



Seeking to bring the  
**life-giving Hope of Jesus Christ**  
to our community in Hot Springs, AR

**Celebration of Worship**  
**Sunday, September 14, 2025**

**Gathering Song**  
**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty**

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!  
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near;  
join me in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord,  
who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,  
Shelters thee under His wings, yes, so gently sustaineth!  
Hast thou not seen how all thy longings have been  
granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord,  
who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;  
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.  
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,  
if with His love He befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord,  
who with marvelous wisdom hath made thee,  
Decked thee with health,  
and with loving hand guided and stayed thee.  
How oft in grief hath not He brought thee relief,  
Spreading His wings to o'ershade thee!

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!  
All that hath life and breath,  
come now with praises before Him.  
Let the amen sound from His people again:  
gladly forever adore Him.

## **Welcome to Visitors / Announcements** *(back of bulletin)*

### **Call to Worship**

“Praise the LORD from the earth, Ye dragons, and all deeps: Fire, and hail; snow, and vapors; Stormy wind fulfilling his word: Mountains, and all hills; Fruitful trees, and all cedars: Beasts, and all cattle; Creeping things, and flying fowl: Kings of the earth, and all people; Princes, and all judges of the earth: Both young men, and maidens; Old men, and children: **Let them praise the name of the LORD: For his name alone is excellent; His glory is above the earth and heaven.**”

Psalm 148:7-13 (KJV)

### **The Prayer of Invocation**

#### **O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing**

O for a thousand tongues to sing  
my great Redeemer's praise,  
The glories of my God and King,  
the triumphs of His grace!

My gracious Master and my God,  
assist me to proclaim,  
To spread through all the earth abroad  
the honors of Thy name.

Jesus! the name that charms our fears,  
that bids our sorrows cease,  
'Tis music in the sinner's ears,  
'tis life and health and peace.

He breaks the power of cancelled sin,  
He sets the prisoner free;  
His blood can make the foulest clean,  
His blood availed for me.

He speaks and, listening to His voice,  
new life the dead receive;  
The mournful, broken hearts rejoice;  
the humble poor believe.

Hear Him, ye deaf; His praise, ye dumb,  
your loosened tongues employ;  
Ye blind, behold your Savior come;  
and leap, ye lame, for joy!

## Corporate Confession of Sin

O Lord, Almighty God, ruler of all and sovereign over kings, we approach thee with penitent hearts. We confess our wrongdoing, having rebelled against thee in our deeds and in our omissions. Even as Eve was beguiled by the Adversary, we too have been led astray. Following the example of Adam, we have chosen to violate thy commandments. Like Cain, our hearts have harbored thoughts against our brothers. The serpent, Leviathan, has entwined itself around us, seeking our destruction. We beseech thee, merciful God, to pardon our iniquities. Through the merits of our God and Savior, Jesus Christ, vanquishes the Dragon that ensnares us and casts him into the abyss. Remember us on your Son's behalf, and give us hearts of flesh. Wash us with water and Spirit, and admit us unto thy holy household.

## Private Confession of Sin

### The Assurance of Pardon

“On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined. And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations. **He will swallow up death forever; and the Lord God will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken.**”

Isaiah 25:6-8 (ESV)

### The Peace

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.  
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

### He Leadeth Me #600

He leadeth me: O blessed thought!  
O words with heavenly comfort fraught!  
Whate'er I do, where'er I be,  
still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me. Refrain:

(Refrain)

*He leadeth me, he leadeth me;  
by his own hand he leadeth me:  
his faithful follower I would be,  
for by his hand he leadeth me.*

Sometimes mid scenes of deepest gloom,  
sometimes where Eden's flowers bloom,  
by waters calm, o'er troubled sea,  
still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

Lord, I would clasp thy hand in mine,  
nor ever murmur nor repine;  
content, whatever lot I see,  
since 'tis my God that leadeth me.

And when my task on earth is done,  
when, by thy grace, the victory's won,  
e'en death's cold wave I will not flee,  
since God through Jordan leadeth me.

**Scripture Reading**

**John 11:45-57**

**The Sermon from God’s Word**

**Rev. Scott Davis**

**Sermon Notes**


**Tithes and Offerings**

Our offering is an act of worship where we respond to the goodness and mercy of God with our gratitude and reliance on Him for all things. If you are our guest today, please feel under no obligation to give.

