



LIVING HOPE

“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)

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The Lord's Day, May 9, 2021

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Praising God in the Assembly

Salutation *Philemon 3*
Call to Worship *Psalm 92:1-2*
*Hymn *"Great Is Thy Faithfulness" no. 245 (insert)*
*Invocation *Psalm 124:8*

Confessing our Sins

Call to Repentance *Matthew 5:13-16*
Congregational Confession of Sin *(insert)*
Assurance of Pardon *Psalm 32:1-2, 10-11*
*Psalm *"How Blest Is He Whose Trespass" no. 32B (insert)*

Praying for the Church

Scripture Reading *Isaiah 61 (insert)*
Intercessory Prayer & the Lord's Prayer *(insert)*
*Hymn *"How Firm a Foundation" no. 243 (insert)*
*The Apostles' Creed *(insert)*
Collection & Prayer *Deuteronomy 16:17*

Proclaiming God's Word

Scripture Reading *Mark 1:29-39 (insert)*
Prayer for Illumination *Isaiah 40:8*
Sermon **JESUS' HEALING AND PREACHING**
Rev. John D. Van Meerbeke

Closing Prayer

*Hymn *"Now Blessed Be Jehovah God" no. 564 (insert)*
*Benediction *Philemon 25*

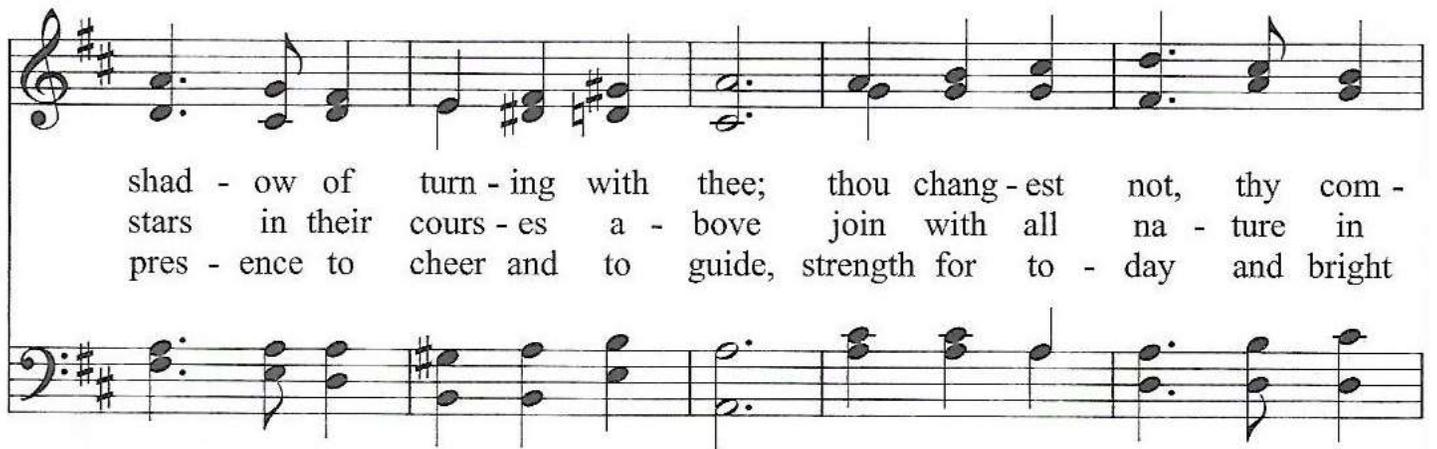
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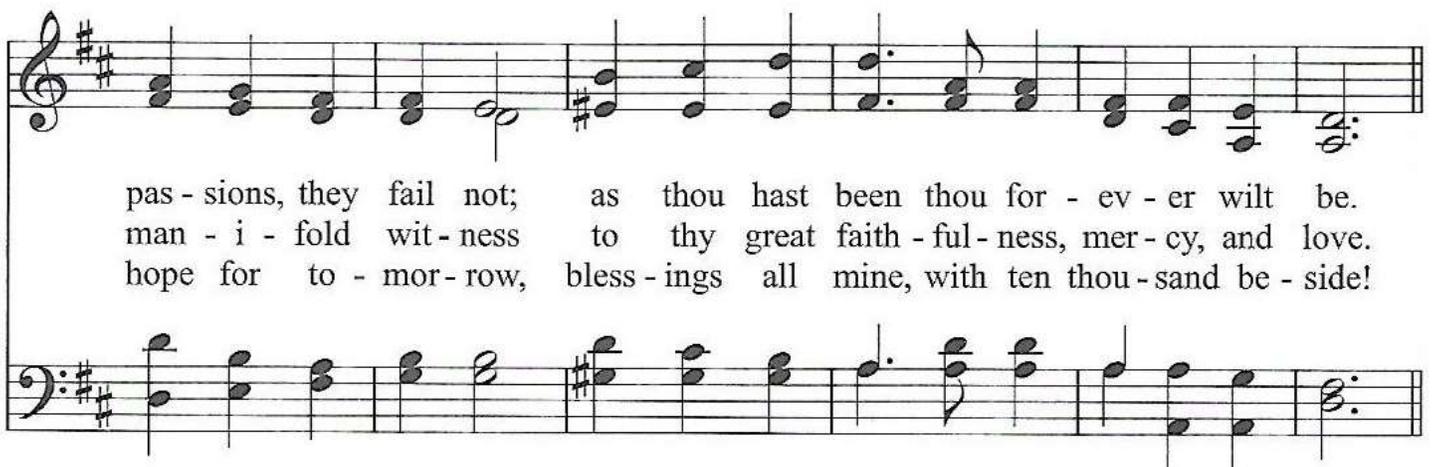
Great Is Thy Faithfulness



1. Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther; there is no
 2. Sum - mer and win - ter and spring - time and har - vest, sun, moon, and
 3. Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth, thine own dear



shad - ow of turn - ing with thee; thou chang - est not, thy com -
 stars in their cours - es a - bove join with all na - ture in
 pres - ence to cheer and to guide, strength for to - day and bright



pas - sions, they fail not; as thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.
 man - i - fold wit - ness to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
 hope for to - mor - row, bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

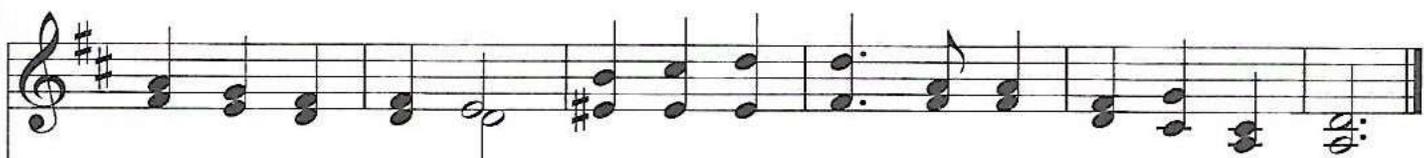
Refrain



Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Morn-ing by



morn-ing new mer-cies I see: all I have need-ed thy



hand hath pro-vid-ed— Great is thy faith-ful-ness, Lord, un-to me!



