

Hopewell Worship Guide for 11/14/21

Call to Worship *Zephaniah 3:14; Isaiah 30:18*

“Shout aloud, O daughter of Zion; Shout, O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all your heart. For the LORD wait to be gracious to you.”

Invocation: Almighty God, O Heavenly Father, whose presence is an eternal peace, whose dwelling is an everlasting glory, Lord who rules over earth and heaven, we bow before you in this place, confessing with our hymns and prayers the name of Christ, whom we acknowledge as Lord indeed. Grant to us your blessing and your presence, your Word and your peace, that our worship be that worship which is in Spirit and truth. Through Jesus Christ our Savior, whom with you O Father, and the Holy Spirit we always worship and adore. One God forever and ever. Amen

Old Testament *Psalms 118:10–24 (ESV)*¹⁰ All nations surrounded me; in the name of the Lord I cut them off!¹¹ They surrounded me, surrounded me on every side; in the name of the Lord I cut them off!¹² They surrounded me like bees; they went out like a fire among thorns; in the name of the Lord I cut them off!¹³ I was pushed hard, so that I was falling, but the Lord helped me.¹⁴ The Lord is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation.¹⁵ Glad songs of salvation are in the tents of the righteous: “The right hand of the Lord does valiantly,¹⁶ the right hand of the Lord exalts, the right hand of the Lord does valiantly!”¹⁷ I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord.¹⁸ The Lord has disciplined me severely, but he has not given me over to death.¹⁹ Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.²⁰ This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it.²¹ I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.²² The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.²³ This is the Lord’s doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.²⁴ This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Adoration: *You are the King of ages, immortal, invisible. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God; the same yesterday and today and forever. Of old you laid the foundation of the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands. They will perish, but you will remain; they will all wear out like a garment. You will change them like a robe, and they will pass away; but you are the same, and your years have no end. You are God and do not change; therefore we are not consumed. Are you not from everlasting, O LORD our God, our Holy One? You are the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth, who*

does not faint or grow weary, whose understanding is unsearchable.

Confession: *By nature our understandings are darkened, being alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in us, due to the hardness of our hearts. The things of the Spirit of God are folly to the natural person; neither can we understand them, in and of ourselves, because they are spiritually discerned. We are ‘wise’ – in doing evil! But how to do good we know not. We have neither knowledge nor understanding, we walk about in darkness. God speaks in one way, and in two, though we do not perceive it; we indeed hear but never understand; and we see men, but they look like trees, walking.*

Petition: *For your name’s sake, O LORD, pardon our guilt, for it is great; for evils have encompassed us beyond number; our iniquities have overtaken us, and we cannot see. Be pleased, O LORD, to deliver us! O LORD, make haste to help us! O do not remember against us our former iniquities, let your compassion come speedily to meet us, for we are brought very low. Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of your name; deliver us, and atone for our sins, for your name’s sake! Remember not the sins of our youth or our transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember us, for the sake of your goodness, O LORD!*

Thanks: *It was owing to your good providence that we did not die at birth, and did not come out from the womb and expire; Though before birth we were called rebels, yet by your power we have been borne by you from before our birth and carried from the womb; and you keep our souls among the living and have not let our foot slip. All our bones shall say, “O LORD, who is like you!” For you keep the bones, and not one of them is broken. We lay down and sleep, for you, LORD, make us to dwell in safety. You have commanded your angels concerning us, to guard us in all our ways; to bear us up in their hands, lest we strike our foot against a stone. And they are all ministering spirits, sent out to serve for the good of those who are to inherit salvation.*

Intercession: *Saints to know the will of God, Doctrine to be true and unadulterated, Gospel to be presented faithfully and clearly, holiness to be the mark of the church, unity – not for the sake of unity, but by the power of the Holy Spirit and based on God’s Word*

Ministries Hopewell Supports: Roddey & Becky Caughman, Michael & Tricia Lee – Panama, Clark Emerson – Campus Outreach, Child Evangelism Fellowship, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Hope House, Reformed University Fellowship, Palmetto Women’s Center

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: *Titus 3:4–5* ⁴ But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, ⁵ he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit,

New Testament Reading: *Hebrews 10:11–18*

¹¹ And every priest stands daily at his service, offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. ¹² But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God, ¹³ waiting from that time until his enemies should be made a footstool for his feet. ¹⁴ For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified.

¹⁵ And the Holy Spirit also bears witness to us; for after saying,

¹⁶ “This is the covenant that I will make with them

after those days, declares the Lord:

I will put my laws on their hearts,
and write them on their minds,”

¹⁷ then he adds,

“I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.”

¹⁸ Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

Benediction:

From the God Most High, Whose ways are mercy and truth, Who leads you to his heavenly throne. May He preserve your life according to His promise; Keep you from all harm, and watch over your life. Psalm 119:107; 121:7