



SUNDAY WORSHIP GUIDE

March 29, 2020

HPBC Family,

There may be nothing more important right now than for our hearts to be God-focused. That is the goal of this worship guide, to direct your hearts to the promises of our gracious God. Please use this to encourage and facilitate your worship on Sunday, March 29.

Included is:

- Sermon: Pastor Conley chose another sermon from our Heaven series (2017) for this week. Also, included with the sermon are discussion questions on the last page of this guide.
- Songs: Pastor Coleman chose songs that fit the sermon theme, which we'd encourage you to sing before or after you listen to the sermon. Some of these songs we sang back in 2017. Also included are links to the songs if you want to play them and sing along.
- Prayers: A couple of our pastors wrote out prayers of confession, praise, and intercession which you can use as you desire, to facilitate and direct your prayers.
- Giving: Included this week is a reminder that giving is a regular part of our worship to God.
- Announcements are included at the end. You'll find a way to sign up for an encouraging group of daily readings and a way to sign up to serve others in our congregation.

We'll miss being with you on Sunday. In the meantime, let's pursue God together, though separate. And we hope that sometime this week you'll pursue talking with someone else in our church about how God is at work in you.

With love,
Your HPBC Pastors

GREETING FROM PASTOR DREW CONLEY

[Click here to watch this week's greeting.](#)

PRAYERS

- Prayer of Confession and Repentance
- Prayer for the Nations
- Prayer of Praise and Thanksgiving
- Prayer of Petition and Intercession

GIVING

Giving is an act of worship from the heart of a believer. Additional thoughts from Pastor Brent Honshell and a scripture passage are included on the next page of this worship guide.

SCRIPTURES AND SONGS

2 Corinthians 4:14

- *Come, People of the Risen King* ([click to listen](#))

2 Corinthians 4:15

- *Grace Greater Than Our Sin* ([click to listen](#))

2 Corinthians 4:16

- *He Will Hold Me Fast* ([click to listen](#))
- *Day By Day* ([click to listen](#))

2 Corinthians 4:17-18

- *Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus* ([click to listen](#))

PREACHING

Listen to this sermon: [A Shining in the Dark Before the Dawn](#)

DISCUSSION AND REFLECTION

Questions are included on the last page of this guide.

Giving an offering is an act of worship from the heart of a believer who grasps that God is worthy of everything you have to give, because it already belongs to Him. It demonstrates that you recognize “the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty” of your Savior and Lord.

1 Chronicles 29:1-14 describes the joy that God’s people experienced as they gave willingly, with a whole heart. It is the appropriate response for you and me as well.

OFFERINGS FOR THE TEMPLE

And David the king said to all the assembly, “Solomon my son, whom alone God has chosen, is young and inexperienced, and the work is great, for the palace will not be for man but for the LORD God. So I have provided for the house of my God, so far as I was able, the gold for the things of gold, the silver for the things of silver, and the bronze for the things of bronze, the iron for the things of iron, and wood for the things of wood, besides great quantities of onyx and stones for setting, antimony, colored stones, all sorts of precious stones and marble. Moreover, in addition to all that I have provided for the holy house, I have a treasure of my own of gold and silver, and because of my devotion to the house of my God I give it to the house of my God: 3,000 talents of gold, of the gold of Ophir, and 7,000 talents of refined silver, for overlaying the walls of the house, and for all the work to be done by craftsmen, gold for the things of gold and silver for the things of silver. Who then will offer willingly, consecrating himself today to the LORD?” Then the leaders of fathers’ houses made their freewill offerings, as did also the leaders of the tribes, the commanders of thousands and of hundreds, and the officers over the king’s work. They gave for the service of the house of God 5,000 talents and 10,000 darics of gold, 10,000 talents of silver, 18,000 talents of bronze and 100,000 talents of iron. And whoever had precious stones gave them to the treasury of the house of the LORD, in the care of Jehiel the Gershonite. Then the people rejoiced because they had given willingly, for with a whole heart they had offered freely to the LORD. David the king also rejoiced greatly.

DAVID PRAYS IN THE ASSEMBLY

Therefore David blessed the LORD in the presence of all the assembly. And David said: “Blessed are you, O LORD, the God of Israel our father, forever and ever. Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours. Yours is the kingdom, O LORD, and you are exalted as head above all. Both riches and honor come from you, and you rule over all. In your hand are power and might, and in your hand it is to make great and to give strength to all. And now we thank you, our God, and praise your glorious name. “But who am I, and what is my people, that we should be able thus to offer willingly? For all things come from you, and of your own have we given you.

