**LIVING HOPE OPC ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**for Sunday, February 27th, 2022 at 10:45 AM**

**Prelude**

**Opening Song** – Shout to the Lord

**Announcements**

**Gospel Greeting** –Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. 1 Timothy 1:2

**Call to Worship Song** – NTH 7 – From All That Dwells Below the Skies

**Call to Worship** – How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts! My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the LORD; my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God. Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are those who dwell in your house, ever singing your praise! Psalm 84:1-4

**Prayer of Adoration & Invocation**

**Hymn of Praise** – NTH 243 – Praise the Savior Now and Ever

**Reading of the Law** – Galatians 5:19-21

*(Silent Confession of Sin)*

**Psalm of Confession** – NTH 551 – How Blest Is He Whose Trespass (Psalm 32)

**Assurance of Pardon** – For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. 2 Corinthians 5:21

**Doxology** – NTH 733

**Exhortation to Give** – Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit that increases to your credit. I have received full payment, and more. I am well supplied, having received from Epaphroditus the gifts you sent, a fragrant offering, a sacrifice acceptable and pleasing to God. And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. To our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen. Philippians 4:17-20

**Prayer for Collection & Pastoral Prayer**

**Medley** – NTH 638 – Savior, Thy Dying Love Thou Gavest Me / Lord, Take My Life

**Scripture Readings** – OT: Psalm 23 / NT: John 12:1-11

Psalm 23 (ESV)

A Psalm of David. 1 The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. 3 He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name’s sake. 4 Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. 5 You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. 6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

John 12:1–11 (ESV)

1 Six days before the Passover, Jesus therefore came to Bethany, where Lazarus was, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. 2 So they gave a dinner for him there. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those reclining with him at table. 3 Mary therefore took a pound of expensive ointment made from pure nard, and anointed the feet of Jesus and wiped his feet with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. 4 But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (he who was about to betray him), said, 5 “Why was this ointment not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?” 6 He said this, not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief, and having charge of the moneybag he used to help himself to what was put into it. 7 Jesus said, “Leave her alone, so that she may keep it for the day of my burial. 8 For the poor you always have with you, but you do not always have me.” 9 When the large crowd of the Jews learned that Jesus was there, they came, not only on account of him but also to see Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. 10 So the chief priests made plans to put Lazarus to death as well, 11 because on account of him many of the Jews were going away and believing in Jesus.

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Sermon** – An Exposition of John 12:1-11: “Jesus Anointed as a Fragrant Offering”

Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God, is anointed to die – and to dispel the stench of death.

1. Mary’s extravagant act of devotion. (John 12:1-3)
2. Judas’ hypocritical rebuke. (John 12:4-6)
3. Jesus’ commendation of Mary’s devotion. (John 12:7-8)
4. The chief priests’ growing hit list. (John 12:9-11)

**Prayer of Application**

**Song of Response** – NTH 246 – Man of Sorrows! What a Name

**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