



**September 4, 2022**  
**Worship Service - 10AM**

## Order of Worship

### **OPENING SONG**

#### **He Reigns**

1. It's the song of the redeemed  
Rising from the African plain  
It's the song of the forgiven  
Drowning out the Amazon rain  
The song of Asian believers  
Filled with God's holy fire  
It's every tribe every tongue every nation  
A love song born of a grateful choir

#### Chorus

It's all God's children singing  
Glory glory hallelujah  
He reigns He reigns  
It's all God's children singing  
Glory glory hallelujah  
He reigns (He reigns)

2. Let it rise above the four winds  
Caught up in the heavenly sound  
Let praises echo from the towers of cathedrals  
To the faithful gathered underground  
Of all the songs sung from the dawn of creation  
Some were meant to persist  
Of all the bells rung from a thousand steeples  
None rings truer than this

#### Bridge

And all the powers of darkness  
Tremble at what they've just heard  
'Cause all the powers of darkness  
Can't drown out a single word

### **WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER**

## CALL TO WORSHIP - HEBREWS 4:14-16

**Leader:** Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession.

**People:** **For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin.**

**Leader:** Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace

**People:** **That we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.**

## SONGS OF PRAISE

### Christ Our Hope In Life and Death

1. What is our hope in life and death  
Christ alone Christ alone  
What is our only confidence  
That our souls to Him belong  
Who holds our days within His hand  
What comes apart from His command  
And what will keep us to the end  
The love of Christ in which we stand

#### Chorus

O sing hallelujah  
Our hope springs eternal  
O sing hallelujah  
Now and ever we confess  
Christ our hope in life and death

2. What truth can calm the troubled soul  
God is good God is good  
Where is His grace and goodness known  
In our great Redeemer's blood  
Who holds our faith when fears arise  
Who stands above the stormy trial  
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh  
Unto the shore the rock of Christ

3. Unto the grave what will we sing  
Christ He lives Christ He lives  
And what reward will heaven bring  
Everlasting life with Him  
There we will rise to meet the Lord  
Then sin and death will be destroyed  
And we will feast in endless joy  
When Christ is ours forevermore

## NEW CITY CATECHISM: QUESTION 36

**Q: What do we believe about the Holy Spirit?**

**A:** That he is God, coeternal with the Father and the Son, and that God grants him irrevocably to all who believe.

### Living Hope

1. How great the chasm that lay between us  
How high the mountain I could not climb  
In desperation I turned to heaven  
And spoke Your name into the night  
Then through the darkness Your loving-kindness  
Tore through the shadows of my soul  
The work is finished the end is written  
Jesus Christ my living hope

2. Who could imagine so great a mercy  
What heart could fathom such boundless grace  
The God of ages stepped down from glory  
To wear my sin and bear my shame  
The cross has spoken I am forgiven  
The King of kings calls me His own  
Beautiful Savior I'm Yours forever  
Jesus Christ my living hope

### Chorus

Hallelujah praise the One who set me free  
Hallelujah death has lost its grip on me  
You have broken every chain  
There's salvation in Your name  
Jesus Christ my living hope

3. Then came the morning that sealed the promise  
Your buried body began to breathe  
Out of the silence the Roaring Lion  
Declared the grave has no claim on me. (REPEAT)  
Jesus Yours is the victory

Jesus Christ my living hope  
Oh God You are my living hope

## PASTORAL PRAYER

## **SERMON TEXT - 1 JOHN 5:1-5**

1 Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him. 2 By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. 3 For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. 4 For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. 5 Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

## SERMON

### In the World & Not of It: Victory Through Faith - 1 John 5:1-5

Pastor Cody Brobst

**Main Idea:** 1 John 5:4 "For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith."

Putting John's tests to the test:

1. Doctrinal Objection: Is this assurance of faith promoting salvation by works?

Not earning, but effort

2. Moral Objection: Is this assurance of faith prideful and me-centered?

Not perfection, but progress

3. Social Objection: Is this assurance of faith just confirming my doubts and I'm not a real Christian?

Not burdensome duty, but freeing delight

#### Key Scriptures:

**Ephesians 2:8-10:** "For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them."

**2 Corinthians 13:5:** "Examine yourselves, to see whether you are in the faith. Test yourselves. Or do you not realize this about yourselves, that Jesus Christ is in you?—unless indeed you fail to meet the test!"

**Matthew 11:29-30:** "Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

**Psalms 119:97-98:** "Oh how I love your law! It is my meditation all the day. Your commandment makes me wiser than my enemies, for it is ever with me."

