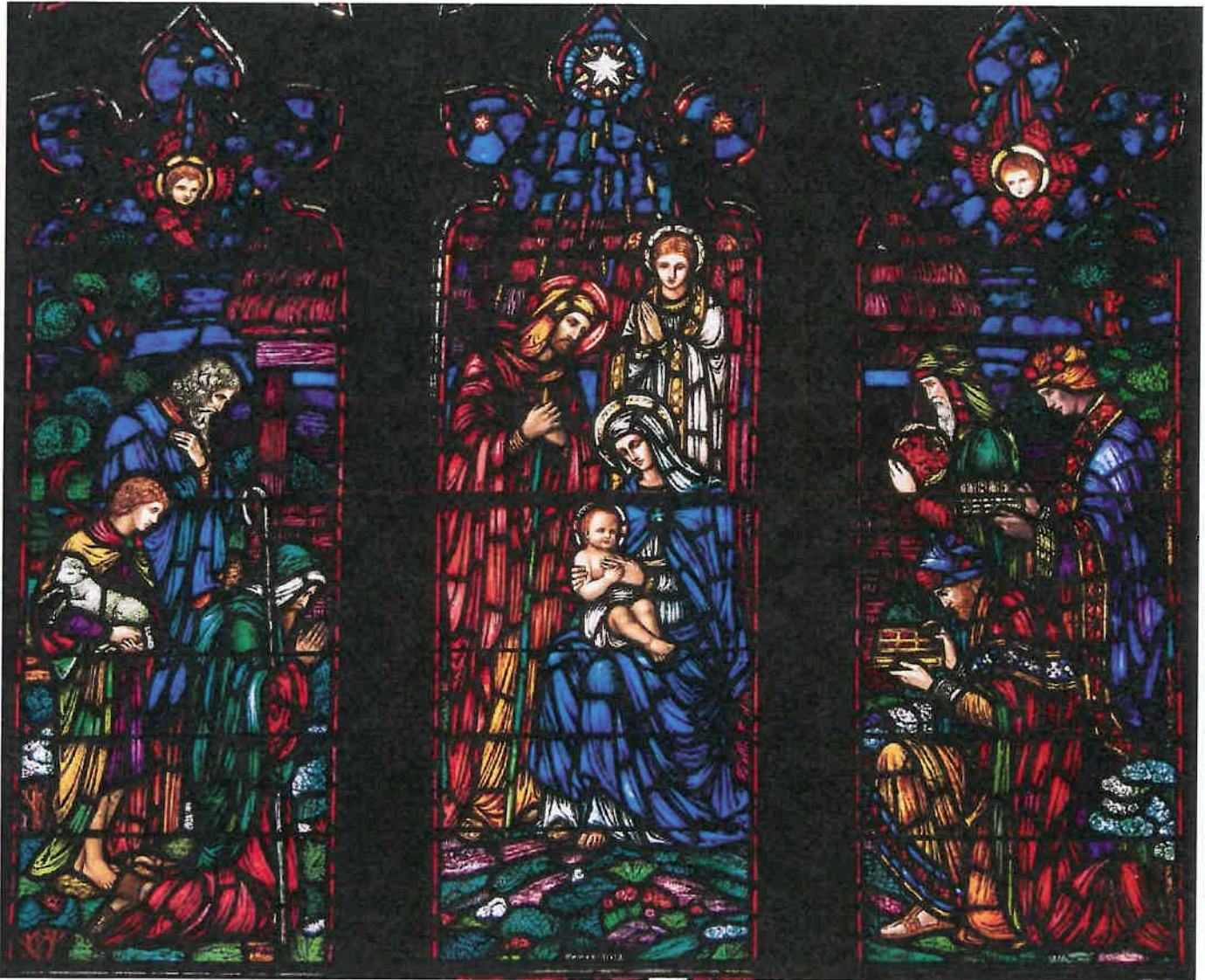


THE HOUSE OF HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



**"Beware of all enterprises that require new clothes,
and not rather a new wearer of clothes."**

- Henry David Thoreau

"Beauty begins the moment you decide to be yourself."

- Coco Chanel

First Sunday after Christmas Day | December 30, 2018 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 coffee, served in the Kirk Parlour following the service.

