

Hopewell Worship Guide for 3/13/22

Call to Worship

Psalm 57:2, 7

I cry out to God Most High, to God who fulfills his purpose for me. Be exalted, O God, above the heavens! Let your glory be over all the earth!

Invocation: Let us pray: **Psalm 19:1–6 (ESV)**¹ The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork. ² Day to day pours out speech, and night to night reveals knowledge. ³ There is no speech, nor are there words, whose voice is not heard. ⁴ Their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them he has set a tent for the sun, ⁵ which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his chamber, and, like a strong man, runs its course with joy. ⁶ Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them, and there is nothing hidden from its heat.

It is to you O God Almighty, that all praise is due - Father, Son and Holy Spirit. One God, now and forever more. Amen.

Old Testament **Exodus 12:1–13 (ESV)**¹ The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, ² “This month shall be for you the beginning of months. It shall be the first month of the year for you. ³ Tell all the congregation of Israel that on the tenth day of this month every man shall take a lamb according to their fathers’ houses, a lamb for a household. ⁴ And if the household is too small for a lamb, then he and his nearest neighbor shall take according to the number of persons; according to what each can eat you shall make your count for the lamb. ⁵ Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male a year old. You may take it from the sheep or from the goats, ⁶ and you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month, when the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill their lambs at twilight. ⁷ “Then they shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. ⁸ They shall eat the flesh that night, roasted on the fire; with unleavened bread and bitter herbs they shall eat it. ⁹ Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted, its head with its legs and its inner parts. ¹⁰ And you shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. ¹¹ In this manner you shall eat it: with your belt fastened, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand. And you shall eat it in haste. It is the Lord’s Passover. ¹² For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the Lord. ¹³ The blood shall be a sign for you, on the houses where you are. And when I see the blood, I will pass over

you, and no plague will befall you to destroy you, when I strike the land of Egypt.

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: *There are many who say, “Who will show us some good?” But this we say, “O LORD, lift up the light of your face upon us, and that shall put joy in our hearts, more than they have when their grain and wine abound.” Psalm 4:6-7 We entreat your favor with all our heart, Psalm 119:58 for in this we labor, that whether we are at home or away, we may please the Lord. 2 Corinthians 5:9 Hear our prayer, O LORD, give ear to our pleas for mercy; in your faithfulness answer us, Psalm 143:1 and be near to us whenever we call upon you; Deuteronomy 4:7 for you have never said to the offspring of Jacob, “Seek me in vain.” Isaiah 45:19 You who hear the young ravens that cry, Psalm 147:9 be not deaf to us, lest if you be silent to us, we become like those who go down to the pit. Psalm 28:1 Let our prayer be counted as incense before you, and the lifting up of our hands be acceptable in your sight as the evening sacrifice. Psalm 141:2*

Confession: *And now, O our God, what shall we say after this, for we have forsaken your commandments? Ezra 9:10 We have sinned; what have we done to you, you watcher of mankind? Job 7:20 We know that the law curses everyone who does not abide by all things written in the book of the law and do them; Galatians 3:10 that the wages of every sin is death; Romans 6:23 and that for these things’ sake the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. Ephesians 5:6 And we are accountable to God; Romans 3:19 the Scripture has imprisoned us under sin; Galatians 3:22 and therefore you might justly be angry with us until you consumed us, so that there should be no remnant, nor any to escape. Ezra 9:14 If you should make justice the line, and righteousness the plumb line, Isaiah 28:17 you might justly separate us to all evil, according to all the curses of the covenant, and blot out our names from under heaven. Deuteronomy 29:20 You might justly swear in your wrath that we should never enter your rest; Psalm 95:11 and put into our hands the cup of staggering, and make us drink even to the dregs of that cup. Isaiah 51:17 You have been righteous in all that has come upon us, for you have dealt faithfully and we have acted wickedly. Nehemiah 9:33 Indeed, our God has punished us less than our iniquities deserved. Ezra 9:13 You therefore shall be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment; Psalm 51:4 and we will accept of the punishment of our iniquity, Leviticus 26:43 and humble ourselves under your mighty hand, 1 Peter 5:6 and say, “The LORD is righteous.” 2 Chronicles 12:6*

