

We warmly welcome all guests this morning. We pray you find strength, encouragement, and hope in our Lord Jesus Christ as we seek, celebrate, and honor Him in our worship. If we can answer any questions or be of any assistance to you and your family please let us know. We provide a '**Friendship & Communication**' slip in the back of the seat in front of you and encourage you to fill in the items you wish to share. This enables us to stay in touch with you and pray for you. There is also space for specific prayer requests from you and members of our congregation. Simply place it in the offering plate or hand it to Pastor Mark.

"As Jesus went on from there, He saw a man called Matthew, sitting in the tax collector's booth; and He said to him, 'Follow Me!' And he got up and followed Him

John 14:8-9

SUNDAY WORSHIP CELEBRATION

OCTOBER 18, 2026

TODAY'S ORDER OF SERVICE

Welcome - Curt Strunk

Call to Worship – Sarah Shaw

Songs of Praise

Junior Church Dismissed

Opening Prayer

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Junior High Study Dismissed

Introduction to LHBC

Scripture Reading - Luke 5:27–32

Prayer Needs of LHBC

Worship Through Giving

Message

"The Dirty Dozen; Discovering God's Design for A True Disciple"

Part VII - "Matthew and Simon the Zealot:

The Rejected and the Rebellious"

Closing Song and Invitation

Benediction

Church Announcements

- ◇ **Special Welcome** - We want to extend a very warm welcome to those who may be visiting us today on our special Bring A Friend Sunday. We hope you are encouraged by today's message and reminded of our Lord's love and His special plan for your life. We ask that you fill out our visitor card and place in the offering plate so we can contact you and answer any questions you may have about the Bible or our church. Thank you and God bless!
- ◇ **Trunk or Treat Meeting & Canvassing** - We will have an important meeting after today's service to discuss the planning of our Trunk or Treat outreach on Saturday, October 24th. If you are interested in participating or helping out with this outreach, we encourage you to attend today's meeting. We will also be canvassing the area around Kistler Elementary School this Tuesday, October 20th, at 2:15PM. If you are interesting in participating please see Pastor Mark or Diane. Thank you!
- ◇ **Friends and Fellowship Time** - Coffee and refreshments are offered each Sunday before our worship service in Fellowship Hall. Please plan on joining us from 9:45AM-10:10AM. Everyone is welcome.
- ◇ **Adult Sunday School Class** - Our adult Sunday School class resumes this Sunday at its normal time of 9:00AM-9:45AM. Everyone is welcome to join our exciting study of the book of Ephesians.
- ◇ **Prayer Group** - Our Prayer Group will be canceled over the next two weeks, but will resume on Monday, November 2nd, at 9:00AM.
- ◇ **Youth Group** - Youth Group will not meet this Wednesday, due to our Leadership Meeting. We'll resume next Wednesday, October 28th, 6:00PM.
- ◇ **Joint Leadership Meeting** – Their will be a joint Leadership Meeting this Wednesday, October 21st, at 5:30PM. The leaders will meet at the home of Sue Meade. Please pray for God's continued guidance as our leaders meet to discuss important church matters.
- ◇ **Mid-Week Bible Study** - Although our in-person Mid-Week study has concluded, our streaming Bible study on the book of Romans will resume on Wednesday, November 11th, at 6:30PM. You will be able to view this exciting study from our church website either on Facebook or YouTube.
- ◇ **Small Group Study** - This fall we are meeting at Sue Meade's home (located at 12 Owen St., Forty Fort) Thursday evenings from 6:00PM-8:00PM to view and discuss the popularly recognized DVD series, "The Truth Project". This profound study helps believers to develop a biblical worldview and discern truth from error in our ever changing culture. It's still not too late to join us! If you are interested or want to find out more, please see Pastor Mark for more details.
- ◇ **Baptism Service** - We want to encourage everyone to join us next Sunday for our special baptism service. Megan and Gabby Graham will be committing their lives to serving our Lord Jesus Christ as they come to be baptized. Please plan to join us as we celebrate this special decision in their lives!
- ◇ **New Church Members** - Please join us next Sunday as we welcome seven new members to LHBC! We praise God and are so thankful for Wayne and Elizabeth Jones, James, Noelle and Noah Searles, and Sheree Parks and Sue Steiningner who will all be joining our church membership.

Church Announcements (Continued)

- ◇ **Special Building Fund Offering** - Our next building fund offering will be taken on Sunday, November 1st, in place of our normal benevolence offering. Our building offering is taken twice a year to help off-set the high expenses in maintaining and repairing our church building. Your support of this crucial work is deeply appreciated and needed!
- ◇ **Church Veterans** - In an effort to honor all of our church veterans during our special service on Sunday, November 11th, we ask that all of our veterans indicate their rank and branch of service on our sign up sheet at our back table. Thank you!
- ◇ **Church Newsletter** - If you are interested in contributing to a monthly church newsletter, please see Margaret Krout for more details. Thank you!
- ◇ **Care Ministry Volunteers** - If you would like to join our care team or find out more about this vital ministry of LHBC, please see either Keith Culver or Pastor Mark for more details. We could use your help! Thank you!
- ◇ **Greeter & Scripture Reading Sign Up Sheets** - We have new Greeter and Scripture Reading sign-up sheets on the table in the Narthex. Please volunteer today, to be a part of these two important ministries. Thanks in advance.
- ◇ **Prayer Requests** - If you have a prayer request that you would like included in the bulletin, please contact Curt Strunk, 717-503-7363 or email Curt at: curt.strunk@gmail.com. In order to keep this important list current, please also advise Curt when a need can be removed. Thanks for helping us maintain an active prayer list and prayer ministry.
- ◇ **Church WiFi** - Our network ID is Living Hope Bible Church Guest and the password is: LivingHope.
- ◇ **LHBC Prayer Chain** - If you are interested in joining our prayer chain, notifying you of prayer requests and special church updates, please contact Curt Strunk or Diane Milford.
- ◇ **Food Pantry** - The LHBC Praise Pantry will be open from 9:30AM -12:00PM (before and after service) or by appointment (Sam Marranca at 570-299-1988 or Cindy Mitchell at 570-709-8635). We thank everyone for their continued support of this vital ministry. Due to limited resources, we need to limit our assistance to no more than twice monthly. We appreciate your understanding.
- ◇ **Benevolence Needs** - If you, or anyone you may know, is in need of emergency assistance, please contact Pastor Mark or one of our Elders.
- ◇ **Streaming Services** - As a reminder, we are now live streaming our Sunday service on both our Facebook and YouTube channels. Look for us at: Living Hope Bible Church.
- ◇ **Church Giving** - Please visit our website if you want to use our convenient 'on-line giving app'. It's available at: www.lhbcpa.org

2026 October Budget Through 10/4/2026 (1 week): \$6,338.00

2026 October Offering Through 10/4/2026 (1 week): \$5,021.00

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TRUNK OR TREAT

Saturday, October 24th
12:00PM — 2:00PM
Church Parking Lot
On Carey Ave



Thank you!
PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH
Pastor Mark Pastor Jason
Our Extreme Thankfulness!

Jeremiah 3:15... "Then I will give you shepherds after My own heart, who will feed you on knowledge and understanding."

THIS WEEK'S PRAISES

Bring A Friend Sunday

Rephidim Seminar

Wayne Jones' Back Procedure

Trunk Or Treat Preparation

Megan Graham's Passing of Bar Exam in Multiple States

PRAYER REQUESTS

Church Needs:

Pastor Mark, Jonna, and Children
Pastor Jason and Family
Leadership Board: Unity and Wisdom
Spiritual Growth of LHBC Family
Food Pantry
Worship Team
LHBC Missionaries
Prayer Ministry
Care Ministry
Secret Pal Ministry
Benevolence Fund
Church Finances
Church Volunteers

Streaming Services
Mid-Week Bible Study
Men's and Women's Groups
Greeters & Scripture Readers
Building Projects
Junior Church and Junior High Programs
Teen Study
Church Fantasy Football League
Neighborhood Canvassing
Sale Of Horton Street Lot
Care Ministry Meeting and Planning
Trunk or Treat
Bring A Friend Service
Baptism Service