Professional childcare is provided for infants through PreK from 9:45 a.m.–11:15 a.m. in the East Wing.

- Infants and Toddlers | Room 8
- Preschool and PreK | Room 2
- Kindergarten through 1st grade are invited to the East Wing following the Time for Children.

Children's Bibles for infants through 2nd grade are available in the pews; and children's bulletins and crayons are available at all sanctuary doors. Please return the crayons.

Large print hymnals and bulletins are available. 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 worship.

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 Connect @ HoH 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 include an email or street address so we can tell you about worship, mission, and events at The House of Hope. Please look for greeters who wear the "Welcome" tag for information. **The next New Member Class will take place on Sunday, January 20 at 11:15 a.m. in the Library.** Please RSVP in the church office. A light lunch will be served, and childcare is available.

THE APPROACH TO GOD

Prelude

Ave Maria
Still, Still, Still
Silent Night
Now Light 1,000 Candles Bright

Cathy Victorsen, Harp
Sachiya Isomura, Cello

Bach/ Gounod
Pachelbel/ Austrian Carol arr. Veenker
Gruber arr. Gist
Norwegian Carol arr. Koehler

Introit

Once in Royal David's City
Krista Costin, Soloist

Henry John Gauntlett

* + Opening Hymn 46

On This Day Earth Shall Ring

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Call to Confession *(congregation seated)*

Rev. Zach O. Wilson

Minister: The Lord is with you.

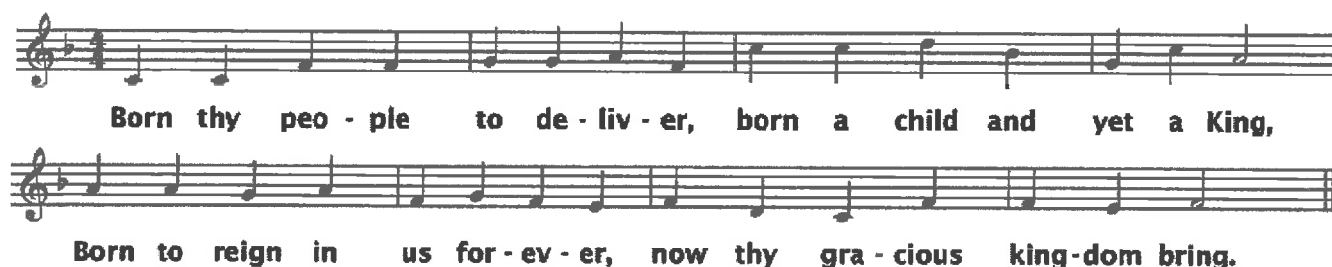
People: And also with you.

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Gracious God,
we have sought you in high and holy places;
we are ill-prepared to acknowledge your presence among the lowly and poor.
We believe you are profound but we overlook your obvious truths.
We are anxious about the unknown
but we hardly consider the realities immediately in front of us.
Turn us, incarnate God,
by the simple wonders of your love,
to a rebirth of faith and hope and joy.

(The prayer will continue with our silent confessions.)

Sung Response



Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, born a child and yet a King,
Born to reign in us for - ev - er, now thy gra - cious king - dom bring.

Assurance of Pardon

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

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

* + Antiphon



Glo - - - - - ri - a, in ex - cel - sis De - o!
Glo - - - - - ri - a, in ex - cel - sis De - - - o!

Welcome and Announcements

———— THE WORD OF GOD ————

First Lesson

Janice Dickinson

Colossians 3:12-17 (NT, p. 201 in pew Bible)

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

Duet

What Child Is This

English Carol arr. Alexander

Time for Children

Phil Bolinder

*(K–1st grade have the option of staying in the service or exiting after the Time for Children to Room 4.
2nd–6th grade may remain in worship.)*

Second Lesson

Luke 2:41-52 (NT, p. 59 in pew Bible)

Minster: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Julia A. Carlson

Wearing Your Heart on Your Sleeve

THE RESPONSE TO GOD

+ Hymn 67

Brightest and Best of the Stars of the Morning

Morning Star

+ Affirmation of Faith — from A Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.

Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:

preaching good news to the poor

and release to the captives,

teaching by word and deed

and blessing the children,

healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted,

eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners,

and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,

Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain

and giving his life for the sins of the world.

