



Sunday, October 17th, 2021
9:00 Worship

Sharing the Heart of Christ in the Heart of the City!

LIVING HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH
The Heart of Christ in the Heart of the City

21st Sunday after Pentecost – October 17th, 2021

WELCOME

Pastor Jason Adams

Thank you for worshiping with us, in person and at home! This resource is meant to help us all share in worship from wherever we are. We'll be live streaming this order of worship at 9:00am on Sunday at www.facebook.com/livinghopelasvegas and the video is available on our church website later Sunday afternoon.

As we continue to the current COVID-19 cases in our valley and adjust office procedures and worship schedules, we want to hear from you. Please be assured that communications to the church office will be received and answered as quickly as possible. If you or someone you know is in need of help, you can always email office@livinghopelasvegas.org or call 702-732-2052.

PRELUDE

Prelude in C, WTC I

J.S. Bach

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

(Psalm 139)

- P** Lord, you have always known me;
C **You know all I do and all my thoughts.**
P You are always with me with a hand to guide me.
C **You know more than I can ever know.**
P For you created me; you knew me before I was born.
C **I thank you because you made me. I am yours.**

***OPENING HYMN**

Here I Am, Lord

Hymn #574

Here I Am, Lord

A musical staff in G major with a common time signature. It consists of two measures of quarter notes followed by a measure of eighth notes.

1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky,
2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain,
3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I have heard my peo - ple cry.
I have borne my peo - ple's pain.
I will tend the poor and lame.

A musical staff in G major with a common time signature. It consists of two measures of quarter notes followed by a measure of eighth notes.

All who dwell in dark and sin
I have wept for love of them.
I will set a feast for them.
my hand will save.
They turn a - way.
My hand will save.

A musical staff in G major with a common time signature. It consists of two measures of quarter notes followed by a measure of eighth notes.

I, who made the stars of night,
I will break their hearts of stone,
Fin-est bread I will pro-vide
I will make their dark-ness bright.
give them hearts for love a - lone.
till their hearts be sat - is - fied.

A musical staff in G major with a common time signature. It consists of two measures of quarter notes followed by a measure of eighth notes.

Who will bear my light to them?
I will speak my word to them.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send?"
Whom shall I send?"
Whom shall I send?"

A musical staff in G major with a common time signature. It consists of two measures of quarter notes followed by a measure of eighth notes.

Refrain
Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you

A musical staff in G major with a common time signature. It consists of two measures of quarter notes followed by a measure of eighth notes.

call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you

A musical staff in G major with a common time signature. It consists of two measures of quarter notes followed by a measure of eighth notes.

lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

***CONFESSON & FORGIVENESS**

- P** In the name of the Father, and of the ⁺ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.
- P** Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C** Amen.
- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
- P** Most merciful God,
- C** **We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**
- P** In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Beckoning God,
C In the stillness of the night you called Samuel into your service.
Call us into service with a voice we are able to hear, and give us
hearts to come when we are called. Amen.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SPECIAL MUSIC

Will the Circle Be Unbroken

C. Gabriel

THE WORD

A Reading from **1 Samuel 3:1-21:**

1Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.
2At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; 3the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. 4Then the LORD called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" 5and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. 6The LORD called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." 7Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. 8The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. 9Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.
10Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening." 11Then the LORD said to Samuel, "See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make both ears of anyone who hears of it tingle. 12On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end."

13For I have told him that I am about to punish his house forever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. 14Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be expiated by sacrifice or offering forever."

15Samuel lay there until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the LORD. Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. 16But Eli called Samuel and said, "Samuel, my son." He said, "Here I am." 17Eli said, "What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also, if you hide anything from me of all that he told you." 18So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. Then he said, "It is the LORD; let him do what seems good to him."

19As Samuel grew up, the LORD was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. 20And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the LORD. 21The LORD continued to appear at Shiloh, for the LORD revealed himself to Samuel at Shiloh by the word of the LORD.

P The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil

Lord, let my heart be good soil, o-pen to the seed of your word.

Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace is un-der-stood.

When my heart is hard, break the stone a - way. When my heart is cold,

warm it with the day. When my heart is lost, lead me on your way.

Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart be good soil.

