



Worship Guide

April 14, 2024

Welcome

Welcome to Lake Highlands Baptist Church! We are thrilled that you have gathered with us for worship and we hope this guide helps you better understand and participate in our service this morning. We have gathered to hear and proclaim the Gospel to one another, which is the good news that God the Father has provided a way of salvation for us through his Son, by the power of the Holy Spirit.

We believe that each church is free to arrange its order of worship in whatever way it believes best glorifies God, edifies the saints, and invites the lost into salvation. With much prayer and reflection, we have carefully prepared the following order of worship.

Our worship service draws on historic practices from various traditions and is arranged with God's Word at its center. Within the service, there is a repeated pattern of God speaking to us through the Word preached, read, or recited, followed by our response in singing, prayer, giving, and taking the Lord's Supper together.

We hope that you will leave this gathering today more aware of God's love for us, and more in awe of his majesty and grace. To him be all glory forever!

Sunday Schedule

Sunday

Small Groups | 9 AM

Worship Gathering | 10:30 AM

Prayer Meeting | 5:30 PM

Special thanks to Cale Colburn for the sanctuary cross.

Weekly News

Teen Envelope Fundraiser

Our teens are hosting our annual Envelope Fundraiser to help with the cost of their camp this summer. To participate, church members can grab an envelope (located near the front entrance on the church office windows) and donate money matching the corresponding number on the envelope (i.e., #25 envelope, \$25 donation). The fundraiser runs through April 28th. Filled envelopes may be placed in the offering plate or turned in to the front office. Make checks out to LHBC, memo "Teen Fundraiser". Thank you for helping our teens and their families!

Abuse Awareness and Prevention Day

In order to protect the vulnerable and provide a safe environment here at LHBC, we will hold our first annual Abuse Awareness and Prevention Day on Wednesday, April 17. In place of our usual 6 PM Bible Study, we will hold a meeting in which we will discuss the issue of abuse, go over church policies/procedures regarding abuse prevention and reporting, and discuss the many ways each member can contribute to maintaining a safe and loving environment for everyone God brings our way. We encourage every member to attend this meeting and welcome guests as well. If you have any questions, please contact Kari at kari@lhbc.com.

Kid Connection Silent Auction

KC is having a silent auction on April 19th from 5 PM–6:30 PM. We are raising money for some needed updates to the big playground. This will benefit the children at church and the Kid Connections children. Please come out and bid on some awesome items such as a night stay at Great Wolf Lodge, tickets to the Modern Art Museum, a family photography session, an adult bike, Texas Rangers tickets, and SO MUCH MORE!!!

Baby Dedication

Parents: we will have a baby dedication on Sunday April 21. If you have a baby and would like to participate in this part of our service, please contact Pastor Winston at winston@lhbc.com.

Reception Honoring Our High School Graduates

Please join us in honoring high school graduates Jake Jackson and Kirsten Griffin on Sunday May 5 from 2 PM to 4 PM in the Family Life Center. Help us acknowledge their 12 years of hard work and send them off to college to prepare for a bright future.

Order of Worship

Theme: God's Word is Powerful

Moment of Silence

Please use this moment of silence to prepare your heart for worship.

Call to Worship

Psalm 108:1–3

Leader: My heart is steadfast, O God!
I will sing and make melody with all my being!

**All: Awake, O harp and lyre!
I will awake the dawn!**

Leader: I will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples;
I will sing praises to you among the nations.

**All: For your steadfast love is great above the heavens;
your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.**

Prayer of Invocation

Pastor Winston Hottman

Hymn

Come Christians Join to Sing

Hymn

Come Thou Almighty King

Scripture Reading

Genesis 1
Hope Hester

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

And God said, “Let there be light,” and there was light. And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

And God said, “Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.” And God made the expanse and separated the waters that were under the expanse from the waters that were above the expanse. And it was so. And God called the expanse Heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

And God said, “Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.” And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good.

