

WORSHIP GUIDE

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, July 28, 2019

Call to Worship

Psalm 92:1-2, 4

"No Other Name"

Corporate Confession

Romans 12:1-2

"Hallelujah, What A Savior"

"What A Beautiful Name"

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Offering

"Revelation Song"

Sermon

Romans 4:18-25

"You Alone Can Rescue"

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.

It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to Your name, O Most High; to declare Your steadfast love in the morning, and Your faithfulness by night. For You, O Lord, have made me glad by Your work; at the works of Your hands I sing for joy.

Psalm 92:1-2, 4

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.

I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

Romans 12:1-2

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.

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

n Psalm 92:4 the psalmist writes, "For you, O LORD, have made me glad by your work; at the works of your hands I sing for joy." As we gather for worship on Sundays. we come to celebrate the works of our God, seen most clearly in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. One of the wavs we do this is through singing. As Psalm 105:2 encourages us. "Sing to Him. sing praises to Him; tell of all His wondrous works." The songs that we sing help us tell of His works. They help us rehearse the wonderful Gospel story. As we sing, we sing with joy because there is no greater message than the message of salvation found in Christ.

Worship begins with a changed heart.

We sing because we have been forgiven of our sins, both past and future. In exchange for our sins we have been granted the righteousness of Christ. We sing because we have been adopted into the family of God. The eternal God is our father, and we are His blessed sons and daughters. We sing because our future is secure. Even while we live on this earth, we are citizens of heaven. However, this worship that begins in our hearts is expressed with our bodies.

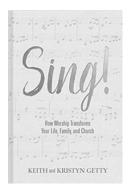
Our bodies are often windows into our souls. We are visibly affected by things that move us. We laugh, we love, we cry, and we celebrate. Throughout Scripture, we see many examples of people worshipping God with their whole bodies. In 2 Samuel 6:14-15 David "...danced before the LORD with all his might." In Nehemiah 8:6 the people of Israel said, "'Amen, Amen,' lifting up their hands. And they bowed their heads and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground." In 1 Timothy 2:8 the apostle Paul wrote that "... in every place the men should pray, lifting holy hands..."

What these examples show us is that our worship is meant to be both cerebral and emotional. Our worship is not based on our emotions, but it is expressed both emotionally and physically. It is based on our knowledge of God and seen in our outward expressions of joyful obedience and Spirit-led freedom.

God alone is worthy of our worship.

If you are a Christian, that reality should cause you to humbly and gratefully rejoice every day. When we gather, let's worship God like those who have been "...delivered from the domain of darkness and transferred to the kingdom of his beloved Son" (Colossians 1:13).

RECOMMENDED RESOURCE



Sing!: How Worship Transforms Your Life, Family, and Church by Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty

Sing! has grown from Keith and Kristyn Getty's passion for congregational singing; it's been formed by their traveling and playing and listening and discussing and learning and teaching all over the world.

And in writing it, they have five key aims:

- to discover why we sing and the overwhelming joy and holy privilege that comes with singing
- to consider how singing impacts our hearts and minds and all of our lives
- · to cultivate a culture of family singing in our daily home life
- to equip our churches for wholeheartedly singing to the Lord and one another as an expression of unity
- to inspire us to see congregational singing as a radical witness to the world

SERVING ON SUNDAY MORNING

Being a member of Hickory Grove includes finding a place to serve within the church. Several opportunities are available on Sunday morning within our Music Ministry:

- 1. Adult Choir / Orchestra Lead worship in the 8am and/or the 11 AM services.
- 2. Technical Production Operate a camera, or assist in lighting or in the production room in the 8 AM and/or the 11 AM services.

Register to serve by going online to **HickoryGrove.org/Serve** or pick up a blue serve form at the information areas in the Worship Center Lobby.

HG STUDENTS: OPERATION CHARLOTTE



August 5-7, 8 AM-5:30 PM

Cost: \$35

Register: HickoryGrove.org/OC

For 5th-12th grade students (completed)

Operation Charlotte is a three-day event that serves as a catalyst as students live a life demonstrating the goodness of Jesus to their local community. Students will spend the week serving the tangible needs of our community as Jesus came not to be served but to serve and give His life as a ransom for many. Also, they will be challenged to share the Good News of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection with the people they are serving.

Operation Charlotte runs from 8 AM each morning through to 5:30 PM each evening. Please note on your registration if your student will be joining us on a modified schedule.

Questions? Call 704-531-4023 (Harris Campus) or 704-531-5348 (Mallard Creek Campus)

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, July 28

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

Wednesday, July 31
No Evening Activities

MEN'S FLAG FOOTBALL

Season runs September - October Cost: \$60. Register online at HickoryGrove.org starting August 4.

COMING FALL 2019: WEE SCHOOL & PRESCHOOL MALLARD CREEK CAMPUS

Wee School is for 4 months-2 years old and Preschool is for 3 & 4-year-olds. For more information or to register your child, email mallardcreekeec@hgchristian.org or visit HGChristian.org/EarlyEducation.

AUGUST SCHEDULE

- August 5-7 Operation Charlotte - Students
- August 14, 21, 28
 Pastors' Class and Dinner
- August 18
 Sunday School Teacher Training
- August 25
 Sunday School Promotion
- August 28
 Awana Volunteer Training

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Looking to get plugged in to a Sunday School class? Pick up a Sunday School guide in the Lobby.

NAME PRAYER TEAM

Hickory Grove is committed to praying that Jesus would be known among the nations. If you are interested in praying for and prayer walking among a Muslim city in North Africa and the Middle East, visit HickoryGrove.org/Missions for more details.

SERMON NOTES	Sunday, July 28, 2019







