

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead...."

1 Peter 1:3 (ESV)

Living Hope Presbyterian Church

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The Lord's Day, October 15, 2023

Welcome and Announcements Prelude

### **Praising God in the Assembly**

Salutation Colossians 1:2b (p. 983)
Call to Worship Psalm 103:20-22 (p. 502)
\*Hymn "Mighty God, While Angels Bless You" no. 218
\*Invocation Psalm 124:8 (p. 517)

### **Confessing our Sins**

Call to Repentance Colossians 3:1-6 (p. 984)
Congregational Confession of Sin See the Bulletin Insert
Assurance of Pardon Colossians 2:12-14 (p. 984)
\*Hymn "Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted" no. 342

## **Praying for the Church**

Scripture Reading
Intercessory Prayer & the Lord's Prayer

\*Psalm

"The Lord God Reigns in Majesty" no. 99B

\*The Nicene Creed

Collection & Prayer

Psalms 99-100 (p. 500)

See the Bulletin Insert

1 Corinthians 16:2 (p. 962)

## **Proclaiming God's Word**

Scripture Reading

Mark 15:42-47 (p. 853)

Prayer for Illumination

Isaiah 40:8 (p. 599)

Sermon

He Suffered and Was Buried

Rev. John D. Van Meerbeke

Holy Communion

**Closing Prayer** 

\*Hymn "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" no. 338
\*Benediction Revelation 22:21 (p. 1042)

Postlude

\*Asterisk indicates Congregation Standing, if able

# Congregational Confession of Sins

### O LORD:

Your steadfast love and faithfulness are found in your Son.

We plead his name, who died for us; his blood for our sins, his righteousness for our unrighteousness, his purity for our uncleanness, his meekness for our pride, his reconciliation for our rebellion, his obedience for our lawlessness, his holiness for our dead works, his death for our life. Amen.

## The 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 debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power
and the glory forever. AMEN.

## The Nicene Creed

I BELIEVE IN ONE GOD, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. AND IN ONE LORD JESUS CHRIST, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made. Who, for us men and for our salvation, came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. AND I BELIEVE IN THE HOLY SPIRIT, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. AND I BELIEVE IN ONE HOLY CATHOLIC AND APOSTOLIC CHURCH. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

# Notes and Pictures

	GREETERS	USHERS			NURSERY
15-Oct	Anne Maxwell	N. Fenby	B. Gideon	B. Vargo	Bethany
22-Oct	B. Van Meerbeke	Jacob Fenby	J. Wetzel	B. Rigg	Maddie
29-Oct	J. & D. Myers	A. Snyder	D. Forbeck	T. Johnston	Kathleen

Welcome to Living Hope Presbyterian Church! We're a Reformed & Presbyterian congregation of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church. Questions? Call the church office at (717) 334-7157 or contact Pastor Van Meerbeke (vanmeerbeke@livinghopegettysburg.org; (717) 253-4575) or Pastor Bennett (bennett.shane@hotmail.com; (717) 501-8400).

**Sunday School, 9:30-10:15**—Join us as we grow in our faith by studying Scripture and various topics. Current topic: Psalms 1-8.

**Holy Communion**—Each week, we observe the holy sacrament of the Lord's Supper. All who are united with Christ by faith are welcome to participate. The bread is gluten free. The outer ring is grape juice.

**Fellowship Lunch**—An after-the-morning-service time for food and fellowship! You are invited!

The 2023 Directory is available in the foyer on the literature table!

**Operation Christmas Child** begins soon. Each year, shoeboxes and details are available in the foyer. Please consider participating! For more information on the program, ask Betsy Upshur or go to <a href="https://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child">www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child</a>.

**Home Groups** are listed on the back of the bulletin. See Rebecca Brown for details. Come for fellowship, Bible study, and prayer.

Men's Breakfast—Saturday, Oct. 14, at 9:00. Breakfast, study, prayer.

Women's Bible Study—We are studying the Gospel of Mark. There is both a morning and an evening option. Please come as you are able.

10:30 am—1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays

7:00 pm—2<sup>nd</sup> Monday

Welcome to Living Hope Presbyterian Church! We're a member congregation of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church (OPC) organized in 1983. Our purpose is to glorify God in divine worship, gospel witness, and mutual edification. The OPC is a member of NAPARC, the North American Presbyterian and Reformed Council, whose member denominations agree on many matters related to the Bible, creeds, and church polity.

We regularly confess our faith using the Apostles' Creed and the Nicene Creed. Our faith is best described in the Westminster Confession of Faith, the Westminster Larger Catechism, and the Westminster Shorter Catechism.

### Officers of Living Hope Presbyterian Church

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Ushers and Greeters: Tom Johnston Women's Bible Study: Gloria Serrao

### Schedule at Living Hope Presbyterian Church

Sunday School 9:30 am Sunday Service of Worship 10:30 am

Home Groups Brown (Gettysburg S): 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed., 6:45-8:00 pm

Craine (Gettysburg E): 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tues., 6:30-8:00 pm Gideon (Fayetteville): 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed., 7:00-8:15 pm

Lott (Biglerville): 4<sup>th</sup> Tues., 6:30-8:00 pm

Wetzel (Gettysburg N): 1<sup>st</sup> Thurs., 6:45-8:00 pm

Women's Bible Study 1st & 3rd Thu., 10:30 am

2<sup>nd</sup> Mon., 7:00 pm

Men's Breakfast Second Sat., 9-10 am Session Second Thurs., 7 pm