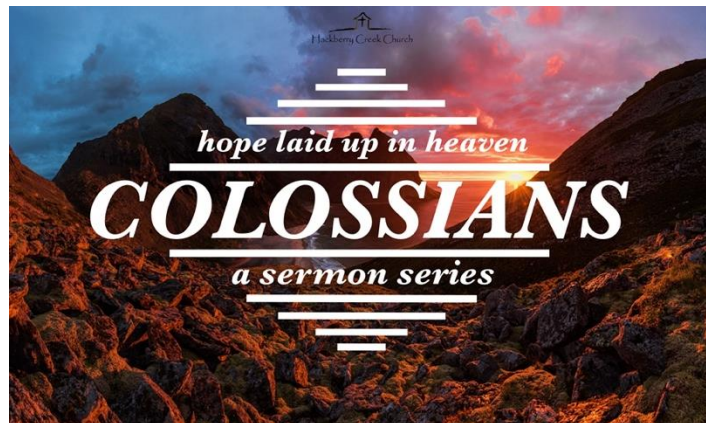


ORDER OF WORSHIP
September 12, 2021
8:30 a.m.

Thank you for worshipping with us today. Worship is an integral part of God's family of faith. Whether you join us in person, or worship with us remotely, may you sense God's presence as you come into worship today.



WELCOME & PRAYER OF INVOCATION

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 108:1-5

Leader: My heart, O God is steadfast; I will sing and make music with all my soul.

People: Awake, harp and lyre! I will awaken the dawn.

Leader: I will praise you, Lord, among the nations, I will sing of you among the peoples.

People: For great is your love; higher than the heavens; your faithfulness reaches to the skies.

ALL: Be exalted, O God, above the heavens; let your glory be over all the earth.

BE THOU MY VISION

Verse 1

Be Thou my vision
O Lord of my heart
Naught be all else to me
Save that Thou art
Thou my best thought
By day or by night
Waking or sleeping
Thy presence my light

Verse 2

Be Thou my wisdom
Be Thou my true Word
I ever with Thee
And Thou with me Lord
Thou my great Father
I Thy true son
Thou in me dwelling
And I with Thee one

Verse 3

Riches I heed not
Nor man's empty praise
Thou mine inheritance
Now and always
Thou and Thou only
Be first in my heart
High King of heaven
My treasure Thou art

Verse 4

High King of heaven
My victory won
May I reach heaven's joys
O bright heaven's Sun
Heart of my own heart
Whatever befall
Still be my vision
O Ruler of all

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION & ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

SCRIPTURE

Colossians 2:1-7

Please follow along in your Bibles

MESSAGE

Knit Together in Love

Rev. Jonathan Tony

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

THE LOVE OF GOD

Verse 1

The love of God is greater far
Than tongue or pen can ever tell
It goes beyond the highest star
And reaches to the lowest hell
The guilty pair bowed down with care
God gave His Son to win
His erring child He reconciled
And pardoned from his sin

Chorus

O love of God how rich and pure
How measureless and strong
It shall forevermore endure
The saints and angels song

Verse 2

When years of time shall pass away
And earthly thrones and kingdoms fall
When men who here refuse to pray
On rocks and hills and mountains call
God's love so sure shall still endure
All measureless and strong
Redeeming grace to Adam's race
The saints and angels song

Verse 3

Could we with ink the ocean fill
And were the skies of parchment made
Were every stalk on earth a quill
And every man a scribe by trade
To write the love of God above
Would drain the ocean dry
Nor could the scroll contain the whole
Though stretched from sky to sky

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Apostles' Creed)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe 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, died, and was buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy worldwide Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Let us know you
worshipped with us today!
Please scan the QR code (square
picture below) with your camera and
follow the link to our website.
Click the button to register your
attendance today.
Thanks for taking the time to let us
know you joined us.*



INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Next Sunday, September 19, Pastor Jonathan will be preaching from Colossians 2:8-15, In Christ's Fullness.

Mission of the Month Arrow Outreach:

HCC has supported Arrow Outreach's efforts in Juarez for years both financially and with mission trips. They have asked for prayers for our Mexican Pastors and friends who are currently dealing with both the devastating effects of Covid 19 as well as the suffocating surge of refugees. This mission continues to support over 200 children with scholarships so they may continue their education beyond 6th grade and break the cycle of poverty.

Masks: Due to the recent increase of COVID cases in our community, we are encouraging worshippers to please wear a mask while inside.

Childcare Available:

Our nursery is currently staffed, sanitized, and ready to offer childcare for **Worship** and **Sunday School**. The nursery is open every Sunday from 9:15 AM to 12:00 PM. For questions, please contact Joel at joelc@hackberrycreekchurch.com.

Special Nursery Note!

Our church nursery has temporarily moved across the hall to the second classroom on the right in the education wing (there are signs pointing the way). For questions or concerns, please contact Joel at joelc@hackberrycreekchurch.com.

