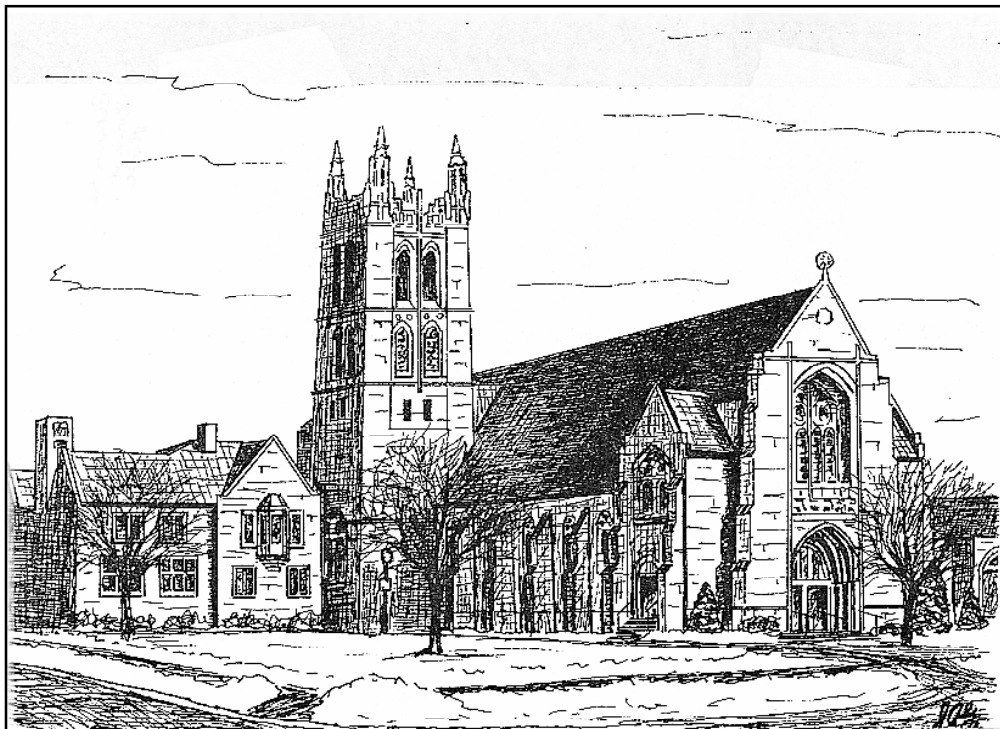


Presbyterian Church  
**The House of Hope**  
797 Summit Avenue



Lord Jesus Christ  
Alive and at large in the world.  
Help me to follow and to find you today,  
    In places where I work,  
    meet people,  
    spend money  
    and make plans.  
Take me as a disciple of your kingdom,  
    To see through your eyes,  
    and hear the questions you are asking,  
    to welcome all with your trust and truth  
    and to change the things that contradict  
    God's love,  
    by the power of the Cross  
    and the freedom of your Spirit.  
Amen.

—John Taylor, Bishop of Winchester

SUNDAY, JANUARY 25, 2009

Sunday, January 25, 2009  
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Morning Worship

Ten o' Clock

THE APPROACH TO GOD

PRELUDE

*Canzona*  
*Preamble*  
Aaron David Miller, organist

Giovanni Gabrieli  
Giovanni Gabrieli

**The prelude is a time for silent, prayerful preparation for the worship of God.  
Sung responses can be found at the inside front cover of the hymnal.**

PRECES

The Motet Choir Andrew Altenbach, choirmaster

William Smith

\*°HYMN 371

*Lift High the Cross*  
*Please rise as the first notes of the hymn are played.*

Crucifer

°OPENING SENTENCES (The Congregation standing)

Thomas W. Forster-Smith

Minister: . . . let us bow down in prayer. (The Congregation now sits)  
Draw nigh to us, O God, as we draw nigh to Thee.

