

## Hopewell Worship Guide for 1/9/22

**Call to Worship** *Psalm 49:1; Rev 19:9* Hear this all peoples! Give ear, all inhabitants of the world. Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.

**Invocation:** <sup>1</sup> Give ear to my words, O Lord; consider my groaning. <sup>2</sup> Give attention to the sound of my cry, my King and my God, for to you do I pray. <sup>3</sup> O Lord, in the morning you hear my voice; in the morning I prepare a sacrifice for you and watch. <sup>4</sup> For you are not a God who delights in wickedness; evil may not dwell with you. <sup>5</sup> The boastful shall not stand before your eyes; you hate all evildoers. <sup>6</sup> You destroy those who speak lies; the Lord abhors the bloodthirsty and deceitful man. <sup>7</sup> But I, through the abundance of your steadfast love, will enter your house. I will bow down toward your holy temple in the fear of you.

We worship you God, - Father, Son, and Spirit, One God, Now and Forever. Amen (Psalm 5:1-7)

### **Old Testament** *1 Samuel 16:1-13*

16 The Lord said to Samuel, “How long will you grieve over Saul, since I have rejected him from being king over Israel? Fill your horn with oil, and go. I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.” <sup>2</sup> And Samuel said, “How can I go? If Saul hears it, he will kill me.” And the Lord said, “Take a heifer with you and say, ‘I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.’” <sup>3</sup> And invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do. And you shall anoint for me him whom I declare to you.” <sup>4</sup> Samuel did what the Lord commanded and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling and said, “Do you come peaceably?” <sup>5</sup> And he said, “Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord. Consecrate yourselves, and come with me to the sacrifice.” And he consecrated Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. <sup>6</sup> When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, “Surely the Lord’s anointed is before him.” <sup>7</sup> But the Lord said to Samuel, “Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him. For the Lord sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart.” <sup>8</sup> Then Jesse called Abinadab and made him pass before Samuel. And he said, “Neither has the Lord chosen this one.” <sup>9</sup> Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, “Neither has the Lord chosen this one.” <sup>10</sup> And Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel. And Samuel said to Jesse, “The Lord has not chosen these.” <sup>11</sup> Then Samuel said to Jesse, “Are all your sons here?” And he said, “There remains yet the youngest, but behold, he is keeping the sheep.” And Samuel said to Jesse, “Send and get him, for we will not sit down till he comes

here.” <sup>12</sup> And he sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy and had beautiful eyes and was handsome. And the Lord said, “Arise, anoint him, for this is he.” <sup>13</sup> Then Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the midst of his brothers. And the Spirit of the Lord rushed upon David from that day forward. And Samuel rose up and went to Ramah.

**Adoration:** *You are kind in all your works, and holiness befits your house, O LORD, forevermore. Righteous are you, O God, when we complain to you, and you will be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment. Far be it from God that he should do wickedness, and from the Almighty that he should do wrong; for according to the work of a man he will repay him. Your righteousness is like the mountains of God, even when your judgments are like the great deep! And though clouds and thick darkness are all around you, yet righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne. You are holy, O you who are enthroned on the praises of Israel: Holy and awesome is your name, and we give thanks to your holy name. You are of purer eyes than to see evil; neither may evil dwell with you. You are the Rock, your work is perfect, all your ways are truth and justice; a God of faithfulness and without iniquity. You are our Rock, and there is no unrighteousness in you.*

**Confession:** *We have sinned, Father, against heaven and before you: we have all sinned and fall short of the glory of God; for the God in whose hand is our breath and whose are all our ways, we have not honored. Against you, you only, have we sinned and done what is evil in your sight; neither have we obeyed the voice of the LORD our God by walking in his laws, which he has set before us, though they are holy and righteous and good. Who can discern his errors? Declare us innocent from hidden faults. In many things we stumble, and our iniquities are more than the hairs of our head. As a well keeps its water fresh, so our hearts keep fresh their evil; and this has been our way from our youth up, that we have not obeyed your voice. Out of the evil treasure of our hearts, we have brought forth much evil. We have every reason to be humbled for the pride of our hearts; for we have thought of ourselves more highly than we ought to think and have not thought with sober judgment, nor have we walked humbly with our God. We have leaned on our own understanding, and trusted in our own minds, and have sacrificed to our own net. We have sought our own glory more than the glory of him who sent us, and have been arrogant concerning that for which we should have mourned*