God raised this Jesus from the dead,

vindicating his sinless life,

breaking the power of sin and evil,

delivering us from death to life eternal.

Prayers of 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.)

Offertory Duet:

O Holy Night

Adolphe Adam

+ 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

+Closing Hymn 68

What Star Is This, with Beams So Bright

Puer Nobis Nascitur

+Benediction

Postlude

Sussex Carol (On Christmas Night)

Trad. English Carol

Carillon Postlude

David W. Johnson, carillonneur

Today's Greeters

Liz Sanson, Marilyn and Erv Lentz, Bill and Joan Frank, Larry Nelson,
Kathe and Phil Bolinder, Patrick Boylan, Linda Tuohy

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.

In Memoriam

Charles Risher joined The House of Hope Presbyterian Church on June 6, 2000. He entered the Church Triumphant on December 15, 2018. A memorial service is not being planned at this time.

"If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's." - Romans 14:8



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On This Day Earth Shall Ring

PERSONENT HODIE 6.6.6.6 with refrain

Piae Cantiones, 1582

Trans. Jane Marion Joseph (1894-1929)

Piae Cantiones, 1582

Arr. Gustav Theodore Holst, 1924

1. On this day earth shall ring With the song
 2. His the doom, ours the mirth; When He came
 3. God's bright star, o'er His head, Wise men three
 4. On this day an - gels sing; With their song

chil - dren sing To the Lord, Christ our King, Born on earth to
 down to earth Beth - le - hem saw His birth; Ox and ass be -
 to Him led, Kneel - ing low by His bed, Lay their gifts be -
 earth shall ring, Prais - ing Christ, heav - en's King, Born on earth to

Refrain

save us; Him the Fa - ther gave us.
 side Him From the cold would hide Him.
 fore Him, Praise Him and a - dore Him. *Id - e - o - o - o,
 save us; Peace and love He gave us.

R.H.
 L.H.
 R.H.

*Therefore, glory to God in the highest.

Id - e - o - o - o, Id - e - o glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o!

Still, Still, Still

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STILL, STILL, STILL 3.6.9.8.3.6

Austrian carol

Trans. George K. Evans (b. 1917)

Austrian melody

Arr. Walter Ehret (b. 1918)

1. Still, still, still, He sleeps this night so chill! The
 2. Sleep, sleep, sleep, He lies in slum - ber deep While

Vir - gin's ten - der arms en - fold - ing, Warm and safe the Child are hold - ing.
 an - gel hosts from heaven come wing - ing, Sweet - est songs of joy are sing - ing.

Still, still, still, He sleeps this night so chill.
 Sleep, sleep, sleep, He lies in slum - ber deep.

67 Brightest and Best of the Stars of the Morning

MORNING STAR 11.10.11.10

Reginald Heber, 1811; alt.

James Proctor Harding, 1892

1. Bright - est and best of the stars of the morn - ing,
 2. Cold on His cra - dle the dew - drops are shin - ing,
 3. Shall we then yield Him, in cost - ly de - vo - tion,
 4. Vain - ly we of - fer each am - ple ob - la - tion,

Dawn on our dark - ness and lend us thine aid;
 Low lies His head with the beasts of the stall;
 O - dors of E - dom and of - ferings di - vine,
 Vain - ly with gifts would His fa - vor se - cure;

Star of the east, the ho - ri - zon a - dorn - ing,
 An - gels a - dore Him in slum - ber re - clin - ing,
 Gems of the moun - tain and pearls of the o - cean,
 Rich - er by far is the heart's ad - o - ra - tion,

Guide where our in - fant Re - deem - er is laid.
 Mak - er and Mon - arch and Sav - ior of all!
 Myrrh from the for - est, or gold from the mine?
 Dear - er to God are the prayers of the poor.*

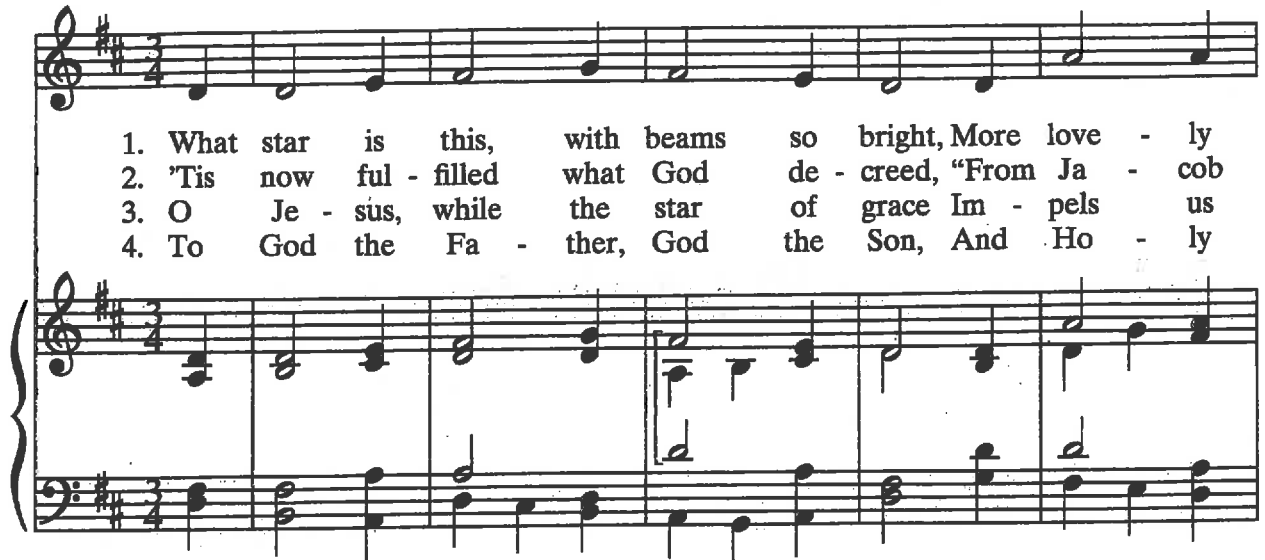
*Repeat stanza 1.

What Star Is This, with Beams So Bright 68

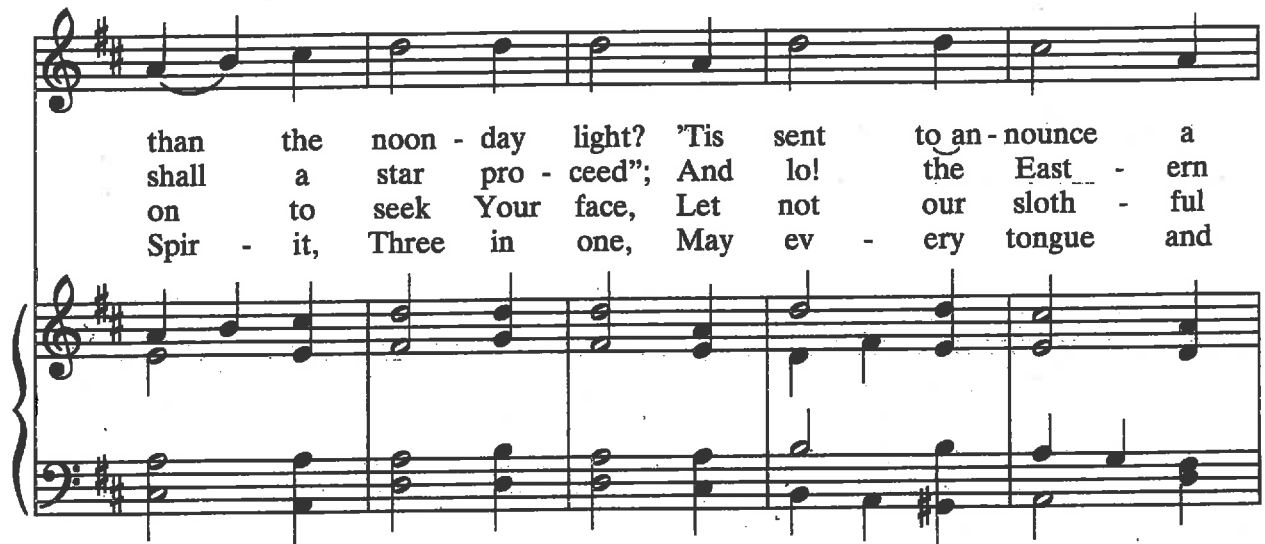
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Charles Coffin, 1736
Trans. John Chandler, 1837; alt.

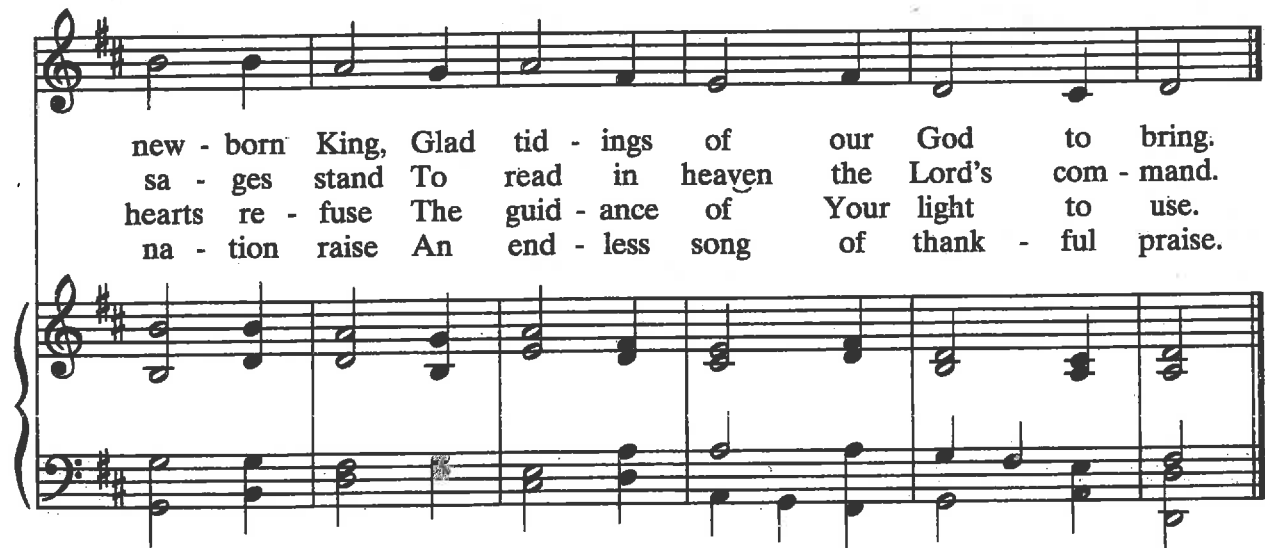
Trier ms., 15th century
Adapt. Michael Praetorius, 1609
Harm. George Ratcliffe Woodward, 1910



1. What star is this, with beams so bright, More love - ly
2. 'Tis now ful - filled what God de - creed, "From Ja - cob
3. O Je - sus, while the star of grace Im - pels us
4. To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, And Ho - ly



than the noon - day light? 'Tis sent to an - nounce a
shall a star pro - ceed"; And lo! the East - ern
on to seek Your face, Let not our sloth - ful
Spir - it, Three in one, May ev - ery tongue and



new - born King, Glad tid - ings of our God to bring.
sa - ges stand To read in heaven the Lord's com - mand.
hearts re - fuse The guid - ance of Your light to use.
na - tion raise An end - less song of thank - ful praise.



News & Opportunities

December 30, 2018 - January 6, 2019

Sunday School. Children are invited to join us for a morning of spiritually enriching stories, S.T.E.A.M. activities, group games, and more. We will explore our faith as we learn more about God's love, Jesus' life, and the faith of others. Sunday Studio K - 1st in Room 4; 2-6th grade are invited to remain in worship.

House of Hope Members Christmas Wreathes Gallery Exhibit: November 27-January 6. This year House of Hope members have shared their favorite Christmas wreathes. They are now on display during the Christmas season in the Cloister Gallery.

Sunday Exchange. Today's Question: *Could you actually, in fact, really even consider living the way Jesus of Nazareth did as a way of life for you?* Join an informal conversation about faith and life, how they're working or not working for you. 11:15 a.m. in Room 1. Childcare available.

Upcoming

Centering Prayer meets on Mondays at the House of Hope at 11:00 a.m. in the Kirk Parlour. Centering is a form of contemplative prayer. Some might call it meditation. Those in 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.