**People:** (Sung) **Thou art our refuge and our strength forever.**

INVOCATION (Sung Amen)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Minister: I said I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

**People:** (Sung) **And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.**

**God of grace and God of glory, you call each of us to be disciples, followers of Christ in the world. Yet we confess that we are inclined to turn a deaf ear to that call, fearing the expectations and the consequences. More often than not, we lack the necessary faith to step away from that which is comfortable and predictable and move in the direction your calling would lead us. Strengthen us in our ability to hear your call and to follow Jesus. For it is in his name that we pray and also offer these, our silent confessions...**

KYRIE (Sung) **Lord, have mercy upon us; Christ, have mercy upon us; Lord, have mercy upon us.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

**People:** **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

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°GLORIA PATRI

(Sung) **Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

ANTHEM

*Then will I Jehovah's praise*  
The House of Hope Choir School Sofia Ardalan, director  
Kirsten Falc Uhlenberg, organist

G. F. Handel

Then will I Jehovah's praise  
with joy and gladness daily raise,  
and sing the Name and Deity  
of Jehovah the most high.  
Ever let my thanks endure,  
faithful ever, ever sure.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE WORD OF GOD

CHORAL ASCRIPTION      *Let Thy word abide in us, O Lord.*

SCRIPTURE READING      Jonah 3:1-5. 10 (OT, pp. 860-861 in pew Bible)      Judy Gensmer  
Reader: The Word of the Lord.  
**People: Thanks be to God.**

TIME FOR CHILDREN      Jan Snell  
Director of Children's Christian Education  
(Following the Time for Children, all children age 4 through those who have completed Grade 5 are excused to their Sunday School programs.)

ANTHEM      *City Called Heaven*      American Spiritual  
Sandra Schoenecker, Soprano

I am a pilgrim of sorrow. I'm left in this old wide world alone. I ain't got no hope for tomorrow I'm trying to make heaven my home. Sometimes I'm tossed and I'm driven, Lord. Sometimes I just don't know which way to turn. Oh, I heard of a city called heaven. Trying to make heaven my home.

SCRIPTURE READING      Mark 1:14-20 (NT, p. 35 in pew Bible)  
Reader: The Word of the Lord.  
**People: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON      Grant Abbott  
Executive Director, St. Paul Area Council of Churches

THE RESPONSE TO GOD

°HYMN 344      *Christ of the Upward Way*      Sursum corda

°AFFIRMATION OF FAITH. A Brief Statement of Faith, PC(USA) 1991

**We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (debts/debtors)      Lucy Forster-Smith

OFFERTORY

Rejoice in the Lord always, and again I say, rejoice. Let your softness be known unto all men: the Lord is even at hand. Be careful for nothing: but in all prayer and supplication, let your petitions be manifest unto God with giving of thanks. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. Amen

°DOXOLOGY (Sung)

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

°PRAYER OF DEDICATION

°HYMN 434

*Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples*

Kingsfold

°BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Balletto*

Giovanni Gabrieli

**Carillon Postlude**

David Johnson, carillonneur

**Eleven o' Clock**

\*Late entrants may be seated. °Stand as you are able

Hearing aids, large print bulletins, and large print hymnals available. Inquire of Usher.

**The House of Hope welcomes all who worship here today. Refreshments are served in the Kirk Parlour following the services.**

#### THE FLOWERS ON THE COMMUNION TABLE

are in loving memory of

**Dr. Benjamin S. and Margaret Pomeroy**

**SERMON COPIES** are available in the church office and in the kiosks in the church hallways. The sermons can also be found on the House of Hope website: [www.hohchurch.org](http://www.hohchurch.org).

**ACOLYTES** for the services this morning include Abigail Marose, Hannah Marose, Emma McCartney, Niall McCormick, Matt McDonough, Jacob Meyer, Henry Moyers, Thomas Moyers. Today's prayer of dedication will be given by Thomas Moyers.

The **GREETERS** this morning are Betsy Boyle, Marion Calph, Jan Dickinson, Debby Fulton, Sam & Jim McCartney, Paddy Danaher & Doug Melena.

