

SUNDAY – April 5, 2020 Palm Sunday

~~9:15 am Coffee & fellowship time.~~

~~9:30-10:15 am Sunday school for all ages (nursery provided)~~

~~Elementary: Jan Artigue & Debbie Billiodeaux downstairs in CE building~~

~~Junior & Senior High Youth meeting with adults this quarter~~

~~Adults: Through the Bible in Six Years Meets in Fellowship Hall~~

~~10:30 am Sunday Worship (nursery provided in Education building)~~

~~First Sunday Lunch following the morning worship service~~

Gospel Connections at HPC

All Church Gatherings are cancelled: From March 17-April 26

~~April 8 (Wed.) 6:30 pm Home Bible Study at Feucht's: Matthew~~

~~April 9 (Thurs.) 6:00 am Thursday Men's Morning Study: "Devoted to God"~~

~~April 9 (Thurs.) 6:00 pm Ladies Bible Study: studying the book of James~~

~~April 10 (Fri.) 6:30 am Women's Morning Prayer Gathering~~

~~April 19 (Sunday) 4:30 pm HPC Youth at the church~~

Nursery & Children's Church

(*Family Worship: Parent's choice to keep their younger children in church)

HPC Prayer List

Praise: The Gospel privilege of prayer in these times of trial and testing

Fruitful meeting of Catawba Presbytery on March 10, Shiloh ARPC- Lancaster, SC

For One Another: Marla Andrus: God's gracious strength

Expectant families: Christi & Will Hodges (Archie, Sawyer)

Jon Sonbuchner: after his father's passing, also healing for Jon's sickness

God's Kingdom Work: Gospel ministry of Catawba Presbytery and the ARP too

James & Stephanie Brinkerhoff (Abraham): James would be allowed to return to Sudan

Corona Virus: Wisdom for decision makers, healing for the sick, God's peace in our hearts

Family Worship: April 6-11 "Holy, Holy, Holy" opc.org/trinity_hymnal; hymnary.org.

SCRIPTURE: 4/6 John 1; John 2 4/7; 4/8 John 3; 4/9 John 4; 4/10 John 5 (Sat: 4/11)

Westminster Confession of Faith: Chap. 12-13

Westminster Shorter Catechism: Grades 1-3 #27-28; Grades 4-6 #41-43; Grades 7-12

#52-55; Pre-K: Lord's Prayer, Ten Commandments #5-10; Kid's Catechism #16-17

Children's Catechism #42 "Why can none be saved through the covenant of works?"

Because all have broken it, and are condemned by it." (Psalm 14:1; Romans 3:10-12, 23)

HPC Session Summary (March 16, 2020): After opening with prayer, Pastor Dean gave a

devotional on Isaiah 26:1-4 on God's sovereign promise of peace. A time of intercessory

prayer then took place. We received the Feb. 2020 Financial and Pastoral Reports. Pastor

Dean gave an update on the recent Catawba Presbytery meeting and the discussion on a

new Texas/ Louisiana Presbytery in the ARP. Roger and Dean also reported on the recent

TX/LA retreat in Freeport, TX on Feb. 22, 2020. The elders then met with representatives

from the newly formed Opelousas Pregnancy Center, Rev. Stuart Amidon (president) and

Mika Hernandez, RN, the Executive Director. We will be considering allowing them to use

the HPC Annex for one year. As noted, we voted to suspend all public ministry gatherings

of HPC until at least Sunday, April 5. We will be using live-streaming and audio

recordings for the Sunday worship services. A motion was approved calling our church

family to observe a day of prayer and fasting on Friday, March 20. We encouraged fervent

prayer for our church, community, country and our world during this COVID-19 virus.

We made plans to study a book by Dr. Jay Adams, "The Handbook of Church Discipline".

We approved the minutes from Feb. 10, 2020 and closed with prayer.

***There will be no gathered worship, Sunday school, Bible studies or Youth Groups at until after April 30, 2020, in our desire to love God, love our neighbor and honor our government leaders.**

Our Christian sympathy and prayers are with Jon Sonbuchner and family upon the death of his father on Wed., March 25, 2020 in Minnesota.

Call to a Day of Prayer and Fasting: Good Friday, April 10, 2020 hpcopelousas.org

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Welcome to Hope Church! If you would like to learn more about the saving love of Christ, about the Bible, the doctrines of grace or the path to membership at HPC, talk with Pastor Dean or one of our elders.

LOCAL MINISTRIES OF HPC

Atchafalaya Presbyterian Church

Bayou Current, LA

French Camp Academy: French Camp, MS

Mr. Stewart Edwards

frenchcamp.org

Hope for Opelousas

hopeforopelousas.org

Mr. Loren Carriere

The Refinery Mission

refinerymission.org

Mr. Johnny Carriere

WORLD MISSIONS

James & Stephanie Brinkerhoff

Africa

Frontiers

Jane Brinkerhoff

Japan

Mission to the World

David Galletta (Mobile Theological Training)

World Witness (ARPC)

Stuart & Meg Mills

Peru

Peru Mission

Joshua & Vonja Thomas

Germany

World Witness (ARPC)

HPC OFFICERS

Session: Dirk Andrepont, Tom Billiodeaux, Roger McChesney, Carl Richard, Rev. Dean Rydbeck (moderator), Jon Sonbuchner (clerk: on sabbatical), and Jason Stark (webmaster)

Deacons: Chris Andrus (chairman), Frank Artigue, Kenny Boagni (treasurer), Patrick Feucht (head usher) and Scott Roy (secretary).

