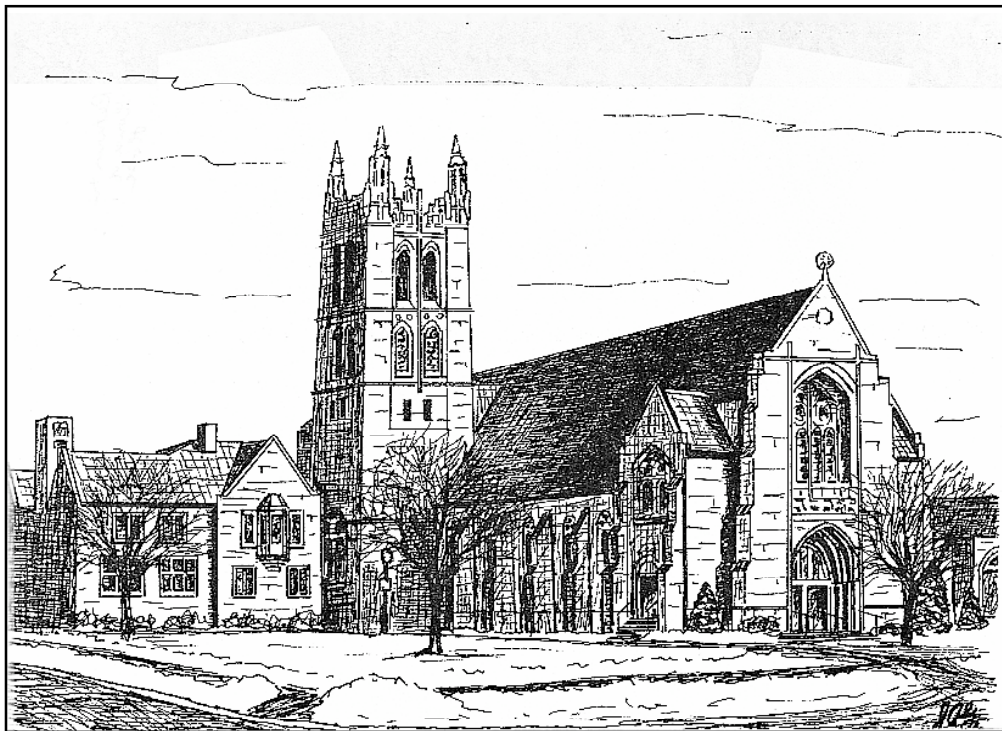


Presbyterian Church
The House of Hope
797 Summit Avenue



To the river of Jordan our savior went one day,
And we read that John the Baptist met him there.
When John baptized Jesus in Jordan's rushing waters
The mighty power of God filled the air.

King Naaman was stricken with dreaded leprosy,
And he sent for the man of God to pray.
But Elisha said to Naaman, go dip yourself in Jordan,
Let the cool waters wash your spots away.

I'm on my way to the river of Jordan
Gonna wade right in, in the rushing waters.
I'm going down, I'm going down to the river of Jordan
And let the cool waters cleanse my soul.

—Traditional Appalachian Song

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2009

Sunday, February 15, 2009
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Morning Worship

Ten o' Clock

THE APPROACH TO GOD

PRELUDE

Den Store Hvide Flok
In Heaven Above
Aaron David Miller, organist

Norwegian Folk Song
Norwegian Folk Song

**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.**

INTROIT

Heilig ist der Herr
The Motet Choir Andrew Altenbach, director

Franz Schubert

Holy is the Lord, Holy is his world. He has no beginning, ever will be our eternal Father, through eternity.

*HYMN 253

I'll Praise My Maker
Please rise as the first notes of the hymn are played.

Old 113th

°OPENING SENTENCES (The Congregation standing)

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.**

Almighty God, you are the ground and source of our being. Why then do we seek our fulfillment elsewhere? Why do we pursue vain idols, which cannot help us, and ignore the God whose power can do anything? Why do we hunger for love and affection for ourselves, but starve others of these very same things? Because of our sin, we distort your image within us, and we dishonor your image in others. Lord, your touch alone can heal us; your grace alone can forgive us. For your glory, grant us these blessings, through Jesus Christ our Savior we pray.

(The prayer will continue with 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

Sing to the Lord a Joyful Song Claudio Monteverdi
The House of Hope Choir School Sofia Ardalan, director
Kirsten Falc Uhlenberg, organist Delaney Broberg and Laura Williamson, violin

Sing to the Lord a joyful song;
Lift up your hearts, your voices raise.
To us his gracious gifts belong:
To him our songs of love and praise.

For he is Lord of heaven and earth,
Whom angels serve and saints adore.
The Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
To whom be praise forevermore. Amen.

—John Monsell (1811-1875)

THE WORD OF GOD

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

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 1:40-45 (NT, pp. 35-36 in pew Bible) Ray Ensrud
 Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

TIME FOR CHILDREN

(Following the Time for Children, all children age 4 through those who have completed Grade 5 are excused to their Sunday School programs.)