Children's Church:

After the Message for Young Disciples, children who are too old for the nursery (between 3-4 years old) through 1st graders are invited to Room 151 in the Education Wing for a worship time just for them. They will sing, have a Bible lesson, and enjoy hands-on activities to help them grow in their love of God. After worship, parents can pick up their children and take them to Sunday school.

Adult Sunday School:**Lessons From the Early Church**

Aug 8 - Oct 3 // 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Online (Zoom) & In-Person (Room 211/221) // Childcare Provided

In what ways are our experiences today like those of the early church? You may be surprised to find out that many of the same issues, questions, joys, and struggles we face today were already very present among Christ's followers two thousand years ago. Join us as we delve into the initial years of the church, as our spiritual predecessors sought to faithfully live out God's mission after Jesus' ascension and the coming of the Holy Spirit. This 8-week study of God's Word, based on Acts and the epistles, will both inspire and challenge your faith during these uncertain times.

The Bridge (Grades 6 to 12):

Students! Join us for The Bridge Sunday mornings at 10:45 am and for The Bridge at Night Wednesdays 6:30-8:30 at The Peña's house. Please check our Youth Page for the Fall calendar.

HCC Kids Sunday School (Grades Pre-k to 5th)

In-Person: 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM // Please contact Joel for remote participation.

During the fall we will be spending 14 weeks exploring The Early Church and learning from some of the very first Christians through the book of Acts and the Epistles. Your kids won't want to miss it! Join us every Sunday from 11 AM to Noon in the Education Wing.

Worship Activity Bags:

These are made available for children to use on Sunday mornings. Be sure to pick one up in the hallway to your left as you enter from the building's main entrance. Please return the bag and supplies to the designated basket after worship and take home your completed activities.

HCC Library:

There will be a cart of children's library books in the Narthex each Sunday. Children may choose books to take into the Sanctuary during worship. The books can be returned to the cart after the service or checked out and taken home.

Hands And Feet:**Join Team Szabo**

Our brother Andrew Szabo was diagnosed with ALS (Lou Gehrig's disease) on May 26, 2021. We can walk alongside Andrew & Melissa at the annual Walk to Defeat ALS on October 30. It takes money to do research and help families who walk this road. See more details in This Week @ HCC (Friday emails), and you can email Melissa at msszabo@me.com.

Carter Blood Drive:

On Sunday, October 3 HCC will host a blood-drive through Carter BloodCare. Their mobile truck will be parked at the church. A sign-up sheet will be in the Narthex on 9/20 & 9/27. Please check This Week @ HCC (Friday) for more details.

Women's Ministry Fall Opportunities:

Morning Bible Study - every other Tuesday, starting 9/7 at 9:30-11:30 a.m. Paula Messimer: pcmessimer@me.com

Evening Bible Study - every other Tuesday, starting 9/7 at 6:00-8:00 p.m. Kathy Acker: acker.kathy@gmail.com

Women's Christmas Party will happen on Thursday, 12/9.

Women's Retreat will happen 1/28-1/30/22. Karen Davis: kdavis8888@hotmail.com

Prayer Chain News:

The deacons would like to remind you that HCC has a prayer chain that goes out to members and friends of the congregation who will actively pray for your concerns and thanksgivings. Prayer requests can be sent to HCCprayer@hackberrycreekchurch.com. If you would like to join the prayer chain membership to pray for others, please email admin@hackberrycreekchurch.com requesting your email address be added to the prayer chain list. We hope you'll join us as we pray for our sisters and brothers in Christ!

Sponsor Sanctuary Flowers:

If you would like to sponsor an arrangement for an upcoming Sunday, please check for date availability on the Flower easel in the Narthex. Also, please send an email to admin@hackberrycreekchurch.com with the name of the person you are honoring and the date. Someone in the office will add your name to the list on the Flower easel. Your \$45 check to HCC (Note = Flowers) can be placed in the offering basket or mailed. Thank you!

HCC Financial Update	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>
General Giving*	\$522,374	\$475,750	\$46,624
Expenditures	515,565	539,713	(24,148)
Net total through August 31, 2021	\$ 6,809	\$ (63,963)	\$ 70,772

*excludes mission giving

Note: 20 cents of every dollar given to HCC General Giving is directed toward missions outside our church. The mission budget includes the annual amount paid by the church to Grace Presbytery.

Elders: Class of 2021:

Frank Cavazos
Elaine Eazor
Lisa Killian
Carmen Vlahos

Class of 2022:

Dave Brown
Mike Dorn
Jed Dowell
Tim Greaves

Class of 2023

Grant Bibby
Brad Carson
Nancy Jenkins-Heiderian
Michelle Reiger

Deacons: Class of 2021:

Kathy Acker
Tamie Reed
Ben Woodward

Class of 2022:

Kathy Eacret
Greg Lindstrom
Pat Patterson

Class of 2023

Kip Landwehr
Robert Morrison
Caroline Ozmy