

WORSHIP GUIDE

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, November 24, 2019

Call to Worship

Psalm 100:1-5

"How Great Thou Art"

Baptisms (11 AM)

Corporate Confession

James 4:7-8

"O The Blood"

"Cornerstone"

Pastoral Prayer

Offering

"I Believe In A Hill Called Mount Calvary"

Sermon

Romans 8:18-25

"Lord, I Need You"

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.

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into His presence with singing! Know that the Lord, He is God! It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture. Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and His courts with praise! Give thanks to Him; bless His name! For the Lord is good; His steadfast love endures forever, and His faithfulness to all generations.

Psalm 100:1-5

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.

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded.

James 4:7-8

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 LORD'S SUPPER: A GUIDE FOR THE CHURCH

What is The Lord's Supper?

The night before Jesus' crucifixion, He sat down with His disciples to celebrate the Passover meal. This meal commemorated the pivotal event in Exodus 12 when God "passed over" His people in Egypt who put the blood of a lamb over their doorposts.

While celebrating this Passover meal, Jesus took the bread from the table, broke it, and said, "This is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me." He then took a cup and gave it to them saying, "Drink of it, all of you, for this is My blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins."

Jesus did this to symbolize His impending death on a cross, which would bring about the forgiveness of sins for many. Furthermore, He commanded His disciples to continually enjoy this meal in remembrance of His sacrifice on the cross.

The Apostle Paul in 1 Corinthians 11 and, subsequently, many Christians today refer to this meal as "The Lord's Supper," for it was instituted by Jesus and celebrates the memory of His sacrificial death. In addition, we consider The Lord's Supper an ordinance of the church because Christ ordained that it be performed.

Who should partake in The Lord's Supper?

The Scripture is clear that The Lord's Supper is a sign of continuing in the Christian life and is therefore reserved for those who have placed their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. Thus, those who have not placed their faith in Christ and publicly declared this faith through the ordinance of baptism should abstain.

Furthermore, the Apostle Paul warns of participating in an "unworthy manner" (1 Corinthians 11:27). He calls all Christians to first examine themselves and their relationships in the body of Christ, lest they "eat and drink judgment upon themselves" (1 Corinthians 11:29). That is, Paul is teaching that we must come to the table with a repentant heart, both toward the Lord and our brothers and sisters in Christ.

1See Article VII of the Baptist Faith and Message, 2000.

THANKSGIVING DINNER & WORSHIP SERVICE

Tuesday, November 26
Join us for a Thanksgiving dinner at 5 PM, followed by a worship service at 6:30 PM, where we will observe The Lord's Supper. Cost for dinner: \$5 Adults / \$3 Children

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

2019

Tuesday, November 26

• Dinner: 5 PM

Worship Service: 6:30 PM
 The Lord's Supper

Wednesday, November 27

No PM Ministry Activities

Thursday-Friday, November 28-29

· Church offices closed

Wednesday, December 4

Regular Wednesday Night Activities

Sunday, December 8

 ADORE, Night of Worship: 5 PM (Mallard Creek Campus)

Wednesday, December 11

• Dinner: 5 PM

- Pastors' Class: 6:30 PM (Harris Campus)
- HG Kids Christmas Musical "Jingle Bell Beach": 6:30 PM (Mallard Creek Campus)

Sunday, December 15

 Christmas Night of Worship: 5 PM (Harris Campus)

Sunday, December 22

 Worship/Sunday School Regular Schedule

Tuesday, December 24

Christmas Eve Services
 Harris Campus: 4 PM
 Mallard Creek Campus: 5:15 PM

· Church offices closed

Wednesday, Dec 25 (Christmas)

- · Church offices closed
- No PM Ministry Activities

Sunday, December 29

 Worship/Sunday School Regular Schedule

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Wednesday, January 1

No PM Ministry Activities
 Church offices closed

Wednesday, January 8

 Wednesday Night Ministry Activities Resume



CHRISTMAS NIGHT OF WORSHIP

Sunday, December 15, 5 PM, Worship Center

The choir, orchestra and kids' choir will lead as we worship and praise the Lord this Christmas season. A cookie fellowship will immediately follow this event.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

Tuesday, December 24

Join us on Christmas Eve for a candlelight service as we worship and celebrate the birth of our Savior!

Harris Campus: 4 PM
 Mallard Creek Campus: 5:15 PM

MISSION TREES

Gifts due Tuesday, November 26

Visit one of the Mission Trees in the Worship Center Lobby and choose an ornament to benefit local ministries. Purchase items listed on the ornament and bring gifts with the ornament attached by Tuesday, November 26.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Shoeboxes due today!

Please drop off boxes in the Welcome Center.

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, November 24

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

Tuesday, November 26

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

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HICKORY GROVE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL BLOOD DRIVE

Monday, November 25, 11 AM-3:30 PM Rooms 1111/1112 and 1113/1114 Visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: "HickoryGrove" to schedule an appointment.

CHRISTMAS AT THE COVE

Monday, December 9, 6:30 AM
We invite all senior adults to come
celebrate the birth of our Savior. Cost is
\$45. Call Kim Shartzer at 704-531-4009 to
register.

HG STUDENTS: MISSION TRIPS

Philadelphia & Washington D.C.(Current 7th - 12th grades): April 15-19, cost: \$450

Caswell Beach (6th-8th grades):

April 16-18, cost: \$250 Online registration begins November 26.

ADORE NIGHT OF WORSHIP

Sunday, December 8, 5 PM
Mallard Creek Campus
Come join us as we sing and pray together this Christmas season.

HG CLOTHES CLOSET

The Clothes Closet is in need of new/gently used Winter coats (all sizes), new glove, and toboggans. Donations can be dropped off at the clothes closet on Tuesday and Thursday from 9 AM-Noon.

SERMON NOTES	Sunday, November 24, 2019