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Congregational Response

HYMN 493 *Dearest Jesus, We Are Here* (Stanzas 1 & 2) Liebster Jesu

ANTHEM

Jubilate Deo

Benjamin Britten

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands; Serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song. Be ye sure that the Lord he is God: it is he that hath made is and not we ourselves; We are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and speak good of his name. For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth from generation to generation. 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. —*Psalm 100*

SCRIPTURE READING II Kings 5:1-14 (OT, p. 336 in pew Bible)
 Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

A Good Cleaning

Joshua D. Heikkila

THE RESPONSE TO GOD

°HYMN 243 *We Thank You, Lord, For You Are Good* Was Gott tut

°AFFIRMATION OF FAITH. The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERTORY

ANTHEM

How Excellent Thy Name

Howard Hanson

O Lord our Lord, how excellent Thy name in all the earth! Who hast set Thy glory above the heavens. When I consider Thy heavens, the work of Thy fingers, the moon and stars, which Thou hast ordained; What is man that Thou art mindful of him? And the son of man, that Thou visitest him? For Thou hast made him a little lower than the angels, and hast crowned him with glory and honor. Thou madest him to have dominion over the work of Thy hands; Thou hast put all things under his feet. O Lord our Lord, how excellent Thy name in all the earth. Alleluia. —*Psalm 8: 1, 3-6*

°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 361

How Firm a Foundation

Foundation

°BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Fugue, BWV 564

J. S. Bach

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. Edwin Kagin

The **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM** is celebrated today for **Grant David Sherwood**, son of Michelle and Andrew Sherwood. We welcome him into our church family. We respectfully request that photographs not be taken during the celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism. Please help us honor the sacrament and the prayerful attention of the congregation. Photographs may be taken in the sanctuary after the organist has finished the postlude.

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.

ACOLYTES for the services this morning include William Vicic, Anne Walli, Will Warner, Grant Whitaker, Laura Williamson, Ellen Wilson, Anna Wojcicki, Brian Wollan. Today's prayer of dedication will be given by Brian Wollan.

The **GREETERS** this morning are Elly Clark, Diane Glynn and Richard Klupper, Darrel Gubrud, Helen and Bob Mairs, Leo Sawicki, Mary Senkbeil.

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.

ATTENTION HOUSE OF HOPE ARTISTS: The House of Hope **MEMBERS' ART SHOW** will be held in **April** this year. Please mark your calendars and prepare your pieces for display.

A call for **MITTENS—MITTENS—MITTENS**, knit or sewn from fleece, new or gently used, children's sizes. Please bring them to the church office to be distributed by the Mission Sewing Group to local charities. If you have questions, please contact Janet Brownell, 651-765-4990 or Terry Maroney, 952-423-9690.

THE HOUSE OF HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

EVENTS: SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2009 - FEBRUARY 22, 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. To learn about membership in The House of Hope, attend a new member class at 11 a.m. today in the Church Library. The class will be led by pastor Josh Heikkila. The next class will be at 11 a.m. on Sunday, March 15. 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) Children in grades 1-5 will participate in Shepherd's Pie activities today from 11 a.m. to 12 noon. Parents are asked to pick up their children in Room 1 at noon today. The regular rotation schedule resumes next Sunday, February 22.

The **ENRICHMENT PROGRAM** today is "Women and Islam," presented by Fedwa Wazwaz, a native of Jerusalem who was raised in Chicago. She is a Palestinian American journalist, founder of the Islamic Resource Group, and Editor-in-Chief of EngageMn.com. She holds a degree in computer science from the University of Minnesota where she works as a programmer analyst. She is dedicated to writing about issues involving Muslims.

The artist in the **CLOISTER ART GALLERY** in February is James Conaway. His oil paintings on pieces of old wood, and charcoal and ink drawings, are influenced by Midwestern landscapes, Byzantine icons and 5th century classical Greek aesthetics.

The **SUNDAY-WEEKDAY CONNECTIONS** program for women meets Tuesday, February 24, 6:30 p.m. at the Meeting House (761 Summit Avenue). Relax, share a meal, hear our February speaker, Judie Cooper, and talk about how faith works itself out in daily life. Sign up **TODAY** at the table outside the Kirk Parlour between services, or make your reservation and pay at the church office by Sunday, February 22. The cost is \$25 for dinner and related costs. Make checks payable to House of Hope. If you have questions, contact Jan Favorite at 651-452-5482 (janfav@comcast.net) or Bonnie Alton at 651-229-0143 (bjbread@comcast.net).

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 and 7 will meet in the Middle School Rooms after 10 a.m. worship. Youth in Grade 8 will meet in the Skylight Room.

HIGH SCHOOL. Come hear Medhat Yowkem share stories and pictures about his recent trip home to Egypt. There will be food, discussion, and fellowship, in the Youth Room after 10 a.m. worship.

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 February, the **CHANGE OF HEART OFFERING** goes to the Hallie Q. Brown Food Shelf.