Adult Enrichment. *Ethics for Everybody.* January 6 at 11:15 in the Assembly Room. Rev. Dr. Andrew McDonald will lead an introduction to ethics, presented in a way that allows people to see themselves as moral actors, and become more aware of what God is enabling and empowering us to be and to do.

Tweens Blanket-Tying Party.

Fourth - sixth graders are invited to join us for a night of food, fun, and service at House of Hope on Friday, January 11, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Tweens will enjoy dinner and games before learning to make tied-blankets for people being served by Women's Advocates. Cost for this event is \$7. Additional donations to offset the cost of blanket supplies is greatly appreciated. Special thanks to Leigh Stewart for leading the blanket-tying event. R.S.V.P. to Kiera Stegall at KieraS@hohchurch.org by Wednesday, January 9.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Breakfast. Keynote Speaker: Don Lemon

Monday, January 21 | 7 a.m.

The Armory, 500 S. 6th Street, Minneapolis

"Life's most persistent and urgent question is: 'What are you doing for others?'"

Those were the words of Dr. King, who believed that everybody can achieve greatness through service. Even at our most divided, helping others can heal. This breakfast is an opportunity to celebrate Dr. King by "doing for others," together. Proceeds will benefit UNCF Minneapolis Area office in providing four-year college scholarships to deserving low-income students.

Learn more or register to attend: <http://www.mlkbreakfast.com>. You can also watch live on TPT or stream it at tpt.org.

Joy Davis' Second Thursday Literature Seminar will meet in the Library on January 10 at 10 a.m. We will continue discussing poems read in December and go on to Billy Collins and William Shakespeare as printed in the handout we already have. Come. Enjoy. All are welcome.

Special Holiday Office Hours. Please note the office will be open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Monday, December 31. The office and building will also be closed on Tuesday January 1.

Sunday Series. January 20 at 2:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary will feature Award-Winning CNN Anchor Don Lemon. Please see the January Anchor for more information. This event is free and open to the public.

HOH Community Retreat. Join House of Hope for a multi-generational community retreat at Clearwater Forest on June 7 – 9. Enjoy a waterfront view, communal meals, art, devotional times and worship. From ropes courses and water activities to prayer labyrinths and relaxing by the bonfire, this retreat has something for all ages. We even have an infant and toddler play space. Register to join us in one of the two beautiful lodges we rented and help us celebrate summertime together. Cost is \$85 per participant. Meals and lodging included. Scholarships available. For more information contact Kiera Stegall at KieraS@hohchurch.org

Week Beginning December 30, 2018

Sunday, December 30, 2018

- 9:30 a.m. Child Care, Rooms 2 & 8
- 10:00 a.m. Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 10:15 a.m. K-1 Sunday School, Room 4
- 11:15 a.m. Fellowship in Kirk Parlour
- 11:15 a.m. Sunday Exchange, Room 1

Monday, December 31, 2018

The Church Office and Building will close at 3 p.m.

Tuesday, January 1, 2019

The Office and Building are closed.

Wednesday, January 2, 2019

- 9:30 a.m. Bible Study, Library
- 1:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Training, Room 1
- 1:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision, Room 6
- 6:00 p.m. Stephen Min. Supervision Group 2, Room 1
- 7:00 p.m. Bell Choir, Bell Room
- 7:00 p.m. Confirmation, Kirby Lounge

Thursday, January 3, 2019

- 7:00 a.m. Thursday Men's Breakfast, Joseph's
- 9:00 a.m. Hard Hats, Maintenance Shop
- 9:00 a.m. Bulletin Deadline (for January 13)
- 9:15 a.m. Bible Study, Room 1
- 9:30 a.m. Mission Sewing, Dining A&B
- 5:30 p.m. Grief Support Groups, Kirk Parlour

Friday, January 4, 2019

- 7:00 a.m. Women's Breakfast Book Group, Kirk Parlour
- 9:15 a.m. Bulletin Volunteers, Library
- 12:00 p.m. Yoga, Room 11

Epiphany of the Lord, January 6, 2019

- 10:00 a.m. Worship Service, Sanctuary
Rev. Dr. Andrew McDonald, preaching
Holy Communion
- 11:15 a.m. Adult Enrichment, Assembly Room

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