

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

HOPEWELL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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Day of Pentecost
May 19th, 2024 | 10:30 am Worship Service

-WE GATHER TO PRAISE -

PRELUDE

FINAL JOURNEY
&
IN PARADISUM

ARR. PARKER WICKER

ARR. T. BERSERSEN

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

ELDER

§ Invites you to rise in body or spirit with the people of God.

§ HYMN OF PRAISE

O GOD, OUR HELP IN AGES PAST

HYMN 28

Vs. 1 O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home!

Vs. 2 Under the shadow of Thy throne, Thy saints have dwelt
secure; sufficient is Thine arm alone, and our defense is
sure.

Vs. 3 Before the hills in order stood, or earth received her frame,
from everlasting Thou art God, to endless years the same.

Vs. 6 O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
be Thou our guard while life shall last, and our eternal
home.

§ CALL TO WORSHIP

As fallen people, we must be called from our worship of the created and focus on the proper worship of the Creator.

One: The Holy Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs of God. Fellow heirs with Christ, come and bow your hearts to the Father and worship him.

Romans 8:16-17

§ HYMN OF PRAISE

HAVE THINE OWN WAY

HYMN 298

Vs. 1 Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!
Thou art the potter, I am the clay.
Mold me and make me after thy will,
while I am waiting, yielded and still.

Vs. 2 Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!
Search me and try me, Savior today!
Wash me just now, Lord, wash me just now,
as in thy presence humbly I bow.

Vs. 3 Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!
Wounded and weary, help me I pray!
Power, all power, surely is thine!
Touch me and heal me, Savior divine!

Vs. 4 Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!
Hold o'er my being absolute sway.
Fill with thy Spirit till all shall see
Christ only, always, living in me!

§ CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

As members of Christ's body, we confess the reality of sin and brokenness in personal and common life and ask for God's saving grace.

§ ASSURANCE OF PARDON

§ RESPONSE TO PARDON

GLORIA PATRI

HYMN 614

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

-WE SHARE OUR LIFE & GIFTS -

RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES

High School: Parker Wicker will be graduating from Rushville Consolidated High School on June 2. He is going to Purdue in the fall to major in Animal Science/Pre-Vet.

College: Wil Hayden Tearman will graduate from West Point United States Military Academy on May 25th, 2024. He will be a Second Lieutenant in the Army and stationed at Ft. Campbell after completion of IBOLC, Ranger School, and Airborne School.

Masters: Katrina Browning received her masters degree from Indiana Tech.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.
Amen.

We pray for the world because God loves it. God created the world and cares for it. To abide in God's love is to share God's concern for the world. Our prayers should therefore be as specific as God's tender compassion for the least ones among us.

OFFERTORY

PRELUDE IN G MINOR

§ RESPONSE TO GOD'S GOODNESS

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

§ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

- WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD -

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

EPHESIANS 5:22-33

LITURGIST

ONE THIS IS THE WORD OF THE LORD.
ALL THANKS BE TO GOD.

DISMISSAL FOR JR. CHURCH

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Through the sermon we encounter Jesus Christ in God's word, are equipped to follow Him more faithfully, and are inspired to proclaim the Gospel to others through our words and deeds.

SERMON SCRIPTURE

ESTHER 2

REV. BRANDON JOLLEY

SERMON

REV. BRANDON JOLLEY

- WE GO FORTH TO PROCLAIM -

§ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth;
and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord.
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
He descended into hell;
the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand
of God the Father Almighty;
from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy catholic church; the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Verse 1 In Christ alone, my hope is found,
 He is my Light, my Strength, my Song;
 this Cornerstone, this Solid Ground,
 firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
 What heights of love, what depths of peace,
 when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
 My Comforter, my All in all;
 here in the love of Christ I stand.

Verse 2 In Christ alone, who took on flesh,
 fullness of God in helpless Babe;
 this gift of love and righteousness
 scorned by the ones He came to save.
 'Til on that cross as Jesus died,
 the wrath of God was satisfied,
 for every sin on Him was laid;
 here in the death of Christ I live.

Verse 3 There in the ground His body lay,
 Light of the world by darkness slain;
 then bursting forth in glorious day,
 up from the grave He rose again.
 And as He stands in victory,
 sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
 for I am His and He is mine;
 bought with the precious blood of Christ.

Verse 4 No guilt in life, no fear in death,
 this is the power of Christ in me;
 from life's first cry to final breath,
 Jesus commands my destiny.
 No power of hell, no scheme of man,
 can ever pluck me from His hand,
 'til He returns or calls me home;
 here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

§ BENEDICTION

§ POSTLUDE

IT IS WELL

PARKER WICKER, PIANO
ARR. SCOTT ROBERTS

A benediction is literally a "good word" or a blessing to carry with us as we leave our time of worship.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

WESTMINISTER CONFESSION STUDY - Tuesdays at 9:30 am in the pastor's study.

