

Hopewell Worship Guide for 6/05/22

Call to Worship Exodus 15:13

“You have led in your steadfast love the people whom you have redeemed; you have guided them by your strength to your holy abode.” Worship him in the splendor of holiness.

Invocation: Lord God, your people have come today to worship you, to set the first of the fruit on the ground that you have given them before you, and to rejoice in the good you have given them. Look down from your holy habitation, from heaven; bless your people and receive their offering, we pray this in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Spirit, One God, now and forever. Amen

Old Testament Genesis 11:1-9

11 Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. ² And as people migrated from the east, they found a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. ³ And they said to one another, “Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly.” And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. ⁴ Then they said, “Come, let us build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be dispersed over the face of the whole earth.” ⁵ And the Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of man had built. ⁶ And the Lord said, “Behold, they are one people, and they have all one language, and this is only the beginning of what they will do. And nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. ⁷ Come, let us go down and there confuse their language, so that they may not understand one another’s speech.” ⁸ So the Lord dispersed them from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. ⁹ Therefore its name was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth. And from there the Lord dispersed them over the face of all the earth.

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: *You are a God at hand and not a God far away; none can hide himself in secret places so that you cannot see him, for you fill heaven and earth. Jeremiah 23:23-24 You are not far from each one of us. Acts 17:27 We cannot go anywhere from your presence or flee from your Spirit: If we ascend to heaven, you are there! If we make our bed in Sheol, in the depths of the earth, behold you are there! If we take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, even there your hand shall lead us, and your right hand shall hold us, Psalm 139:7-10 for we can never outrun you.*

Confession: *We have set our minds on things beneath, which should have been set on things above, where our treasure is, Matthew 6:21 where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God; Colossians 3:1-2 these are the things which we should seek. We have paid regard to vain idols and forsaken our hope of steadfast love; Jonah 2:8 have forsaken the fountain of living waters, for cisterns, broken cisterns that can hold no water. Jeremiah 2:13 We have trampled the head of the poor into the dust of the earth, Amos 2:7 and have been anxious concerning what we shall eat and what we shall drink and what we shall wear, the things after which the Gentiles seek. Matthew 6:31-33 We have lifted up our souls to what is false, Psalm 24:4 and set our eyes on that which is nothing; have looked at the things that are seen, which are temporal, but the things that are eternal have been forgotten and postponed. 2 Corinthians 4:18*

Petition: *Lord, is not this the word which you have spoken: that if the wicked man forsakes his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts, and returns to the LORD, even to our God, that you will abundantly pardon, Isaiah 55:7 will multiply to pardon? To you, the Lord our God, belong mercy and forgiveness, for we have rebelled against you. Daniel 9:9 Is not this the covenant which you have made with the house of Israel: that you will take away their sins; Romans 11:27 that you will forgive their iniquity and remember their sin no more; Jeremiah 31:34 that iniquity shall be sought in Israel, and there shall be none, and sin in Judah, and none shall be found? Jeremiah 50:20 Have you not said that if the wicked will turn from all his sins that he has committed, and keep your statutes, he shall live; he shall not die; all his transgressions shall not be remembered against him? Ezekiel 33:15-16 Have you not appointed that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in Christ’s name to all nations? Luke 24:47 Did you not promise that when the sins of Israel were put upon the head of the scapegoat, they should be sent away into the wilderness, into a remote area? Leviticus 16:22 And as far as the east is from the west, so far do you remove our transgressions from us. Psalm 103:12 O remember these words to your servants, in which you have made us hope. Psalm 119:49*

Thanks: *We give thanks to the God of gods, to the Lord of lords, for his steadfast love endures forever. Psalm 136:2-3 Your goodness is your glory, Exodus 33:19 and it is for that which all your works give thanks to you and all your saints bless you. Psalm 145:10 You are gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, Psalm 145:8 and have told us that you do not willingly afflict or grieve the children of men; but, though you cause grief, you will have compassion according to the abundance of your steadfast love. Lamentations 3:32-33 You take pleasure in those who fear you, in those who hope in your steadfast love. Psalm 147:11*

Intercession: *Lord, let your Spirit be poured out upon your churches from on high, and then the wilderness shall become a fruitful field; Isaiah 32:12 then justice shall return to the righteous, and all the upright in heart will follow it. Psalm 94:15 Let what remains be put into order, Titus 1:5 and let every plant that is not of our heavenly Father's planting be rooted up. Matthew 15:13 Let the Lord whom we seek come to his temple like a refiner's fire and fullers' soap, and let him purify the sons of Levi and all the seed of Israel, and refine them like gold and silver, that they may bring offerings of righteousness to the LORD, pleasing offerings to the LORD as in the days of old, as in former years. Malachi 3:2-4 Let religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, flourish and prevail everywhere: James 1:27 that kingdom of God among men, which is not a matter of eating and drinking but of righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit. Romans 14:17 O revive this work in the midst of the years, in the midst of the years make it known; Habakkuk 3:2 and let these times be times of reformation. Hebrews 9:10*

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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: *Hebrews 8:12*

“For I will be merciful toward their iniquities, and I will remember their sins no more.”

New Testament Reading: Acts 2:1–21

2 When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. ² And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them.

⁴ And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

⁵ Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. ⁶ And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. ⁷ And they were amazed and astonished, saying, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?” ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language?

⁹ Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, ¹¹ both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.”

¹² And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” ¹³ But others mocking said, “They are filled with new wine.”

¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them: “Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. ¹⁵ For these people are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. ¹⁶ But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ “And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams; ¹⁸ even on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. ¹⁹ And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke; ²⁰ the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day.

²¹ And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

Benediction: Hear this good news: The Lord your God is a merciful God. He will not leave you or destroy you or forget the covenant with your fathers that he swore to them (Deut. 4:31)