GIVING RESOURCES

[Click here](#) to see a video encouragement from Pastor Conley on giving. We’ve compiled a list of resources to encourage your faithfulness in giving even while we are apart.

To see how to give a one-time gift via our website, [click here](#).

To see how to give a recurring gift via the Elexio app (Android), [click here](#).

If you normally give via cash or check, we encourage you to mail a check or try out giving online using the video tutorials as a guide. The church address is 875 State Park Road, Greenville, SC 29609.

Questions? Call the office (370-3100) during the week and we will gladly assist you!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND REPENTANCE

Father, we come to you humbly to confess our sins. This time now is insufficient to express the complete depths of our sinfulness and the wanderings of our hearts. But we want to express rightly and accurately what we know to be true of ourselves. And we want to prepare our hearts in this way to rejoice in the truths of your Word.

We confess that our hearts have been prone to wander this week. Forgive us for pursuing joy in sinful thoughts and acts. Forgive us for tuning our hearts to sing the praises of men or worldly pleasures or even of ourselves. Our minds and hearts have often been active in how to advance a personal agenda, how to convince other people of our own worthiness, or how to receive compliments or praise from others. We've often worked to tune our hearts and others' hearts towards our own praise. Forgive us for letting our affections rise and fall this week based on how interactions with others have gone or how the markets are doing or what we see in the news or on social media.

We long for our hearts to be tuned to you. We long to stand secure in your love and character. We long for our weary hearts to be in awe of you. So we gladly turn away from our sin and to you this morning. We forsake it, leaving it behind, asking you to cleanse us and make us new. In Jesus' name. Amen.

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

Our great and loving God, in a time of uncertainty and fear, we have great hope in you. And because our hope is in you, our eternal and sovereign Lord, we fear not any present evil or future calamity. For you hold all things in your hands and work all things for your glory and our good.

We have a faithful hope that the one who has made us and saved us will fulfill his promises to never leave us nor forsake us. We can find great peace in our current time of trouble and joy in the face of sorrow. We have great hope that the one who provides all things for us and meets our needs, will care for the jobless and provide sustenance for the hungry. You alone have met our ultimate need by sending Christ to bleed and die taking on our punishment and bearing the penalty of our sins on the cross to atone for them and cover us in his righteousness. And because our sins have been covered, we have been sealed for the future hope of our eternal home.

We fear not this world for you are our God and our eternal home is with you. Father, thank you for the hope that we have because of your love for us. Even in the midst of trials, you are deserving of all our praise. We honor and bless you. We trust in your perfect way.

Thank you for giving us all things according to your will! In Christ we pray, Amen!

PRAYER FOR THE NATIONS: DOMINICA



Dominica is an island in the Lesser Antilles in the Caribbean. The island is just more than a 1/3 of the size of Greenville county and has a population of about 72,000 people. Tony & Martha Cornelius and Hudson & Louise Challenger are our gospel partners there. The Challengers are nationals and Hudson is the pastor of Lighthouse Baptist Church in Atkinson. Tony and Martha are ministering in Marigot and among the Kalinago people.

Pray that our partners would continue to faithfully proclaim the gospel, that our brothers and sisters in the churches on the island of Dominica would grow in their faith and be bold to speak the gospel to those around them, that this proclamation would bear fruit and that people would be saved and that the church might grow because of it, and that we would pursue tangible ways to be an encouragement to the Cornelius and Challenger families.

For more information about Dominica and how to pray for this country, [click here](#).

PRAYER OF PETITION AND INTERCESSION

Father Almighty, Lord over Heaven and Earth,

We come to you in the name of Jesus, our Savior, who loved us and gave himself for us. We come to you in his name because you said that whatever we ask in his name you will do so that you may be glorified in him. We come to you in need of help, in need of wisdom, in need of daily strength, in constant need of your presence and promises. We come to you in order to reaffirm our complete dependence on you for everything. And we come to you asking that you will be at work on behalf of people that we love.

Thank you for the many families in our church who have recently had children or are expecting children. Bless these families. Give patience to those who have recently welcomed little ones into their homes. We pray for Travis & Jackie Jackson and Bryan & Bekah Dechanie who welcomed their children this week. Strengthen them during nights with less sleep. Use our church family to reach out in creative ways to encourage them and support them. Protect those who are still expecting. Please keep them healthy through the labor and delivery process.

For those in our church family that are experiencing various levels of trial, guard their faith and sustain their joy. Keep them looking to you, trusting in your unchanging character and speaking truth to themselves when they are tempted to despair or lose hope.

