

#### WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE! FOR THOSE OF YOU WATCHING ONLINE, WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO INVITE OTHERS TO HOST A WATCH PARTY OR INVITE OTHERS TO WORSHIP WITH YOU.

Here are some suggestions to help you get the most out of online church.

- 1. **Be Present.** Treat this time like you went to a house of worship, which is where you are! Try not to hold a side conversation, answer calls, or multi-task. Be with God and His people like always. After all, we believe in the communion of saints!
- 2. **Worship, don't just watch.** Sing when the leader sings, pray when the pastor prays, say "amen" or "hallelujah" out loud when you hear something that resonates with you.
- 3. Interact with God and Each Other. Feel free to make comments in the thread below the video, ask questions or give a word of praise, or ask for prayer. We will have an online host to help facilitate the comment threads.

# WELCOME

# CALL TO WORSHIP

# WORSHIP SONGS

# "This is Amazing Grace"

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness Whose love is mighty and so much stronger The King of Glory the King above all kings Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder Who leaves us breathless in awe and wonder The King of Glory the King above all kings

This is amazing grace this is unfailing love That You would take my place that You would bear my cross You would lay down Your life that I would be set free Jesus I sing for all that You've done for me

> Who brings our chaos back into order Who makes the orphan a son and daughter The King of Glory the King of Glory Who rules the nations with truth and justice Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance The King of Glory the King above all kings

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain Worthy is the King who conquered the grave Worthy is the Lamb who was slain Worthy is the King who conquered the grave Worthy worthy worthy

# "At the Cross (Love Ran Red)"

There's a place where mercy reigns and never dies There's a place where streams of grace flow deep and wide Where all the love I've ever found Comes like a flood comes flowing down

At the cross at the cross I surrender my life I'm in awe of You I'm in awe of You Where Your love ran red and my sin washed white

# I owe all to You I owe all to You Jesus

There's a place where sin and shame are powerless And there my heart has peace with God and forgiveness Where all the love I've ever found Comes like a flood comes flowing down Here my hope is found here on holy ground Here I bow down here I bow down Here arms open wide here You save my life Here I bow down here I bow down

# **CONFESSION** (98 Church Campus)

- L: To stand at the foot of the cross, to witness the suffering of an innocent man, is to be humbled in a profound way. Whether we think Jesus died for our sins, or whether we think Jesus died because of the corruption and evil of a few, the truth remains that he died, and we are changed, and we remain unchanged. For those ways in which we remain unchanged by that suffering and sacrifice, let us make our confession.
- ALL: O Lamb of God, we remain unmoved by your tears, by your slow dying. We hear the taunts, and pretend our words are always sweet. We watch you forgive, and hoard grace for ourselves. We know you die, and we go on about our usual way. Forgive us for not stopping, for not weeping, for not acknowledging that we allow your children in our time to suffer. Heal our broken, imperfect hearts, that we might love more fully and more wondrously, following You, O Lamb, not into death but into life. Amen. And hear us again, as we offer you our confession in silence.

# ABSOLUTION

- P: Upon this your confession, I by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and the + Son and the Holy Spirit.
- A: Amen.

SERMON

# **"COME TO THE CROSS"**

Pastor Jason Scheler

# 1. THE CENTURION: MOVING FROM DOUBT TO FAITH

Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the governor's headquarters, and they gathered the whole battalion before him. <sup>28</sup>And they stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, <sup>29</sup>and twisting together a crown of thorns, they put it on his head and put a reed in his right hand. And kneeling before him, they mocked him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" <sup>30</sup>And they spit on him and took the reed and struck him on the head. <sup>31</sup>And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the robe and put his own clothes on him and led him away to crucify him. (Matthew 27:27-31)

And Jesus cried out again with a loud voice and yielded up his spirit. (Matthew 27:50)

# 2. THE THIEF: MOVING FROM SINNER TO SAINT

Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. <sup>33</sup>And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. (Luke 23:32-33)

One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!" <sup>40</sup>But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? <sup>41</sup>And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong." <sup>42</sup>And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." <sup>43</sup>And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise." (Luke 23:39-43)

# 3. JOHN: MOVING FROM FRIEND TO FAMILY

but standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. <sup>26</sup>When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, "Woman, behold, your son!" <sup>27</sup>Then he said to the

disciple, "Behold, your mother!" And from that hour the disciple took her to his own home. (John 19:25-27)

# 4. THE BYSTANDER: MOVING FROM <u>SPECTATOR</u> TO <u>SERVANT</u>

After this, Jesus, knowing that all was now finished, said (to fulfill the Scripture), "I thirst." (John 19:28)

And some of the bystanders, hearing it, said, "This man is calling Elijah." (Matthew 27:47)

When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, "It is finished," and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit. (John 19:30)

# 5. JOSEPH: MOVING FROM <u>SECRECY</u> TO <u>BOLDNESS</u>

Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself looking for the kingdom of God, took courage and went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. (Mark 15:43)

Now there was a man named Joseph, from the Jewish town of Arimathea. He was a member of the council, a good and righteous man, (Luke 23:50)

After these things Joseph of Arimathea, who was a disciple of Jesus, but secretly for fear of the Jews, asked Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus, and Pilate gave him permission. So he came and took away his body. (John 19:38)

# 6. NICODEMUS: MOVING FROM SPIRITUAL INFANCY TO MATURITY

Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. <sup>2</sup>This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him." <sup>3</sup>Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God." (John 3:1-3)

