

# THE HOUSE OF HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



**"More people today have the means to live, but no meaning to live for."**

**- Victor Frankl**

**Ash Wednesday | March 6, 2019 7:00 p.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.

## Sunday 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.

**The Sacrament of Holy Communion** is celebrated tonight. All who put their faith and trust in Jesus Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Elements served are bread and grape juice. Gluten-free wafers are available. Request one from a server.

**Professional childcare is provided** for infants through age 5 from 6:45 p.m.–8:15 p.m. in the east wing of the building. We use a texting system to page parents. Please set your cell phones to vibrate and keep it on your person.

- Infants to 18 months | Room 8
- Toddlers 19 months to 5 years | Room 2

**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](http://hohchurch.org). Copies of past sermons are available at the church's Welcome Centers and in the rack across from the Assembly Room.

**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, March 17 at 11:15 a.m. in the Library.** A light lunch will be served, and childcare is available. Please RSVP in the church office.

# THE APPROACH TO GOD

## **Prelude**

*The Peace is Shared*  
Aaron David Miller, organist

Dan Locklair

## **Prayer of Invocation**

Rev. Dr. Andrew L. McDonald

## **\* + Hymn 81**

*Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days*

St. Flavian

## **Welcome and Announcements**

## **First Lesson**

Psalm 51:1-17 (OT, pp. 520-521 in pew Bible)

Minister: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

## **Anthem**

*If Ye Love Me*

Thomas Tallis

The Scholars, Sofia Ardalan, conductor ; Timothy Short, organist

If ye love me, keep my commandments,  
and I will pray the Father,  
and he shall give you another Comforter,  
that he may bide with you forever,  
e'en the spir't of truth.

## THE WORD OF GOD

### Second Lesson

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21 (NT, pp. 5-6 in pew Bible)

Minister: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

### Meditation

Rev. Julia A. Carlson

*Repenting and Believing*

## THE RESPONSE TO GOD

### + Hymn 344

*Christ of the Upward Way*

Sursum Corda

### Litany of Penitence

Rev. Zachary O. Wilson

Minister: Let us pray.

People: Holy and merciful God, we confess to you and to one another,  
and to the whole communion of saints in heaven and on earth,  
that we have sinned by our own fault in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

Minister: We have not loved you with our whole heart, and mind, and strength.  
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We have not forgiven others as we have been forgiven. Have mercy on us, O God.

People: We have not listened to your call to serve as Christ served us.  
We have not been true to the mind of Christ. We have grieved your Holy Spirit.  
Have mercy on us, O God.

Minister: We confess to you, O God, all our past unfaithfulness:  
The pride, hypocrisy, and impatience in our lives, we confess to you, O God.

People: Our self-indulgent appetites and ways and our exploitation of other people,  
our anger at our own frustration and our envy of those more fortunate  
than ourselves, we confess to you, O God.

**Minister:** Our intemperate love of worldly goods and comforts,  
and our dishonesty in daily life and work,  
Our negligence in prayer and worship,  
and our failure to commend the faith that is in us, we confess to you, O God.

**People:** **Accept our repentance, O God, for the wrongs we have done.**  
**For our neglect of human need and suffering**  
**and our indifference to injustice and cruelty,**  
**accept our repentance, O God.**

**Minister:** For all false judgments, for uncharitable thoughts toward our neighbors,  
and for our prejudice and contempt toward those who differ from us,  
accept our repentance, O God.

**People:** **For our waste and pollution of your creation and our lack of concern for those who**  
**come after us, restore us, O God, and let your anger depart from us.**  
**Favorably hear us, O God, for your mercy is great.**

## **The Sacrament of Holy Communion**

### **Invitation to the Lord's Table**

### **The Great Thanksgiving**

**Minister:** The Lord is with you.

**People:**   
And with thy spir - it.

**Minister:** Lift up your hearts.

**People:**   
We lift them up un-to the Lord.

**Minister:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People:**   
It is meet and right so to do.

Minister: It is truly right and our greatest joy. . . Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:

People:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of Hosts,  
Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry:  
Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord Most High. A - men

Minister: You are holy, O God of majesty, and blessed is Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. . . Continue to hear us, O God, as we pray together the prayer Christ taught us, saying together:

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.

## The Words of Institution

### Imposition of Ashes and Distribution of the Bread and Cup

Communion will be received by intinction this evening. Following the Words of Institution, please come forward in two lines up the center aisle and receive the elements. You will be dismissed from the rear. Dip your bread into the cup and partake of them at the table. If you require gluten-free elements, please inform the server. If you desire, ashes will be imposed on your forehead or the back of your hand. Please return to your pew along the side aisles. Those unable to come forward will be served in the pew.