And God said, “Let the earth sprout vegetation, plants yielding seed, and fruit trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind, on the earth.” And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation, plants yielding seed according to their own kinds, and trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

And God said, “Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night. And let them be for signs and for seasons, and for days and years, and let them be lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light upon the earth.” And it was so. And God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. And God set them in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

And God said, “Let the waters swarm with swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the expanse of the heavens.” So God created the great sea creatures and every living creature that moves, with which the waters swarm, according to their kinds, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. And God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

And God said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures according to their kinds—livestock and creeping things and beasts of the earth according to their kinds.” And it was so. And God made the beasts of the earth according to their kinds and the livestock according to their kinds, and everything that creeps on the ground according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.”

So God created man in his own image,
in the image of God he created him;
male and female he created them.

And God blessed them. And God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth.” And God said, “Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit. You shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the heavens and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so. And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Doxology

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.*

Prayer of Confession

Pastor Winston Hottman

Holy and merciful God,
in your presence we confess
our sinfulness, our shortcomings,
and our offenses against you.
You alone know how often we have sinned
in wandering from your ways,
in wasting your gifts,
in forgetting your love.

Have mercy on us, O Lord,
for we are ashamed and sorry
for all we have done to displease you.
Forgive our sins,
and help us to live in your light,
and walk in your ways,
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

Assurance of Pardon

Isaiah 44:22

I have blotted out your transgressions like a cloud
and your sins like mist;
return to me, for I have redeemed you

Hymn

Psalm 23: Surely Goodness, Surely Mercy

Prayer of Intercession

Pastor John Wiley

This week we are praying for the following needs:

- That we would be drawn to scripture and prayer
- First Evangelical Church, Memphis TN
- Persecuted Christians in Turkmenistan
- Texans On Mission (Texas Baptist Men)
- Texas Judicial Branch

Offering/Hymn

Show Us Christ

Sermon

Isaiah 55:1–13
Pastor Bill Watson

¹ “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.

² 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.

³ Incline your ear, and come to me;
hear, that your soul may live;
and I will make with you an everlasting covenant,
my steadfast, sure love for David.

⁴ Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples,
a leader and commander for the peoples.

⁵ Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know,
and a nation that did not know you shall run to you,
because of the LORD your God, and of the Holy One of Israel,
for he has glorified you.

⁶ “Seek the LORD while he may be found;
call upon him while he is near;

⁷ let the wicked forsake his way,
and the unrighteous man his thoughts;
let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on him,
and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

⁸ For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
neither are your ways my ways, declares the LORD.

⁹ For as the heavens are higher than the earth,
so are my ways higher than your ways
and my thoughts than your thoughts.

¹⁰ “For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven
and do not return there but water the earth,
making it bring forth and sprout,
giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,
¹¹ so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;
it shall not return to me empty,
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,
and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

¹² “For you shall go out in joy
and be led forth in peace;
the mountains and the hills before you
shall break forth into singing,
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

¹³ Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress;
instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle;
and it shall make a name for the LORD,
an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.”

Communion/Hymn

Pastor Noah LaHaye
Your Words are Wonderful (Psalm 119)
Every Promise of Your Word

Benediction

Pastor Tom Wakefield

Sermon Notes

To access sermon recordings, go to the “Sermons” page on our website at www.lhbc.com/sermons.

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This Week at LHBC

Sunday 4/14

Small Groups | 9 AM

Worship Gathering | 10:30 AM

Teen Ministry Volunteer Lunch | 12:30 PM

Nursery Volunteer Training | 3 PM

Prayer Meeting | 5:30 PM

Wednesday 4/17

Fellowship Meal | 5 PM

Lesson | 6 PM

Thursday 4/18

Precepts | 9:30 AM & 7 PM

Friday 4/19

Kid Connections Silent Auction | 5 PM–6:30 PM

Friday Night Live | 5:30 PM–8:30 PM

Fellowship Meal Menu for April 17

Meatloaf, Roasted Potatoes, Sweet Peas with Salad & Rolls
Vanilla Pudding



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