**Petition:** *We pray that we may not enter into temptation; or, however, that no temptation may overtake us that is not common to man. And may the faithful God never let us be tempted beyond our ability, but with the temptation provide the way of escape for us. Put upon us the whole armor of God, that we may be able to stand against the schemes of*

*the devil; to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. Fasten on us the belt of truth, put on us the breastplate of righteousness, and, as shoes for our feet, put on us the readiness given by the gospel of peace. Give us the shield of faith, with which we may extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one, and the helmet of salvation; and let the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, be always ready to us. Enable us to resist the devil, so that he may flee from us; to resist him firm in the faith. And may you, the God of peace, tread Satan under our feet, and may you do it soon*

**Thanks:** *We bless you that when sacrifices and offerings you did not desire, and in them took no pleasure, that then the eternal Son of God said, "Behold, I have come to do your will, O God, and a body have you prepared for me." And that, as in the scroll of the book it was written of him, he did delight to do your will, O God; yes, your law was within his heart. You have granted help to one who is mighty, one chosen from the people: You have found David, your servant; with your holy oil you have anointed him, even with the oil of gladness beyond his companions; and you did promise that your hand should be established with him and your arm should strengthen him, and that you would make him the firstborn, the highest of the kings of the earth. We bless you that the Father now judges no one, but has given all judgment to the Son; that as he has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself, and has given him authority to execute judgment, because he is the Son of Man; that the Father loves the Son and has given all things into his hand; and that the counsel of peace is between them both. That he is your servant, whom you uphold, your chosen in whom your soul delights; your beloved Son, with whom you are well pleased; that you have given him as a covenant to the people; and that through him we are not under law but under grace. That God so loved the world, as to give his only begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life*

**Intercession:** *Let all who set themselves, and take counsel together, against the LORD and against his Anointed, who would burst their bonds apart and cast away their cords from them, plot in vain. Let him who sits in the heavens laugh at them and hold them in derision; speak to them in your wrath, and terrify them in your fury Give them, O LORD, what you will give them; give them a miscarrying womb and dry breasts. O our God, make them like whirling dust, like chaff before the wind; fill their faces with shame, that they may seek your name, O LORD, and that they may know that you alone, whose name is the LORD, are the Most High over all the earth. Put them in fear, O LORD, that the nations may know that they are but men! And wherein the proud enemies of your church deal arrogantly, make it to appear that you are above them. May all who hate Zion be put to shame and turned backward! Let them be like the grass on the*

*housetops, which withers before it grows up. Let no weapon fashioned against your church succeed, and let every tongue that rises against it in judgment be confuted. Make Jerusalem a heavy stone for all the peoples, and let all that lift it hurt themselves, though all the nations of the earth should gather against it; so may all your enemies perish, O LORD, but let your friends be like the sun as he rises in his might. Lord, let the man of lawlessness be killed with the breath of your mouth and brought to nothing by the appearance of your coming: And let those be undeceived who have long been under the power of strong delusions to believe what is false, and let them love the truth. Let Babylon fall and sink like a millstone into the sea; and let the kings of the earth who have given their royal power and honor to the beast, be wrought upon at length to bring them into the new Jerusalem*

**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:** *Jeremiah 33:7-8*

"I will restore the fortunes of Judah and the fortunes of Israel, and rebuild them as they were at first. I will cleanse them from all the guilt of their sin against me, and I will forgive all the guilt of their sin and rebellion against me."

**New Testament Reading Titus 3:4-7 (ESV)**<sup>4</sup> But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, <sup>5</sup> 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, <sup>6</sup> whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, <sup>7</sup> so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

**Benediction:**

May your eyes see the king in his beauty That you might view a land that stretches afar; Like Abraham, who looked to a city, Whose architect and builder was God. Isaiah 33:17; Hebrews 1:10