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CONNECT



September 2019

Living a good life requires community. People are discovering a deep need for friendship. This autumn, House of Hope is offering multiple opportunities to explore the meaning of community. We have opportunities to connect people in new friendships and to engage in service in the Twin Cities. Everyone is invited to these important discussions and experiences. Adult Education takes place at 11:15 a.m.

Sunday, September 15

Climbing the Second Mountain, with Rev. Dr. Andrew McDonald

Our All Church Book Read is *The Second Mountain*, by David Brooks. In it, he makes the case that people need to renew their sense of community. Life is better when we take the time to talk together and cultivate meaningful relationships. In doing so, we can connect in ways where we authentically care about each other and explore the diverse values that bind us together.

*See book review on Page 4.

Sunday, September 15

Feminist Theology with Rev. Julia Carlson



All are welcome to a time of learning and discussion around women's experience of God and the many gifts women bring to the church. We will explore the spiritu-

ality of power, using Janet O. Hagberg's *Real Power: Stages of Personal Power in Organizations*. This discussion will continue on November 17.

Sunday, September 22 The Ethics of Civility and Community,

with Rev. Dr. Andrew McDonald Everyone realizes we live in a fractured time. What can bring us together? This presentation considers some of the forces of division, and how religion can contribute healthy leadership for our moral conversations. Rather than the liberal tendency to delete all references to religion, or the conservative tendency to narrow the voice of religion, there is a third way. In an age tyrannized by feelings, this is a case for us to faithfully think our way into the future.

Sunday September 29

Building a Community of Faith in a World That Doesn't Think It Needs God, with Dr. Andrew Root

Leading theologian Andrew Root offers an interesting take on how faith can be formed in our secular age.

"The church can never be the community of perfect, trouble-free people; the church cannot be a club of the moral elite. If the church is a church of the cross, of the Love of Father and Son, it cannot be the community of denial in positivity. How is it that the church has gotten the reputation for being a people where you need to be perfect to be part of it? It is the utter opposite."

—Andrew Root





Welcome Sunday: Re(Acquaint) Yourself with House of Hope September 8

10 a.m. - Worship 11:15 a.m. - Picnic and games on Summit lawn

We hope your summer was great! Now we want to help you kick off an even better fall with House of Hope. Join us for lively worship with our Motet Choir and the Choir School. Enjoy a picnic and make new friends as we begin an amazing new program year.

Dr. Andrew Root is the Carrie Olson Baalson Professor of Youth and Family Ministry at Luther Seminary. His most recent books are *The Grace of Dogs, Faith Formation in a Secular Age,* and *Exploding Stars, Dead Dinosaurs, and Zombies: Youth Ministry in the Age of Science.*

Great Decisions September 10 | 4 p.m. | Kirk Parlour Cyber Conflict and Geopolitics with Christi Siver

Cyber Conflict is a continually developing threat, which can include foreign interference in elections, industrial sabotage, and attacks on infrastructure. How do the economic ties of China and the U.S. affect their relationship with cyber politics? **Christi Siver** teaches courses on international relations and international security at the College of St. Benedict and St. John's University.

Joy Davis' Second Thursday Literature Seminar

September 12 | 10 a.m. | Library

We will follow women's trek from the Garden of Eden to *A Room of One's Own* as revealed in women's poetry from Anne Bradstree to Anne Sexton: a span of 40 years.

Sunday-Weekday Connection September 24 | 6 p.m. | Kirk Parlour

Personal property appraiser and HOH member Shannon Law will explain the attributes that make an object valuable, debunk some myths about appraisers and appraising, and share how "energy shots" relate to her faith. Shannon has been a member for 14 years and is also a Stephen Minister. She lives in Minneapolis with her daughter, Kate, and their black Lab, Max. Sunday-Weekday Connections brings together women of the congregation for fellowship and a light supper. The cost is \$25. Reserve your spot at our table outside the Kirk Parlour after worship, or call the church office. Upcoming meetings: October 29, January 28, February 28, and March 31.

Sunday Exchange September 29 | 11:15 a.m. | Room 1 Have Much? Expect Much? Should You?

