

May 30, 2021



The Great Three-In-One God

LIVING HOPE
LUTHERAN CHURCH

welcome to
WORSHIP

We're so glad you decided to worship with us today. You could have chosen to be anywhere this morning, and you chose to spend your time with Living Hope. Thank you! It's an honor to have you here and to have the chance to fill you with hope. Welcome to Living Hope.

CURRENT SERIES INFO

Today's Focus: The Great Three-In-One God

Today is Holy Trinity Sunday. It's a day that we marvel at our three-in-one God. God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit are all active in our salvation. All 3 persons of the Trinity love us and know us. While the inner workings of how God could be three-in-one are beyond our human understanding, he makes himself known to us in his Word. And what we see there is that our God is for us. All three persons of the Trinity are all in for us.

We especially thank guest Pastor Keith Kruck for being here today to share God's Word with us and lead our worship of the great three-in-one God.



ABOUT LIVING HOPE

Living Hope Lutheran Church is a brand new mission church on Chattanooga's east side. We are funded by and a member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod, a collection of over 1,300 churches across the United States and Canada.

Living Hope succeeds in its mission when hope forever in Jesus brings hope for every day in life.

For more on our mission, background, and beliefs just visit our website: livinghopechatt.com

ABOUT WORSHIP

Worship at Living Hope is designed to fill you with hope! The message you hear at Living Hope will center you on your Savior, Jesus, and what he's done for you. Worship isn't just about filling up God with praise. Worship is all about *God filling you* with good news!

We follow a basic order of service, called the liturgy. In the message, in specially selected Scripture readings, and in carefully crafted songs, prayers, and creeds, the liturgy proclaims the good news (gospel) about Jesus from start to finish. Gospel-centered worship is also designed to include participation of those in attendance.

- Feel free to get up to use restrooms or lobby **at any time** during the service.
- **Restrooms** are located in the main lobby area.
- **Kid activity bags** are available and will be sanitized each week.
- Please fill out a **connection card**. It's our best way to stay in touch with you and thank you for joining us today! You'll find connection cards on the table at the entrance.
- Everything you need to enjoy today's worship will be found in this Worship Folder. **Songs** will also be found on the screen.

Show friends where you are—check in!



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OPENING HYMN

May God the Father of Our Lord

Text: Dorothy Scharlemann
Tune: Sarah R. Lambrecht



1. May God the Fa - ther of our Lord, Who called you
2. In Je - sus Christ may you be blessed And brought to
3. The Ho - ly Spir - it give you pow'r, The strength of



by his ho - ly Word, Per - fect, es - tab - lish, set - tle
his e - ter - nal rest. The work he has in you be -
prayer in ev - 'ry hour, The wis - dom, knowl - edge, fear of



you, Keep you through faith for - ev - er true.
gun, He will per - form till all is done.
God, That lifts a - bove his chas - t'ning rod.



May God the Fa - ther, God the Son, And God the



Spir - it, Three in One, Pre - serve you blame - less till in



grace You stand be - fore his ho - ly face.

The name of the Triune God and sign of the cross remind worshipers of their baptisms.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: In the name of the Father who created and preserves us,
in the name of the Son, (+) who purchased and won us by his redeeming work,
in the name of the Holy Spirit who has called, gathered, and enlightened us.

Congregation: Amen.

In every worship service we confess our sins then cling to the forgiveness that Jesus gives us. Confession is called the “heartbeat of the Christian.”

CONFESSION + ABSOLUTION

M: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

**C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful,
and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions.**

I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good.

For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity.

But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray:

