

THE HOUSE OF HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



**"What I spent I had,
What I kept I lost,
What I gave I have."**

- Henry Ward Beecher

Commitment Sunday | November 19, 2017 10 a.m.

Welcome

House of Hope welcomes all who worship here today. Our caring and active community welcomes you. We extend the hospitality of Christ to all who gather here.

Today's Worship

Our regular Sunday Worship time is 10 a.m., followed by refreshments, fellowship, and educational opportunities. If you have any questions, our greeters or ushers will be glad to help you. **We invite you to join us for refreshments**, including fair trade Peace Coffee, served in the Kirk Parlour following the service.

Professional childcare is provided for infants through age 3 from 8:30 a.m.–12:15 p.m. in the East wing of the building.

- Infants to 18 months | Room 8
- Toddlers 19 months to 3 years | Room 2
- PreK through 6th grade are invited to the East Wing after Time for Children. See the insert for more information.

Large print hymnals and bulletins are available from ushers. Hearing devices can be signed out from the table in the Narthex. Ushers are available for assistance. Please return the hearing device to the table after the worship service.

Live broadcasts and audio versions of worship services are available at hohchurch.org. Copies of past sermons are available at the church's Welcome Centers and in the rack across from the Assembly Room.

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

The yellow Pastoral Concerns cards provide a way to alert the staff to the pastoral care needs of the congregation. Please use them, and place them in the offering plate or give them to a minister. This is a way to keep us informed about the life of our members.

If you would like a pastor to call on you in the hospital, or if you are ill at home and would like a visit, please call the church office at (651) 227-6311, to let us know. If you know someone else in the congregation who could benefit from a visit, please contact the church.

Are you visiting?

Thank you for choosing to worship at House of Hope. Visitors are invited to sign the Friendship registration pad. Please look for hospitality greeters who wear the "Welcome" tag for information. 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.

THE APPROACH TO GOD

Prelude

Praeludium in G Minor, BuxWV 149 Dieterich Buxtehude
Sarah Garner, organist

Introit

O Come Let Us Worship Vincent Persichetti
The Motet Choir, Matthew Culloton, choirmaster

* + Processional Hymn 423

Jesus Shall Reign Where're the Sun Duke Street

Call to Confession (congregation seated) — Jeffrey T. Foels

Minister: The Lord is with you.


People: And also with you.

Cantor:




Be with us now O Lord, qui-et us, cen-ter us, hear us.

Congregation:



O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, an - swer me. O



Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and lis-ten to me.

Prayer of Confession (unison)

O God, you hold creation close to your heart.

But we have kept the best offerings and the ripest fruit for ourselves.

We have left you waiting and creation suffers as a result.

We have leisurely washed our hands while the world is defiled.

O God, save us from ourselves, and save your world from our sin.

In all things, make us more faithful stewards.

(The prayer will continue with our silent confessions.)

Kyrie



Lord, have mer-cy u-pon us; Christ, have mer-cy u-pon us; Lord, have mer-cy u-pon us.

Assurance of Pardon


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

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

* + Doxology



Praise God, from Whom all bless-ings flow; praise God all crea-tures here be - low; praise



God a-bove, ye heav'n-ly host; praise Fath-er, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

Anthem

Locus iste.....Anton Bruckner

Locus iste a Deo factus est,	<i>This place was made by God</i>
Inaestimabile sacramentum,	<i>A priceless mystery;</i>
Irreprehensibilis est.	<i>It is without reproof.</i>

Welcome and Announcements

———— THE WORD OF GOD ————

First Lesson

Psalm 123 (OT, p. 572 in pew Bible, read responsively) — Janice Dickinson

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please join me as we read Psalm 123 responsively. The reading will begin on page 572 of the Old Testament section of the red pew Bible. I will begin and the congregation will read every other verse.

(Pause for the congregation to find their place.)

**¹ To you I lift up my eyes,
O you who are enthroned in the heavens!**

**² As the eyes of servants
look to the hand of their master,
as the eyes of a maid
to the hand of her mistress,
so our eyes look to the LORD our God,
until he has mercy upon us.**

**³ Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy upon us,
for we have had more than enough of contempt.**

**⁴ Our soul has had more than its fill
of the scorn of those who are at ease,
of the contempt of the proud.**

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem

This Little Light of Mine.....arr. John Helgen

St Cecilia and St Nicholas Choirs, families and alumni; Sofia Ardalan, Conductor

This little light of mine, Everywhere I go,
I'm gonna let it shine. I'm going to let it shine.

Jesus gave it to me,
I'm gonna let it shine.
-African American Spiritual

Time for Children — Kiera Stegall

PreK - 6th grade are invited to join us for Christmas Pageant practice in room 5.

Second Lesson

Matthew 25: 14-30 (NT, pp. 28-29 in pew Bible)

Minster: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon — David A. Van Dyke

The Sin of Doing Nothing

"I was afraid, so I went and hid your talent in the ground."

