

## Hopewell Worship Guide for 7/26/20

### Call to Worship Psalm 34:1-3

**Pastor:** I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

**People:** My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad.

**Pastor:** Oh, magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together!

**Invocation:** Let us pray: Father, your name is exalted, honored in every land, praised in every tongue. Your name is praised above the heavens, adored by the heavenly hosts. You are our Lord and our God. Hear our prayer, Our Lord and God, for it is you whom we would worship, in the name of your Son, your only begotten Son, your well-beloved Son, Glory to you, God Most High, Father Almighty, Son all-beloved, Spirit all-pervading, One God, now and forever. Amen

**Old Testament Psalm 103:1-14** Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name! <sup>2</sup> Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, <sup>3</sup> who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, <sup>4</sup> who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, <sup>5</sup> who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's. <sup>6</sup> The Lord works righteousness and justice for all who are oppressed. <sup>7</sup> He made known his ways to Moses, his acts to the people of Israel. <sup>8</sup> The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. <sup>9</sup> He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. <sup>10</sup> He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. <sup>11</sup> For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; <sup>12</sup> as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. <sup>13</sup> As a father shows compassion to his children, so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear him. <sup>14</sup> For he knows our frame; he remembers that we are dust.

*These prayer components are pulled from Matthew Henry's Method of Prayer, a method of prayer that helps us pray the Bible. <http://www.matthewhenry.org>*

**Adoration:** We must give to God the praise of that splendor and glory wherein he is pleased to manifest himself in the upper world.

*You have established your throne in the heavens, Psalm 103:19 and it is a throne of glory, high and lifted up; and before you the seraphim cover their faces. Isaiah 6:1-2 And it is in compassion to us that you hold back the face of that throne and spread a cloud over it. Job 26:9*

*You make your messengers winds, and your ministers a flaming fire. Psalm 104:4 Thousands of thousands of them minister to you, and myriads of myriads stand before you, to do your pleasure. Revelation 5:11 They are mighty ones*

*who obey the voice of your word. Psalm 103:20-21 And we have come by faith and hope and holy love into a spiritual communion with that innumerable company of angels in festal gathering and the spirits of the righteous made perfect, even to the assembly of the firstborn, in the heavenly Jerusalem. Hebrews 12:22-23*

**Confession:** Our security and unmindfulness of the changes we are liable to in this world.

*We have put far from us the day of disaster; Amos 6:3 and in our prosperity have said, "We shall never be moved," Psalm 30:6 as if tomorrow will be like this day, great beyond measure. Isaiah 56:12 We have encouraged our souls to relax, to eat and drink and be merry, as if we had goods laid up for many years, when perhaps this night our souls may be required of us. Luke 12:19-20 We have been ready to set our hope on the uncertainty of riches, more than on the living God; 1 Timothy 6:17 to say to the gold, "You are our hope," and to the fine gold, "You are our confidence." Job 31:24*

**Our fretfulness and impatience and murmuring under our afflictions, our inordinate dejection and distrust of God and his providence.**

*When you have disciplined us, and we were disciplined, we have been like an untrained calf; Jeremiah 31:18 and though our own folly has brought our way to ruin, yet our heart has raged against the LORD; Proverbs 19:3 and thus, in our distress we have become yet more faithless to the LORD. 2 Chronicles 28:22 We have either despised the LORD's discipline or been weary of his reproof; Proverbs 3:11 and if we faint in the day of adversity, our strength is small. Proverbs 24:10 We have said in our alarm, "We are cut off from your sight"; Psalm 31:22 and, "The LORD has forsaken us, our Lord has forgotten us"; Isaiah 49:14 as if God would never again be favorable, Psalm 77:7 as if he had forgotten to be gracious and had in anger shut up his compassion. Psalm 77:9 This has been our infirmity.*

**Petition:** We must pray for the grace of God, and all the kind and powerful influences and operations of that grace.

*We draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive not only mercy to pardon, but grace to help in every time of need: Hebrews 4:16 grace for seasonable help. From the fullness that is in Jesus Christ (in whom all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell), Colossians 1:19 let us receive, grace upon grace. John 1:16*

