Service for the Lord's Day

HOPEWELL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Hopewell Presbyterian Est. 1831

Fourth Sunday in Lent March 10th, 2024 | 10:30 am Worship Service

-WE GATHER TO PRAISE -

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

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

In our distress, we call upon the Lord:
to God we cry for help.
From your temple, hear our voice;
may our cry reach your ears. - Psalm 18:6

We long to meet you and commune with your Spirit and be nourished by your Word. Our afflictions are great, but you are greater. Mercifully visit us in our need today, we pray. Amen

§ HYMN OF PRAISE A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD

Hymn 22

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing; our helper He amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing. For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe; his craft and power are great; and armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing; were not the right Man on our side, the Man of God's own choosing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He; Lord Sabaoth His name, from age to age the same, and He must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us, we will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph through us. The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him; his rage we can endure, for lo, his doom is sure; one little word shall fell him.

That Word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth; the Spirit and the gifts are ours through Him who with us sideth; let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also; the body they may kill, God's truth abideth still, His kingdom is forever!

§ CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 95: 6-7

Liturgist

One:

Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

All:

For He is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

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

§ HYMN

COME, YE SINNERS, POOR AND NEEDY

Hymn 291

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore; Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity, love, and pow'r.

Come, ye thirsty, come, and welcome, God's free bounty glorify; true belief and true repentance, every grace that brings you nigh.

Come, ye weary, heavy laden, lost and ruined by the fall; if you tarry till you're better, you will never come at all.

Refrain (only after 3rd verse)

I will arise and go to Jesus, He will embrace me in His arms; in the arms of my dear Savior, O there are ten thousand charms.

§ CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, our great shepherd, you tenderly gather us as lambs, carrying us with your all-embracing love. Yet, like sheep, we wander from you: following our own ways, ignoring your voice, distrusting your provisions. Forgive our stubborn rebellion, our hardened hearts, our lack of trust. Refresh us once again by your quiet waters of mercy and restore our souls by your redeeming love. Guide our paths, that we might follow you more closely.

(Silent personal confession)

Through Jesus Christ, our good shepherd, we pray. Amen.

§ 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.

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.

-We Share Our Life & Gifts -

WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS

Dean & Dorcas Abplanalp

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.

OFFERTORY

§ RESPONSE TO GOD'S GOODNESS

Doxology

LITURGIST

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 -

Numbers 21:4-9

ONE This is the word of the Lord.

ALL THANKS BE TO GOD.

DISMISSAL FOR JR. CHURCH

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

SERMON SCRIPTURE 1 PETER 5:1-14 REV. BRANDON JOLLEY

SERMON REV. BRANDON JOLLEY

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.

We pray for the world because

world and cares for it. To abide

in God's love is

to share God's

the world. Our

prayers should therefore be

compassion for the least ones among us.

as specific as God's tender

concern for

God loves it.
God created the

- 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.

§ CLOSING HYMN

SOFTLY AND TENDERLY

HYMN 303

Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling, calling for you and for me; see, on the portals He's waiting and watching, watching for you and for me.

(Chorus) Come home, come home, ye who are weary, come home; earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, calling, O sinner, come home!

Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading, pleading for you and for me? Why should we linger and heed not His mercies, mercies for you and for me?

Time is now fleeting, the moments are passing, passing from you and from me; shadows are gathering, death's night is coming, coming for you and for me.

O for the wonderful love He has promised, promised for you and for me! Though we have sinned, He has mercy and pardon, pardon for you and for me.

§ BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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

- WEEKLY DISCIPLESHIP -

Week 10: Establishing the Monarchy - God installs a king over Israel as his vice-regent to bring security to the nation and build a temple where his manifest presence would be made known.

1 Samuel 1-2 (Samuel as interim leader)	Matthew 12 (Jesus >temple >Solomon)
1 Samuel 8-10 (Saul anointed king)	Luke 1-2 (Jesus, the davidic King)
1 Samuel 16 (David is anointed)	Luke 20 (Jesus and Psalm 110)
2 Samuel 5 (David rules a united kingdom)	Romans 1 (Jesus, of David in the flesh)

- ANNOUNCEMENTS -

CONFESSING THE FAITH - Tuesdays at 9:30 am. A study of the Westminster Confession of Faith meets weekly in the pastor's study.

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

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP MEAL & STUDY - March 13th at 6:00 pm

WOMEN"S BIBLE STUDY - *Steadfast, a study on the book of James.*

Wednesday evenings at 6:45 at the church Friday mornings at 9:00 at BYTAVI (51 W Monroe St,).

MEN'S LENTEN BREAKFAST - March 16th at 7:30 am, First Presbyterian Franklin

CHURCH-WIDE DINNER - March Madness is fast approaching! The Deacons invite everyone to please join them on Sunday, March 17th immediately following church services for a: "Selection Sunday Concession" luncheon! Hamburgers, hotdogs, sloppy joe, chips, and nachos and cheese will be available at our concession stand. The congregation is asked to bring salads and desserts or a concession stand side dish. On that Sunday, everyone is asked to please wear your favorite team sweatshirt or t-shirt and bring a friend for some fun and fellowship!

EASTER EGG HUNT - Saturday, March 30th at 10:30 a.m. Deacons are asking for donations of pre-wrapped candy only (as we already have enough empty eggs to fill). There will be a large basket placed in the upper sanctuary for your donations. And also, you can drop off your candy at the Church Luncheon on March 17th.

MARCH BIRTHDAYS: Amy Jones - 2nd; Barb Dirks - 4th; Michele Burgess - 8th; Grace Haehl and Cathy Johnson - 13th; Elaina Smith - 14th; Dorcas Abplanalp - 15th; Jake Findley; Harrison Wicker - 21st; Mike Jones - 22nd; Jackson Lee - 23rd; David Yount - 26th; Brent Henderson and Janet Tearman - 27th; Mary Catt, Sable Tearman, Victoria Yount - 31st

PRAYER REQUESTS: Brandon Rice, Vickie Huck, Carolyn Davidson (Jaime Shilts' mom), Debbie Jones, Shirley Calvert (Debbie Jones mom), Joan Jones (Mike Jones mom), John Spencer, Jenna Schmitt, Liam Schmitt, Rex Thornbury, Melinda Frazier, Michael Burgess, Becky Wertz, Martha Myers, Missionaries: Josh and Libby Auyer

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

ATTENDANCE: March 3rd - 114; March Average 114; YTD Avg. - 96

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.

PONDER PRAYERFULLY

"There are no lessons so useful as those learned in the school of affliction."

– J. C. Ryle

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