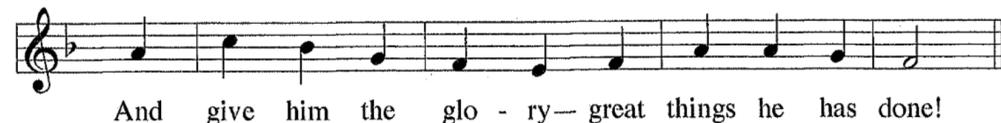
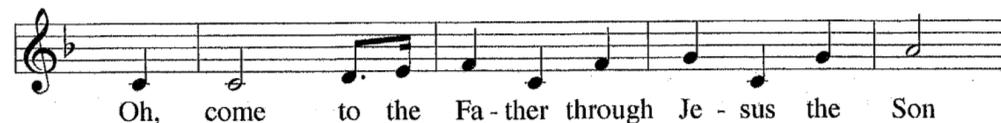
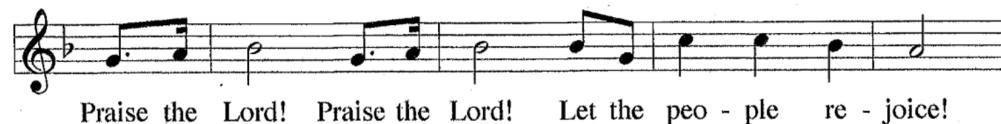
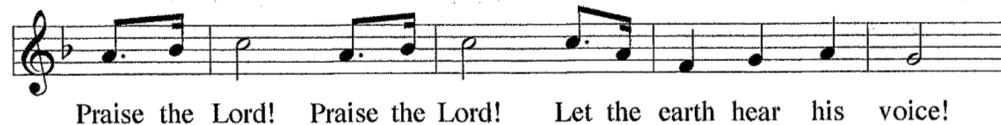
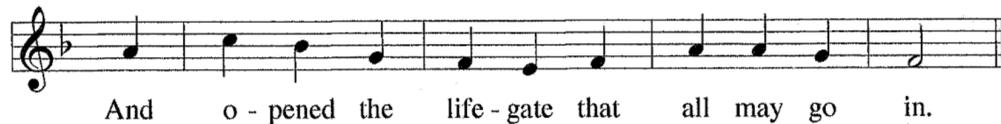
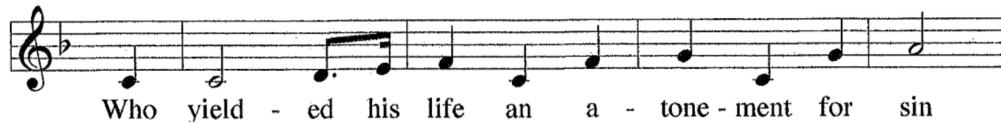
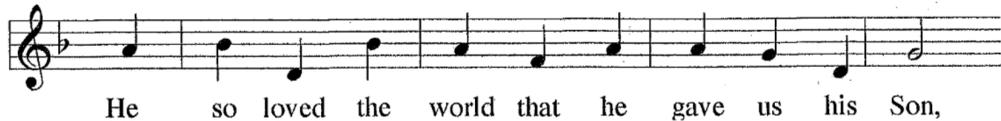
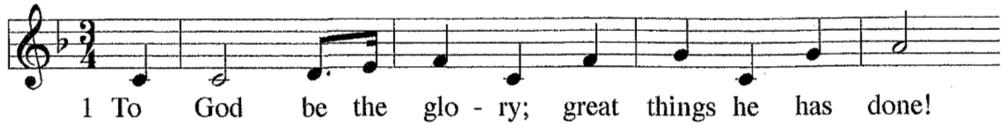
Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son as the atoning sacrifice for sin. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

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Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820–1915, alt.

Tune: TO GOD BE THE GLORY (11 11 11 11 with Refrain) William H. Doane, 1832–1915.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Almighty God and Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, filling and renewing all creation by your eternal Spirit, and manifesting your saving grace through our Lord Jesus Christ: in mercy cleanse our hearts and lips that, free from doubt and fear, we may ever worship you, one true immortal God, with your Son and the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

GOD'S WORD

EPISTLE

Romans 8:14-17

¹⁴ For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God.

¹⁵ The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, "Abba, Father." ¹⁶ The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children. ¹⁷ Now if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory.

NIV

The Gospel centers our worship as it shares with us the good news about Christ.
We stand out of respect for our Savior as we hear about his words and deeds

Please stand

GOSPEL

John 3:1-17

Now there was a Pharisee, a man named Nicodemus who was a member of the Jewish ruling council. ² He came to Jesus at night and said, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the signs you are doing if God were not with him.”

³ Jesus replied, “Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again.”

⁴ “How can someone be born when they are old?” Nicodemus asked. “Surely they cannot enter a second time into their mother’s womb to be born!”

⁵ Jesus answered, “Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit. ⁶ Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. ⁷ You should not be surprised at my saying, ‘You must be born again.’ ⁸ The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit.”

⁹ “How can this be?” Nicodemus asked.

