School or register your child at HickoryGrove.org/VBS.

HICKORY GROVE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL: SUMMER CAMPS

Begins June 3

Summer camp is open to HGCS students and HGBC members. Sign up at HGChristian.org.