———— THE RESPONSE TO GOD ————

+ **Hymn 558**

Come, Sing a Song of Harvest.....Christus, der ist mein Leben

+ **Affirmation of Faith — The Apostles' Creed — Julia A. Carlson**

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.

Offering (Online giving is available. See back cover.)

Anthem

All My Trials Bahamian Spiritual, arr. Norman Luboff

If religion was a thing that money could buy,
The rich would live and the poor would die.
All my trials, Lord, soon be over.

Too late, my brothers,
Too late, but never mind.
All my trials, Lord, soon be over.

Now, hush, little baby, don't you cry,
You know that man is born to die.
All my trials, Lord, soon be over.

Presentation and Dedication of Offerings

(Following the anthem and collection of the regular morning offering, all are invited to come forward and place their pledge cards in the basket as an act of worship and a sign of commitment. Please come forward using the center aisle and return to your pews by the side aisle.)

+ Offertory Response

O God be-yond all prais-ing, we wor-ship you to - day and sing the love a-maz-ing that
songs can - not re - pay; for we can on-ly won-der at ev - 'ry gift you send, at
bless-ings with-out num-ber and mer-cies with-out end: we lift our hearts be-fore you and
wait u-pon your word, we hon - or and a-dore you, our great and might - y Lord.

+ Prayer of Dedication

+ Recessional Hymn 422

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending Beach Spring

+ Benediction

Postlude

Praeludium in D Minor Johann Pachelbel

Carillon Postlude David W. Johnson, carillonneur

* Late entrants may be seated

+ Stand as you are able

Today's Greeters

Darrel Gubrud, Joyce Nelson, Sue Browne, Margaret Miller,
Helen and Bob Mairs, Susie Williamson, Marilyn Eklund

The Communion Table Flowers

are in loving memory of Charles A. Stewart and Mary Ellen Stewart

The Pulpit Flowers

are in loving memory of Robert D. Bland and Marina S. Anderson

Text Giving

The House of Hope offers text giving. Text HOH to 73256 and click the link to complete your gift. It's that easy.

Christmas Memorials

You may purchase a poinsettia (\$15) or make a donation in any amount to the Mission Outreach Fund in memory or in honor of loved ones for publication in the December 17th bulletin. Visit or call the church office or pay online. To pay online click the blue 'give' button, select 'donate now', enter an amount and select the 'Christmas Memorials' fund. Please use the optional memo box to indicate the names and if you would like to pick up a poinsettia. You may select 'add more' if you have more than one. The deadline for reserving Christmas Memorials is December 10, 2017.



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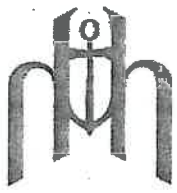
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News & Opportunities

November 19-26, 2017

Today's Schedule for Children

Pre-K through sixth graders are invited to Room 5 after the Time for Children where they will begin the Christmas Pageant practice. Adults are encouraged to pick up their first through sixth graders in Room 5 after worship at 11:30 a.m. Nursery children will meet in their usual Sunday spaces.

Middle School Youth

are meeting in Room 9 (above the Children's Library) after the service for Sunday School and a snack.

High School Youth

are invited down to the Youth Room after the service for bagels and fellowship.

New Members Class

If you are interested in joining or would like more information about The House of Hope, please attend the new member class today in the library. A light lunch will be provided. Childcare available.

Adult Enrichment Today

Christmas Books. Sue Zumberge, from Subtext Books in downtown St. Paul, will be joining us in the assembly room for our annual preview of books to give and receive this Christmas. Hear her recommendations on fiction and non-fiction, cookbooks and coffee table books, gifts for young readers and young adults, and suggestions from local authors.

Stephen Ministers

will be at a table outside the Kirk Parlour after today's service to tell you more about The House of Hope Stephen Ministry. Please stop by to learn more about the ways a Stephen Minister can be of help to you or someone you know. Or bring your

own questions if you would like to know more about becoming a Stephen Minister and encourage your friends who have the gifts of caring to come along.

Kirk Club. Green Mill, 12:15 p.m. Sofia Ardalan, HoH choir school director is our speaker today.

The Peace and Justice Committee

will have an informational table outside Kirk Parlour today. We will have information available concerning advancing housing equity, and ideas for action, including learning more and participating in a HoH "table talk" to make a difference. Please stop by.

Members Art Show

November 7-December 3, 2017. Join us in the Cloister Art Gallery to view church members' art works that include original paintings, ceramics, photography and textiles/fiber art.

Upcoming

Centering Prayer at the House of Hope takes place on Mondays at 11:00 a.m. in the Kirk Parlour. Centering is a form of contemplative prayer. Some might call it meditation. It is a practice of focusing on God, or resting in God, and when thoughts distract us from that intent, it becomes the practice of noticing and returning our focus to God through the use of a sacred word. Those is attendance vary each week; all are invited to attend as your schedule allows. Beginners as well as long time practitioners are welcome; there is an introduction to the practice at the beginning of each gathering.

Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service

November 22, 7:00 p.m. David Van Dyke, preaching.

