### A Word About Participating in the Sacrament of The Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper is a special covenant meal that Christ gave to His Bride, the Church. **Followers of Jesus** come to this Table to meet with their Lord and Savior by faith, to be renewed and strengthened by Him in their callings and mission as they eat the bread and drink the wine.

If you are not yet a Christian, or if for whatever reason you are not prepared to share in this meal, feel free to simply observe. Consider spending this time in prayer, perhaps using one of the prayers listed below. Reflect on the invitation of Jesus, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst...for my Father's will is that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in Him shall have eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day" (John 6:35, 40).

Please note, MHC serves wine in the Lord's Supper. We offer wine since it is often a symbol of joy and celebration in Scripture. Juice is also provided if you you would prefer that option.

#### **Prayers for Those Not Communing**

A Prayer Searching for the Truth: Jesus, You claim to be the way, the truth, and the life, and that no one comes to the Father except by You. If what you claim is true, please guide me and teach me. Amen.

A Prayer of Trust in the Lord Jesus: Jesus, I confess that I am more broken, flawed, and sinful than I had ever before dared to admit. Yet You tell me that I am more loved than I ever dared to hope, and that You accept all who turn to You in simple faith. I trust You for the forgiveness for my sins, and I receive from You now the eternal life that You promise to all who come to You. Amen.

A Prayer for Those Struggling with Sin: Jesus, You know the battle that rages within my heart. Grant that in my battles with sin, I may see in You the fulfillment of all my needs. Give me strength to turn from every false satisfaction to find my ultimate joy in You. Amen.

A Prayer for Children (who have yet to profess faith): Jesus, the Bible tells me that You blessed kids like me. Help me to know who You are and to understand what You have done for me. Amen.

#### **Announcements**

#### We give thanks for the birth of Robbie Maddox

Robert Dean Maddox was born on February 23rd to Jackson & Catherine Maddox. At birth, he was 7lbs & 3oz and 19 inches. Join us in giving thanks for the birth of Robbie and rejoicing with Jackson & Catherine & the Mercy Hill Church family.

### Join us for our Monthly Mercy Hill Feast today at 1pm at the Ferguson's house.

After church today we'll gather at John & Heather's house for some good food and a time to catch up with one another, deepen friendships and make new ones. That means we want you to come! Please bring some food to share (unless you're a guest today or a university student. In that case, just come. There will be plenty of food). We're saying a prayer of thanksgiving at 1pm & digging into the the feast, so feel free to arrive earlier. Address: 2511 Broadmoor Drive, Bryan TX.

#### **Prayer Guide: Seek God for the City**

The season of Lent began last Wednesday. The word "lent" comes from an old Anglo-Saxon word which simply means "spring." The season of Lent spans the 40 days prior to Easter (not counting the six Sundays of Lent) and is characterized by a special focus upon seeking God through repentance and renewed faith. Spring is a fitting metaphor as we see the physical world awake from the deadness of winter to new life and beauty, so we want to shake off the coldness of our hearts and warm to the work of God in our lives

We also want to pray for the mission of Jesus in this world that He has come to save, renew, and restore. To that end, we want to invite you to join with us in learning how to pray for our community of Bryan / College Station by using the prayer guide, "Seek God for the City," which is filled with suggestions and sample prayers as we learn what it means to pray for our community. #forBCS.

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### March 6th, 2022



# Welcome! We're really glad you're here with us today.

Whether you are a Christian seeking to grow in your relationship with Jesus Christ, or a skeptic looking for answers, or someone who is struggling to make sense of life and simply looking for a caring community, you are warmly welcome here. We are delighted you came this morning!

# God Invites Us Into His Presence To Worship Together

"Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!"

— Psalm 150:6—

#### The Invitation

Revelations 19:6-10

#### **Songs of Praise & Worship**

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

"Agnus Dei (The Lamb of God)"

### God Graciously Renews Us In Christ Jesus

"Have mercy on me, O God...."

— Psalm 51:1—

#### The Invitation

Isaiah 30:15 & 19

A Moment for Silent Confession & Reflection

#### The Words of the Gospel

1 John 2:1-2

#### Song of Response

"I Stand Amazed (How Marvelous)

#### **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

For the birth of Robert Dean Maddox

### God Gives Us His Words Of Eternal Life

"Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life!"
— The Gospel of John 6:68—

"Increase Our Faith?"
The Gospel of Luke 17:1-10

Current Series: "The Gospel of Luke: Good News of Great Joy for All the People"

#### **God Receives Our Offerings**

"I appeal to you..., by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship." — Romans 12:1—

#### The Giving of our Offerings

A Moment of Reflection as We Prepare to Join Together at the Lord's Table

# God Invites Us To Gather Together At The Lord's Table

"People will come from the east and west and north and south, and will take their places at the feast in the Kingdom of God." ~ The Gospel of Luke 13:29 ~

The Words of Institution

#### **Communion Songs**

"Lord, I Need You"

"The Wonderful Cross"

## God Sends Us Out Into The World With His Blessing

"The Lord bless you and keep you...."

— Numbers 6:24-26 —

#### The Blessing

2 Peter 1:2

Notes: