

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.

During the sermon, children ages 4 through 5th grade are invited to attend Children's Church. There they will participate in an engaging, age-appropriate Bible lesson, songs and activities. Children will return after the sermon to join for the celebration of the Lord's Supper.

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 25, 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 ultimate test of our spirituality is the measure of our amazement at the grace of God

There is only one hope for us today. It is the grace of God, which means that in spite of our being what we are, 'God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son ...'. He did it in spite of us. We deserve nothing but hell. If you think you deserve heaven, take it from me you are not a Christian. Now, that is a very good definition of a Christian. Any man who thinks that he deserves heaven is not a Christian. But for any man who knows that he deserves hell, there is hope.

~ Martyn Lloyd-Jones

\*CALL TO WORSHIP | Isaiah 55 and Matthew 11 | God invites us into His presence to worship Him

Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.

Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy?

Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live.

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest!

Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart,

And you will find rest for your souls.

<sup>\*</sup> Please stand

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

Praise to the Lord the Almighty
Words: Joachim Neander, Music: German Tune.

Praise to the Lord the Almighty, the King of creation O my soul, praise Him for He is thy health and salvation All ye who hear now to His temple draw near Praise Him in glad adoration

Praise to the Lord who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth Shelters thee under His Wings, yea, so gently sustaineth Hast thou not seen how all your longings have been Granted in what He ordaineth

Praise to the Lord who doth prosper thy work and defend thee Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee Ponder anew what the Almighty can do If with His love He befriend thee

Praise to the Lord O let all that is in me adore Him All that hath life and breath come now with praises before Him Let the Amen sound from His people again Gladly for aye we adore Him

\*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

From Psalm 51

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have broken rejoice. Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit.

### SILENT CONFESSION

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

from Isaiah 1:18 and Titus 3:5-7

Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.

He saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own merit, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

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

There is a Fountain Filled With Blood Words: William Cowper. Music: American Folk Tune.

There is a fountain filled with blood drawn from Immanuel's veins; And sinners, plunged beneath that flood, lose all their guilty stains: Lose all their guilty stains, lose all their guilty stains; And sinners, plunged beneath that flood, lose all their guilty stains.

The dying thief rejoiced to see that fountain in his day; And there may I, though vile as he, wash all my sins away: Wash all my sins away, wash all my sins away; And there may I, though vile as he, wash all my sins away.

Dear dying Lamb, Thy precious blood shall never lose its power, Till all the ransomed ones of God be saved, to sin no more: Be saved, to sin no more, be saved, to sin no more; Till all the ransomed ones of God, be saved to sin no more.

E'er since by faith I saw the stream thy flowing wounds supply, Redeeming love has been my theme, and shall be till I die: And shall be till I die, and shall be till I die; Redeeming love has been my theme, and shall be till I die.

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

# Heidelberg Catechism

Question 70. What does it mean to be washed with Christ's blood and Spirit?

To be washed with Christ's blood means that God, through grace, has forgiven our sins for the sake of Christ's blood poured out for us in his sacrifice on the cross.

To be washed with Christ's Spirit means that the Holy Spirit has renewed us and set us apart to be members of Christ so that more and more we may die to sin and live holy, blameless lives.

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

Luke 7:41-46

"A certain moneylender had two debtors. One owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. When they could not pay, he cancelled the debt of both. Now which of them will love him more?" Simon answered, "The one, I suppose, for whom he cancelled the larger debt." And he said to him, "You have judged rightly." Then turning toward the woman he said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave me no water for my feet, but she has wet my feet with her tears and wiped them with her hair. You gave me no kiss, but from the time I came in she has not ceased to kiss my feet. You did not anoint my head with oil, but she has anointed my feet with ointment.

Therefore I tell you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven—for she loved much. But he who is forgiven little, loves little." And he said to her, "Your sins have been forgiven."

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PASTORAL AND LORD'S PRAYER | Bob Baldwin | We lift up our requests to God

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

Jesus Paid it All Words: Elvina M. Hall. Music: John T. Grape.