**PEACE CANDLE.** The single candle near the pulpit is our Peace Candle. It is lighted each day as a reminder of the ongoing need for our prayers for peace in the world.

**FIRST SUNDAY IS FOOD SUNDAY.** Remember to bring your donations of non-perishable food items for the food shelf on Sunday, February 1. These can be placed on the table by the Elizabeth Chapel. Gifts of money can be made by using offering envelopes in the pew rack, marking them "Food Shelf." Our donations of food and money go to the Hallie Q. Brown Community Center Food Shelf. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. More and more families need recourse to food shelves during this economic downturn.

# THE HOUSE OF HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

EVENTS: SUNDAY, JANUARY 25, 2009 - FEBRUARY 1, 2009

## — VISITORS —

### THANK YOU FOR CHOOSING TO WORSHIP AT THE HOUSE OF HOPE.

Visitors are invited to sign the friendship registration pad during worship. Please look for hospitality greeters who wear the "Welcome" tag for information and assistance. Gold foil seals may be found in the pew racks; all visitors are encouraged to wear one so that you can be identified as a visitor and receive a personal welcome.

House of Hope offers **CHILDCARE** each Sunday. Parents are welcome to stay in the childcare rooms with their little ones to help with transition to a new setting. Questions may be directed to Mee Ae Kim, child care coordinator, in Room 2, or to Jan Snell, Director of Children's Christian Education.

- Infants through children age 18 months are cared for in the Noah's Ark nursery (Room 8).
- Toddlers age 18 months through age 3 are cared for in the Garden of Eden room (Room 2).

**THINKING ABOUT MEMBERSHIP?** We offer many opportunities for fellowship, worship, learning, and service—for adults, children, and youth. The next opportunity to learn about membership in The House of Hope will be Sunday, February 15, at 11 a.m. in the Church Library. The class will be led by pastors David Van Dyke and Josh Heikkila. A light lunch will be served and child care will be available upon request. For lunch and child care reservations, call Michelle Freyholtz at 651-223-7556.

## — TODAY —

### SUNDAY MORNINGS FOR CHILDREN

Nursery / Toddler Care is provided each Sunday morning from 8 a.m. to 12 noon.

- Infants (birth – 18 months) go to the Noah's Ark nursery.
- Toddlers (19 months – 35 months) go to the Garden of Eden in Room 2.

If you are coming to worship at 8:15:

- Childcare will be provided for age 4 and younger. (See above. NOTE: toddlers, 3- and 4-year-olds go to Room 2 during 8:15 worship)
- Children age 5 and up participate in worship with their families

If you are coming to the 10 a.m. worship service:

- Infants and toddlers go to room 8 or 2 (see above)
- Three-year-olds go to Room 6 beginning at 9:45 for supervised play. Children must be 3 by August 31.
- Children age 4 through Grade 5 attend the beginning of the worship service, then leave the sanctuary to gather in the chapel for **WORSHIP ENRICHMENT**.
- Following Worship Enrichment, children and their teachers/shepherds will go to Sunday School (age 3-K) or Bible Adventure: Grade 1: Book of Acts; Grade 2: MILESTONE CLASS: Prayer; Grade 3: Signs and Wonders; Grade 4: Mouse Pad; Grade 5: Thou Art.

Our guest preacher this morning is the **REV. GRANT ABBOTT**, executive director for the Saint Paul Area Council of Churches. Rev. Abbott has had a long-time commitment to social service and justice and served for 22 years as rector of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church in St. Paul, an ethnically and racially diverse congregation in one of the city's least diverse neighborhoods. Rev. Abbott has served on the board of the SPACC for ten years, on the board of Episcopal Community Services for six years, on the founding board of the Block Nurse Program, and on the founding board of the St. Anthony Park Community Foundation. He is active in the ecumenical efforts of his diocese and denomination. Rev. Abbott graduated from the University of Washington and Princeton Theological Seminary, and did advanced study at Episcopal Divinity School and the University of Minnesota. He and his wife, Elaine Tarone, a professor of applied linguistics at the University of Minnesota, have two children.

Parents of Second Graders: **PRAYER MILESTONE CLASS** will be offered today from 11:10 to 12 noon in Room 5. One parent or significant adult should plan to attend with the second grader.

The **ENRICHMENT PROGRAM** today features *House of Hope Travel Opportunities*. Members of the pastoral staff of The House of Hope will offer presentations on upcoming mission and educational travel opportunities. The program begins at 11 a.m. in the Assembly Room.

**FAMILY ISSUES.** Nancy Sabin, House of Hope member and executive director of the Jacob Wetterling Resource Center, presents a 2-part program entitled *Safer Communities for Children and Families*. Today the topics are: "What do safer communities look like for children and families? What do we need to know about everyday safety" On February 1: "Safety On-line: What parents, grandparents, and caregivers need to know." The programs begin at 11 a.m. in Kirby Lounge.

The artists in the **CLOISTER GALLERY** during the month of January are potter Leif Bjornson and Meg Luhrs, a painter who also specializes in "relief printing" (wood blocks or linoleum cut to make ink imprints). Luhrs and Bjornson are husband and wife.

Information on **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES** can be found in the kiosks by the entrances to the Sanctuary and on the Information Table in the Cloister Gallery. Please pick up this information today to see how you can put your faith into action!

**MIDDLE SCHOOL.** Youth in Grades 6, 7, and 8 ... come to the Middle School Room after 10 a.m. worship for a special Social Sunday program. Don't forget to take a registration for the Camp St. Croix Retreat, which is the weekend of February 6-8. The forms were sent home, and extra copies are in the Middle School Room.

**HIGH SCHOOL.** Open house in the Youth Room, after 10 a.m. worship. Come and enjoy each other's company. There is no official program, due to the Clearwater Retreat this weekend.

**YOU CAN STILL SIGN UP for BOWLING TODAY!** Join us for some old fashioned family fun at St. Bernard's Lanes this evening, from 5 to 7 p.m. This is a great opportunity for people of all ages to come together to bowl, eat, laugh, talk and forget about the weather. Bumper lanes are available for the youngest, so no one is left out of the fun. The cost is \$6 per person, (under 3, no charge) and that includes bowling, shoes, and pizza. Sign up on the poster outside the Christian Education office by noon today or contact Jan Snell, 651-223-7547.

Our **ELIZABETH CHAPEL ORGAN RECITAL SERIES** continues today at 4 p.m. with an appearance by Christopher D. Wallace, Music Director/Organist at Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church, Edina, Minnesota. Dr. Wallace is a native of Atlanta, Georgia, receiving his Bachelor and Master of Music degrees from the Eastman School of Music, Rochester, New York, and a Doctor of Musical Arts degree from the University of Minnesota. As a soloist, chamber musician, and accompanist, Dr. Wallace has performed and adjudicated in select cities in the U.S. and Central America. The recital is free and open to the public, and will be preceded with a carillon prelude by David Johnson starting at 3:30 p.m.

**SUNDAY-WEEKDAY CONNECTIONS.** This intergenerational program for women will be held Tuesday, January 27, 2009, 7 p.m. at the Meeting House (761 Summit), beginning with a social time at 6:30, dinner at 7 p.m., and the speaker's presentation. The evening ends about 8:30. Hear another House of Hope woman reflect on her Monday-Saturday experience, and talk about how our faith works throughout daily life. House of Hope member Amy Hunter is our January 27 speaker. Please join us for a great evening. Sign up after the services today at the table outside the Kirk Parlour. The cost is \$25 for dinner and related costs, payable to House of Hope. Or make your reservation and pay at the church office by Sunday, January 25. Sign up today for a great evening.

**PRAYER FOR HEALING AND WHOLENESS** is offered after the worship service today for all desiring a time of personal prayer for themselves or others. Come to the Elizabeth Chapel directly following worship and one of the ministers will be there to pray with you.

