



**HICKORY GROVE**  
BAPTIST CHURCH

**W O R S H I P   G U I D E**

*Mallard Creek Campus | Week of December 15, 2019*

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

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*Sunday, December 15, 2019*

“He is Our God”

## **Welcome**

*Joel 2:1*

“Hallelujah, What a Savior-Christmas”

## **Sermon**

*John 18:33-38*

## **Prayer/Offering**

“Emmanuel, God With Us Forever”

“Glory in the Highest”

## **Benediction**

*Philippians 1:9-11*

## CALL TO WORSHIP

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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.

*Blow a trumpet in Zion;  
sound an alarm on my holy mountain!  
Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble,  
for the day of the Lord is coming; it is near.*

**Joel 2:1**

## OFFERING

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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

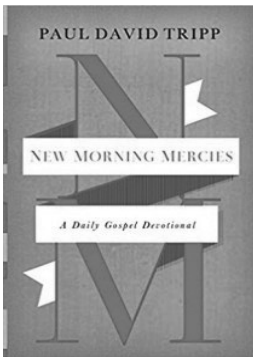
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*And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.*

**Philippians 1:9-11**

# DAILY DEVOTIONALS FOR 2020

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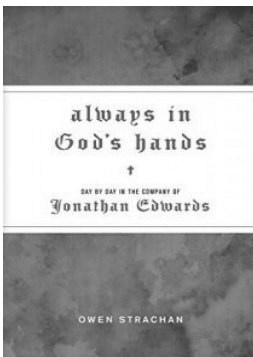


## **NEW MORNING MERCIES**

*by Paul Tripp*

Mornings can be tough. Sometimes, a hearty breakfast and strong cup of coffee just aren't enough. Offering more than a rush of caffeine, best-selling author Paul Tripp wants to energize you with the most potent encouragement imaginable: the Gospel.

Forget “behavior modification” or feel-good aphorisms. Tripp knows that what we really need is an encounter with the living God. Then we'll be prepared to trust in God's goodness, rely on His grace, and live for His glory each and every day.



## **ALWAYS IN GOD'S HANDS: DAY BY DAY IN THE COMPANY OF JONATHAN EDWARDS**

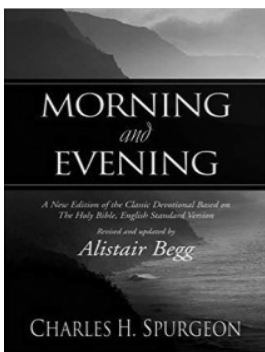
*by Owen Strachan*

Jonathan Edwards is one of the most respected early American theologians. In *Always in God's Hands*, Owen Strachan recovers the real Jonathan Edwards—the thinker, the compassionate father, the courageous reformer—as opposed to the caricature of him that is often presented. Edwards believed

God was ever-present in each of our lives, caring for and encouraging us in every moment. In a moving letter to his daughter, he reminds her of that comforting truth by describing her as “always in God's hands.”

# DAILY DEVOTIONALS FOR 2020

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## **MORNING AND EVENING**

*by Charles H. Spurgeon*

For more than one hundred years, Christians have gotten up and gone to bed with Charles Spurgeon's devotional *Morning and Evening* as a companion. With a reading to begin and end each day throughout the year, you will come to appreciate Spurgeon's emphasis on the importance of abiding in Christ and meditating on

God's Word. His wisdom and counsel provide a timeless guide through the trials and triumphs of the year. The richness of his biblical understanding offers readers a look into the heart of one of England's foremost pastors and enduring Christian authors.

AVAILABLE IN THE RESOURCE CENTER OR ONLINE.

## **ORDINATION SERVICE: JACOB PRINCE**

Based on the recommendation of the Deacon Body and Ordination Council, and the church's affirmation, Jacob Prince, High School Associate at our Harris Campus, will be ordained into the Gospel ministry on Wednesday, December 18, at 6:30 PM in the Worship Center, Harris Campus. There will be a reception immediately following the service.



## **CHRISTMAS NIGHT OF WORSHIP**

*Today, 5 PM, Harris Campus*

The choir, orchestra and kids' choir will lead as we worship and praise the Lord this Christmas season. Join us afterward for cookies and hot chocolate.



## **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

# SCHEDULE & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## Sunday, December 15

- Sunday School: 8:45 AM
- Worship: 10:15 AM
- Christmas Night of Worship  
(Harris Campus): 5 PM

## Wednesday, December 18

- Ordination Service: 6:30 PM  
Worship Center (Harris Campus)

## Sunday, December 22

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

## Tuesday, December 24

- Christmas Eve Services
- Church offices closed

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## HICKORY GROVE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL AT MALLARD CREEK

The Mallard Creek extension of our school is currently for grades TK-3rd and will open August 2020. This Classical Christian Education model will allow our church and school to continue the already established work of the Kingdom.

**Visit an Open House to learn more details:** (12 PM and 6 PM)

- January 13
- January 21
- February 6
- February 25

Visit [HGChristian.org](http://HGChristian.org) for more information.

## Wednesday, December 25 (Christmas)

- Church offices closed
- No PM Ministry Activities

## Sunday, December 29

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

## Wednesday, January 1, 2020

- No PM Ministry Activities
- Church offices closed

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## STUDENT MISSION TRIPS

- Philadelphia & Washington, D.C.  
(7th-12th grades):

April 15-19, cost: \$450

- Caswell Beach (6th-8th grades):

April 16-18, cost: \$250

Register online: [HickoryGrove.org](http://HickoryGrove.org).

## YEAR-END GIVING

Tithes and offerings for the 2019 tax year should be submitted as follows:

### Deadlines:

- Tuesday, December 31, 2019  
Mallard Creek Campus by 1 PM  
Harris Campus by 3 PM
- Online Giving by Midnight -  
Tuesday, December 31, 2019
- By Mail - Postmarked no later  
than Tuesday, December 31, 2019
- During Worship Services, Sunday,

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## 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. 7