Even "the pursuit of happiness" may seem like a distant goal for many people right now. Joy? Let's talk about that. It's a relaxed and, hopefully, real conversation. Grab coffee and join us. If you have children, they can remain in childcare.



Eat, Connect, Explore: Wednesdays

Re-Discovering the Bible

One of the major tasks of our time is learning how to read the Bible anew. For some the archaic language is a barrier, others get stuck in the literalism. Through a guided exploration, you will find the Bible opening up to you, and you opening up to the Bible. This course is taught by Rev. Dr. Andrew McDonald.

Please bring a Bible. If you need a new one, please remember that not all Bibles are translated equally. Based on scholarship and diversity of insight, two recommended versions include:

- New Oxford Annotated Bible (5th Edition): New Revised Standard Version. Oxford University Press
- Harper Collins Study Bible: New Revised Standard Version. Harper Collins

This is a class for those who have never read the Bible, for those who have lost their love for the Bible, and for those who want to re-discover the depth of meaning in this ancient book. Beginning September 11, this class will meet Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. in the Great Hall.

Do Wednesdays have you in a

conundrum? We have your solution: church! Coming to church on a Wednesday may be just what you need.

Here's the schedule:

4:30-5:30 p.m. Choir School 4:30-5:30 p.m. Parent Connect with Rev. Zach Wilson (all parents welcome) 5:30-6:00 p.m. Choir School Dinner 6:00-7:30 p.m. Choir School Rehearsal 6:00-6:30 p.m. Community Dinner for all 6:30-7:30 p.m. Bible Study with Rev. Dr. McDonald 6:30-7:30 p.m. Youth Bell Choir 7:00-9:00 p.m. Bell Choir

7:00-8:00 p.m. Confirmation with Rev. Wilson and Doug Snaza (9th graders) 7:00-9:00 p.m. The Motet Choir Rehearsal

Just think, you don't need to cook and you can engage with family and friends. Suggested donation of \$5/person with a maximum of \$12/family.

Parent Connect



Beginning September 11, Rev. Wilson will lead parents through a guided discussion. In September, we will focus on Dr. Dawn Rundman's book:

Little Steps, Big Faith: How the Science of Early Childhood Development Can Help You Grow Your Child's Faith. Reading is not required. Please register on our website to help us plan.

WORSHIP

10 a.m.

Sunday, September 1 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, September 8 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time The Motet Choir Clap Your Hands, Williams Praise to the Lord, Distler The Choir School For the Beauty of the Earth, Rutter

Sunday, September 15 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time The Motet Choir

Walk Together, Children, Hogan

One Thing More, Marshall

The Choir School Dona Nobis Pacem, arr. Hopson

Sunday, September 22 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time The Motet Choir

Jesu, the Very Thought of Thee, Culloton *Laetatus sum,* Scarlatti

> The Choir School Lord Here Am I, Paulus

Sunday, September 29 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Choir School All Night, All Day, arr. Robinson

All Church Book Read

The Second Mountain: The Quest for a Moral Life, by David Brooks

H New York Times bestselling author of The Road to Character DAVID BROOKS THE SECOND MOUNTAIN The Quest for a Moral Life Traveling with David Brooks on his spiritual journey is an experience of constantly bumping into his amazing friends who share liferattling quotes, poems, or stories,

and who then move on. It may be Plato or Aristotle, Wordsworth or Bruce Springstein, yet each encounter inspires us to travel further on the journey. As the poet Rilke said, "I am learning to see."

Brooks is on to something important for us as a church and a nation. He was part of a university-wide conversation at Yale on the subject of joy: What makes for a joyful life? *The Second Mountain* encompasses Brooks' journey toward answering that question.

Brooks shares his personal story to allow us to see why he is so passionate about this search for joy. He had an incredibly successful life—he was a nationallyknown political commentator who had risen to the mountaintop. Then it all came crashing down. He spent the next five years in the valley, figuring out what needed to change. He immersed himself in profound reading and discussions. He slowly climbed what he calls the second mountain—the mountain of a life of profound meaning.

