



POINT HOPE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

POINTING THE HEARTS OF CHARLESTON
TO THE HOPE OF THE GOSPEL

Welcome to Point Hope Presbyterian Church

*To all who are weary and seek rest;
to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and desire victory;
to all who sin and need a Savior;
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors
and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.*

Thank you for joining us for worship today. We are delighted that you are here and we hope to be a blessing to you. Point Hope is a new church seeking to point the hearts of Charleston to the hope of the gospel. We desire to be a church where people can experience what it means to belong and live in a true community where Jesus Christ is experienced in His presence and power.

Our Worship

You will notice that we follow a thoughtful and connected rhythm in our worship, called our liturgy. The order of our worship reflects the progress of the gospel in our hearts. In worship, we come together to tell the story of the gospel by the structure of our worship, the content of our worship, and the way that we worship. Parts of our worship service may be new to you. We would encourage you to participate through observation and reflection and welcome the chance to discuss our service with you.

Parents of Young Children

We are so glad you are here. We believe the church is for all people, young and old, and we want Point Hope to be a church where children are seen, heard, and loved. We invite you to keep your children in our service and help them understand and participate. Children learn how to worship by imitating you. We say and sing parts of our worship service every week in order to help our nonreading children to participate.

If you need to step out during the service, feel free to do so but please come back. As Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me." A nursery is provided for infants and children up to 3 years old. Your child's safety and security are our highest priorities! Our children's ministry is staffed by friendly, well-trained, well-screened workers.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Lord's Day | February 4, 2024

PRELUDE | *Welcome to Point Hope. Please find a seat and silence your electronic devices*

WELCOME

REFLECTION | *As we prepare for Worship, we invite you to a time of quiet reflection*

*"The truth is that, though we are justified by faith alone, the faith that justifies is never alone. It produces moral fruit;
~ JI Packer*

*"Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."
~ 2 Peter 3:18*

*"High in the North in a land called Svithjod there is a mountain. It is a hundred miles long and a hundred miles high and once every thousand years a little bird comes to this mountain to sharpen its beak. When the mountain has thus been worn away, a single day of eternity will have passed."
~ Hendrick William Van Loom, The Story of Mankind, 1921*

***CALL TO WORSHIP** | from Psalm 92 | *God invites us into His presence to worship Him*

It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praises to your name, O Most High; to declare your steadfast love in the morning, and your faithfulness by night,

For you, O LORD, have made me glad by your work; at the works of your hands I sing for joy. How great are your works, O LORD! Your thoughts are very deep!

The stupid man cannot know; the fool cannot understand this: that though the wicked sprout like grass and all evildoers flourish, they are doomed to destruction forever; but you, O LORD, are on high forever.

The righteous flourish like the palm tree and grow like a cedar in Lebanon.

They are planted in the house of the LORD; they flourish in the courts of our God.

They still bear fruit in old age; they are ever full of sap and green, to declare that the LORD is upright; he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in him.

** Please stand*

***HYMN OF ADORATION** | *We sing praises to God*

For the Beauty of the Earth

Words: Folliot Sandford Pierpoint. Music: Conrad Kocher

For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,
For the love which from our birth over and around us lies.
Lord of all to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild.
Lord of all to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the church, that evermore lifteth holy hands above,
Offering up on every shore her pure sacrifice of love.
Lord of all to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For Thyself, best Gift Divine. to our race so freely given,
For that great, great love of Thine, peace on earth and joy in Heaven.
Lord of all to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

***INVOCATION** | *We pray for God's presence, power and blessing in worship*

***DOXOLOGY** | *(Glory Words) We praise the Triune God*

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. Amen.

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION | *We acknowledge our sin and ask for God's grace*

Gracious God, who pours out freely the gift of your Holy Spirit, who opens blind eyes and illumines our minds: we confess before you that we have been satisfied with ordinary things and blind to spiritual things. Open our eyes that have been closed to you and blinded by self-sufficiency, that we may see you in the Word and know you through the Word. Open our eyes to understand the Holy Scriptures that we might be transformed by your person, power and purpose for our lives. Reveal to our souls, the Lord Jesus, full of grace and truth. Father, forgive us for avoiding you by avoiding your Word. Forgive us for opposing you by opposing your Word. Holy Spirit, form our hearts according to your Word, that we may grow in the grace and knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ in whose name we pray, Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDONING GRACE | *God forgives our sin and gives us grace*

from Romans 8

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

***HYMN OF GRACE** | *We celebrate God's gift of grace*

The Gospel is Good News

Words: William Gadsby. Music: Red Mountain Music.