The officers answered, "No one ever spoke like this man!" <sup>47</sup>The Pharisees answered them, "Have you also been deceived? <sup>48</sup>Have any of the authorities or the Pharisees believed in him? <sup>49</sup>But this crowd that does not know the law is accursed." <sup>50</sup>Nicodemus, who had gone to him before, and who was one of them, said to them, <sup>51</sup>"Does our law judge a man without first giving him a hearing and learning what he does?" <sup>52</sup>They replied, "Are you from Galilee too? Search and see that no prophet arises from Galilee." (John 7:46-52)

#### **PROFESSION OF FAITH**

- P: We believe in the God of Good Friday,
- A: who sent us Jesus of Nazareth to be wounded for our transgressions and bruised for our iniquities. While some seek more knowledge, and others look for signs and omens, we place our trust in Christ crucified. We believe that those who hoard their life will lose it, yet those who lose life for Christ's sake will find it. We believe that Christ crucified is the power of God and the saving wisdom of God. We believe this foolishness of God is wiser than earthly knowledge, and the weakness of God is stronger than human arrogance. This we dare to believe because we have seen the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

#### 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 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 and ever. Amen.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS/OFFERING:

Give online at www.hopeonthebeach.com Text to Give at (850) 990-4325 Schedule free bill pay through your local bank. Mail your tithe/offering to:



Hope on the Beach Church 3834 US Hwy 98 West Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459 Drop off an offering on Monday between 10:00 am and 2:00 pm

# NEXT STEPS:

Please fill out a Connection Card online by using this link: https://hopeonthebeach.breezechms.com/form/ConnectionCard

Follow us on Facebook to find worship, prayers, and devotions all week long. Subscribe to our YouTube channel as well!

# EASTER SCHEDULE

Sunday @ 6:30 am-Easter Worship on Ed Walline Beach

- @ 8:00 am—Easter Worship on Ed Walline Beach
- @ 9:20 am—Easter Worship @ Shunk Gulley
- @ 11:00 am—Easter Worship @ 98 Church Campus

# Youth Group, Wednesday, April 12th @ 6:00 pm at 98 Church Campus

All youth, 6<sup>th</sup>—12<sup>th</sup> grades are invited to an evening of fun as we celebrate the start of the new year and pray a blessing over you. We will have dinner together, study God's Word, and play games. Sign up on the Connection Card or contact Kristie.

# Sort & Organize Layettes, Thursday, April 20<sup>th</sup> @ 1:30 pm at 98 Church Campus

You have shopped, donated and waited for this day. Come join in the fun as we get our donations ready for our workshop. Please mark you Connection Card if you plan to be there.

# Layette Workshop, Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 9:30 am at 98 Church Campus

Come join in the fun as we assemble our Layette gift bags to be delivered to Ascension Sacred Heart Birthing Center. Please mark your Connection Card if you plan to attend.

# Connect to Your Church Lunch, Sun., April 23rd @ 12:30 pm at 98 Campus

Join us for an opportunity to meet others and learn about the Hope on the Beach Church story. If you are new or interested in becoming a member this luncheon is for you. Please notify the office @ (850) 267-0322 if you plan to attend or have questions.

#### Women of Hope Dinner, Thurs., April 27th @ 4:00 pm at Mimmo's on 30A

All are welcome to join us for our monthly dinner of fellowship and devotion in a private dining room. Fellowship will begin at 4:00 pm and we will begin ordering dinner at 4:45 pm. If you will be coming from work, please make sure to let us know so we can help you with your order if needed. Please mark your Connection Card if you plan to attend or contact Trena at (310) 408-4116.

#### **Growth Track Membership, Sundays, April 30**<sup>th</sup> **& May 7**<sup>th</sup> **@ 12:30pm at 98 Church Campus** Are you ready to make Hope your church home? You are invited to our next membership class at the 98 Church Campus. Lunch will be served after 11:00am worship as we gather for Part 1 on April 30<sup>th</sup> and Part 2 on May 7<sup>th</sup>. Contact the office if you plan to attend.

#### Wahoos Baseball Game, Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup> @ 5:00 pm in Pensacola

Hope has tickets for the Wahoo's Baseball game. Tickets are \$49 (includes a buffet in the stadium). Please reserve your tickets on the Connection Card. Payment for tickets should be separate from your offering. Contact Tim Donley for more information at donleyt@msn.com.



# For more information and details scan the code or go to our online calendar @ hopeonthebeach.com/events

#### BLESSING

- P: May the Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. May He look upon you with favor and give you peace.
- A: AMEN

# "How He Loves"

He is jealous for me Loves like a hurricane I am a tree Bending beneath the weight of His wind and mercy When all of a sudden I am unaware of these afflictions eclipsed by glory And I realize just how beautiful You are And how great Your affections are for me

And oh how He loves us oh oh how He loves us How He loves us all

And we are His portion and He is our prize Drawn to redemption by the grace in His eyes If His grace is an ocean we're all sinking And Heaven meets earth like an unforeseen kiss And my heart turns violently inside of my chest I don't have time to maintain these regrets When I think about the way

That He loves us oh how He loves us Oh how He loves us oh how He loves us Yeah He loves us

**SILENT REFLECTION** (98 Church Campus) A bell will be rung for each year of Jesus' life.

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