I hear the Savior say "Thy strength indeed is small Child of weakness, watch and pray find in Me thine all in all"

'Cause Jesus paid it all All to Him I owe Sin had left a crimson stain He washed it white as snow

Lord, now indeed I find Thy pow'r and Thine alone Can change the leper's spots And melt the heart of stone (*Refrain*)

And when before the throne I stand in Him complete Jesus died my soul to save my lips shall still repeat (Refrain)

# **SERMON** | Ordinary People, Extraordinary Purpose: The Story of the Little Girl and the Great Man

### SCRIPTURE | 2 Kings 5:1-19a

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Syria, was a great man with his master and in high favor, because by him the Lord had given victory to Syria. He was a mighty man of valor, but he was a leper. <sup>2</sup> Now the Syrians on one of their raids had carried off a little girl from the land of Israel, and she worked in the service of Naaman's wife. <sup>3</sup> She said to her mistress, "Would that my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy." <sup>4</sup> So Naaman went in and told his lord, "Thus and so spoke the girl from the land of Israel." <sup>5</sup> And the king of Syria said, "Go now, and I will send a letter to the king of Israel."

So he went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten changes of clothing. <sup>6</sup> And he brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, "When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you Naaman my servant, that you may cure him of his leprosy." <sup>7</sup> And when the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to kill and to make alive, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Only consider, and see how he is seeking a quarrel with me."

<sup>8</sup> But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent to the king, saying, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come now to me, that he may know that there is a prophet in Israel." 9 So Naaman came with his horses and chariots and stood at the door of Elisha's house. <sup>10</sup> And Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go and wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored, and you shall be clean." <sup>11</sup> But Naaman was angry and went away, saying, "Behold, I thought that he would surely come out to me and stand and call upon the name of the Lord his God, and wave his hand over the place and cure the leper. 12 Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them and be clean?" So he turned and went away in a rage. 13 But his servants came near and said to him, "My father, it is a great word the prophet has spoken to you; will you not do it? Has he actually said to you, 'Wash, and be clean'?" <sup>14</sup> So he went down and dipped himself seven times in the Jordan. according to the word of the man of God, and his flesh was restored like the flesh of a little child, and he was clean.

<sup>15</sup> Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company, and he came and stood before him. And he said, "Behold, I know that there is no God in all the earth but in Israel; so accept now a present from your servant." <sup>16</sup> But he said, "As the Lord lives, before whom I stand, I will receive none." And he urged him to take it, but he refused. <sup>17</sup> Then Naaman said, "If not, please let there be given to your servant two mule loads of earth, for from now on your servant will not offer burnt offering or sacrifice to any god but the Lord. <sup>18</sup> In this matter may the Lord pardon your servant: when my master goes into the house of Rimmon to worship there, leaning on my arm, and I bow myself in the house of Rimmon, when I bow myself in the house of Rimmon, the Lord pardon your servant in this matter." <sup>19</sup> He said to him, "Go in peace."

### **SERMON NOTES**

### **CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER** | The family meal of Christians

#### 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." I 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

Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder Words: John Newton. Music: Laura Taylor.

Let us love and sing and wonder let us praise the Savior's name He has hushed the law's loud thunder He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame He has washed us with His blood He has washed us with His blood He has washed us with His blood He has brought us night to God

Let us love the Lord Who bought us pitied us when enemies Called us by His grace and taught us gave us ears and gave us eyes He has washed us with His blood He has washed us with His blood He has washed us with His blood He presents our souls to God

Let us sing though fierce temptation threatens hard to bear us down For the Lord, our strong salvation, holds in view the conqu'ror's crown He, Who washed us with His blood, He, Who washed us with His blood, He, Who washed us with His blood, soon will bring us home to God

Let us wonder grace and justice join and point to mercy's store When through grace in Christ our trust is justice smiles and asks no more He Who washed us with His blood He Who washed us with His blood He Who washed us with His blood has secured our way to God

Let us praise and join the chorus of the saints enthroned on high Here they trusted Him before us now their praises fill the sky Thou hast washed us with Thy blood Thou hast washed us with Thy blood Thou hast washed us with Thy blood Thou art worthy Lamb of God

### \*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

### **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.

### **Volunteer Appreciation Lunch** | Today

Please join us as we 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 today, all are invited to join us for lunch to express our appreciation for our volunteers.

# Point Hope Easter Calendar

Please mark your calendar for the various Easter events planned this March! We are looking forward to the ways in which our Point Hope family can both serve and enjoy these programs.

Daniel Island Easter Egg Hunt and Community Day | March 24 | 1:30-3:30PM

Easter Song & Story | March 29 | 10:00-12:00 at the DI Rec Center

Easter Sunrise Service | March 31 | 6:30am at Waterfront Park ampitheater

Easter Sunday | March 31 | 10:00am at DI Rec Center

# Giving to Point Hope Presbyterian Church



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