# Hymn of Response

## ***Because He Lives***

God sent His Son, they called Him Jesus, He came to love, heal, and forgive;  
He lived and died to buy my pardon;  
An empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives.

Because He lives I can face tomorrow; because He lives all fear is gone;  
Because I know He holds the future —  
And life is worth the living just because He lives.

How sweet to hold a newborn baby and feel the pride and joy he gives;  
But greater still the calm assurance  
This child can face uncertain days because He lives.

Because He lives I can face tomorrow; because He lives all fear is gone;  
Because I know He holds the future —  
And life is worth the living just because He lives.

And then one day I'll cross the river, I'll fight life's final war with pain;  
And then as death gives way to victory,  
I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know He reigns.

Because He lives I can face tomorrow; because He lives all fear is gone;  
Because I know He holds the future —  
And life is worth the living just because He lives.

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## **Sacrament of the Lord's Supper**

*We invite all baptized Christians who profess faith in Jesus Christ for their salvation and are members of congregations that proclaim the Gospel to join us in taking the Lord's Supper.*

## **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you! **And also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts! **We lift them up to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right for us to give thanks and praise.**

Most righteous God, we remember in this supper the perfect sacrifice offered once on the cross by our Lord Jesus Christ for the sin of the whole world.  
In the joy of his resurrection and in the expectation of his coming again,  
we offer ourselves to you as holy and living sacrifices.  
Together we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

**Words of Institution      1 Corinthians 11:23-26 ESV**

The Lord Jesus, on the night when he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."  
For as often as you eat the bread and drink the cup,  
you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

***Doxology #731***

*(Tune: "Old Hundredth" from the Genevan Psalter)*

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**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.  
He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.

1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

**A Note to Visitors**

If you are spiritually weary and in search of rest, if you are mourning  
and you long for comfort, if you are struggling and you desire victory,  
if you recognize that you are a sinner And need a savior, God welcomes you  
here in the name of Christ. To the stranger in need of fellowship, to those who  
hunger and thirst for righteousness, and to whoever will come,  
Hope Presbyterian Church Hot Springs opens wide its doors and welcomes  
all in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

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## **Children at Hope Presbyterian Church**

### **To parents of young children may we suggest:**

*God gave children the vibrant energy that sometimes causes them to wiggle and make noise. They belong right here with God's people where you have so faithfully brought them. Stick with it!*

*Feel free to sit toward the front where it is easier for your little ones to see and hear what's going on. They tire of seeing the backs of others' heads.*

*Quietly explain the parts of the service and the actions of the pastor and elders.*

*Sing the songs and participate in the prayers and the responses. Children learn how to worship by watching you.*

*If you have to leave the service with your child, please feel free to do so. But, please come back. As Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me."*

### **To the members of our church:**

*Children are a gift, not a distraction. The sound of children in the church is the sound of Jesus keeping his promises; it is the sound of his church that lives on and never dies. Please welcome children and give a smile of encouragement to their parents.*

## **Announcements**

Theology on Tap, our weekly bible study will be this Tuesday evening at 6:30. We'll be meeting at the Courtyard by Marriott lobby. The hotel is located at 200 Marriott Ct, just off Central Avenue. Make plans to join us!

**On Friday evening of October 3rd at 6:30 we're having a potluck and old fashioned "folk dance" as a fellowship event. Make plans to bring some sort of "finger food" and join us for a fun night of food and fellowship! We had our first folk dance fellowship back in March and it was a huge hit. Don't miss this one!**

**We're having a Trail Life "Lake Day" for boys and dads at Lake Balboa beach at 3pm. We'll meet here at the church at 2:30 and caravan to Hot Springs Village. Or, you can meet us at the Balboa beach at 3pm. Trail Life is a Christ-centered, church based, boy focused scouting ministry. Trail Life is for boys aged 5-17 years old. Make plans to join us!**

**Our elders are considering launching small groups that meet in one another's homes for bible study, food and fellowship. To that end, we're wanting to get a sense of who is interested in joining a small group and/or who is willing to occasionally host in their home. Please see the signup sheet on the counter to let us know!**

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