## **Anthem**

*Call to Remembrance*

The Motet Choir; Matthew Culloton, choirmaster

Richard Farrant

Call to remembrance, O Lord,  
Thy tender mercies and Thy loving kindness,  
which hath been ever of old,  
O remember not the sins and offences of my youth:  
but according to Thy mercy  
think Thou on me, O Lord,  
for Thy goodness.

## **Prayer after Communion**

**Minister:** Bless the Lord, O my soul;

**People:** and all that is within me, bless God's holy name!

**Minister:** Bless the Lord, O my soul;

**People:** and forget not all God's benefits.

**Minister and People:**

God of compassion, through your Son Jesus Christ  
you reconciled your people to yourself.

Following his example of prayer and fasting,  
may we obey you with willing hearts and serve one another in holy love;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **+Hymn 415**

*Come, Labor On*

Ora Labora

## **+Benediction**

## **Postlude**

*Quiet Acclamation*

Jean Guillou

*You are invited to make an offering  
using the offering plates at the doors to the sanctuary.*

**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.

## 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.

### Lenten In-Depth Study

All-Church Book Read: *Spiritual Defiance* by Rev. Robin Meyers, Ph.D.

We invite the House of Hope community to gather to discuss this book. We will offer multiple formats, including three Wednesday nights at 7 p.m. and a Sunday Enrichment.

- March 13, Prologue, Chapter 1: Faith as Resistance to Ego
- March 20, Chapter 2: Faith as Resistance to Orthodoxy
- March 27, Chapter 3, Epilogue: Faith as Resistance to Empire
- Sunday, March 31: Resisting the Reign of the Christian Status Quo

Get your copy: \$12 outside Kirk Parlour on Sunday or in the church office.

### Forty Days of Focus: Life Groups During Lent

Forty Days of Focus is an invitation to examine who we are and where we are going. It is a time to set new priorities and goals. For some people, it may be a time to reaffirm and reinforce. Others may see it as an invitation to reframe their story—to view it from a different perspective.

Others may decide to write a dramatically new script for their lives.

*You are welcome to join at one of these available times:*

Sundays at 8:45 a.m. or 11:15 a.m. in Dining Rooms A&B; or  
Wednesdays at 4 p.m. in the Bridal Room. Other times may be available soon.

You may visit the Life Groups Table outside Kirk Parlour on Sunday, or  
contact Pastor Wilson at [ZachW@hohchurch.org](mailto:ZachW@hohchurch.org) if you have any questions.

## The House of Hope Presbyterian Church

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This bronze statue can be found in the Memorial Garden. Photo Credit: Julia Carlson.