In January, the **CHANGE OF HEART OFFERING** goes to the Lydia Project for the Empowerment of Women, through Kwanzaa Community Church in North Minneapolis.

## — THE WEEK Ahead —

### Monday, January 26

**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS** (Assembly Room) and **ALANON** (Youth Room) meet at House of Hope at 6 p.m.

### Tuesday, January 27

**TUESDAY MEN'S BREAKFAST GROUP** meets weekly at 7 a.m. at the Copper Dome at 1333 Randolph. Contact for Men's Breakfast Groups: Bob Hennesy, 651-739-7262. Newcomers are always welcome.

The **SUNDAY-WEEKDAY CONNECTIONS** program for women meets in the Meeting House (761 Summit) at 6 p.m. Please see the "Today" section for details.

### Wednesday, January 28

**WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY** with Rev. Molly McMillan meets in the Library at 10 a.m. Contact Rev. Tom Forster-Smith for more information, 651-223-7553.

**KERYGMA BIBLE STUDY: *Blessed Are You: The Beatitudes of Jesus.*** This study continues each Wednesday through February 18, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the Kirk Parlour. Taught by Rev. Tom Forster-Smith, this class is a study of the Beatitudes of Jesus, as recorded in Scripture and experienced in life. Resource Books are available for \$13. Contact Rev. Forster-Smith at tomf@hohchurch.org or 651-223-7553 for further information or to register for the class.

### Thursday, January 29

**THURSDAY MEN'S BREAKFAST GROUP** meets weekly at 7 a.m. at the St. Clair Broiler on Snelling and St. Clair. All House of Hope men are welcome to attend. For further information, contact Reverend Tom Forster-Smith at 651-223-7553 or e-mail: tomf@hohchurch.org. Contact for Men's Breakfast Groups: Bob Hennesy, 651-739-7262.

The **GRIEF GROUPS** of the Capital City Grief Coalition currently meet from 5 to 6:30 p.m. at Macalester - Plymouth United Church for those who have lost a loved one through death. Macalester-Plymouth Church is located at 1658 Lincoln. There is parking adjacent to church building. Newcomers are always welcome. The groups gather at 5 p.m. and then break into small groups after the presentation. For information, contact Coalition Coordinator Lois Knutson, 651-227-4430 or Darlene Auger Stensby at the church, 651-223-7544.

### Friday, January 30

**WOMEN'S BREAKFAST GROUP** meets every Friday at 7 a.m. in the Kirk Parlour for breakfast and discussion of readings. Guests are always welcome. If you are planning to attend for the first time, please call Jan Dickinson, 651-647-1786, or Esther Kellogg, 651-699-6006, for important information. January 30: *Einstein: His Life and Universe* by Walter Isaacson.

### Saturday, January 31

The **WOMEN'S ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS** group meets Saturdays at 10 a.m. in the Youth Room.

### Sunday, February 1

February 1 is **MACALESTER SUNDAY**, the day we celebrate our historic relationship with Macalester College, whose founder and first president was Edward Duffield Neill. Dr. Neill founded The First Presbyterian Church in 1849 and House of Hope in 1855. The two congregations merged in 1914 to become The House of Hope Presbyterian Church. The 10 a.m. worship service begins with the skirls of the bagpipe, and service music is provided by the Macalester College Concert Choir under the direction of Eugene Rogers. Eily Marlow, Program Associate for Macalester's Lilly Project for Vocation and Ethical Leadership, is the preacher of the day. Macalester President Brian Rosenberg brings greetings from the college. Shortbread will be served in Kirk Parlour courtesy of the college and through the good offices of Lea Barron, staff representative of the Macalester College Alumni Office. Members of our congregation who are Macalester graduates serve as greeters.

The **ENRICHMENT PROGRAM** on February 1 presents Karin Trail-Johnson, Director of the Civic Engagement Center at Macalester, who will offer an update on the development of the Macalester Institute for Global Citizenship.