Thomas O. Chisholm, 1923

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William M. Runyan, 1923

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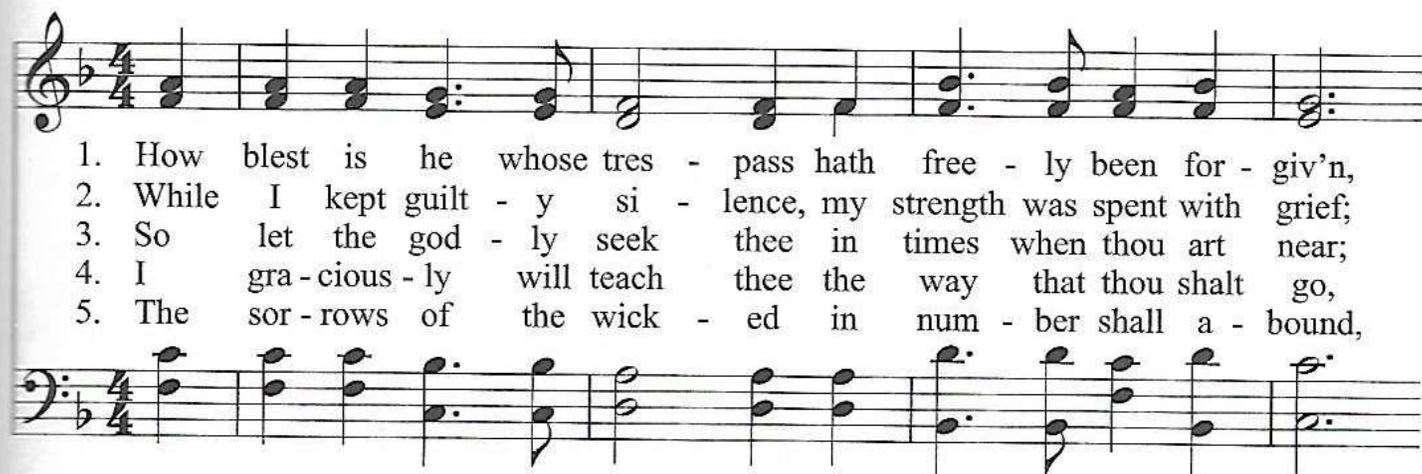
Congregational Confession of Sins

DEAR HEAVENLY FATHER:

We lower our heads before you and we confess that we have too often forgotten that we are yours. Sometimes we carry on our lives as if there was no God and we fall short of being a credible witness for you. For these things we ask your forgiveness and we also ask for your strength. Give us clear minds and open hearts so that we may be a faithful witness in the world. Remind us to be who you would have us to be regardless of what we're doing and who we're with. Keep us for yourself; strengthen our communion with you and with one another. Through Christ our Lord, **AMEN.**