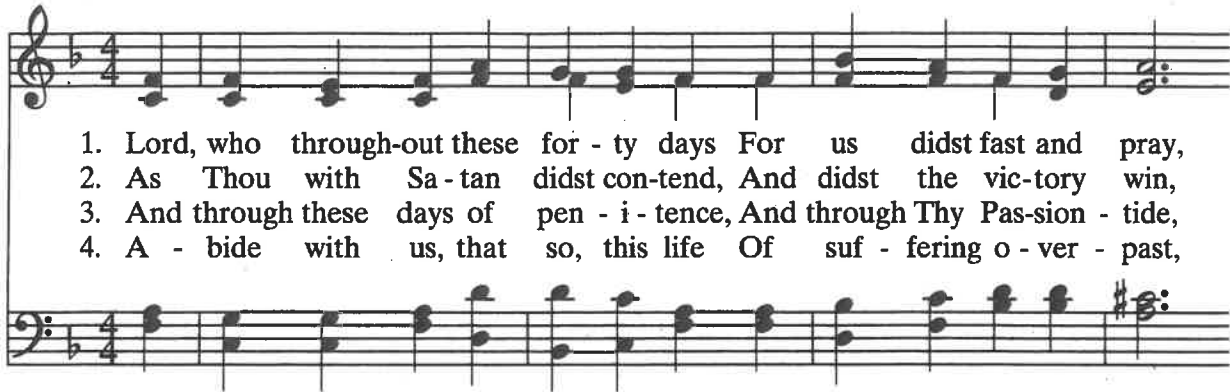


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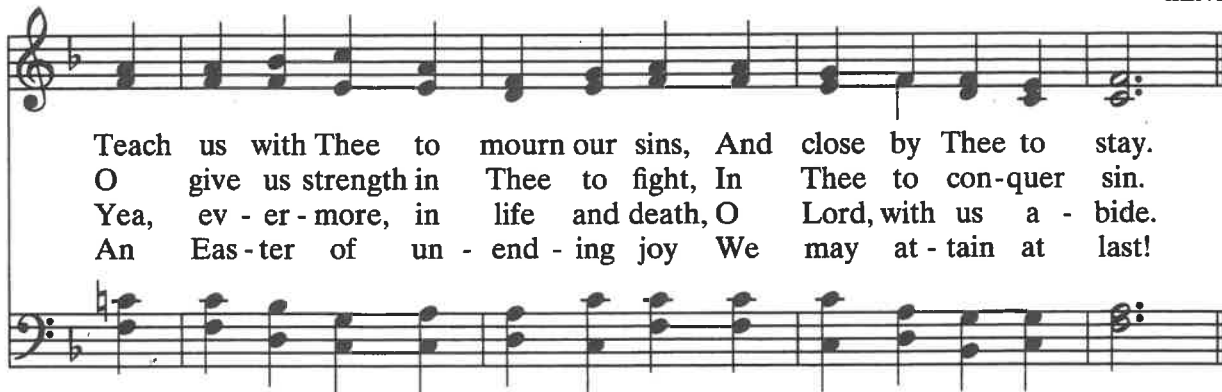
Claudia F. I. Hernaman, 1873; alt.

Day's Psalter, 1562



1. Lord, who through-out these for - ty days For us didst fast and pray,  
 2. As Thou with Sa - tan didst con-tend, And didst the vic-tory win,  
 3. And through these days of pen - i - tence, And through Thy Pas-sion - tide,  
 4. A - bide with us, that so, this life Of suf - fering o - ver - past,

LENT



Teach us with Thee to mourn our sins, And close by Thee to stay.  
 O give us strength in Thee to fight, In Thee to con-quer sin.  
 Yea, ev - er - more, in life and death, O Lord, with us a - bide.  
 An Eas - ter of un - end - ing joy We may at - tain at last!

John 1:29

## Christ of the Upward Way

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Walter John Mathams, c. 1915; alt.

George Lomas, 1876

1. Christ of the up - ward way, My guide di - vine,  
 2. Give me the heart to hear Your voice and will,  
 3. Christ of the up - ward way, My guide di - vine,

Where You have set Your feet May I place mine;  
 That with - out fault or fear I may ful - fill  
 Where You have set Your feet May I place mine;

And move and march wher - ev - er You have trod,  
 Your pur - pose with a glad and ho - ly zest,  
 And when Your last call comes se - rene and clear,

Keep - ing face for - ward up the hill of God.  
 Like one who would not bring less than the best.  
 Calm, may my an - swer be, "Lord, I am here."

# Come, Labor On

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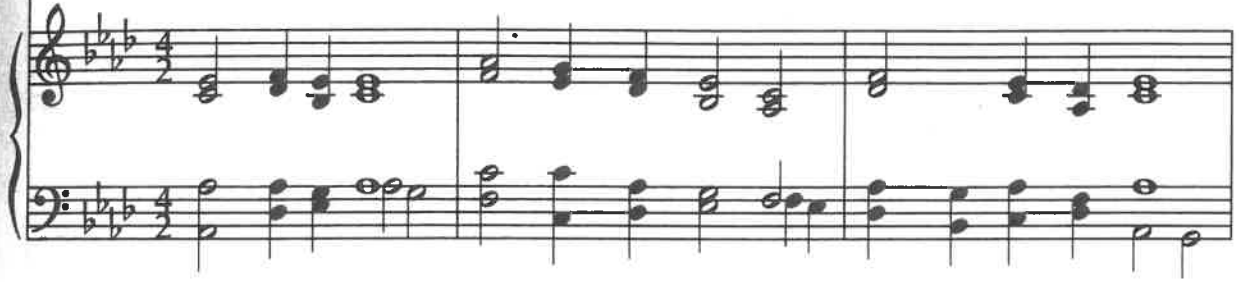
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Jane Laurie Borthwick, 1859; rev. 1863; alt.

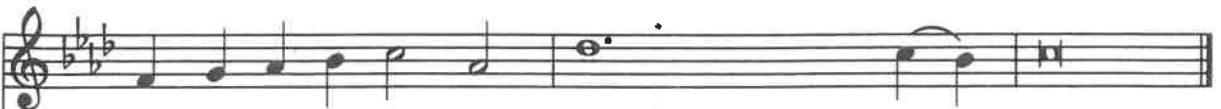
Thomas Tertius Noble, 1918



1. Come, la-bor on. Who dares stand i - dle on the har - vest plain
2. Come, la-bor on. Claim the high call - ing an - gels can - not share;
3. Come, la-bor on. A - way with gloom - y doubts and faith - less fear!
4. Come, la-bor on. No time for rest, till glows the west - ern sky,



While all a - round us waves the gold - en grain? And to each ser - vant  
To young and old the gos - pel glad - ness bear. Re - deem the time; its  
No arm so weak but may do ser - vice here; Though fee - ble a - gents,  
Till the long shad - ows o'er our path - way lie, And a glad sound comes



does the Mas - ter say, "Go work to - day."  
hours too swift - ly fly. The night draws nigh.  
may we all ful - fill God's righ - teous will.  
with the set - ting sun, "Well done, well done!"

