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God Gathers — We Prepare

Preparation for Worship

"I shall look at the world through tears. Perhaps I shall see things that dry-eyed I could not see."

Nicholas Wolterstorff, "Lament for a Son"

"The fact that Jesus weeps and that he is moved in spirit and troubled contrasts remarkably with the dominant culture. That is not the way of power, and it is scarcely the way among those who intend to maintain firm social control. But in [John 11:33-35] Jesus is engaged not in social control but in dismantling the power of death, and he does so by submitting himself to the pain and grief present in the situation, the very pain and grief that the dominant society must deny."

Walter Brueggeman, "The Prophetic Imagination"

"Lament is the language that helps you believe catastrophe can become encatastrophe. It vocalizes the pain of the moment while believing that help is on the way. Lament gives us hope because it gives us a glimpse of truth."

*Mark Vroegop, "Dark Clouds, Deep Mercy:
Discovering the Grace of Lament"*

God Calls — We Praise

Call to Worship (Standing)

Based on Psalm 18:46 & Psalm 88:1-2

Leader The Lord lives, and blessed be our rock,
 and exalted be the God of our salvation!

All **O LORD**, God of my salvation,
 I cry out day and night before you.
Let my prayer come before you;
 incline your ear to my cry!

Song of Praise

"How Firm a Foundation"

All How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in His excellent word!
What more can He say than to you He hath said,
To you, who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

When through the deep waters I call thee to go,
The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow,
For I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless
And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,
My grace, all sufficient shall be thy supply;
The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design
Thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no never, no never forsake!

Words: John Rippon, 1787. Music: Traditional American Melody. Public Domain.

Song of Praise

"Father, Long Before Creation"

All Father long before creation You have chosen us in love,
And your love so deep, so moving, Draws us close to Christ above.
Still it keeps us, still it keeps us firmly fixed in Christ alone.

Though the world may change it's fashion, you, our God are e'er
the same;
Your compassion and your cov 'nant Through all ages will remain.
God's own children, God's own children must forever praise His
name.

Your compassion is my story, Is my boasting all the day;
Mercy free and never failing Moves my will, directs my way.
God so loved us, God so loved us that his only Son He gave.

Loving Father now before you We will ever praise your love,
And our songs will sound unceasing 'Til we reach our home above,
Giving glory, giving glory to our God and to the Lamb;
Giving glory, giving glory to our God and to the Lamb

Prayer of Adoration

God Invites — We Confess

Community Confession of Sin (Be seated or kneel)

Based on Psalm 88:6, 13-14, 8-9, 18

Leader “O Lord, You have put me in the depths of the pit,
 in the regions dark and deep.
Your wrath lies heavy upon me,
 and you overwhelm me with all your waves...
But I, O Lord, cry to you;
 in the morning my prayer comes before you.
O Lord, why do you cast my soul away?
 Why do you hide your face from me?

All Lord, from what we see, hear, and feel
 we can struggle with feeling forgotten,
 our world abandoned by you.

Constant news of global tragedy and pain,
 the anguish of our own afflictions,
 and our ongoing struggles with sins,
 crash upon us like waves;
and, we cry out to you in dismay—why, O Lord?

Leader “I am shut in so that I cannot escape;
 my eyes grow dim through sorrow.
Every day I call upon you, O Lord;
 I spread out my hands to you.”

All The pain in this world and our own lives brings us to grief;
 and, we can even feel as if You are our enemy,
 or that You actively neglect Your love and care for us.
Yet, we know there's another, spiritual evil against us
 who seeks to steal, kill, and destroy.
Our true enemy is not flesh and blood, nor is it You;
our true enemy are these forces of evil.

I have felt this spiritual opposition.
And, in my sins, I have been a tool of it against others.

Forgive me of these sins, O Lord.
How long must this darkness persist?

Personal Confession of Sin (Silence is kept)

God Assures — We Give Thanks

Declaration of Forgiveness (Standing)

Based on Psalm 13:3-4, 5; Psalm 88:1

Leader “Consider and answer me, O Lord my God;
light up my eyes
lest I sleep the sleep of death,
lest my enemy say, ‘I have prevailed over him,’
lest my foes rejoice because I am shaken.”

All For Jesus Christ’s sake,
You must supply us the light of Your hope, O Lord,
because You are good, loving, and faithful.

Leader Our hope cannot be in ourselves, but only in the Lord,
In Jesus, personally, our sorrow is met with God’s grace.
Above all our anguish & pain is the greater truth that in Christ,
the Lord is God of our salvation.
In the Father’s mercy and grace, He uses even our darkness
to drive us into the loving and saving arms
of Jesus Christ His Son.

Because Jesus has received our pain of sin through the cross,
and given us his salvation and life,
we can rejoice in the Lord’s salvation
even in sorrow, grief, confusion, and anger.