¹⁰ “You are Israel’s teacher,” said Jesus, “and do you not understand these things? ¹¹ Very truly I tell you, we speak of what we know, and we testify to what we have seen, but still you people do not accept our testimony. ¹² I have spoken to you of earthly things and you do not believe; how then will you believe if I speak of heavenly things? ¹³ No one has ever gone into heaven except the one who came from heaven—the Son of Man. ¹⁴ Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, ¹⁵ that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him.”

¹⁶ For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷ For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

NIV

M: The gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise be to Christ.

Please be seated

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Children are invited to come forward into the front row for the children’s message. They will be given a special message designed just for them that ties in with the sermon.

SERMON HYMN

HOLY TRINITY

195 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty



1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al -
2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a -
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness
4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al -



might - y! Ear - ly in the morn - ing our
dore thee, Cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a -
hide thee, Though the eye of sin - ful man thy
might - y! All thy works shall praise thy name in



song shall rise to thee; Ho - ly, ho - ly,
round the glass - y sea; Cher - u - bim and
glo - ry may not see, On - ly thou art
earth and sky and sea. Ho - ly, ho - ly,



ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y,
ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y,



God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
Who was and is and ev - er - more shall be.
Per - fect in pow'r, in love, and pu - ri - ty.
God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt.
Tune: NICAEA (11 12 12 10) John B. Dykes, 1823–76.

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord, high and exalted, seated on a throne; and the train of his robe filled the temple. ² Above him were seraphim, each with six wings: With two wings they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they were flying. ³ And they were calling to one another:

“Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty;
the whole earth is full of his glory.”

⁴ At the sound of their voices the doorposts and thresholds shook and the temple was filled with smoke.

⁵ “Woe to me!” I cried. “I am ruined! For I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes have seen the King, the Lord Almighty.”

⁶ Then one of the seraphim flew to me with a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷ With it he touched my mouth and said, “See, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away and your sin atoned for.”

⁸ Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?”

And I said, “Here am I. Send me!”

THE GREAT THREE-IN-ONE GOD

Questions to consider while hearing the sermon:

1. When did Isaiah the prophet live?
2. How old was he when he had a vision?
3. What did Isaiah see in his vision?
4. How would this vision help him in his ministry?
5. What are some characteristics of God we see here?
6. Why is God called the Three-In-One God?
7. What is the predominant characteristic of God?
8. What plans does God have for all his servants?

My notes:

Please stand

ATHANASIAN CREED

The 3rd Creed used by confessional Lutherans and many others is called the Athanasian Creed. This 4th century creed, named after St. Athanasius, was written to bring even more clarity to the doctrine of the Trinity that was under attack by false teachings. These words below are just a portion of the much longer creed.

M: Now this is the true Christian faith:

C: We worship one God in three persons and three persons in one God, without mixing the persons or dividing the divine being.

M: For each person—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit—is distinct,

C: but the deity of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit is one, equal in glory and coeternal in majesty.

M: What the Father is, so is the Son, and so is the Holy Spirit. The Father is uncreated, the Son uncreated, the Holy Spirit uncreated; the Father is infinite, the Son infinite, the Holy Spirit infinite; the Father is eternal, the Son eternal, the Holy Spirit eternal;

C: yet they are not three who are eternal, but there is one who is eternal, just as they are not three who are uncreated, nor three who are infinite, but there is one who is uncreated and one who is infinite.

M: In the same way the Father is almighty, the Son is almighty, and the Holy Spirit is almighty;

C: yet they are not three who are almighty, but there is one who is almighty.

M: So the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God;

C: yet they are not three Gods, but one God...This is the true Christian faith.

Please be seated

OFFERING

We collect offerings out of thanks for what God has done for us so that we can support Gospel work here and around the world. If you are a guest with us don't feel obligated to contribute.

This service is our free gift to you! We will not be passing any offering plates at this time.

Please deposit your offerings in the basket near the exit as you leave today. Thank you!

You can also go online to give with our Paypal button on the website: livinghopechatt.com/give

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: Lord God, Father almighty, you made us the crown of all creation, and you preserve us with every good thing that we may live before you in peace and joy.

C: You do this out of pure goodness and mercy and not because we have earned or deserved it. For all this it is our duty to thank and praise you for your gifts and to use them to serve you and others.