How Blest Is He Whose Trespass

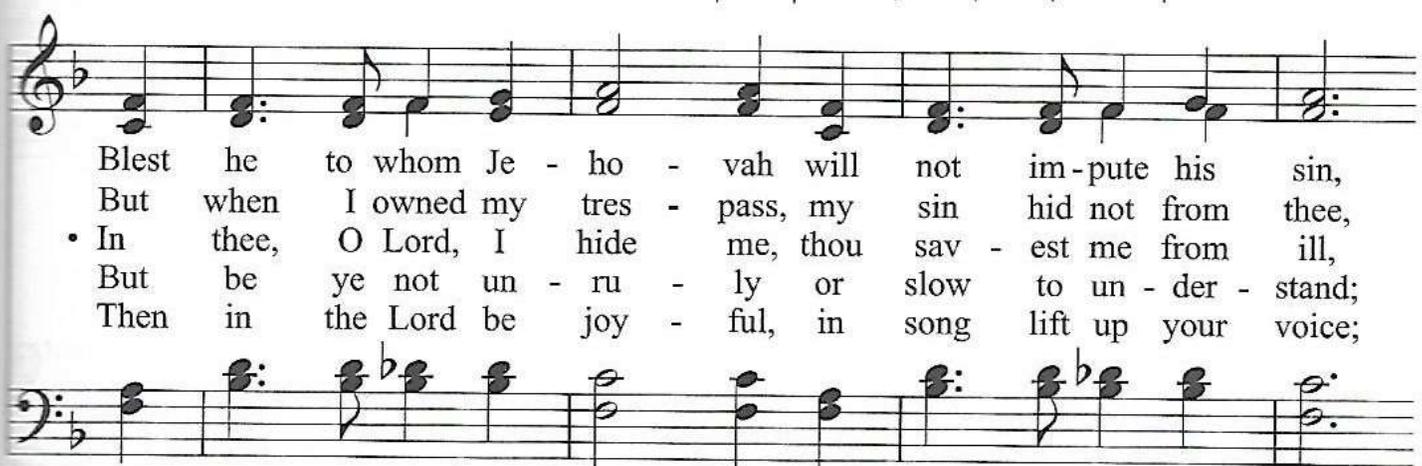
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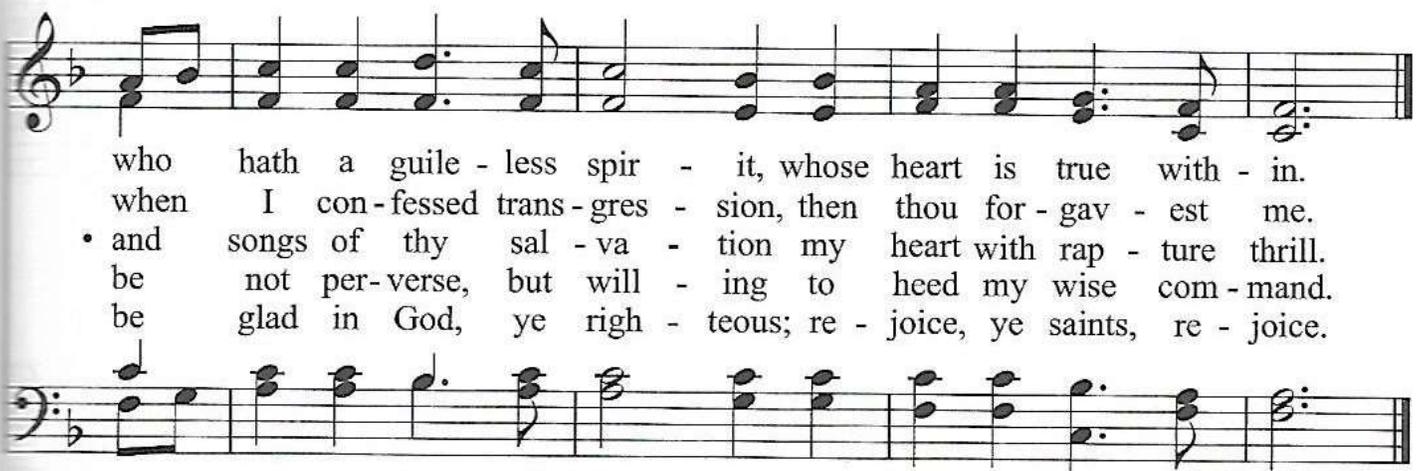
1. How blest is he whose tres - pass hath free - ly been for - giv'n,
 2. While I kept guilt - y si - lence, my strength was spent with grief;
 3. So let the god - ly seek thee in times when thou art near;
 4. I gra - cious - ly will teach thee the way that thou shalt go,
 5. The sor - rows of the wick - ed in num - ber shall a - bound,



whose sin is whol - ly cov - ered be - fore the sight of heav'n.
 thy hand was heav - y on me, my soul found no re - lief.
 • no whelm - ing floods shall reach them, nor cause their hearts to fear.
 and with my eye up - on thee my coun - sel make thee know.
 but those that trust Je - ho - vah, his mer - cy shall sur - round.



Blest he to whom Je - ho - vah will not im - pute his sin,
 But when I owned my tres - pass, my sin hid not from thee,
 • In thee, O Lord, I hide me, thou sav - est me from ill,
 But be ye not un - ru - ly or slow to un - der - stand;
 Then in the Lord be joy - ful, in song lift up your voice;



who hath a guile - less spir - it, whose heart is true with - in.
 when I con - fessed trans - gres - sion, then thou for - gav - est me.
 • and songs of thy sal - va - tion my heart with rap - ture thrill.
 be not per - verse, but will - ing to heed my wise com - mand.
 be glad in God, ye righ - teous; re - joice, ye saints, re - joice.