THE GOSPEL

P The Holy Gospel according to **John 20:21-23:**

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

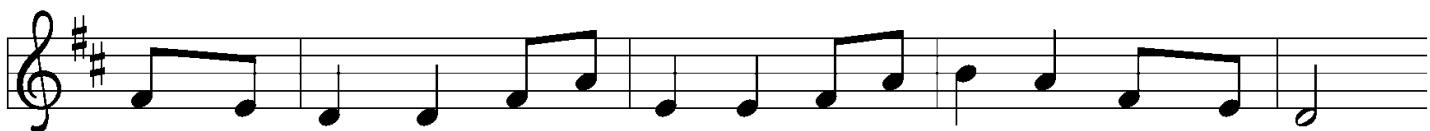
21Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." 22When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. 23If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

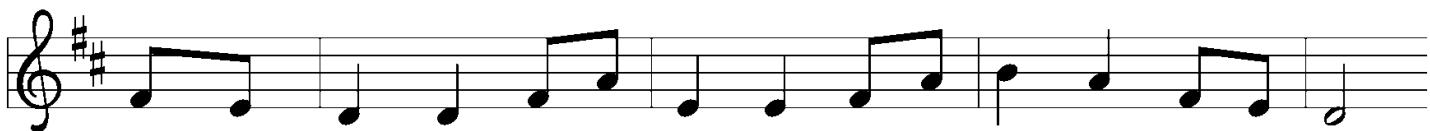
C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

*HYMN OF THE DAY Come thou, Font of Ev'ry Blessing Hymn #807

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing



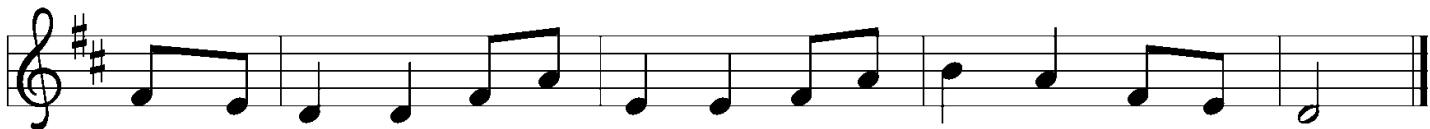
1 Come, thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless-ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
 2 Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer: "Hith-er by thy help I've come";
 3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con-strained to be;



streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
 and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.
 let that grace now like a fet - ter bind my wan-d'ring heart to thee.



While the hope of end - less glo - ry fills my heart with joy and love,
 Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, wan - d'ring from the fold of God;
 Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love.



teach me ev - er to a - dore thee; may I still thy good - ness prove.
 he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.
 Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

Text: Robert Robinson, 1735–1790, alt.

Music: NETTLETON, J. Wyeth, *Repository of Sacred Music*, Part II, 1813

APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended into hell. On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.

Amen.

*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*PEACE

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

Pass the peace in the comments! Post an emoji or comment as we share the peace of Christ!



THE OFFERING

All that we have belongs to God, and we give faithfully in gratitude for God's abundance, as a practice of discipleship, and to serve the needs of those around us. Our mission to bless and serve our neighbors matters now more than ever.

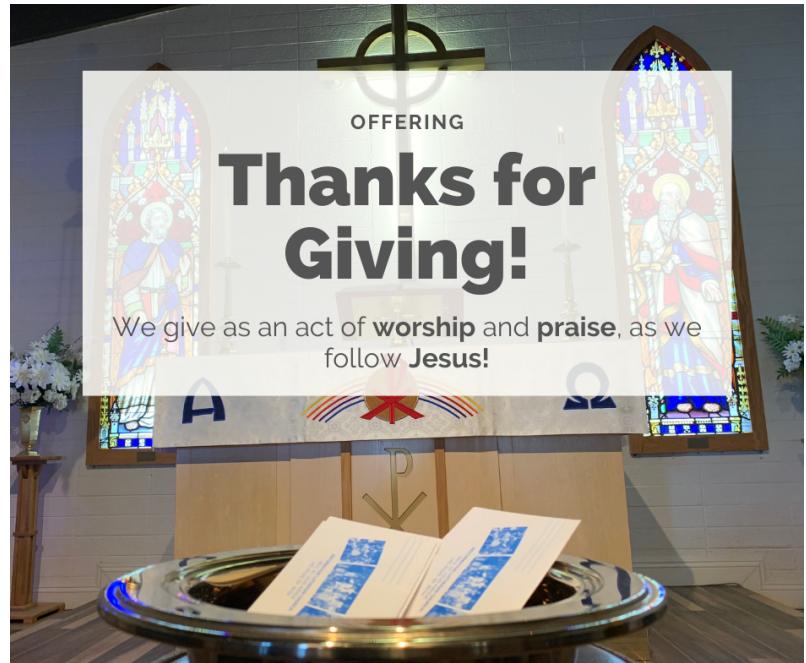
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OFFERTORY