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, Born of the virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended to the dead; the third day He arose again. He ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there he shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy Christian church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

### Jesus Thank You

1. The myst'ry of the cross I cannot comprehend  
The agonies of Calvary  
You the perfect Holy One crushed Your Son  
Who drank the bitter cup reserved for me

#### Chorus

Your blood has washed away my sin  
Jesus thank You  
The Father's wrath completely satisfied  
Jesus thank You  
Once Your enemy now seated at Your table  
Jesus thank You

2. By Your perfect sacrifice I've been brought near  
Your enemy You've made Your friend  
Pouring out the riches of Your glorious grace  
Your mercy and Your kindness know no end

Lover of my soul I want to live for You

### **CONFESSION OF SIN - LEVITICUS 5:15-16**

**All:** "If anyone commits a breach of faith and sins unintentionally in any of the holy things of the LORD, he shall bring to the LORD as his compensation, a ram without blemish out of the flock, valued in silver shekels, according to the shekel of the sanctuary, for a guilt offering. He shall also make restitution for what he has done amiss in the holy thing and shall add a fifth to it and give it to the priest."

### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON - LEVITICUS 5:16**

*"And the priest shall make atonement for him with the ram of the guilt offering, and he shall be forgiven."*

### **CELEBRATING THE LORD'S SUPPER**

## CLOSING SONG

### By Faith

1. By faith we see the hand of God  
In the light of creation's grand design  
In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness  
Who walk by faith and not by sight

2. By faith our fathers roamed the earth  
With the pow'r of His promise in their hearts  
Of a holy city built by God's own hand  
A place where peace and justice reign

### Chorus

We will stand as children of the promise  
We will fix our eyes on Him our soul's reward  
Till the race is finished and the work is done  
We'll walk by faith and not by sight

3. By faith the prophets saw a day  
When the longed-for Messiah would appear  
With the pow'r to break the chains of sin and death  
And rise triumphant from the grave

4. By faith the church was called to go  
In the pow'r of the Spirit to the lost  
To deliver captives and to preach good news  
In ev'ry corner of the earth

5. By faith the mountain shall be moved  
And the pow'r of the gospel shall prevail  
For we know in Christ all things are possible  
For all who call upon His name

## **BENEDICTION - EPHESIANS 3:20-21**

*Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you would like to share a prayer request with the church or would like someone to pray for you, please contact Assistant Pastor Cody Brobst (cbrobst@livingbranch.net), Elder Ken Bubp (klbubp@gmail.com), Elder Bruce Longbottom (blongbottom@sbcglobal.net) or Elder David Lynn (lynndavidf@gmail.com)

### **Contributions**

Checks can be made payable to 'Living Branch Church'. Online giving can be set up at livingbranch.net or through the Church Center App

**Prayer Requests:** Please keep the Giddings family in your prayers as they grieve the loss of Greg's mother, Janet.

Please continue to pray for Pastor Scott, giving praise to God that the treatment is helping.

**Mark your calendars for our Celebration Picnic! September 11, 2022.** Immediately following the service join us at Forest Park, shelter 5. Plan to enjoy face painting, activities for the little ones, bubbles, corn hole and fellowship. The church will provide smoked pulled pork, mac and cheese, drinks, and paper products/cutlery. **Please bring a salad or dessert to share.** See you there!!

### **ITS Fall Events:**

-ITS Bible Interpretation Seminar, September 10, 2022 ,9:00a-2:00p,  
Castlevew Church

-ITS Fall Symposium "The Bible and the Quran: A Critical Comparison of Two Sacred Books,"  
October 2, 7-8:30p, Christ Community Church

-Indelible Grace Concert, November 03, 2022, 6:30p-8:00p, Midtown Church

For more information see next week's newsletter or visit <https://indysem.org>

**Women's Fall Study** led by Nancy Longbottom will begin on Tuesday, Sept. 20, at 10:00 a.m. in the home of Barbara Gable. We will be studying "Hebrews For You" by Michael Kruger If you have any questions please contact her ( [lbcwomen@livingbranch.net](mailto:lbcwomen@livingbranch.net))

**Youth Fall Retreat 2022!** Mark your calendars for **Sept. 16-18** (late Friday afternoon to Sunday around lunch) at The Ark (an hour north). **Please give your \$100 check and camp waiver to Pastor Cody ASAP,** and see him with any questions. **(Checks should be made payable to Living Branch Church)**

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