

ANNOUNCEMENTS www.allgather.org/calendar

As part of The Gathering Church's new steps to better serve our community, we are happy to announce that we are partnering with PORCH (People Offering Relief for Chapel Hill Carrboro Homes), an organization that provides food for local families in need. We are collecting food once a month for these food drives. We are generally looking for non-perishable, boxed and canned foods like soup, pasta, cereal, canned veggies and fruit. If you would like to participate, please bring a bag of food donations to church on the 2nd Sunday of every month and place it on the left hand side bench, just before the greeting table when you come into church. We will collect it and deliver it to PORCH's monthly food drive. Contact Kimberly Steiner: kimberlydsteiner@gmail.com.

INFORMATION & CONNECTING

To find out more about the Gathering Church, or to connect, please fill out a card on the back table and place it in the black box.

GIVING www.allgather.org/giving

Giving is a vital part of our worship of God. If you would like to give this morning, you may do so by putting your offering in the black box on the back table. Thank you for your participation in the life and mission of this church.

Other ways to give:

- (1) By automating a draft through your bank.
- (2) By mailing a check to PO Box 16402/Chapel Hill, NC 27516.
- (3) Online through Paypal.

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Psalm 8 | Matthew 25:14-30

SOLID FAITH: 10 CORE BELIEFS



10: ENTRUSTED

“In the economy of divine charity we have only as much as we give. But we are called upon to give as much as we have, and more: as much as we are. So the measure of our love is theoretically without limit. The more we desire to give ourselves in charity, the more charity we will have to give. And the more we give the more truly we shall be. For the Lord endows us with a being proportionate to the giving for which we are destined.”

-Thomas Merton

WELCOME TO THIS WORSHIP SERVICE OF THE GATHERING CHURCH

Whether you come today as a skeptic, seeker, or believer, our hope is that you will sense the welcome of God, the love of others, and the opportunity to join Jesus Christ in sharing the grace of God with all people.

HOW GREAT THOU ART

BOBERG/TRADITIONAL

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds thy hands have made
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder
Thy power throughout the universe displayed

And when I think, that God, his Son not sparing
Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing
He bled and died to take away my sin

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee
How great thou art, how great thou art
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How great thou art, How great thou art

When Christ shall come
With shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart
Then I shall bow, in humble adoration
And there proclaim
"My God, how great thou art"

Lyrics by Carl Gustav Boberg (1885) Music - Swedish Folk Traditional - Public Domain

WELCOME

HAST THOU HEARD HIM, SEEN HIM, KNOWN HIM

ROWAN/LITTLEPAGE

Hast thou heard him, seen him, known him
Is not thine a captured heart
Chief among ten thousand own him
Joyful choose the better part

What can strip the seeming beauty
From the idols of the earth
Not a sense of right or duty
But the sight of peerless worth

Captivated by his beauty
Worthy tribute haste to bring
Let his peerless worth constrain thee
Crown him now unrivaled King

'Tis that look that melted Peter
'Tis that face that Stephen saw
'Tis that heart that wept with Mary
Can alone from idols draw

Lyrics by Ora Rowan (1834-1879) alt. K Twit Music by Joel Littlepage ©2010 Joel Littlepage Music

DOXOLOGY

THOMAS/MAINZER

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

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NOTES

PSALM 8

LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!
 You have set your glory in the heavens.
 Through the praise of children and infants
 you have established a stronghold against your enemies,
 to silence the foe and the avenger.
 When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,
 the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,
 what is mankind that you are mindful of them,
 human beings that you care for them?
 You have made them a little lower than the angels
 and crowned them with glory and honor.
 You made them rulers over the works of your hands;
 you put everything under their feet:
 all flocks and herds, and the animals of the wild,
 the birds in the sky, and the fish in the sea,
 all that swim the paths of the seas.
 LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

HOSANNA (PRAISE IS RISING)

