**LIVING HOPE OPC ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**Sunday, March 12th, 2023 at 10:45 AM**

**Opening Song** – Yet Not I but Through Christ in Me

**Announcements**

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

**Call to Worship Hymn** – Reformation Hymn

**Call to Worship** – Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength. Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness. Psalm 29:1-2

**Prayer of Adoration & Invocation**

**Hymn of Praise** – NTH 181 – We Come, O Christ to You

**Reading of the Law** – Deuteronomy 5:1-21

(Silent Confession of Sin)

**Corporate Confession of Sin** – Almighty, everlasting God, for our many sins we justly deserve eternal condemnation. In Your great mercy, you sent your beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who won for us forgiveness of sins and everlasting righteousness. Grant us true repentance that, dead to sin, we may be raised up by faith in Your life-giving Gospel. Grant us your Holy Spirit that we may be ever thankful and live a faithful and godly life in your service; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

**Declaration of Pardon** – My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world. 1 John 2:1-2

**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

**Collection with Prayer** (Offertory: NTH 498 – Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners)

**Doxology** – NTH 732

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Hymn of Preparation** – NTH 481 – Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus

**Scripture Readings** – OT: Isaiah 2:1-5 / NT: John 14:1-7

Isaiah 2:1–5 (ESV)

1 The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. 2 It shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the house of the Lord shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be lifted up above the hills; and all the nations shall flow to it, 3 and many peoples shall come, and say: “Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.” For out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. 4 He shall judge between the nations, and shall decide disputes for many peoples; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore. 5 O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord.

John 14:1–7 (ESV)

1 “Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. 2 In my Father’s house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. 4 And you know the way to where I am going.” 5 Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” 6 Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. 7 If you had known me, you would have known my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Sermon** – An Exposition of John 14:1-7: “Jesus’ Remedy for a Troubled Heart”

Jesus eases our troubled hearts when we believe in Him. You can trust Him because:

1. He goes through death into life to secure our heavenly home. (John 14:1-4)
2. He is the way to God, the truth of God, and the life from God. (John 14:5-6)
3. He makes known the Father to us. (John 14:7)

**Prayer of Application**

**Hymn of Response** – NTH 154 – Thou Art the Way

**Benediction** – Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Thess. 5:23