May you see the lavishness of the Father’s love for you in Jesus.

All “O Lord, You are God of my salvation!”

Song of Assurance
"What Wondrous Love Is This"

All What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul!

To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;
to God and to the Lamb I will sing;
to God and to the Lamb, who is the great I AM,
while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,
while millions join the theme, I will sing.

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on;
and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on.
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing his love for me,
and through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
and through eternity I'll sing on.

We Bless Our Children

HopeKids

Honoring & Blessing our Children

Leader Jesus points to children, and says to all of us, “Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it.”

All Jesus says, “Let the children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven.”

Leader I, your elder...

Parents We, your parents ...

All We, your church family ...

All We pray God’s continued blessing upon you. May you grow in grace and in the knowledge and love of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Christ as Prophet – The Word to Us

Scripture Reading (Standing)

Psalm 128

- 1 Blessed is everyone who fears the Lord,
 who walks in his ways!
- 2 You shall eat the fruit of the labor of your hands;
 you shall be blessed, and it shall be well with you.
- 3 Your wife will be like a fruitful vine
 within your house;
your children will be like olive shoots
 around your table.
- 4 Behold, thus shall the man be blessed
 who fears the Lord.
- 5 The Lord bless you from Zion!
 May you see the prosperity of Jerusalem
 all the days of your life!
- 6 May you see your children's children!
 Peace be upon Israel!

Reader This is the Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon (Be Seated)

Bob Clark

Series: Summer in the Psalms

Title: A Fruitful Father's Day

Topic: Fathers Under Christ

I. A Father Under Christ will have a Blessed and Abundant Relationship with his God

II. A Father Under Christ will have a Blessed and Abundant Relationship with his Life

III. A Father Under Christ will have a Blessed and Abundant Relationship with his Wife

IV. A Father Under Christ will have a Blessed and Abundant Relationship with his Children

V. A Father Under Christ will have a Blessed and Abundant Relationship with his Church

Christ as Priest – The Sacrament for Us

Profession of Faith (Standing)

The Apostles' Creed, c. 2nd century

All I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
the Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord:

Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;

He descended into hell.

(This expresses the severity of Jesus' sufferings on our behalf)

The third day He arose again from the dead;

He ascended into heaven,
and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the
dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit;
the holy catholic church;
(the universal church in every time & culture)
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;
and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

Sharing Christ's Welcome

Prayer at the Table

Words of Institution

Approaching the Table

Instructions

Gluten free bread is available by request.

Tinted cups contain wine; clear cups contain grape juice.

Eat the bread when you come forward, and return to your seat with your full cup. We'll drink together.

Should you join the meal?

This is a "means of grace"—a method of encouragement from God, a sign and symbol for those who entrust themselves to Jesus Christ. It's not for perfect people, it's for broken people. It's for you if you affirm that because of your sins, you are worse and more messed up than you even realize; and yet you are more loved and accepted than you had ever dared hope—by God's mercy given through faith alone in the life, death, and resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ for you.

Children

Should talk with a pastor about personal faith in Christ before taking the Lord's Supper. If your child has not been baptized or professed personal faith before a church community, they're still encouraged to come forward to receive a blessing.

If you're not joining the Supper

We don't want this to be an awkward time. You can come forward for prayer or a blessing. You can also remain seated and reflect on or pray about the service, including the guided prayers below. We're glad you're with us.

Guided Prayers

If you're searching for the Truth

"God, if you are there, I want to ask good questions and be teachable to receive reasonable answers. I want to feel permission to wrestle, doubt, and question, yet not be satisfied with remaining perpetually here. I need humility to be an honest appraiser of my own longings and struggles, and how sin might be active in these. If you're real, please meet me."

If you're struggling

"Jesus, please show me any misplaced longings in my heart. Enable me to look to you alone for contentment and for the rest my soul craves. Please give me faith to see you as one who has encountered the burden of my struggle, yet overcome temptation and restlessness as my champion."

If you're at a place of belief

"Lord, I admit the extent of my weakness and sinfulness, and the expanse of your lavish love and forgiveness. I believe you have accepted me because of the life, crucifixion, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Thank you for this gift of grace. Thank you for paying my debt for sin and cleansing my heart through the gospel. By faith, I want to turn from my sin and receive Jesus as my Rescuer and Ruler."

Song of Celebration

"Nearer, My God, to Thee"

All Nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to thee!
E'en though it be a cross that raiseth me,
still all my song shall be,
nearer, my God, to thee;
nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to thee!

Though like the wanderer, the sun gone down,
darkness be over me, my rest a stone;
yet in my prayers I'd be
nearer, my God, to thee;
nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to thee!

Then, with my waking thoughts bright with thy praise,
out of my stony griefs, my song I'll raise;
so by my woes to be
nearer, my God, to thee;
nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to thee!