BROWN/BALOCHE

Praise is rising, eyes are turning to you	Hear the sound of hearts returning to you
We turn to you	We turn to you
Hope is stirring, hearts are yearning for you	In your kingdom broken lives are made new
We long for you	You make us new
'Cause when we see you	'Cause when we see you
We find strength to face the day	We find strength to face the day
In your presence all our fears are washed away	In your presence all our fears are
Washed away	Washed away
	Washed away
Hosanna, hosanna	
You are the God who saves us	'Cause when we see you
Worthy of all our praises	We find strength to face the day
Hosanna, hosanna	In your presence all our fears are
Come have your way among us	Washed away
We welcome you here, Lord Jesus	Washed away

COMMUNION

Each Sunday, we remember that we only find life in Jesus, through the love he demonstrated by his death on the cross. So, bringing nothing, we come and receive his grace in the Bread and the Cup that he offers to those who follow him.

PRAYER

If you would like to have someone pray for you or for any other need, you will find Prayer Team members at the back of the gym who will gladly pray with you.

PASS US NOT, O GENTLE SAVIOR

CROSBY/DOANE

Pass us not, O gentle Savior
 Hear our humble cry
 While on others thou art calling
 Do not pass us by

Kneeling there in deep contrition
 Help our unbelief

Savior, O Savior
 Hear our humble cry
 While on others thou art calling
 Do not pass us by

Trusting only in thy merit
 Would we seek thy face
 Heal our wounded, broken spirits
 Save us by thy grace

Let us at thy throne of mercy
 Find a sweet relief

Thou the spring of all our comfort
 More than life to me
 Whom have we on earth beside thee
 Whom in heav'n but thee

"Pass Me Not O Gentle Savior" Lyrics - Frances Crosby (1868) Music - William Doane (1870) arr by Gentle Wolves

THE MASTER'S CALLING

COCKRELL

Listen while you still can hear
 Listen while you still can hear
 The Master's calling
 The Master's calling

Praise Him while your lips still sing
 Praise Him while your lips still sing
 The Master's calling
 The Master's calling

Bow down while your knees still bend
 Bow down while your knees still bend
 The Master's calling
 The Master's calling

Seek him while your eyes still see
 Seek him while your eyes still see
 The Master's calling
 The Master's calling

And I don't want to walk away
 Don't want to walk away from him
 No I don't want to walk away, walk away from
 him
 Bind me to your side
 Bind me to your side

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DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN/YOUTH AND GREETING ONE ANOTHER

Children and Youth are dismissed to participate in their various classes. As they leave, meet and welcome those around you, especially those you might not know. Feel free to fill in the front and center areas.

MATTHEW 25:14-30

"Again, it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted his wealth to them. To one he gave five bags of gold, to another two bags, and to another one bag, each according to his ability. Then he went on his journey. The man who had received five bags of gold went at once and put his money to work and gained five bags more. So also, the one with two bags of gold gained two more. But the man who had received one bag went off, dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money.

"After a long time the master of those servants returned and settled accounts with them. The man who had received five bags of gold brought the other five. 'Master,' he said, 'you entrusted me with five bags of gold. See, I have gained five more.'

"His master replied, 'Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!'

"The man with two bags of gold also came. 'Master,' he said, 'you entrusted me with two bags of gold; see, I have gained two more.'

"His master replied, 'Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!'

"Then the man who had received one bag of gold came. 'Master,' he said, 'I knew that you are a hard man, harvesting where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered seed. So I was afraid and went out and hid your gold in the ground. See, here is what belongs to you.'

"His master replied, 'You wicked, lazy servant! So you knew that I harvest where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered seed? Well then, you should have put my money on deposit with the bankers, so that when I returned I would have received it back with interest.'

"So take the bag of gold from him and give it to the one who has ten bags. For whoever has will be given more, and they will have an abundance. Whoever does not have, even what they have will be taken from them. And throw that worthless servant outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'