Here I Am to Worship

T. Hughes

OFFERING PRAYER

P Merciful Giver,

C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—
our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious
love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us,
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

***THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

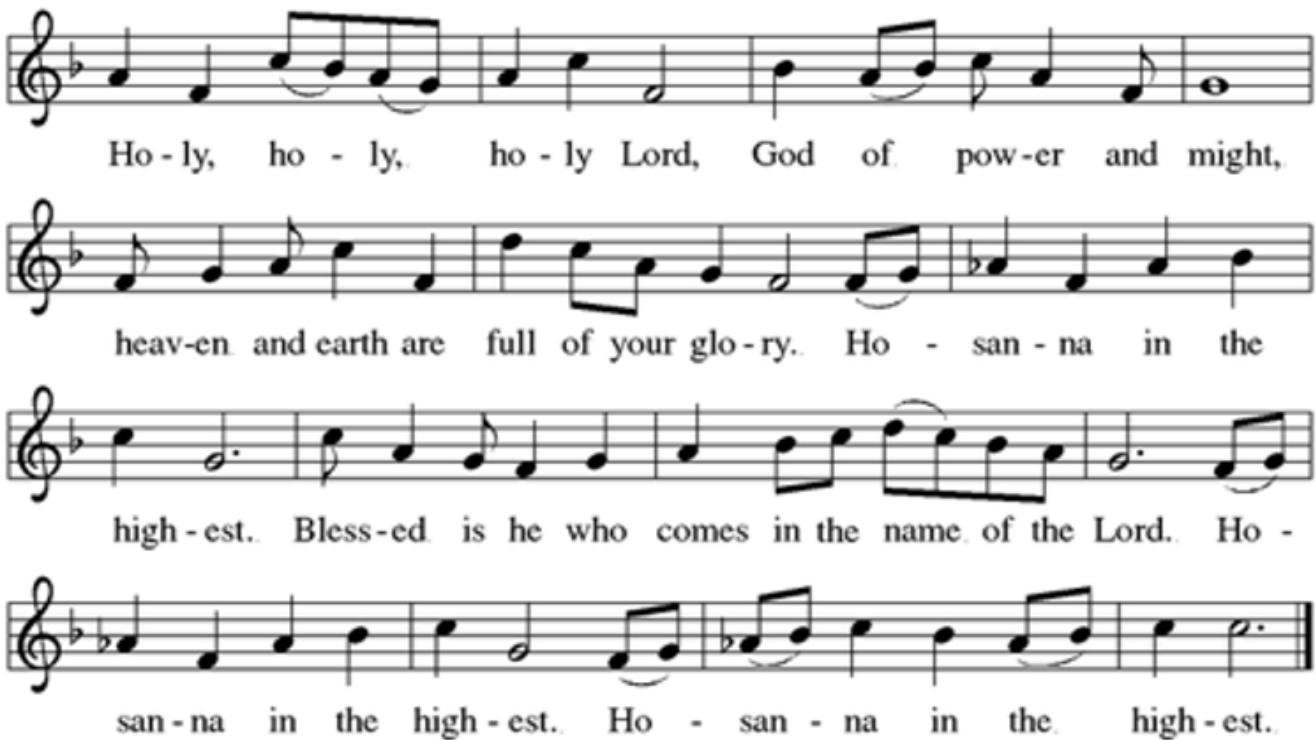
P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ;
who on this day overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting
life. And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



*WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P In the night in which he was betrayed...

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.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

P This is the banquet, and all is now ready.

The pastors will distribute communion in pre-packaged cups (wafer & juice). After all have been distributed, they will announce:

*This is the body of Christ, given for you.
This is the blood of Christ, shed for you.*

You may consume the wafer, and drink the juice.

Communion assistants will collect remaining materials as we sing:

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the

sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

*SONG AFTER COMMUNION



Now, Lord, you let your ser - vant go in peace: your word has been ful -



filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre-pared in the



sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: a light to re-veal you to the na - tions



and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.



