

LIVING HOPE CHURCH



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

March 30, 2025

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING MUSIC

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Isaiah 57:14-19

PASTOR: And it shall be said, Build up, build up, prepare the way, remove every obstruction from my people's way.

CONGREGATION: For thus says the One who is high and lifted up, who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy: "I dwell in the high and holy place, and also with him who is of a contrite and lowly spirit, to revive the spirit of the lowly, and to revive the heart of the contrite.

PASTOR: For I will not contend forever, nor will I always be angry; for the spirit would grow faint before me, and the breath of life that I made.

CONGREGATION: Because of the iniquity of his unjust gain I was angry, I struck him; I hid my face and was angry, but he went on backsliding in the way of his own heart.

ALL: I have seen his ways, but I will heal him; I will lead him and restore comfort to him and his mourners, creating the fruit of the lips. Peace, peace, to the far and to the near, says the Lord, and I will heal him.

PRAYER OF ADORATION 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

Christ Be Magnified

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**Those who are able, please stand*

1. Were creation suddenly articulate
With a thousand tongues to lift one cry
Then from north to south and east to west
We'd hear Christ be magnified

2. Were the whole earth echoing His eminence
His name would burst from sea and sky
From rivers to the mountain tops
We'd hear Christ be magnified

*Chorus: O Christ be magnified
Let His praise arise
Christ be magnified in me
O Christ be magnified
From the altar of my life
Christ be magnified in me*

3. When all creation finds its inmost melody
And ev'ry human heart its native cry
O in one enraptured hymn of praise
We'll sing Christ be magnified

Chorus

Bridge 1: I won't bow to idols
I'll stand strong and worship You
And if it puts me in the fire
I'll rejoice 'cause You're there too

I won't be formed by feelings
I hold fast to what is true
If the cross brings transformation
Then I'll be crucified with You

Bridge 2: 'Cause death is just the doorway
Into resurrection life
If I join You in Your sufferings
Then I'll join You when You rise

And when You return in glory
With all the angels and the saints
My heart will still be singing
My song will be the same

Chorus

CONFESSION OF FAITH - WESTMINSTER LARGER CATECHISM

Q. 82. What is the communion in glory which the members of the invisible church have with Christ?

A. The communion in glory which the members of the invisible church have with Christ, is in this life, immediately after death, and at last perfected at the resurrection and day of judgment.

Q. 83. What is the communion in glory with Christ which the members of the invisible church enjoy in this life?

A. The members of the invisible church have communicated to them in this life the firstfruits of glory with Christ, as they are members of him their head, and so in him are interested in that glory which he is fully possessed of; and, as an earnest thereof, enjoy the sense of God's love, peace of conscience, joy in the Holy Ghost, and hope of glory; as, on the contrary, sense of God's revenging wrath, horror of conscience, and a fearful expectation of judgment, are to the wicked the beginning of their torments which they shall endure after death.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

1 John 5:11-13

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

*SONG OF THANKSGIVING

Immortal Invisible God Only Wise

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1. Immortal invisible God only wise
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes
Most blessed most glorious the Ancient of Days
Almighty victorious thy great name we praise

2. Unresting unchanging and silent as light
Nor wanting nor wasting thou rulest in might
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love

3. To all life thou givest to both great and small
In all life thou livest the true life of all
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree
And wither and perish but naught changeth thee

4. Great Father of glory pure Father of light
Thine angels adore thee all veiling their sight
All praise we would render, O help us to see
'Tis only the splendor of light hideth thee

+THE WORSHIP OF GOD THROUGH TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Christ Is Mine Forevermore

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1. Mine are days that God has numbered
I was made to walk with Him
Yet I look for worldly treasure
And forsake the King of kings
But mine is hope in my Redeemer
Though I fall His love is sure
For Christ has paid for every failing
I am His forevermore

2. Mine are tears in times of sorrow
Darkness not yet understood
Through the valley I must travel
Where I see no earthly good
But mine is peace that flows from heaven
And the strength in times of need
I know my pain will not be wasted
Christ completes His work in me

3. Mine are days here as a stranger
Pilgrim on a narrow way
One with Christ I will encounter
Harm and hatred for His name
But mine is armor for this battle
Strong enough to last the war
And He has said He will deliver
Safely to the golden shore
And mine are keys to Zion city
Where beside the King I walk
For there my heart has found its treasure
Christ is mine forevermore

Bridge: Come rejoice now O my soul
For His love is my reward
Fear is gone and hope is sure
Christ is mine forevermore

*SCRIPTURE READING

Colossians 4:10-18

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

Reverend Mark A. Forbes

*SONG OF RESPONSE

O Great God

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1. great God of highest heav'n
Occupy my lowly heart
Own it all and reign supreme
Conquer ev'ry rebel pow'r
Let no vice or sin remain
That resists Your holy war
You have loved and purchased me
Make me Yours forever more

2. I was blinded by my sin
Had no ears to hear Your voice
Did not know Your love within
Had no taste for heaven's joys
Then Your Spirit gave me life

Opened up Your word to me
Through the gospel of Your Son
Gave me endless hope and peace

3. Help me now to live a life
That's dependent on Your grace
Keep my heart and guard my soul
From the evils that I face

You are worthy to be praised
With my ev'ry thought and deed
O great God of highest heav'n
Glorify Your Name through me
Repeat

*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

WEDNESDAY, 4/2

- 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.
- Wednesday Night Fellowship
 - Dinner at 5:30 - Pizza, Salad (with chicken), Fruit and Desserts; Classes: 6:15 - 7:30

THURSDAY, 3/27 - *The Attributes of God* Ladies Bible Study (9:45 - 11:00 a.m.)

SATURDAY, 4/5 - Missions Conference Dinner (5:00 - 7:30 p.m.)



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SUNDAY, 4/6 - Faith Promise Sunday - Worship at 9:30 a.m. followed by Missions Conference Sunday School

READING PLAN FOR 3/30 - 4/6 : Proverbs 17 - 24; Philippians 4, Colossians 1 - 4; 1 Thessalonians 1 - 3

MISSIONS WEEKLY PRAYER FOCUS:

MARCH BIRTHDAYS - 3/29 - Dean Dixon; 3/31 - Wilson Forbes

APRIL BIRTHDAYS - 4/1-Alex Garcia, Dale Gunter; 4/18- Trey Cherry, Betsy Forbes; 4/20 Allie Cherry;
4/21 - John Mattox; 4/22 - Sylvia Wellons; 4/27- Kim Taylor

SAVE THE DATES

- 4/9 - Last Wednesday Night Fellowship (Easter activities for the kids from 5 - 5:30)
- 4/17 - Maundy Thursday Service (6:30 p.m.)
- 4/20 - Easter Sunday (Breakfast - 8:45 - 9:15; Worship at 9:30)
- 5/18 - Graduation Sunday for our high school seniors - Covered Dish Lunch after Worship
- 5/19 - Ladies Fellowship Dinner at Christ Church at River's Edge (6:30 p.m.)

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