

"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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# Living Hope Presbyterian Church

The Lord's Day, July 31, 2022

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

## **Praising God in the Assembly**

Salutation 1 Thessalonians 1:1c (p. 986)
Call to Worship Psalm 71:22-23 (p. 485)

Can to worship

\*Hymn "I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art" no. 282

\*Invocation Psalm 124:8 (p. 517)

## **Confessing our Sins**

Call to Repentance 1 Thessalonians 4:1-8 (p. 987)

Congregational Confession of Sin See the Bulletin Insert

Assurance of Pardon 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 (p. 987)

\*Hymn "Jesus Paid It All" no. 276

## **Praying for the Church**

Scripture Reading Isaiah 55 (p. 615)

Intercessory Prayer & the Lord's Prayer See the Bulletin Insert

\*Psalm "Sing Hallelujah! Praise the LORD!" no. 150C

\*The Nicene Creed See the Bulletin Insert

Collection & Prayer 2 Corinthians 9:6-9 (p. 968)

## **Proclaiming God's Word**

Scripture Reading Mark 10:46-52 (p. 847)

Prayer for Illumination Isaiah 40:8 (p. 599)

Sermon The Insight of the Blind Beggar

Rev. John D. Van Meerbeke

**Holy Communion** 

Diaconal Offering

**Closing Prayer** 

\*Hymn "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" no. 291

\*Benediction 1 Thessalonians 5:28 (p. 988)

Postlude

\*Asterisk indicates Congregation Standing, if able

# Congregational Confession of Sins

**GOD OF COMPASSION,** in Jesus Christ you reveal the light of your glory, but we turn away, because we by nature love the darkness rather than the light.

We confess that our wills, our thoughts, our words, and our actions are all corrupted by sin and we both do what you forbid and fail to do what you require.

Forgive our sins, Lord. Grant us wisdom to live in your light and to follow in the way of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. 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
31-Jul	J. & C. Wetzel	J. Wetzel	D. Forbeck	B. Rigg	Kathleen
7-Aug	The Gideons	B. Gideon	B. McKeen	T. Johnston	Kris
14-Aug	The K. Browns	K. Brown	C. Wetzel	J. Johnsson	Tracy

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 for All Ages, 9:30-10:15**—The Adult Sunday School Class topic is "The Already and Not Yet."

**Holy Communion**—This Sunday we observe the holy sacrament of the Lord's Supper. All who are united with Christ by faith are welcome to participate.

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

Pastor Shane will be filling in during Pastor Van Meerbeke's absence in August. If you are in need of pastoral care, contact him or a member of the Session.

**Pastoral Visitation**—Tracy Wetzel will be contacting people soon for pastoral visitation rotation.

**Caleb Brown's address**—see the Living Hope Weekly for Caleb's current address. If you do not receive the newsletter, see Rebecca.

Have an announcement for the bulletin and Living Hope Weekly? Please send it by Wednesday noon to office@livinghopegettysburg.org.

**August Break**—Sunday School, Men's Breakfast, and Women's Bible Study will take a break in August.

Sunday School: September 11 (2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday)

Men's Breakfast: September 10

Women's Bible Study: September 15

Not Taking a Break—Sunday morning worship, Fellowship Lunch, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Get-Together (Aug. 14)

**Home Groups**—see the home group leaders to learn what each group is planning to do.

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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Hospitality and Fellowship: Kathleen Craine Men's Breakfast: Jim Hughes, Bob McKeen Property and Maintenance: Doug Forbeck

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): 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed., 6:45-8:00 pm

Gideon (Fayetteville): 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed., 7:00-8:15 pm Wetzel (New Oxford): 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs., 6:45-8:00 pm

Women's Bible Study

Men's Breakfast

Session

1st & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thu., 10:30 am
Second Sat., 9-10 am
Second Thurs., 7 pm.