Now, Lord, you let your ser - vant go in peace.

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray.

C Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Jason

***BLESSING**

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor, smile on you, and  give you peace.

Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN**

Shine, Jesus, Shine

Hymn #671

Shine, Jesus, Shine

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Refrain

Shine, Je - sus, shine, fill this land with the Fa-ther's glo - ry;

blaze, Spir - it, blaze, set our hearts on fire.

Flow, riv - er, flow, flood the na - tions with grace and mer - cy;

send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!

1 Lord, the light of your love is shin - ing, in the midst of the
2 As we gaze on your king - ly bright-ness, so our fac - es dis -

dark - ness, shin - ing; Je - sus, light of the world, shine up - on us,
play your like - ness, ev - er chang - ing from glo - ry to glo - ry,

set us free by the truth you now bring us.
mir - rored here, may our lives tell your sto - ry.

Refrain

Shine on me, shine on me, shine on me, shine on me:

DISMISSAL

P Go in Grace.

C **Sharing the Heart of Christ in the Heart of the City!**
Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Sonata in A (IV. Scherzo)

L.v. Beethoven

Preaching today: Lourdes Olson, M.Div.

Worship: Pastor Jason Adams

Music: Dr. Alexandria Le

Next Sunday:

October 24th

1 Samuel 16:1-13

God Calls David

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Last Week's Worship Attendance:

In Person: 48
Online Streaming Views: 75

PRAYERS

Please remember in prayer: Maria Aumont, family of Jerry Shelton, Tony Wiener, Bob Frantzen, Maxine Harju's sister Chris, Christy Lyn Gamber and her father Eldon, Pastor Marta's niece Rachel and family, Kelly Dailey, Helen Smith's nephew Stephen, Donna Delancy Speirer, The Windes Family, Sara Siller, Dennis Geiter, Stephen Sappington, Pete Geloff, Pat Ward, Jeremy Filer, Mark Jones, Levi Billsie, Peggy & Wendell Edwards, Debbie Schultz, & Cris Champion.



COVID-19 Update



While COVID-19 cases are declining, our church council is still asking us to **continue wearing masks in worship**. There are some who cannot be vaccinated, and children among us may be at risk. Please bring a mask to worship for the safety and consideration of all.

TRUNK OR TREAT IS BACK!



Join us for our annual Trunk or Treat on Friday, October 29 from 5-7 pm!

If you would like to decorate your trunk and hand out candy at this fun event, please contact Mary or Ivy. We need MORE volunteers to make this event the best ever!

If you're interested in volunteering for Parking Lot security, Candy Runner, facilitating games for kids, set up, clean up, etc...WE NEED YOU!

PLEASE sign up AFTER WORSHIP in the Narthex.

If you're not able to make this event but want to contribute we welcome CANDY donations. Bring candy to church on Sunday, or you can drop them off at the church Monday - Thursday! We appreciate your support and we thank you!

- The Fellowship & Events Team

Youth Movie Event

All High School Youth are invited to our **Private Watch Party** for Dear Evan Hansen at Cinemark Theater at Orleans on **Friday, October 22 from 4p-8p**. We will grab pizza after the movie at the food court.

(Meet at bottom of escalator) Bring a friend! We have rented the movie theater for this special **FREE** event! The **first 10 people** to sign up will get a free popcorn and soda. This film is rated PG-13: *Parental guidance suggested.*

DEAR EVAN HANSEN

Exodus Bible Study



Today we'll continue our study of God's liberation for the people of Israel. Join us in person or online (Facebook and Zoom) for this new scripture study.

*10:30am in Barnes Hall
and on Zoom*



Semper Reformanda! It means we are always being made new! This year, we'll celebrate the gifts of Martin Luther and the reformers and all the ways in which God has continued to love us and lead us as a congregation for 73 years!

Here's how we do it:

Worship with us!

Wear Red.

Sign up and join us for a special potluck brunch after worship on
Sunday, October 31, 2021!



Happy Birthday!

6 - Breanna Hansen

9 - Maxine Harju

9 - Marissa Metevlis

12 - Lourdes Olson

23 Tammy Windes

25 - Tanya Cox

Happy Anniversary!

27 - Pr. Jason & Ivy Adams (15)