



WORSHIP GUIDE

North Campus | Week of February 11, 2018

Order of Worship

North Campus - Sunday, February 11, 2018

Call to Worship

Psalm 18:1-3

“Grace Alone”

Welcome

“His Mercy is More”

Sermon

Genesis 18:16-33

Pastoral Prayer

Psalm 119:1-8

Offering

“Revelation Song”

“He Is Our God”

Benediction

Romans 16:25-27

Call to Worship

The Scriptural call to worship at the beginning of our service is a reminder that, as we gather, it is God who initiates and reveals Himself to us through His Word, and we respond to Him.

*I love you, O Lord, my strength.
The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer,
my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge,
my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.
I call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised,
and I am saved from my enemies.*

Psalm 18:1-3

Pastoral Prayer

*Blessed are those whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law of the Lord!
Blessed are those who keep his testimonies,
who seek him with their whole heart,
who also do no wrong,
but walk in his ways!
You have commanded your precepts
to be kept diligently.
Oh that my ways may be steadfast
in keeping your statutes!
Then I shall not be put to shame,
having my eyes fixed on all your commandments.
I will praise you with an upright heart,
when I learn your righteous rules.
I will keep your statutes;
do not utterly forsake me!*

Psalm 119:1-8

Offering

Giving is an act of worship in which we give generously of our substance to further the mission of the church and to bring glory to God.

Benediction

Now to him who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages but has now been disclosed and through the prophetic writings has been made known to all nations, according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the obedience of faith—to the only wise God be glory forevermore through Jesus Christ! Amen.

Romans 16:25–27

Racial Harmony

At Hickory Grove, we believe that Jesus died and resurrected to restore the cosmos and to reconcile diverse sinners to God and to each other. We serve a God who created people of different colors and dialects, who are loved by God, created in His image, and can be redeemed by the blood of His son. We celebrate a gospel that accomplishes vertical reconciliation with God as well as horizontal reconciliation with others. As such, we pursue racial harmony, knowing that the local church is a small glimpse of the universal, multi-ethnic reality that awaits us. With this understanding, **we reject every type of racism from its overt personal forms to its covert systemic expressions.** We strive for racial harmony within our church and within our community, trusting the power of the gospel to remove every dividing wall of hostility.

The New City Catechism

The New City Catechism is a modern-day resource aimed at helping children and adults alike learn the core doctrines of the Christian faith using 52 questions and answers. Learn more at NewCityCatechism.com.

Part 1: God, Creation & Fall, Law

QUESTION 7

What does the law of God require?

Personal, perfect, and perpetual obedience; that we love God with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength; and love our neighbor as ourselves. What God forbids should never be done and what God commands should always be done.

And [Jesus] said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets."

Matthew 22:37-40

PRAYER

Great Law-Giver, you have spoken a perfect law, and you deserve perfect obedience. Let us not merely think that your law requires outward submission; it demands the full assent of our minds and our hearts. Who is equal to such a task? We confess that we fall far short of keeping your law. Amen.

Read the full commentary for this question at NewCityCatechism.com.

What is Disciple Now Weekend?

In an ever-changing world, it is good for young men and women to pause and reflect on their relationship with Christ and his church. **Disciple Now is one of the ways that Hickory Grove seeks to evangelize, establish, and equip middle and high school students.** We are persuaded by the Bible's clear teachings about the centrality of the gospel (believing) and the centrality of the church (belonging). As a result, we seek to train our students through engaging speakers, a dynamic curriculum, and Spirit-led worship. We believe that our faithfulness as a church is tethered to a strong commitment to our youth. As such, we are committed to helping our younger generation faithfully carry the torch of the gospel to the ends of the earth. We look forward to what God will do in their lives through this conference and we invite you to join us in prayer as we trust the promises of God.

DNOW 2018 is March 16–18 for grades 6–12. Learn more and register at HickoryGrove.org/DNOW.

Winter Equip Classes

Register at HickoryGrove.org/EquipHG

PARENTING BY GOD'S PROMISES

Sundays, February 11–April 29

5–6 PM, Room 327

Led by Ric & Genie Blazi

In *Parenting by God's Promises*, Dr. Joel R. Beeke asserts that there is no secret to successful parenting. This class puts parental responsibilities in their proper perspective and guides mothers and fathers to lean not on their own abilities but to trust more fully in the God who knits children together in the first place.

PASTORS' CLASS

Wednesdays, 6:30 PM, Room 327

Join our staff as they examine 1, 2, and 3 John using the *Christ-Centered Exposition Commentary*.

EVANGELISM

Sundays beginning February 11

5–6 PM, Room 310/311

Led by Nathan Foth

This class will provide Christ followers with a mindset and method for meeting people where they are and helping them become what Jesus wants them to be.

HG STUDENTS EQUIP

Sundays, 5–6 PM, Room 316 & The Loft

HG Students Equip is an incredible opportunity for students (6th–12th grades) to gain a deeper understanding of the Bible, Christianity, and its impact in our world. In a small-group setting, students will learn about God's Word in a fun and challenging way.

Schedule & Announcements



Guest Information

If you are a guest, we welcome you and invite you to stop by any Guest Information Area to learn more about Hickory Grove and to get answers to your questions. Be sure to pick up a Guest Information Card, fill it out, and either drop it in the offering plate or leave it at any Guest Information Area.

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Schedule

Sunday, February 11

Sunday School: 8:45 AM

Worship: 10:15 AM

HG Kids Choir: 5 PM

Wednesday, February 14

Dinner: 5 PM

Awana: 6:15 PM

Student Worship: 6:30 PM

Pastors' Class: 6:30 PM

SANCTITY OF HUMAN LIFE BABY BOTTLE DRIVE

Support life by picking up a baby bottle in the Lobby and filling it with money or a check in support of GATE Pregnancy Resource Center. Please return bottles to the Lobby by Sunday, February 18.

HG KIDS CHOIR KICKOFF

Begins TODAY, 5-6 PM, Room 219

Join us each Sunday night for our children's choir ministry for grades K-5 as they prepare a Gospel-centered musical. Register at HickoryGrove.org/KidsChoir.

YOUTH BASEBALL & SOFTBALL

March-June

For boys and girls ages 5-15. Early bird cost is \$75 by February 11 (\$85 after). Register at HickoryGrove.org/Baseball. We also need coaches for every age group. Call 704-531-3482 if you are interested.

CAR CARE

Saturday, March 10, 9 AM-Noon

Free oil change service for widows and single mothers. Call 704-531-4028 to schedule an appointment by March 2.

HG CHRISTIAN SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Preschool Registration:

January 22-February 12: Returning students and siblings

February 13-26: Church members

February 27: Open to public

K-12 Registration:

February 5: HGBC Members

February 12: Open to public