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 61

- ¹ The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me,
because the LORD has anointed me
to bring good news to the poor;
he has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted,
to proclaim liberty to the captives,
and the opening of the prison to those who are bound;
- ² to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor,
and the day of vengeance of our God;
to comfort all who mourn;
- ³ to grant to those who mourn in Zion—
to give them a beautiful headdress instead of ashes,
the oil of gladness instead of mourning,
the garment of praise instead of a faint spirit;
that they may be called oaks of righteousness,
the planting of the LORD, that he may be glorified.
- ⁴ They shall build up the ancient ruins;
they shall raise up the former devastations;
they shall repair the ruined cities,
the devastations of many generations.
- ⁵ Strangers shall stand and tend your flocks;
foreigners shall be your plowmen and vinedressers;
- ⁶ but you shall be called the priests of the LORD;
they shall speak of you as the ministers of our God;
you shall eat the wealth of the nations,
and in their glory you shall boast.
- ⁷ Instead of your shame there shall be a double portion;
instead of dishonor they shall rejoice in their lot;
therefore in their land they shall possess a double portion;
they shall have everlasting joy.

- ⁸ For I the LORD love justice;
I hate robbery and wrong;
I will faithfully give them their recompense,
and I will make an everlasting covenant with them.
- ⁹ Their offspring shall be known among the nations,
and their descendants in the midst of the peoples;
all who see them shall acknowledge them,
that they are an offspring the LORD has blessed.
- ¹⁰ I will greatly rejoice in the LORD;
my soul shall exult in my God,
for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation;
he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,
as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful
headdress,
and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.
- ¹¹ For as the earth brings forth its sprouts,
and as a garden causes what is sown in it to sprout up,
so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise
to sprout up before all the nations.

The Lord's Prayer

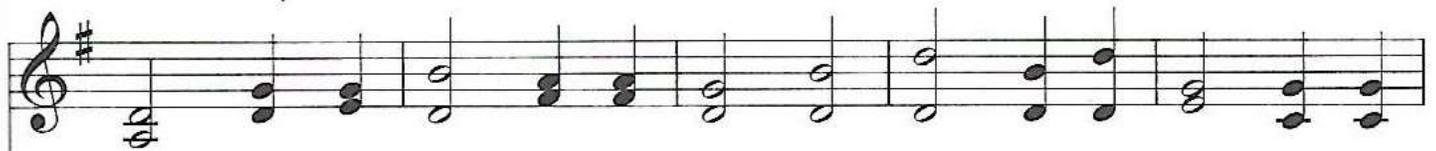
OUR FATHER, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name.
Thy Kingdom come.
Thy will be done on earth,
as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power
and the glory forever. **AMEN.**

How Firm a Foundation

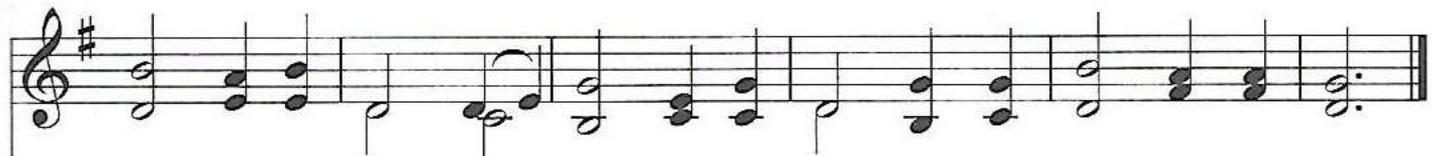
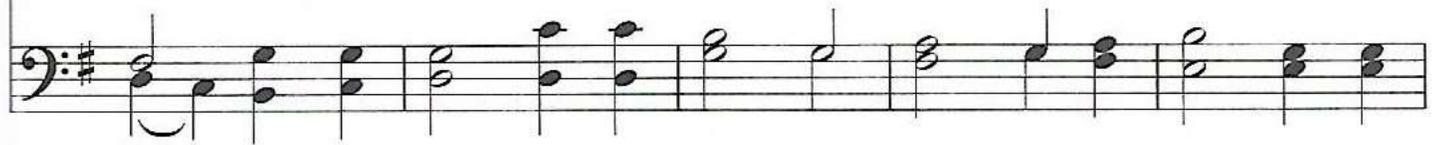
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1. How firm a foun - da - tion, you saints of the Lord, is laid for your
 2. "Fear not, I am with you, O be not dis - mayed; for I am your
 3. "When through the deep wa - ters I call you to go, the riv - ers of
 4. "When through fi - ery tri - als your path - way shall lie, my grace, all - suf -