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Christmas Traditions Around the World Exhibit. December 5, 2017-January 7, 2018. Members are invited to submit art, a family recipe, or an item that is special to their heritage or another heritage as a Christmas tradition. Items are to be collected on Nov. 26th and Dec. 3rd. Stop by the Cloister Gallery table for more information.

Sunday Exchange. If you could ask God one question, what would it be?

Join us on Sunday, November 26th for a facilitated group conversation at 11:15 a.m. in dining rooms A&B (downstairs next to the Great Hall). If you have children, they may remain in childcare.

Week Beginning November 19, 2017

Sunday, November 19, 2017

- 9:15 a.m. Child Care, Rooms 2 and 8
- 10:00 a.m. Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 10:15 a.m. Children's Pageant Practice, Room 5
- 11:15 a.m. Fellowship in the Kirk Parlour
- 11:15 a.m. Adult Enrichment - Assembly Room
- 11:15 a.m. Middle School, Room 9
- 11:15 a.m. High School, Youth Room

Monday, November 20, 2017

- 9:00 a.m. Bulletin deadline
- 11:00 a.m. Centering Prayer, Kirk Parlour
- 6:00 p.m. AA, Great Hall
- 6:00 p.m. Al-Anon, Youth Room

Tuesday, November 21, 2017

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast, The Louisiana Cafe
- 6:00 p.m. Session Meeting - Kirk Parlour

Wednesday, November 22, 2017

- 9:30 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study - Cancelled
- 9:15 a.m. Bulletin Volunteers - Assembly Room
- 4:30 p.m. Choir School, East Wing
- 5:45 p.m. Yoga, Meeting House

- 7:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service, Sanctuary; David Van Dyke, preaching

Thursday, November 23, 2017

- Thanksgiving Day Holiday. The Office is closed.
- 12:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Day Dinner, Kirk Parlour

Friday, November 24, 2017

Thanksgiving Day Holiday. The building and office are closed.

- 12:30 p.m. Yoga, Meeting House

Sunday, November 26, 2017

- 10:00 a.m. Worship Service, Sanctuary
Julia A. Carlson, preaching

For a full listing of events and activities, see our calendar on the homepage of our website www.hohchurch.org.

Descant

5. Let ev - ery crea - ture rise and bring Hon - ors pe -

1. Je - sus shall reign where - e'er the sun Does its suc -
 2. To Him shall end - less prayer be made, And prais - es
 3. Peo - ple and realms of ev - ery tongue Dwell on His
 4. Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er He reigns; The pris - oners

cu - liar to our King; An - gels de - scend with

ces - sive jour - neys run, His king - dom stretch from
 throng to crown His head; His name, like sweet per -
 love with sweet - est song, And in - fant voic - es
 leap to lose their chains, The wea - ry find e -

songs a - gain, And earth re - peat the loud A - men!

shore to shore, Till moons shall wax and wane no more.
 fume, shall rise With ev - ery morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
 shall pro - claim Their ear - ly bless - ings on His name.
 ter - nal rest, And all who suf - fer want are blest.

5. Let every creature rise and bring
 Honors peculiar to our King;

Angels descend with songs again,
 And earth repeat the loud Amen!

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Come, Sing a Song of Harvest

CHRISTUS, DER IST MEIN LEBEN 7.6.7.6

Fred Pratt Green, 1976; alt.

Melchior Vulpius, 1609

1. Come, sing a song of har - vest, Of thanks for dai - ly food!
 2. Shall we, some-times for - get - ful Of where cre - a - tion starts,
 3. May God, the great Cre - a - tor, To whom all life be - longs,
 4. And lest the world go hun - gry While we our-selves are fed,

To of - fer God the first - fruits Is old as grat - i - tude.
 View sci - ence as our sav - ior, Lose won - der from our hearts?
 Ac - cept these gifts we of - fer, Our ser - vice and our songs.
 Make each of us more read - y To share our dai - ly bread.

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BEACH SPRING 8.7.8.7 D

Robert L. Edwards, 1961

The Sacred Harp, 1844
Harm. James H. Wood, 1958



1. God, whose giv - ing knows no end - ing, From Your rich and
2. Skills and time are ours for press - ing Toward the goals of
3. Trea - sure too You have en - trust - ed, Gain through powers Your



end - less store, Na - ture's won - der, Je - sus' wis - dom,
Christ, Your Son: All at peace in health and free - dom,
grace con - ferred; Ours to use for home and kin - dred,



Cost-ly cross, grave's shat - tered door: Gift-ed by You, we turn
Rac-es joined, the church made one. Now di - rect our dai - ly
And to spread the gos - pel Word. O - pen wide our hands, in



to You, Of - fering up our - selves in praise; Thank-ful
la - bor, Lest we strive for self a - lone; Born with
shar - ing, As we heed Christ's age - less call, Heal - ing,



song shall rise for - ev - er, Gra-cious do - nor of our days.
tal - ents, make us ser - vants Fit to an - swer at Your throne.
teach - ing, and re - claim - ing, Serv-ing You by lov - ing all.