HPC MINISTRY

Worship Team: Dirk & Liz Andrepont, Kristina Anderson, Jan Artigue, Catherine Brooks, Paula Feucht, Susan Sonbuchner and Jason Stark

Church Bookkeeper: Kristina Anderson

Atchafalaya Presbyterian Church: Jon Sonbuchner

COMMUNION: At Hope Church (ARP) we celebrate the Lord's Supper each Sunday as we gather together for worship. We believe that it is our holy joy to take part in this means of grace together. If you are a baptized member in good standing at a Christian Church, we would invite you to partake of the elements with us. A covenant child may partake of communion after they give a personal profession of faith in Christ before our elders. **Please note** that there is red wine, on the inner ring of communion tray, or white grape juice, on the outer edge.

A **nursery**, with a trained nurse, (in Education Building) is available for all babies and toddlers during Sunday school and Church.

Our nursery caregiver is Mrs. Zeta Joubert

We also offer a **Children's Church** for children ages 2-5, to help prepare our children for corporate worship. The children are dismissed after the Children's message and return at communion.

2020 Year Verses: "Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, We have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, And we rejoice in hope of the glory of God." Romans 5:1-2

Hope Presbyterian Church

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Palm Sunday

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Order for the Public Worship of God

LORD'S DAY – April 5, 2020 at 10:30 am

“The afflicted shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall praise the LORD! May your hearts live forever!

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD, and all the families of the nations shall worship before you. For kingship belongs to the LORD, and he rules over the nations.”

Psalm 22:26-28

Welcome

Prelude (Silent prayer and heart preparation for worship)

***Call to Worship**

I Timothy 6:13-16

***Hymn of Praise**

“All Glory, Laud and Honor”

... #235

All glory, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring!
Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son,
Who in the Lord's name comest, The King and blessed one!

The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went;
our praise and prayer and anthems before thee we present:
To thee, before thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise;
to thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise.

Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring,
who in all good delightest, Thou good and gracious King!
All glory, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring!

***Prayer of Adoration & the Lord's Prayer**

“Our Father, who 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, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen”

Responsive Reading (p.457)

Psalm 22

Prayer of Confession of Sin

“When the righteous triumph, there is great glory, but when the wicked rise, people hide themselves. Whoever conceals his transgressions will not prosper, but he who confesses and forsakes them will obtain mercy. Blessed is the one who fears the LORD always, but whoever hardens his heart will fall into calamity.”

Proverbs 28:12-14

Assurance of Pardon

Isaiah 1:18

“Come now, let us reason together, says the LORD: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.”

***Hymn of Preparation**

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” **... #252**

When I survey the wondrous cross, on which the Prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, Save in the death of Christ my God:
All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, Sorrow and love flow mingled down:
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine that were a present far too small?
Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all.

Morning Prayer

Giving of Our Tithes and Offering

“Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord” **... #465**

Marvelous grace of our loving Lord,
Grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt,
Yonder on Calvary's mount outpoured,
there where the blood of the Lamb was spilt.

Refrain: Grace, grace, God's grace,
Grace that will pardon and cleanse within;
Grace, grace, God's grace,
Grace that is greater than all my sin.

Sin and despair like the sea waves cold,
Threaten the soul with infinite loss;
Grace that is greater, yes, grace untold,
Points to the refuge, the mighty cross. **Refrain**

Dark is the stain that we cannot hide,
what can avail to wash it away?
Look! There is flowing a crimson tide;
Whiter than snow you may be today. **Refrain**

Marvelous, infinite, matchless grace,
Freely bestowed on all who believe.
You that are longing to see His face,
Will you this moment His grace receive? **Refrain**

Reading of God's Word (p.905) **John 19:16-27**

Preaching of God's Word **... Rev. Dean Rydbeck**

The Cross of Christ: Our Crucified Savior

***Closing Hymn**

“Man of Sorrows! What a Name” **...#246**

Man of Sorrows! What a name for the Son of God, who came
Ruined sinners to reclaim: Hallelujah! What a Saviour!

Bearing shame and scoffing rude, in my place condemned he stood,
Sealed my pardon with his blood: Hallelujah! What a Saviour!

Guilty, vile, and helpless, we; spotless Lamb of God was he;
Full atonement! Can it be? Hallelujah! What a Saviour!

Lifted up was he to die, "It is finished!" was his cry:
Now in heav'n exalted high: Hallelujah! What a Saviour!

When he comes, our glorious King, all his ransomed home to bring,
Then anew this song we'll sing: Hallelujah! What a Savior!

***Benediction**

(*Congregation standing, as you are able)

Sermon Notes