

"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, March 10, 2024

Welcome and Announcements Prelude

## **Praising God in the Assembly**

Salutation Romans 1:7b (p. 939)
Call to Worship Titus 3:5 (p. 999)
\*\*Psalm "All People That on Earth Do Dwell" no. 100B
\*Invocation Psalm 124:8 (p. 517)

### **Confessing our Sins**

Call to Repentance

Romans 6:8-14 (p. 943)

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Romans 5:6-11 (p. 942)

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\*\*Hymn "How Deep the Father's Love for Us" no. 351

## **Praying for the Church**

Scripture Reading
Intercessory Prayer & the Lord's Prayer

\*\*Hymn

"The Church's One Foundation" no. 404

\*The Confession of Faith, 25.1-2

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Deuteronomy 16:17 (p. 160)

## **Proclaiming God's Word**

Scripture Reading

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon

Zechariah 1:7-17 (p. 793)

Isaiah 40:8 (p. 599)

THE ANGEL OF THE LORD

Rev. John D. Van Meerbeke

Holy Communion Closing Prayer

\*Hymn "Crown Him with Many Crowns" no. 380
\*Benediction Numbers 6:24-26 (p. 114)
Postlude

\*Asterisk indicates Congregation Standing, if able
\*\*opportunity to enter or exit, if necessary, during worship

# Congregational Confession of Sins

### ETERNAL AND MERCIFUL GOD:

We acknowledge and confess to you that we are sinners, born in sin and corruption. We have been rebellious and forgetful toward you. Have compassion on us, gracious God and Father, and forgive us for Jesus' sake. Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit to teach us to confess our sins sincerely. May he lead us to die to sin, rise up to new life, and bring forth the fruits of righteousness acceptable to you through Jesus Christ. Please rescue all who wander from the truth. Make us understand your holy Word according to your will, so that we may trust in you alone, and present ourselves a living sacrifice to the honor of your Name. 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.

# Westminster Confession of Faith

## Of the Church, 25.1-2

- 1. The catholic or universal church, which is invisible, consists of the whole number of the elect, that have been, are, or shall be gathered into one, under Christ the Head thereof; and is the spouse, the body, the fullness of him that fills all in all.
- 2. The visible church, which is also catholic or universal under the gospel (not confined to one nation, as before under the law), consists of all those throughout the world that profess the true religion; and of their children: and is the kingdom of the Lord Jesus Christ, the house and family of God, out of which there is no ordinary possibility of salvation.

# Notes and Pictures

	GREETERS	USHERS		NURSERY	
10-Mar	The Vargos	D. Forbeck	T. Johnston	N. Fenby	Mindy
17-Mar	The Bennetts	J. Wilson	J. Johnsson	Jacob Fenby	Barb VM
24-Mar	The Wilsons	D. Lott	C. Wetzel	A. Snyder	Gloria

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 each week as we grow in our faith by studying Scripture and various topics.

Current Adult Sunday School Topic: Identity.

**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.

### Mark your calendars!

Spring Conference—Saturday, March 23, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Dr. James Berry will speak on the topic of addiction. In Sunday School, March 24, he will speak on the topic of abuse. Dr. Berry is Director of Addictions, Professor and Chair of the Department of Behavioral Medicine and Psychiatry, and Professor at the Rockefeller Neuroscience Institute of West Virginia University's School of Medicine.

**Easter Fellowship Luncheon**—the March Fellowship Luncheon is moved to Easter Sunday, March 31.

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

**Catechism Club**—Wednesdays, 4:00–5:00 pm, for children kindergarten to 6<sup>th</sup> grade. See Pastor Shane or Tracy Wetzel for details.

Men's Breakfast—Saturday, April 13, at 9:00. Breakfast, study, and 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. Note: We will meet on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of March (3/28), not the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday.

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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#### **Committee Chairs:**

Women's Bible Study

Audio and Accompaniment: Dave Craine Hospitality and Fellowship: Kathleen Craine Men's Breakfast: Jim Hughes, Bob McKeen Property and Maintenance: Doug Forbeck Children's Ministry: Tracy Wetzel
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): 1st Wed., 6:45-8:00 pm

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thu., 10:30 am

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

Men's Breakfast Second Sat., 9:00-10:00 am

Catechism Club Wed., 4:00-5:00 pm Session Second Thurs., 7 pm