Or if, on joyful wing breaking the sky,
sun, moon, and stars forgot, upward I fly,
still all my song shall be,
nearer, my God, to thee;
nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to thee!

Christ as King – The Lord Over Us

Coronation Anthem (Standing)

The Doxology

All **Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

Words: Thomas Ken, c. 1674; Music attr. To Louis Bourgeois, 1551

Offering Our Prayers

- *For Hope Presbyterian Church... for its ministries and for its people.*
- *For the Lord to provide for Hope during this season of transition.*
- *For Bloomington and Southern Indiana to see a movement of the Gospel where many churches are planted and many lives transformed by Jesus.*

The Lord's Prayer

All **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 Trespasses as we forgive
 those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power,
 and the glory forever. Amen.**

Offering our Gifts

(If you'd like to make your offering online you can head to Hope's homepage: www.hopebtown.org Head to the "Connect" heading, click on "Donate," and follow the prompts. We're grateful for your generous and sacrificial giving!)

Vision Ahead

God Sends — We Enter our Mission

Song of Sending

"O Love that Will Not Let Me Go"

All O Love that will not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in Thee;
I give Thee back the life I owe,
That in Thine ocean depths its flow
May richer, fuller be.

O Light that foll'west all my way,
I yield my flick'ring torch to Thee;
My heart restores its borrowed ray,
That in Thy sunshine's blaze its day
May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain,
I cannot close my heart to Thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain
And feel the promise is not vain.
That morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head,
I dare not ask to fly from Thee;
I lay in dust, life's glory dead,
And from the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless be.

Words: George Matheson, 1882; Music: Chris Miner, 1994

Benediction

Based on Numbers 6:24-26

Leader May the Lord bless you and keep you; may the Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; may the Lord lift up His countenance upon you, and give you peace.

About Hope

Announcements

Lunch with Bob Clark!

If you would like to visit with our interim pastor candidate Bob Clark, please grab a lunch and head over to the Baysinger home today following the service!

Officer Candidate Recommendation

The Session of Hope is excited to announce that we are **recommending Bradley Fullbright to the congregation of Hope for the office of Ruling Elder!** Over the past few months, Bradley has participated in the officer training course, completed a written Biblical/theological exam, and been examined/ interviewed by the Session prior to making our recommendation. In addition, **we have called a Congregational Meeting for this Sunday, June 19th immediately after the service** for the purpose of voting on whether or not to elect Bradley as a Ruling Elder. The BCO explains how there must be a period of at least 30 days between when officer candidates are presented to the congregation and when they are then voted on by the congregation. The purpose of this in part is to allow adequate time for people to ask questions of or voice any concerns they have to the Session about Bradley's candidacy.

Here's a little more about Bradley:

Bradley was born and raised in Northeast Tennessee. He first heard the life changing message of the gospel at a Younglife camp the summer prior to his senior year of high school. He met his wife Jordan while they were both Younglife leaders at rival high schools in Knoxville, Tennessee. Bradley and Jordan were married in 2018 and have been blessed with 2 wonderful daughters, Ruth and Sybil. The Fullbrights moved to Bloomington in 2020 so Bradley could begin his career as a hematology/ oncology physician assistant. In his free time Bradley enjoys playing golf, spending time with his family, and cheering on the Tennessee Volunteers and Indianapolis Colts.



Hope Ministries

Men's Wednesday Morning Fellowship

You are invited to join Seth and others guys from Hope on Wednesday mornings starting at 6:00am at Cloverleaf Westside (4023 W 3rd St.) for food and fellowship!

Reformed University Fellowship

Please contact Eric Whitley for additional details/info! www.rufindiana.org
| FB Group: RUF Indiana | Instagram: [@rufindiana](https://www.instagram.com/rufindiana)

Serving Spotlight

We encourage everyone at Hope to find ways to serve in the body. Here are a few:

Sunday morning Set-up/Sound/Hospitality: Unload the trailer, set up/tear down, then reload the trailer; help on the sound team! Questions? Reach out to Vivian at vivianfurnish@gmail.com

Nursery/Roots Teachers: Help care for the children of Hope on Sunday mornings! Questions? Reach out to children@hopebtown.org

Finance Spotlight

2022 Year To-Date Giving: \$

Budget Year-To-Date: \$

Attendance Spotlight

Last Sunday: 25

Connecting with Hope

HopePres Servant-Leaders

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FlockNote:	text "HopeBTown" to 84576, follow the prompts

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1. Communicate regular church announcements through email.
2. Communicate emergency or last-minute info via email or text.
3. Communicate easily to different groups of people.

You can join Flocknote by texting "HopeBTown" to 844576 and then follow the prompts. That puts you in the church-wide group. You can then join subgroups (community groups, Bible studies, etc.) by talking to those groups' leaders.

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