**We must pray for grace to fortify ourselves against every evil thought, word, and work. Having been earnest for the removing of the guilt of sin, that we may not die for it as a crime, we must be no less earnest for the breaking of the power of sin, that we may not die by it as a disease, but that it may be mortified in us.**

*O let no sin have dominion over us, because we are not under law but under grace. Romans 6:14 Let the flesh be crucified in us, with its passions and desires; Galatians 5:24 that walking in the Spirit, we may not gratify the desires of the flesh. Galatians 5:16 Let our old self be crucified with Christ that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we may no longer be enslaved to sin. Romans 6:6 And let not sin reign in our mortal bodies (in our immortal souls), to make us obey its passions, Romans 6:12 but having been set free from sin, let us become slaves of righteousness. Romans 6:18 Let the law of the Spirit of life set us free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. Romans 8:2 Give us grace to put off our old self, which is corrupt through deceitful desires, Ephesians 4:22 and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness. Ephesians 4:24 Let the world be crucified to us, and we to the world, by the cross of Christ. Galatians 6:14*

**Thanks: For the supports and comforts of this life, which have thus far made the land of our pilgrimage easy and pleasant to us.**

*Blessed be the Lord, who daily bears us up; God is our salvation. Psalm 68:19 You make us lie down in green pastures; you feed us beside the still waters. Psalm 23:2 You prepare a table before us in the presence of our enemies; you anoint our head, and our cup overflows. Psalm 23:5 It may be we were sent out with no moneybag or knapsack, but did we lack anything? Nothing, Lord. Luke 22:35 The lamp of God has shone upon our head, and by his light we have walked through darkness, and the friendship of God has been upon our tent. Job 29:3-4 You have richly provided us with everything to enjoy, 1 Timothy 6:17 and have brought plentifully into our hands. Job 12:6 Many a time we have eaten and been filled, and have delighted ourselves in your great goodness. Nehemiah 9:25 When we remember all the ways that the LORD our God has led us for so many years in this wilderness, Deuteronomy 8:2 we must here set up a stone and call it Ebenezer, for till now the LORD has helped us. 1 Samuel 7:12*

**Intercession: For the favors of God to us and the tokens of his presence among us, as that in which the happiness of our nation is bound up.**

*O you hope of Israel, its savior in time of trouble, be not like a stranger in the land or like a traveler who turns aside to tarry for a night; but be always in the midst of us: We are called by your name, O do not leave us. Though our iniquities testify against us, act, O LORD, for your name's sake; though our backslidings are many, and we have sinned against you. Jeremiah 14:7-9 Restore us to yourself, O Lord GOD of hosts, and let your face shine, that we may be saved! O stir up your might and come to save us! Psalm 80:2-3 Show us your steadfast love, O LORD, and grant us your salvation; Psalm 85:7 yes, let*

*your salvation be near to those who fear you, that glory may dwell in our land. Let steadfast love and faithfulness meet, righteousness and peace kiss each other: Let faithfulness spring up from the ground and righteousness look down from the sky; yes, let the LORD give what is good: Let righteousness go before him and make his footsteps a way. Psalm 85:9-13*

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**Lord's Prayer: Our Father, which 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. And 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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.**

**Assurance of Pardon: 2 Chronicles 7:14** If my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land.

**New Testament Reading: Luke 15:1-10** 15 Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear him. 2 And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, "This man receives sinners and eats with them." 3 So he told them this parable: 4 "What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it? 5 And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. 6 And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' 7 Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance. 8 "Or what woman, having ten silver coins, 1 if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she finds it? 9 And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' 10 Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

**Benediction: Psalm 34:8-10** May you taste and see that the Lord is good! [May you be] Blessed [as you] take refuge in him! [May you] fear the Lord, you his saints, for those who fear him have no lack! 10 The young lions suffer want and hunger; but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing.