**LIVING HOPE OPC ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**for Sunday, June 27th, 2021 at 10:45 AM**

**Opening Song** – O Church Arise

**Announcements**

**Gospel Greeting** –Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

**Call to Worship Song** – NTH 2 – O Worship the King

**Call to Worship** – But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than that of Abel. Hebrews 12:22-24

**Prayer of Adoration & Invocation**

**Hymn of Praise** – NTH 575 – Soldiers of Christ Arise

**Reading of the Law** – Ephesians 2:1-3

*(Silent Confession of Sin)*

**Corporate Confession of Sin** – Almighty God, we confess we have broken your commandments. We have sinned by selfishness, worldliness, unbelief and pride. We have not loved our neighbor as ourselves, and we have not walked humbly with you. Forgive us our sins and blot out our debts according to your tender mercies, according to your loving kindness. Cleanse us by the blood of Jesus your Son. Give us a humble and contrite heart that we might forgive others as you have forgiven us. We ask through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Assurance of Pardon** – For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. Eph. 2:8-9

**Doxology** – NTH 733

**Exhortation to Give** – The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work. 2 Corinthians 9:6-8

**Prayer for Collection & Pastoral Prayer**

**Medley**

– Be Strong in the Lord

– NTH 676 – Day by Day

**Scripture Readings** – OT: Psalm 3 / NT: Ephesians 6:10-20

Psalm 3 (ESV)

A Psalm of David, when he fled from Absalom his son.

 **1** O Lord, how many are my foes!

Many are rising against me;

 **2** many are saying of my soul,

“There is no salvation for him in God.” *Selah*

 **3** But you, O Lord, are a shield about me,

my glory, and the lifter of my head.

 **4** I cried aloud to the Lord,

and he answered me from his holy hill. *Selah*

 **5** I lay down and slept;

I woke again, for the Lord sustained me.

 **6** I will not be afraid of many thousands of people

who have set themselves against me all around.

 **7** Arise, O Lord!

Save me, O my God!

 For you strike all my enemies on the cheek;

you break the teeth of the wicked.

 **8** Salvation belongs to the Lord;

your blessing be on your people! *Selah*

Ephesians 6:10–20 (ESV)

**10**Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. **11**Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. **12**For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. **13**Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. **14**Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, **15**and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. **16**In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; **17**and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, **18**praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, **19**and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, **20**for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Sermon** – An Exposition of Psalm 3: “God Saves the King and His People”

The King looks to God for His salvation – and on behalf of His people.

1. The King sees His danger – and ours (Psalm 3:1-2)
2. The King confesses His confidence – and ours (Psalm 3:3-6)
3. The King prays for His salvation – and ours (Psalm 3:7-8)

**Prayer of Application**

**Psalm of Response** – *Seedbed Psalter* Psalm 3 (suggested tune: TALLIS CANON)

1 O Lord, how my foes have increased!
How many rise up against me!
2 They say, “There is no help in God,
There’s no deliv’rance for his plea.”

3 But You, Lord, are my strength and shield,
My glory, who my head lifts still.
4 Unto the Lord I cry aloud;
He answers from His holy hill.

5 And as for me, I lie and sleep;
I wake, the Lord is always near.
6 Though thousands come against my life,
I will not be afraid or fear.

7 Arise, O Lord, and save me, God!
Strike all my foes upon the jaw.
8 Deliv’rance comes from God the Lord,
May You bless all who on You call.

**Benediction** – The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace. Numbers 6:24-26