**FAMILY ISSUES.** Nancy Sabin, House of Hope member and executive director of the Jacob Wetterling Resource Center, presents part 2 of *Safer Communities for Children and Families*. The topic is "Safety On-line: What parents, grandparents, and caregivers need to know." The programs begin at 11 a.m. in Kirby Lounge.

The Deacons provide **VALET PARKING SERVICE** for those who need assistance on Sunday mornings. Drive up to the *porte cochère* on the Portland Avenue side of the church, and a deacon will park your car. After the service, return to the same door and a deacon will retrieve your car.

**WEEK BEGINNING JANUARY 25, 2009**  
**Sunday, January 25, 2009**

- 8:00 a.m. Child Care
  - 8:15 a.m. Worship, Elizabeth Chapel
  - 9:00 a.m. Fellowship, Kirk Parlour
  - 9:00 a.m. Motet Choir
  - 9:15 a.m. Choir School
  - 10:00 a.m. Worship Service, Sanctuary
  - 10:30 a.m. Assembly Time for 3 year olds through Kindergarten, Room 5
  - 10:30 a.m. Worship Enrichment 1st-5th grade, Elizabeth Chapel
  - 11:00 a.m. Grade 2 Milestones Class, Room 5
  - 11:00 a.m. Sunday School Activities, age 3 through grade 5
  - 11:00 a.m. Grades 6 & 7, Middle School Room
  - 11:00 a.m. Grade 8, Skylight Room
  - 11:00 a.m. High School, Youth Room
  - 11:00 a.m. Enrichment: "House of Hope Travel Opportunities," Assembly Room
  - 11:00 a.m. Family Issues: "Safer Communities for Children and Families," Kirby Lounge
  - 11:00 a.m. Fellowship, Kirk Parlour
  - 12 noon Stained Glass, Youth Room
  - 4:00 p.m. Organ Recital, Elizabeth Chapel
  - 5:00 p.m. Family Bowling, St. Bernard's
- Monday, January 26 2009**
- 4:30 p.m. Girls' Vocal Ensemble, East Wing
  - 6:00 p.m. AA, Assembly Room
  - 6:00 p.m. AlAnon, Youth Room
- Tuesday, January 27, 2009**
- 7:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast, Copper Dome
  - 9:00 a.m. Art Committee, Cloister Gallery

- 1:00 p.m. Library Committee, Library
  - 5:30 p.m. Budget Committee, Kirby Lounge
  - 6:00 p.m. Sunday-Weekday Connections, Meeting House
- Wednesday, January 28, 2009**
- 10:00 a.m. Bible Study, Library
  - 4:00 p.m. Alleluia Choir, Room 1
  - 4:15 p.m. Choir School, east wing
  - 5:30 p.m. Yoga, Meeting House
  - 6:00 p.m. Choir School Dinner, A&B
  - 7:00 p.m. Kerygma Bible Study, Kirk Parlour
  - 7:00 p.m. Motet Choir, Choir Room
  - 7:00 p.m. Bell Choir, Bell Choir Room

**Thursday, January 29, 2009**

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast, St. Clair Broiler
- 10:45 a.m. Southwest Area Meals on Wheels, St. Mary's Home
- 5:00 p.m. Grief Coalition, Macalester-Plymouth United Church
- 5:30 p.m. Mission & Benevolence Committee, Kirby Lounge

**Friday, January 30, 2009**

- 7:00 a.m. Women's Breakfast, Kirk Parlour
- 5:30 p.m. Yoga, Meeting House

**Saturday, January 31, 2009**

- 10:00 a.m. Women's AA, Youth Room

**Sunday, February 1, 2009**

- Services at 8:15 and 10 a.m.
- Macalester Sunday
- Eily Marlow, preaching (Program Associate for Macalester's Lilly Project for Vocation and Ethical Leadership)

- Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday**
- 8:15 & 12:45: Preschool

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