The gospel is good news indeed, to sinners deep in debt;
The man who has no works to plead, will thankful be for it.
To know that when he's nought to pay, his debts are all discharged,
Will make him blooming look as May, and set his soul at large.

No news can be compared with this, to men oppressed with sin;
Who know what legal bondage is, and labor but in vain.
Freedom from sin and Satan's chains, and legal toil as well,
The gospel sweetly now proclaims; which tidings suit them well.

How gladly does the prisoner hear, what gospel has to tell!
'Tis perfect love that casts out fear, and brings him from his cell.
The man that feels his guilt abound, and knows himself unclean,
Will find the gospel's joyful sound, is welcome news to him.

***CONFESSION OF FAITH** | *We confess what we believe*

Heidelberg Catechism

Q. 86 Since we have been delivered from our misery by grace through Christ without any merit of our own, why then should we do good works?

A. Because Christ, having redeemed us by his blood, is also restoring us by his Spirit into his image, so that with our whole lives we may show that we are thankful to God for his benefits, so that he may be praised through us, so that we may be assured of our faith by its fruits, and so that by our godly living our neighbors may be won over to Christ.

Q. 91 What are good works?

A. Only those which are done out of true faith, conform to God's law, and are done for God's glory; and not those based on our own opinion or human tradition.

TITHES AND OFFERING | *We offer our gifts to God*

Luke 12:15-21

And [Jesus] said to them, “Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions.” And he told them a parable, saying, “The land of a rich man produced plentifully, and he thought to himself, ‘What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?’ And he said, ‘I will do this: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, “Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.”’”

But God said to him, ‘Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ So is the one who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God.’

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PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD’S PRAYER | *We lift up our requests to God*

Our Gracious God and Father, we give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all that you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life, but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. Father, give us such an awareness of your mercies that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages.

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

***GREETINGS OF PEACE** | *We greet those around us with the peace of Christ.*

The peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you

HYMN OF PREPARATION | *We prepare our hearts to hear God's Word*

I Asked the Lord

Words: John Newton, Laura Taylor. Music: Laura Taylor.

I asked the Lord that I might grow in faith and love and every grace
Might more of His salvation know and seek more earnestly His face

Twas He who taught me thus to pray and He I trust has answered prayer
But it has been in such a way as almost drove me to despair

I hoped that in some favored hour at once He'd answer my request
And by His love's constraining power subdue my sins and give me rest

Instead of this He made me feel the hidden evils of my heart
And let the angry powers of Hell assault my soul in every part

Yea more with His own hand He seemed intent to aggravate my woe
Crossed all the fair designs I schemed, cast out my feelings, laid me low

Lord why is this, I trembling cried wilt Thou pursue thy worm to death?
"Tis in this way" The Lord replied "I answer prayer for grace and faith"

"These inward trials I employ from self and pride to set thee free
And break thy schemes of earthly joy that thou mayest seek thy all in me,
That thou mayest seek thy all in me."

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SCRIPTURE | 2 Peter 1:3-11

His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence, ⁴ by which he has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire. ⁵ For this very reason, make every effort to supplement your faith with virtue, and virtue with knowledge, ⁶ and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with steadfastness, and steadfastness with godliness, ⁷ and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love. ⁸ For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they keep you from being ineffective or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ For whoever lacks these qualities is so nearsighted that he is blind, having forgotten that he was cleansed from his former sins. ¹⁰ Therefore, brothers, be all the more diligent to confirm your calling and election, for if you practice these qualities you will never fall. ¹¹ For in this way there will be richly provided for you an entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

SERMON NOTES

THE INVITATION

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy, at all times and in all places to give you thanks and praise, holy Father, heavenly King, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, forever praising you and saying:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

O most merciful Father, we do not presume to come to your Table trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your Table. We humbly beseech you to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us a means of grace in your dearly-beloved son Jesus Christ. Renew us by your Holy Spirit and nourish us with the body and blood of Christ, that we may grow into his likeness and become a living temple to your glory. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Alleluia! Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.

Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Note About Partaking: The Lord's Supper, also called Communion or the Eucharist, is the family meal of Christians. We invite followers of Jesus Christ to partake of this sacrament: those who have believed the good news, have repented of their sins, and are baptized members in good standing in the Lord's Church. If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer. We hope that this time is helpful to you as you consider your relationship with Jesus Christ and with His people, the Church.

"Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself."
1 Corinthians 11:27-29

Note About Communion Wine: *The trays marked "Juice" contain only non-alcoholic grape juice. The other unmarked trays and the common cup contain wine.*

Prayer for Those Searching for Truth

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

Prayer of Belief

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared to hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross, and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as Savior and Lord. Amen.

Prayer for Those Struggling Against Sin

Lord Jesus, give me the ability to see in you the fulfillment of all my needs and desires, and help me to turn from every false source of satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely to me, and run with perseverance the race that you have set before me, looking only to you, the author and perfecter of my faith. Amen.

Prayer for Covenant Children

Lord Jesus, thank you for giving me the opportunity to grow up in a Christian family where I am surrounded by the good news of the gospel. Help me to grow in my understanding of who you are and what you have done for me on the cross. Help me learn what it means for me to turn from my sins and trust in you alone for my salvation. Teach me what it means to follow you as one of your disciples. Amen.

COMMUNION HYMN | *We celebrate the family meal of Christians*

O Living Bread of Heaven

Words: Johann von Rist. Music: Brian Moss..

O Living Bread from heaven, how well You feed Your guest!
The gifts that You have given have filled my heart with rest.
Oh, wondrous food of blessing, oh, cup that heals our woes!
My heart, this gift possessing, with praises overflows.

My Lord, You here have led me, to this most holy place
And with Yourself have fed me, the treasures of Your grace;
For You have freely given, what earth could never buy,
The bread of life from heaven, that now I shall not die.

You gave me all I wanted; this food can death destroy.
And You have freely granted, the cup of endless joy.
My Lord, I do not merit, the favor You have shown,
And all my soul and spirit, bow down before Your throne.

Lord, grant me then, thus strengthened, with heav'nly food, while here
My course on earth is lengthened, to serve with holy fear.
And when You call my spirit, to leave this world below,
I enter, through Your merit, where joys unmingled flow.

***THANKSGIVING**

Mighty God We Thank And Praise You

Words: Wendell Kimbrough. Music: Ludwig van Beethoven

Mighty God we thank and praise you for this meal, this Bread of Life;
Precious blood and body, broken, from your Son our Savior, Christ.
In these mysteries you assure us we are members of your Son;
Heirs of your eternal Kingdom, with all faithful people, One.

Humbly now we ask you, Father, in your grace, to make us strong,
That, with all the saints before us, in good works we may press on!
Send us out to love and serve you! Send us out to sing your praise!
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Pow'r and glory to your name! Amen

***BENEDICTION** | *God pronounces his blessing upon us*

Benediction means "good word." A benediction is not a prayer. God pronounces His blessing upon His people and sends them out into the world to serve Him. We lift up our heads and our hearts to receive his blessing.

***DISMISSAL** | *God sends us out into the world*

Let us go forth to serve the world as those who love our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Thanks be to God

Community Group Discussion Questions:

1. Who has had an impact on your spiritual growth?
2. What areas of the Christian life do you feel inadequate or unfruitful?
3. How often do you think about eternity; Heaven?
4. What does it mean to be “partakers of the divine nature”?
5. What to we remember about Peter? What should we remember?

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome

Welcome! At some point during our service, a pad will be passed down your row. We would love for you to fill it out and get to know the person next to you.

Spring Community Groups | Begin tonight | 1st & 3rd Sunday's, 5:00-6:15PM



Our community groups begin tonight! If you have not already been placed in a community group this spring, please scan the QR to note your interest and we will get you involved. You can find details about your group, location and other information from your leader by checking Church Center. Please see page 13 of your bulletin for discussion questions.

Women's Ministry Gathering | Thursday, February 8 | 6:00PM at Susan Jackson's

The women of Point Hope are invited to join together on Thursday, February 8 for a night of fun, food and fellowship. This winter social will be taking place at Susan Jackson's house (2214 Daniel Island Drive). This event is open to all and will be a great night to bring a friend or neighbor! For more information, contact Kim Card.

Men's Ministry Gathering | Saturday, February 10 | 10:00AM - 3:00PM at 2263 Folly Rd.



The men of Point Hope are invited to join for a fun outdoor day at Truluck Island on February 10th. There will be a shrimp boil for lunch, as well as other snacks and drinks. Activities for the day include a skeet shoot, outdoor games and more. To register for this free event and learn more about items to bring, please scan the QR Code or talk with Bart Jackson.

Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon | Sunday, February 25

On Sunday, February 25, we want to show our thanks and appreciation for everyone who has made it possible to worship at Point Hope at the Daniel Island Recreation Center. Following the worship service, all are invited to join us for lunch to express our appreciation for our volunteers.

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