WEDNESDAY PRAYER TIME - 10:00 am in the pastor's study.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL; SIGN UPS - Sign ups for VBS are now open. Please go to the following link to get your little ones signed up for all the fun. Sign ups will close on Wednesday, May 29th. VBS will be June 17th - 20th from 5:30 - 8:00.
<https://forms.gle/q8SiXqmoJa6kTEEf6>

SUNDAY SCHOOL - Meets from 9:30 to 10:15 in the room at the end of the upstairs hallway (look for the Sunday School Sign). The group just started a study of Philippians. There are still a few books available. It's certainly not too late to jump in! All are welcome.

LADIES AT MAIN AND MADISON - A group of Hopewell ladies are meeting at Main and Madison (100 N Main St) on Friday mornings at 9:00 AM. If you'd like to be added to the text thread to receive information about meeting please email jen@hopewellpc.org

CONFIRMATION MEETING - Parents of kids interested in confirmation, are invited to attend an informational meeting for this fall's upcoming confirmation study. The meeting will be Sunday, June 2nd, immediately following worship.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL LEADERS - VBS is in need of group leaders. The leader would help beginning with dinner, guide kids to their different stations and help manage the kids while at their different activities. If interested in volunteering please let Jessica Brown - jnbrown211@gmail.com or Amy Davidson - aedavidson@yahoo.com know.

MAY BIRTHDAYS: George Dow and Bill Liverett - 1st; Logan Howland - 3rd; Michelle Plummer and Don St. Clair - 4th; Libby Findley - 5th; Bill Leser - 6th; Leah Shilts - 7th; Alex Grissom - 9th; Ron Kelsay - 17th; Nora Davidson and Rob Shilts - 18th; Jennifer Doty - 19th; Marian Weaver - 20th; Alex Graham - 23rd; Andrew Smith - 24th; Jetta Bea Allender - 25th; Christopher Schermerhorn - 26th; Larkin Sempstrott, Everett Spencer, and Steve Yount - 27th; and Raeann Moore - 28th

PRAYER REQUESTS: Don Jolley, Merrill Smith, Marilyn Hiser, Ashley Kelly, Becky Wertz, Mark & Stacey Grapengater and The Table Denver, Eric Pasborg, Brandon Rice, Vickie Huck, Debbie Jones, Joan Jones (Mike Jones mom), John Spencer, Liam Schmitt, Rex Thornbury, Melinda Frazier, Michael Burgess, Martha Myers, Missionaries: Josh and Libby Auyer

HOMEBOUND: Hugh Carter, Mary Catt, Norma Jean Fox, Clarellen Kelsay, Pat Mundorff, Alberta Satter, Becky Wertz, Jean Williams

ATTENDANCE: May 12th - 115; May Average - 106 ; YTD Avg.- 107

-WEEKLY DISCIPLESHIP -

Week 19 - Anticipating the Day of the Lord - In conjunction with the coming of a deliverer, the Old Testament prophets also envision a new covenant, the return of God's presence, the outpouring of the Spirit, the engrafting of the Gentiles (fulfilling the Abrahamic promise), cosmic renewal, and resurrection in the Day of the Lord.

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| ___ Jeremiah 33 (New Covenant) | ___ Mark 1 (John the Baptist as messenger) |
| ___ Isaiah 42 (Justice and a light to the nations) | ___ Acts 2 (Pentecost and Spirit outpouring) |
| ___ Isaiah 65-66 (New heavens / new earth) | ___ Romans 11 (Jews and Gentiles) |
| ___ Joel 2 (Spirit outpouring) | |
| ___ 1 Corinthians 15 (Eschatological resurrection) | |

Welcome to Hopewell Presbyterian Church

Hopewell is a historic congregation rooted in the reformed tradition and the truth of the gospel, telling the story of Jesus to a modern world.

Core Values

Worship

We are committed to worship that connects us to the church in history and at the same time is accessible to our community today. We worship God together through reformed liturgy that is rich, accessible and emotionally honest. Through vibrant, expectant worship, we long for Jesus to become more beautiful.

Spiritual Formation

Growing in our relationship with Jesus does not come from determination or grit, but from embracing our dependence on Him. We seek to be a place where all are encouraged and equipped to be more like Jesus.

Community

As a gospel-transformed community, we seek to be a place of meaningful relationships marked by love, honesty, vulnerability, service and forgiveness.

Outreach

Because God has blessed us, we seek to serve and bless others in His Name.

Hospitality

As a people who have been welcomed in by the work of Christ, we extend the welcome of the gospel to members, visitors, and neighbors.

Interested in joining the Hopewell Family?

If you've been visiting and would like to make your membership official, the process is simple:

1. Schedule some time with Pastor Brandon so he can share with you the essentials of our faith, answer any questions you might have, and give you an opportunity to share your story and how God is working in your life.
2. Attend a brief meeting with elders from our church before worship on the Sunday you would like to join. This is an opportunity for you to introduce yourself and affirm your agreement with the essentials of the Christian faith.
3. Join us in worship so that we can welcome and pray for you.

TO PONDER PRAYERFULLY

“If you’re falling off a cliff, strong faith in a weak branch is fatally inferior to weak faith in a strong branch. Salvation is not finally based on the strength of your faith, but on the object of your faith.”

-Tim Keller

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