- faith in his ex - cel - lent Word! What more can he say than to
 God, and will still give you aid; I'll strength - en you, help you, and
 sor - row shall not o - ver - flow; for I will be with you, your
 fi - cient, shall be your sup - ply; the flame shall not hurt you; I



- you he has said, to you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?
 cause you to stand, up - held by my righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand.
 trou - bles to bless, and sanc - ti - fy to you your deep - est dis - tress.
 on - ly de - sign your dross to con - sume and your gold to re - fine.



5. "E'en down to old age all my people shall prove
 my sov'reign, eternal, unchangeable love;
 and when hoary hairs shall their temples adorn,
 like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne.
6. "The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,
 I will not, I will not desert to his foes;
 that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
 I'll never, no never, no never forsake."

John Rippon, *A Selection of Hymns*, 1787; alt.
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 Joseph Funk, *A Compilation of Genuine Church Music*, 1832
 Harm. Dale Grotenhuis, 1985

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The Apostles' Creed

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.**

Scripture Reading: Mark 1:29-34

²⁹And immediately he left the synagogue and entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. ³⁰Now Simon's mother-in-law lay ill with a fever, and immediately they told him about her. ³¹And he came and took her by the hand and lifted her up, and the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

³²That evening at sundown they brought to him all who were sick or oppressed by demons. ³³And the whole city was gathered together at the door. ³⁴And he healed many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons. And he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

³⁵And rising very early in the morning, while it was still dark, he departed and went out to a desolate place, and there he prayed. ³⁶And Simon and those who were with him searched for him, ³⁷and they found him and said to him, "Everyone is looking for you." ³⁸And he said to them, "Let us go on to the next towns, that I may preach there also, for that is why I came out." ³⁹And he went throughout all Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out demons.

Now Blessed Be Jehovah God

1. Now bless - ed be Je - ho - vah God, the God of Is - ra - el,
2. And bless - ed be his glo - rious name to all e - ter - ni - ty;

who on - ly do - eth won - drous works, in glo - ry that ex - cel;
the whole earth let his glo - ry fill; a - men: so let it be;

who on - ly do - eth won - drous works, in glo - ry that ex - cel.
the whole earth let his glo - ry fill; a - men: so let it be.

Adapted from Psalm 72
Psalter Hymnal, 1959

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Oliver Holden, 1793

	9:00 a.m.		11:00 a.m.			
	GREETERS	USHERS	GREETERS	USHERS	NURSERY	
May 9	The Langs	R. Lang; D. Forbeck	R&R Brown	D. Lott; J. Johnsson	Laurel	Emily
May 16	The K. Browns	K. Brown; T. Johnston	The Johnssons	J. Johnsson; B. Rigg	Jill	Carmen
May 23	Barb VM	D. Forbeck; R. Lang	The Riggs	B. Rigg; D. Lott	Tracy	Betsy

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 Siggins (siggins@livinghopegettysburg.org; (814) 933-6321).

Home Group Survey—We're excited to be starting up our home group ministry again this fall! If you are interested in being part of a home group, please take the survey in the Living Hope Weekly newsletter to let us know your availability, to help us with planning.

Men's Breakfast—Saturday, June 12, at 9:00. Breakfast, study, and prayer.

Women's Bible Study meets the 1st & 3rd Thursdays at 10:30 am at the church. We are studying *When You Pray* by Philip Ryken. Please come as you are able.

We are committed to serving you in any way we can during these difficult times. Please do not hesitate to reach out to us for pastoral care or diaconal assistance!

If you wish to give your tithe and offering online, instead of in-person, you can find the link in the Living Hope Weekly email.



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.

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Schedule at Living Hope Presbyterian Church

Sunday Service of Worship	9:00 am 11:00 am
Women's Bible Study	1 st & 3 rd Thu., 10:30 am
Men's Breakfast	Second Sat., 9-10 am
Session	Second Thurs., 7 pm.