M: Lord Jesus Christ, God's only Son from eternity, you have redeemed us lost and condemned creatures with your holy precious blood, and you have set us free from all sin, from death, and from the power of the devil.

C: You did this to make us your own. We shall live with you now and forever because you rose from death to live and rule forever.

M: O Holy Spirit, you have called us from the darkness of unbelief through the Gospel. You have illumined our hearts by faith and united us into one family with our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: You have done this that we may be filled with the rich gifts of your grace -- an unwavering trust, the love that knows no limit, and the courage to meet every trial in life and death.

M: O Triune God, we praise and thank you for all the blessings you have given us. Be with all those who suffer in body or soul and deliver them according to your fatherly will. We bring all our needs to you at your invitation and also join to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

BLESSING

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

C: AMEN.

CLOSING SONG

MISSIONS

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Hark! The Voice of Jesus Crying



1 Hark! The voice of Je - sus cry - ing, "Who will
 2 If you can - not speak like an - gels, If you
 3 If you can - not be a watch - man, Stand - ing
 4 Let none hear you i - dly say - ing, "There is



go and work to - day? Fields are ripe and har - vests
 can - not preach like Paul, You can tell the love of
 high on Zi - on's wall, Point - ing out the path to
 noth - ing I can do," While the mul - ti - tudes are



wait - ing; Who will bear the sheaves a - way?"
 Je - sus; You can say he died for all.
 heav - en, Of - f'ring life and peace to all,
 dy - ing, And the Mas - ter calls for you.



Loud and long the Mas - ter call - eth; Rich re -
 If you can - not rouse the wick - ed With the
 With your prayers and with your of - f'rings You can
 Take the task he gives you glad - ly; Let his



ward he of - fers thee. Who will an - swer, glad - ly
 Judg - ment's dread a - larms, You can lead the lit - tle
 do what God de - mands; You can be like faith - ful
 work your plea - sure be. An - swer quick - ly when he



say - ing, "Here am I— send me, send me?"
 chil - dren To the Sav - ior's wait - ing arms.
 Aar - on, Hold - ing up the proph - et's hands.
 call - eth, "Here am I— send me, send me!"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming services

Sundays in June and July: New sermon series—“Following”
Next Sunday—Followers of Jesus Enjoy Sabbath Rest



Sunday Study + Theology on Tap

Sunday study, Sunday school for children and midweek theology on tap will be off for this week. Look for study to resume next Sunday.

Worship location change for NEXT Sunday June 6

Due to another group renting the Springhill Suites conference room throughout the weekend of June 4-6, we will be meeting at our one-week backup worship location over at the Ooltewah Holiday Inn, just across the road.

[Holiday Inn Express and Suites—Ooltewah](#)
6274 Artesian Cir, Ooltewah, TN 37363

Service will still be at 10:00AM at the conference room at Holiday Inn.
Reminders will continue to be sent out to the congregation and noted on the website.

2021 Second Trimester Ministry Update Input

If you haven't had a chance to hear the latest ministry update from 2 weeks ago yet then please take some time to listen and offer some informed input. Check your inbox for an email with instructions for accessing the update video and offering your input through an online form. We'd like to receive all the input by the beginning of June if possible. Thanks for your involvement!

Grocery Canvass—Next Event—Saturday June 12 @ 10:00am

Our next grocery canvass event will be [Saturday June 12](#). We'll be able to share a small amount of physical hope and invite people to hear about the eternal spiritual hope they have in Jesus.

We're excited to get out in our community again and share the love.

A sign up sheet will be posted in the lobby leading up to the event or you can let pastor know you're interested in helping.

[Sign up to help with grocery supply runs, grocery delivery or both.](#)

Foundations Bible Study

We all want answers to life's biggest questions. But the process for finding them often seems a bit intimidating. Where do I even start? How do I read the Bible? Will I even understand it? There's no better place to start than by jumping into a Foundations Class.



Check out the “Bible Basics” page on our website to hear more about the course and sign up for a study slot. <https://livinghopechatt.com/bible-basics>
Or just contact pastor to jump into the class.
Reserve a spot in our June sessions today!

Thank you!

A big thank you to Pastor Keith Kruck for sharing God's Word today!
Pastor Kruck is a retired WELS pastor who currently lives in the Nashville area. We pray that our paths can cross with his again sometime. Thank you!

Congregational Birthdays and Anniversaries: none

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