Thank you for the faithfulness of the Cornelius and Challenger families in Dominica. Please help them to continue to faithfully proclaim the gospel boldly and without fear. Grow our brothers and sisters in the churches on the island of Dominica in their faith and in their boldness to speak the gospel to those around them. Let their evangelism bear fruit so that people are saved and so that your church in Dominica grows because of it. And please raise up more men who can lead as pastors in the churches there. Give us insight as a church to pursue tangible ways to be an encouragement to the Cornelius and Challenger families.

Please give our government leaders and public health officials guidance and wisdom as they recommend various courses of action due to the Coronavirus. Guard them from decisions or recommendations that would

promote fear and panic on the one hand or indifference and mocking on the other hand. Give them measured insight into the wisest decisions for the health of our communities, regardless of the fallout or pushback they may receive.

Please give our pastors wisdom as they determine the best course forward for our church family. Guard them from being unduly influenced by any one person or source of information. Guard them from making decisions out of fear. Fill them with love, joy, peace, and Spirit-empowered discernment. And give them the insight into how to continue to faithfully shepherd and care for our church family during these unusual days. Please give our deacons effectiveness in reaching out to serve and minister to practical needs as they arise. Let them be wise in the use of their time and effective in showing genuine care to those in need.

Please give each of us in the church the desire to reach out and continue ministering to others in our church family. Help us to regularly be praying for one another and encouraging one another through various means. Protect the unity of our church. Guard us from looking down on others who view this situation differently than we do. For those among us who are fearful, give them a trusting confidence in your sovereign hand, and guard them from bitterness towards those whom they view as insensitive. For those among us who feel things are being blown out of proportion, give them love for and patience with those around them, and guard them from words that would bite and devour their brothers and sisters in Christ. For those among us who aren't sure what to think or whom to believe, give them great confidence in your unchanging Word, and guard them from being tossed around in their emotions by every new piece of information they read or view. O God, please guard the unity of our church. Keep us from saying things on social media or in person that we'll later regret. Rather, move in us by the power of the Spirit to be regularly encouraging one another with Scripture and through prayer. Fill our mouths with your words rather than our own or others' opinions.

We ask these things in Jesus' name so that you may be glorified in him. Amen.

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION AND REFLECTION

1. During Paul's time of house arrest in Rome, he declared, "For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me." Even though departing to be with Christ would be "far better," living for him was Christ and remaining on earth meant fruitfulness. During this time of "house arrest" due to the current pandemic, how can you make these days of your life both Christ-filled and fruitful?
2. What opportunities do you have right now to serve the Lord that you typically don't have during normal weeks—and that you won't have once you are home in heaven?
3. Our love for the Lord comes out in good works that benefit others. This is the hallmark of those who belong to Jesus. How can you show Jesus to others this week by meeting their needs in practical, regular ways?
4. Our earthly bodies are wasting away, but our communion with Christ should be growing stronger each day. During these days of disease and disruption when so many are agitated and weary, how can you pursue daily renewal and spiritual growth for yourself and for others?
5. "Your greatest trials, your deepest pain, your weakest days—these are custom designed by a loving, sovereign God to display the surpassing treasure of what you have in Him." As you lean on the Spirit's power, in what ways can you show the high worth of Jesus during this challenging time?
6. Since we have only limited time to give sacrificially, to help the broken and vulnerable, to restore the fallen, to weep with those who weep, to forgive and forbear, and to love our enemies, in what way could you engage in one or more of these activities this week?
7. While all the world is reeling with the current crisis, how can you show courage and hope in ways consistent with being an heir of heaven loved with God's steadfast love?

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

CORONAVIRUS AND CHURCH PLANS

All church events are canceled through March 31. Our plans are being evaluated and we'll communicate any updates soon.

We've set up a [special page on our website](#) where you can stay up-to-date with current information regarding our plans.

LADIES' FACEBOOK PAGE

One way to stay connected is through social media. Our ladies' [Facebook](#) page is a great place for our female members and regular attenders to interact with each other, request prayer, encourage each other, and share things we are learning. This is a private group, so things posted here are only visible to the group.

ENCOURAGEMENT

Are you interested in receiving a daily email with a God-focused, comfort-themed reading over the next few days? If so, [click here](#) to register.

SERVING EACH OTHER

Are you interested in running errands for those in our congregation who may not be able to get out right now? If so, [click here](#) to let us know when you are available.

HAMPTON PARK OFFICE HOURS

While our offices are not officially open, we do have many of our office staff who are continuing to work here, at least for now. If you have any needs, we would welcome you to call our church office or email anyone on staff. Our email addresses consist of our first and last name, followed by @hamptonpark.org. If for some reason you call the church office and no one answers, feel free to call 864-385-4748.