



# LIVING HOPE

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*“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, May 19, 2024

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

## **Praising God in the Assembly**

Salutation Romans 1:7 (p. 939)  
Call to Worship 1 Corinthians 1:2; Psalm 147:1 (p. 952; 525)  
\*\*Hymn "When Morning Gilds the Skies" no. 157  
\*Invocation Psalm 124:8 (p. 517)

## **Confessing our Sins**

Call to Repentance Romans 12:1-8 (p. 947)  
Congregational Confession of Sin See the Bulletin Insert  
Assurance of Pardon Romans 3:23-24 (p. 941)  
\*\*Hymn "Blow Ye the Trumpet, Blow!" no. 442

## **Praying for the Church**

Scripture Reading 1 Corinthians 10:14-22, 31-33 (p. 957)  
Intercessory Prayer & the Lord's Prayer See the Bulletin Insert  
\*\*Psalm "Great Shepherd Who Leadest Thy People" no. 80B  
\*The Apostles' Creed See the Bulletin Insert  
Collection & Prayer Psalm 116:12-14 (p. 511)

## **Proclaiming God's Word**

Scripture Reading Zechariah 7 (p. 795)  
Prayer for Illumination Isaiah 40:8 (p. 599)  
Sermon **THE WORD THAT THE LORD PROCLAIMED**  
Rev. John D. Van Meerbeke

Holy Communion

Closing Prayer

\*Hymn "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say" no. 272  
\*Benediction Romans 15:5-6 (p. 949)

Postlude

\*Asterisk indicates Congregation Standing, if able

\*\*opportunity to enter or exit, if necessary, during worship

# Congregational Confession of Sins

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**MERCIFUL GOD,**

we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind  
and strength.

We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

In your mercy forgive what we have been,

help us amend what we are,

and direct what we shall be,

so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

# The Lord's Prayer

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**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 Apostles' Creed

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**I BELIEVE** in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth.

**I BELIEVE** in Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son, our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary;  
suffered under Pontius Pilate;  
was crucified, dead, and buried;  
he descended into hell;  
the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from there he shall come  
to judge the living and the dead.

**I BELIEVE** in the Holy Spirit;  
the holy catholic church;  
the communion of saints;  
the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body;  
and the life everlasting. **AMEN.**



	GREETERS	USHERS			NURSERY
19-May	N. & P. Fenby	Jacob Fenby	J. Wilson	T. Johnston	Barb VM
26-May	R. & R. Brown	A. Snyder	D. Lott	J. Johnsson	Chelsea
2-Jun	J. & M. Fenby	B. McKeen	J. Wetzel	C. Wetzel	Jill

**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](mailto:vanmeerbeke@livinghopegettysburg.org); **(717) 253-4575**) or Pastor Bennett ([bennett.shane@hotmail.com](mailto: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 Class 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.*

**Diaconal Offering**—Next Sunday, an offering will be collected after Communion for the use of the Deacons in their work.

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

**Vacation Bible School**—June 4-6, 9:00-11:00 am; for children ages 5-12.

See Rachelle for details and to register

**Family Cookout**—June 7, 5:30 pm

**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 kindergarten to 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Questions? See Pastor Shane or Tracy Wetzel.

**Men's Breakfast**—Saturday, June 8, 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:** *the evening study in June is moved to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday*

**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): TBD Living Hope – Weekday: 4 <sup>th</sup> Thurs., 2:00-3:00 pm Living Hope – Sunday: 1 <sup>st</sup> Sun., 5:30-7:30 pm Wetzel (Gettysburg N): 1 <sup>st</sup> Wed., 6:30-8:00 pm
Women's Bible Study	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