Church Body:

Donna Evick
Bill Colson (Unspoken)
Laura Sutton, friend of Hazel M. (Health)
Sam Marranca (Joint & back pain / wisdom)
Jocelynn Krout (Salvation)
Stacey Crecy, (Wisdom and Protection)
Commander Tom Setser & family, Marti's nephew (Safety - deployment to Germany)
Alex & the Palsha Family, Janet Lew and Diane's nephew (Unspoken)
Ron Marriott, Cindy's brother (unspoken)
Aniksa Quinones (Healing)
Gabby Janos' Mother, friend of Dan Savurdich (Healing - physical & spiritual)
Pastor Jason Simpkins & Family
Susan Pallin, friend of Hazel Markowski (comfort & successful surgery)
Janice, Janet Lew's friend (Healing)
Karin, Janet Lew's friend (Cancer/healing)
Mike Davis, friend of Joe Antonelli (Cancer)
Bill Guzzi -friend of Dan Savurdich (Cancer)
Jane Lodato (In-home care and healing)
Tom Lodato (Continued Healing)
Kathi Owen (Unspoken)
Ann Irace (Relief from Arthritis in her back)
Mitch & MaryAnn, friends of Fred Lew (Strength and healing)
Joanne Third (continued good health)
Kate (Guidance and Discernment)
Eva Gonzalez (Pain relief)
Karen Gillman Salmon (Housing Transition)
Debbie Piatt (strength & healing)
Lori Puchalski (Praise - good test results)
Tish, Bella, & Laylay - Tish is a friend of Marti Callahan (family struggles and separation)
Kathy Gregory (continued healing/recovery)
Kelly Dunnigan, friend of Hazel Markowski's (cancer treatments)

Kenny George, Barry Hagenbaugh's cousin (healing from cancer)
Matt Kubicki (Health issues - healing)
Fran Villano (Healing)
Irace family (Wisdom/Protection)
Janet Lew (Lyme disease)
Nikiyah Scurlock (Moving Adjustment)
Kathy Miller (Recovery and healing)
Bob and Lisa Lane (Car)
Sue Meade (Recovery and Healing)
Sara, Eva's daughter (Healing)
Sharyl Graham (Continued recovery)
Ann Irace (Healing – bruised ribs)
Avery, Sue Meade's granddaughter (Protection)
Jennifer, Janet & Fred's daughter (Continued recovery)
Paul Milford (healing)
Peter Nordmann (Recovery from fall & low hemoglobin readings)
Jacci Nordmann (Healing)
Timothy Milford (Healing/falls)
Jennifer Fusco, Bonnie Rosick's daughter (Safe travels while in India)
Joe Antonelli (Retina & eye healing)
Lynn Antonelli (Relief & healing - small bone fractures from radiation treatments)
Pastor Mark (Monday heart procedure)
Pete, Fred & Janet's neighbor (good test results & healing)
Michael Cebrosky (Recovery from surgery)
Elizabeth Knight (Continued healing & strength)
Wayne Jones (Continued recovery from surgery)
Marti Shafer Callahan (Healing & complete recovery)
Gabby Graham (Removal from concussion protocol)

PRAYER REQUESTS (CONTINUED)

Cancer:

Mike Donovan
Linda Kakaley
Kathryn Gregory
Faye Mershon
Andrea Villano
Tom Lodato
Mark Crocco

Denise Luzack
Anthony Shipula
Julia's husband, Gary Namutka
Jim Taggart, friend of Joe Antonelli
Anne Rittenhouse
Kenny George

Our Nation:

President Trump
Congress
Spiritual Revival
Sanctity Of Marriage
Persecuted Church
Sanctity of Human Life
Health Care & Hospital Workers

All First Responders
Ukraine Citizens & Families
Crisis In the Middle East
Our Brothers & Sisters in Israel
US and Israeli Armed Forces and the citizens
of Iran
Students & Families of Silver Bend
Elementary School

Message Notes

October 18, 2026

***"Matthew and Simon the Zealot:
The Rejected and the Rebellious"***

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