

# LIVING HOPE CHURCH



## THE WORSHIP OF GOD

September 8, 2024

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### GATHERING MUSIC

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 40:4-5, 9-10, 16

PASTOR: Blessed is the man who makes the Lord his trust, who does not turn to the proud, to those who go astray after a lie!

CONGREGATION: You have multiplied, O Lord my God, your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us; none can compare with you! I will proclaim and tell of them, yet they are more than can be told.

PASTOR: I have told the glad news of deliverance in the great congregation; behold, I have not restrained my lips, as you know, O Lord.

CONGREGATION: I have not hidden your deliverance within my heart. I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation; I have not concealed your steadfast love and your faithfulness from the great congregation.

ALL: But may all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; may those who love your salvation say continually, "Great is the Lord!"

### PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND 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.

### \*SONG OF PRAISE

*Living Hope*

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1. How great the chasm that lay between us  
How high the mountain I could not climb  
In desperation I turned to heaven  
And spoke Your name into the night  
Then through the darkness Your loving-kindness  
Tore through the shadows of my soul  
The work is finished the end is written  
Jesus Christ my living hope

2. Who could imagine so great a mercy  
What heart could fathom such boundless grace  
The God of ages stepped down from glory  
To wear my sin and bear my shame  
The cross has spoken I am forgiven  
The King of kings calls me His own  
Beautiful Savior I'm Yours forever  
Jesus Christ my living hope

*Chorus*  
*Hallelujah praise the One who set me free*  
*Hallelujah death has lost its grip on me*  
*You have broken every chain*  
*There's salvation in Your name*  
*Jesus Christ my living hope*

3. Then came the morning that sealed the promise  
Your buried body began to breathe  
Out of the silence the Roaring Lion  
Declared the grave has no claim on me  
(repeat)  
Jesus Yours is the victory  
*Chorus*

### \*CONFESSION OF FAITH - THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, 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 sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

### CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

### \*SONG OF THANKSGIVING

#### *In Christ Alone*

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1. In Christ alone my hope is found  
He is my light my strength my song  
This Cornerstone this solid ground  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm  
What heights of love what depths of peace  
When fears are stilled when strivings cease  
My Comforter my All in All  
Here in the love of Christ I stand

2. In Christ alone who took on flesh  
Fullness of God in helpless babe  
This gift of love and righteousness  
Scorned by the ones He came to save  
Till on that cross as Jesus died  
The wrath of God was satisfied  
For every sin on Him was laid  
Here in the death of Christ I live

3. There in the ground His body lay  
Light of the world by darkness slain  
Then bursting forth in glorious Day  
Up from the grave He rose again  
And as He stands in victory  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me  
For I am His and He is mine  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

4. No guilt in life no fear in death  
This is the power of Christ in me  
From life's first cry to final breath  
Jesus commands my destiny  
No power of hell no scheme of man  
Can ever pluck me from His hand  
Till He returns or calls me home  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

### \*THE WORSHIP OF GOD THROUGH TITHES AND OFFERINGS

#### *Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)*

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+Children Kindergarten and under are dismissed for Worship Care before the offertory.

1. Amazing grace how sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me  
I once was lost but now I'm found  
Was blind but now I see

2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear  
And grace my fears relieved  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed

*Chorus - My chains are gone I've been set free  
My God my Savior has ransomed me  
And like a flood His mercy rains  
Unending love amazing grace*

3. The Lord has promised good to me  
His word my hope secures  
He will my shield and portion be  
As long as life endures  
*Chorus*

4. The earth shall soon dissolve like snow  
The sun forbear to shine  
But God who called me here below  
Will be forever mine  
Will be forever mine  
You are forever mine

## \*SCRIPTURE READING

Jonah 1:1-3

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

## SERMON

Reverend Mark Forbes

*Jonah: An Introduction*

## \*SONG OF RESPONSE

*Holy Forever*

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1. A thousand generations falling down in worship  
To sing the song of ages to the Lamb  
And all who've gone before us  
And all who will believe  
Will sing the song of ages to the Lamb

Pre-Chorus: (Jesus) Your name is the highest  
Your name is the greatest  
Your name stands above them all  
All thrones and dominions  
All powers and positions  
Your name stands above them all

*Chorus 1: And the angels cry Holy  
All creation cries Holy  
You are lifted high Holy  
Holy forever*

2. If you've been forgiven and if you've been redeemed  
Sing the song forever to the Lamb  
If you walk in freedom and if you bear His name  
Sing the song forever to the Lamb  
We'll sing the song forever and amen  
*Chorus 1*

*Chorus 2: Hear Your people sing Holy  
To the King of Kings Holy  
You will always be Holy  
Holy forever*

Pre-chorus  
Chorus 1 and 2  
You will always be Holy  
Holy forever

## \*BENEDICTION

## \*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

*The Church's Doxology*

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Now, blessed be Jehovah, God, the God of Israel,  
Who only doeth wondrous works, in glory that excel,  
Who only doeth wondrous works, in glory that excel.

And blessed be His glorious Name to all eternity  
The whole earth let His glory fill. Amen, so let it be;  
The whole earth let His glory fill. Amen, so let it be.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### TODAY

- Join us after worship Brunch!

### MONDAY, 9/9

- Session Meeting - 6:30 p.m. at LHC

### WEDNESDAY, 9/11

- LHC Dawn Prayer via Zoom - Join us from 6:30 - 7:00 a.m. as Mark leads us in scripture and prayer time for one another and LHC. Contact Mark for the Zoom link.
- Ladies Evening Bible Study (Armor of God) - 6:15 - 7:30 p.m
- Men's Bible Study (Titus) - 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. at LHC

### THURSDAY, 9/12

- Ladies Morning Bible Study (Armor of God) - 9:45 - 11:00 a.m.

### FRIDAY, 9/13

- Men's Friday Breakfast Fellowship - 7:30 a.m. at the Trailhead Store at Daniel Stowe Botanical Garden

### SUNDAY, 9/15

- Worship at 9:30 a.m.

READING PLAN FOR 9/8 - 9/15: 2 Samuel 3 - 12; 1 Corinthians 14 - 16, 2 Corinthians 1 - 5

MISSIONS WEEKLY PRAYER FOCUS: Belmont community

### SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

9/9 - Brent Sneed; 9/14 - Angie Dixon; 9/16 - Matt Adams; 9/19 - Tammy Cherry; 9/20 - Jennifer Ford;  
9/24 - Erin Coomer; 9/25 - Melinda Shows; 9/26 - Natalie Sneed

### SMALL GROUPS

Our small groups will start meeting today. We would love to add another group - if you're interested, please contact Mark. This year's curriculum is *Discipleship Explored* (Philippians) by Christianity Explored.

### SAVE THE DATES

- 10/6 - Sunday School after Worship
- 10/11 - World Witness Fellowship Dinner in Charlotte
- 10/16 - Wednesday Night Fellowship (Meals and Classes) begins
- 10/30 - Pizza and Pumpkins (5:00; Classes begin at 6:30)

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God  
and in honor of the people of Living Hope Church by Betsy and Mark Forbes.*

## LIVING HOPE CHURCH OF BELMONT

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### SESSION

Matt Adams | Vinnie Cherry  
Artie Cooper | Tim Daniels | Bill Sevy

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JOIN US

*Bring a Friend Sunday*

Sunday, September 8

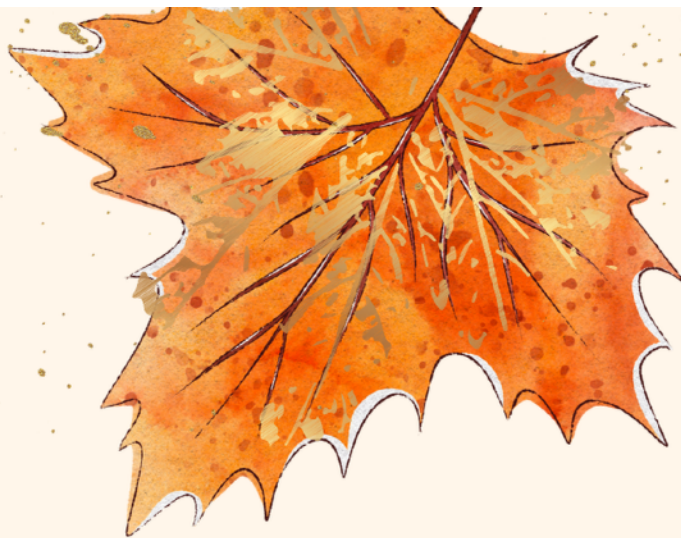
Worship at 9:30 a.m.

New sermon series on Jonah

Brunch Fellowship after worship

510 S. Point Church Road, Belmont

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# LIVING HOPE CHURCH

## *Ladies September Bible Study*

*Stand Firm - Putting on the  
Full Armor of God*

*by The Daily Grace Co.*

*Wednesday evenings (6:15 - 7:30 p.m.)*

*9/4, 9/11, 9/18, 9/25*

*Thursday mornings (9:45 - 11:00 a.m.)*

*9/5, 9/12, 9/19, 9/26*

Contact Betsy to sign up and request a book (\$10)

704-718-0026





# **MEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

## **5-week study of Titus**

Wednesday evenings 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.  
9/11 - 10/9

## **Living Hope Church**

510 S. Point Church Road

Contact Pastor Mark to register  
and request a book (\$10) - 704-685-1335



LIVING HOPE MEN'S MINISTRY

## *Friday Morning Fellowship*

JOIN US ON FRIDAY MORNINGS  
FOR A SHORT TIME OF DEVOTION  
AND FELLOWSHIP

BEGINNING JUNE 14  
7:30 A.M.  
TRAILHEAD STORE  
AT DANIEL STOWE BOTANICAL GARDEN

CONTACT PASTOR MARK FOR MORE INFO  
(704-685-1335)