Petition: *We know that we are born to trouble as the sparks fly upward; Job 5:7 but in six troubles be pleased to deliver us, and in seven let no evil touch us. Job 5:19 Let the eternal God be our dwelling place, and underneath be the everlasting arms; Deuteronomy 33:27 that the spirit you have made may not grow faint before you, nor the soul that you have redeemed. Psalm 71:23 Let us be strengthened with all power, according to your glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy.*

Colossians 1:11 Let your statutes be our songs in the house of our sojourning; Psalm 119:54 and let your testimonies, which we have taken as a heritage forever, be always the joy of our hearts. Psalm 119:111 When we are afflicted in every way, let us not be crushed; and when we are perplexed, let us not be driven to despair; 2 Corinthians 4:8 but as sorrowful, let us be always rejoicing; as having nothing, yet possessing everything. 2 Corinthians 6:10

Thanks: *We thank you for the crown of life which God has promised to those who love him; James 1:12 the inheritance imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for us. 1 Peter 1:4 That having here no lasting city, Hebrews 13:14 we are encouraged to seek the better country, that is, the heavenly one; Hebrews 11:16 the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God. Hebrews 11:10 That we are in hope of eternal life, which God, who never lies, has promised; Titus 1:2 and that all true believers, through grace, Acts 18:27 have eternal life abiding in them. 1 John 3:15*

Intercession: *Teach your ministers how they ought to behave in the household of God, which is the church of the living God, 1 Timothy 3:15 that they may not preach themselves but Jesus Christ as Lord, 2 Corinthians 4:5 and may do their best to present themselves approved to God, workmen who have no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth. 2 Timothy 2:15 Make them competent in the Scriptures, Acts 18:24 that from them they may be equipped for every good work, 2 Timothy 3:17 in teaching showing integrity, dignity, and sound speech that cannot be condemned. Titus 2:7-8 Enable them to give attendance to the public reading of Scripture, to exhortation, to teaching; to practice these things; 1 Timothy 4:13-15 to devote themselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word; Acts 6:4 to immerse themselves in them and to persist in them, that they may save both themselves and their hearers. 1 Timothy 4:15-16 Let words be given to them in opening their mouths boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, that they may speak as they ought to speak, Ephesians 6:19-20 as competent ministers of a new covenant, not of the letter but of the Spirit; 2 Corinthians 3:6 Let them be full of power by the Spirit of the Lord of hosts, Micah 3:8 to show your people their transgressions and the house of Jacob their sins. Isaiah 58:1 Make them sound in the faith, Titus 1:13 and enable them always to teach what accords with sound doctrine, Titus 2:1 correcting their opponents with gentleness; and let not the Lord's servants be quarrelsome but kind to everyone, able to teach. 2 Timothy 2:24-25 Make them good examples to the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, and in purity; 1 Timothy 4:12 and let them purify themselves who bear the vessels of the Lord, Isaiah 52:11*

Ministries Hopewell Supports: Roddey & Becky Caughman, Michael & Tricia Lee – Panama, Child Evangelism Fellowship, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Hope House, Clark & Grace Emerson – Campus Outreach, Reformed University Fellowship, Clark & Grace Emerson at Western Michigan University, 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: Hebrews 7:25

He is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

New Testament Reading: Revelation 5:6–14 (ESV)⁶ And between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders I saw a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain, with seven horns and with seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. ⁷ And he went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who was seated on the throne. ⁸ And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. ⁹ And they sang a new song, saying, "Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, ¹⁰ and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth." ¹¹ Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, ¹² saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" ¹³ And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" ¹⁴ And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" and the elders fell down and worshiped.

Benediction:

Now to you from Him Who is, and Who was, and Who is to come ... from Jesus Christ, Who is the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead and the ruler of the kings of the earth, May Grace and Peace abound. Rev. 1:4,5