———— **THE WEEK Ahead** ————

Monday, February 16

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

LOAVES AND FISHES. The Saints team will serve dinner for our neighbors in Frogtown on Monday, February 16, at Faith Lutheran Church, Charles & Mackubin Streets. The food prep team will start at 2 p.m. and will be joined at 5 p.m. by food servers, expeditors, and Last Mop clean-up crews. Any questions? Please call Captain Bob Hennesy at 651-739-7262 or Ray Clark at 651-484-7270.

Tuesday, February 17

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 **GREAT DECISIONS** discussion group meets on Tuesday, February 17, at 7 p.m. in the Church Library. Topic: *Afghanistan and Pakistan*. How does the U.S. work with these two countries on wide-sweeping security issues both in the region and around the world, including India? Speaker Bill Davnie served as a Foreign Service Officer in the U.S. Department of State from 1981-2007, in Hong Kong, Thailand, Russia, Tajikistan, Lithuania, Finland, and Baghdad. *Great Decisions* discussions are based on a reading guide from the Foreign Policy Association. Guests are welcome. For more information, call Bob Mairs, 651-222-3423 or Dennis Anderson, 651-730-4003.

Wednesday, February 18

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.

Wednesday In-depth Series, "ISLAM: RELIGION AND CULTURE," continues through March 4, 7:15 to 8:45 p.m., Assembly Room. Speaker: **Professor Nabil Matar**, University of Minnesota. Learn more about the historic roots and contemporary practices of Islam through the eyes of a learned teacher who grew up in an Islamic culture. Each session is a self-contained lecture so you may attend any or all sessions. Accompanying materials will be available at each session. Sessions include:

February 18: *Teachings About Mary and Jesus.*

February 25: Ash Wednesday, **NO CLASS**

March 4: *The Influence of Culture and Nationality on Islamic Practices.*

This series is presented in conjunction with "The Heart of Islam," the 2009 Didier Seminar which will be held March 6, 7, and 8, 2009. The featured seminar speaker is renowned Muslim scholar Seyyed Hossein Nasr. Those planning to take the Wednesday evening classes on Islam may pick up a list of recommended reading and films in the church office.

KERYGMA BIBLE STUDY: *Blessed Are You: The Beatitudes of Jesus.* This study concludes on Wednesday, 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. Contact Rev. Forster-Smith at tomf@hohchurch.org or 651-223-7553 for further information.

Thursday, February 19

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. The Church is located at 1658 Lincoln, with adjacent parking. 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.

Friday, February 20

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. February 20: *The View from Castle Rock*, Alice Munro.

Saturday, February 21

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

Sunday, February 22

The **ENRICHMENT PROGRAM** on February 22 is "An Introduction to Islam," presented by Dr. Adil Ozdemir, Professor of Islamic Studies at the University of St. Thomas. Background will be given for a better understanding of Islam, in preparation for the upcoming Didier Seminar. 11 a.m. in the Assembly Room.

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 FEBRUARY 15, 2009**Sunday, February 15, 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
 9:30 a.m. Baptism Preparation, Bridal Room
 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. New Members Class, Library
 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 Program: "Women and Islam," Assembly Room
 11:00 a.m. Fellowship, Kirk Parlour
 12 noon Stained Glass band, Youth Room
Monday, February 16, 2009
 6:00 p.m. AA, Assembly Room
 6:00 p.m. AlAnon, Youth Room
Tuesday, February 17, 2009
 7:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast, Copper Dome
 1:00 p.m. Library Committee, Library
 2:00 p.m. Loaves & Fishes, Faith Lutheran Church
 7:00 p.m. Great Decisions, Library

Wednesday, February 18, 2009

10:00 a.m. Bible Study, Library
 4:30 p.m. Alleluia Choir, Room 1
 4:15 p.m. Choir School, east wing
 5:30 p.m. Yoga, Meeting House
 5:30 p.m. Faith Partners, Room 1
 6:00 p.m. Choir School Dinner, A&B
 6:00 p.m. Confirmation Dinner, Youth Room
 7:00 p.m. Motet Choir, Choir Room
 7:00 p.m. Bell Choir, Bell Choir Room
 7:00 p.m. Kerygma Bible Study, Kirk Parlour
 7:15 p.m. Adult Ed: "Islam: Religion & Culture, Assembly Room

Thursday, February 19, 2009

7:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast, St. Clair Broiler
 10:00 a.m. Mission Sewing, A&B
 5:00 p.m. Grief Coalition, Macalester-Plymouth United Church
 7:00 p.m. Mission & Benevolence Committee, Kirby Lounge

Friday, February 20, 2009

7:00 a.m. Women's Breakfast, Kirk Parlour
 9:30 a.m. Kith & Kin Service Project, Presbyterian Homes
 5:30 p.m. Yoga, Meeting House

Saturday, February 21, 2009

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

Sunday, February 22, 2009

Services at 8:15 and 10 a.m.
 David A. Van Dyke, preaching

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

8:15 & 12:45: Preschool

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