



Grace Hill Church

The Mission of Grace Hill Is to Gather People to the Table of Christ, Who Is the Bread of Life, to Be Transformed by His Grace, Renewed in His Truth, and Sent on His Mission.

January 3, 2021

Expressing Our Love and Praise: Worship in Song

Declaring What We Believe: New City Catechism, Question #1 (newcitycatechism.com)

Question: What is our only hope in life and death?

Answer: That we are not our own but belong, body and soul, both in life and death, to God and to our Savior Jesus Christ.

Welcoming Each Other

Giving Worship to God: Offering

Hearing God's Word: Scripture Reading *Matthew 28.16–20*

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷ And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted. ¹⁸ And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Understanding God's Word and Our Lives

Sermon: The Great Commission

Outline:

1. We Have a Mandate: Go
2. We Have a Context: The Whole World
3. We Have a Calling: Make Disciples
4. We Have a Promise: I Am With You, Always



**Recognizing our Brokenness:
Public Prayer**

God, we confess that at various times and in various ways, we also doubt as the disciples did. We lack conviction and assurance that Jesus has conquered death and that He is with us and for us. We need Your forgiveness. You are calling us to live lives of purpose and mission, but to do that we need to be certain that You utterly hold our future and that You are intimately with us in our present. Help us!

Father, Jesus was born in a humble stable, to be "God with us," and the resurrected Jesus' last words are "I am with you, always, to the end of the age." Grow our faith to know that Jesus is with us today and forever. Mature our desire to respond to His call of mission each day. Let His utter commitment to us enable us to say to Him, "Here I am; send me for Your purposes in Your world today."

Private Reflection

The Grace and Forgiveness of Christ

Jesus said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that repentance for the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you." ~Luke 24.46-49

Responding to the Lord with Worship

Taking hold of the Good Word: Benediction ("the good word")

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen. (Heb. 13.20-21)

Announcements:

- **CORE Zoom Pin: 989209**
- **Educational Support Needs:** Orange County Schools start tomorrow, 1/4/21! Hopefully there will be inperson options soon but right now all school is still online. So we still have the opportunity to help those without good internet at home to have a productive education in this time. Grace Hill still could use additional volunteers on Monday and Wednesday mornings, and one slot for Friday morning. We have made a schedule for the four weeks of January. If you have it in your ability to help, please reach out to Allyson (vanwyk4704@msn.com) or Andrea (andrea@gracehillnc.org). <https://tinyurl.com/y5kvydc6>
- **Growing Leaders Monthly Meeting:** the Session invites everyone to schedule the Fourth Wednesday of the Month to join us for a Growing Leaders meeting. First meeting on Zoom January 27th at 7pm, finishing before 8:15pm.
- **Help Support Grace Hill Family:** Grace Hill would love to be able to help support the Carrs as they bring home their new baby boy, Elijah James. Please find here some suggested ways that you can contribute financially, alongside an abundance of prayer.
 - Gift cards to Walmart, The Wooden Nickel, and Weaver Street Market
 - Donations to their adoption fundraising campaign: <http://adopttogether.org/families/?fundraiser=creatingthecarrs>
- **Worship in Offering:** Three ways to worship the Lord with your tithes and offerings
 - Use your bank's BillPay system to give to Grace Hill
 - Send a physical check
 - Use our mobile giving option (either as a guest or by setting up an account):
 - <https://faithlife.com/grace-hill-church/give>, or
 - <https://tinyurl.com/ul68txo>, or
 - Simply text the word Give with the amount (e.g. Give 100) to 919 296 1330.

The Vision of Grace Hill Is to Love God and Love Our Neighbor and Love God and ...



Grace Hill seeks to live by and testify to the grace and truth of Jesus Christ (John 1.14–18). We are affiliated with the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, a Presbyterian denomination with a rich history of living in Christ's grace and truth. Our pastor is Ross Durham. He can be reached at ross@gracehillnc.org or by cell phone at 919.593.2169. Our Youth Director is Daniel Havener, daniel@gracehillnc.org. Our Worship Music Director is Kayli Havener, kayli@gracehillnc.org. Our Communications Coordinator is Andrea Sterling, andrea@gracehillnc.org. Address: 515 Meadowlands Drive, Suite 500, Hillsborough, North Carolina 27278 www.gracehillnc.org; Facebook: Grace Hill Church; Twitter: @gracehillchurch; Instagram: gracehillnc