He challenges the culture around us to rethink many core beliefs. In particular, the idea of freedom has been taken to an extreme and resulted in a culture of hyper-individualism. For six decades, we have normalized selfishness. "A narcissist can be happy, but a narcissist can never be joyful." Society has formed a conspiracy against joy.

The way out involves reviving concepts that have become taboo to talk about: commitment, love, awe, wonder, community. It is not until the last section of the book that Brooks talks about the importance of religion. Eighty-four percent of people said they had some sort of mystical experience of the holy, while 75 percent said there is a social taboo against talking about it in public. Brooks shares his experience as a journey of spiritual change. God is a crucial part of discovering joy. Joy is found in community, in commitments, in service. It is experienced in conversations that take place in what he calls "thick" institutions—where people gather around profound values and perpetuate them across time.

In a speech at St. Olaf College last year, Brooks said, "Once we were in a culture where we were all in this together." We can't recapture past history, but we can have something far more profound than the tribalism that afflicts us now. In that sense, this book is a starting place for a new American redemption story of cohesion and national purpose. —*Rev. Dr. Andrew McDonald*

Please attend the Adult Education hour on Sunday, September 15 at 11:15 a.m. to discuss *The Second Mountain*.

CONNECT

Hands-on Mission Outreach at House of Hope

At House of Hope, we send people into the neighborhood, community, and world—equipped in both heart and mind—to feed the hungry, house families experiencing homelessness, and comfort the afflicted.

For more than 20 years, House of Hope has opened its doors to provide shelter, food, security, and hospitality through Interfaith Action of Greater St. Paul's **Project Home.** In 2018, 100+ volunteers spent more than 400 hours managing our emergency overnight center.

Prior Crossing provides supportive, affordable housing for youth experiencing homelessness. House of Hope volunteers play an active role in tenant life by donating supplies, teaching workshops on cooking, and tending the tenant garden.

Women's Advocates provides shelter for nearly 1,000 women and children each year. A group of volunteers gathers monthly at the shelter to do a craft project, play games, and enjoy a snack with the women and children.

Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity

helps alleviate the housing crisis by assisting low-income families to construct or renovate their homes. House of Hope volunteers support Saturday Work Crews and the Summer Work Camp.

Put your faith into action by volunteering today! Additional opportunities can be found on our website.



With a mission to respond to the hunger so prevalent around us, the **House of Hope Community Garden** produces fresh vegetables. Volunteers from our congregation and the community plant, maintain, and harvest vegetables to help feed hungry families in St. Paul through the Neighborhood House food shelf. **In 2018, we harvested and delivered about 1,400 pounds of fresh, delicious produce—an average of about 200 pounds a week.**

Life Groups at the House of Hope

HOH's Biking Life Group will begin this fall. We live in one of the nation's best areas for bicycle trails *and* we're entering a few of the finest months for getting outdoors! If you have a road bike (i.e., a bike made for touring as opposed to trail or off-road areas) and would like to get some healthy activity, join our group. We intend to organize group rides for all ages, on weeknights and weekends, with distances selected based on the group's capabilities. Interested? Please contact the church office at (651) 227-6311.

ENGAGE INSPIRE

Harvest of Hope Bash 2019 Sunday, October 6 and 13 Inspiring One Another to Change the World

House of Hope supports multiple organizations that align with our values of social justice, human rights, theological education, and artistic expression. In addition to our hands-on mission work (see left), we also award financial grants to organizations that put our values into action. As you can imagine, each year we receive far more requests than we can fund.



This is where you come in. The Bash is a social event, fondly dubbed a "party with a purpose," that allows us to fuel our mission to support our community.

We come together two Sundays in October to support the causes we believe in making a difference together. *Last year's Harvest of Hope Bash raised \$53,000 to support mission outreach efforts. Don't miss this chance to INSPIRE others.*

Children, Youth, and Family Programming

The Holy Spirit is alive and well at House of Hope, fostering deep connections with God and one another, while also encouraging excitement and curiosity.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Following the Time for Children in worship, children are welcome to remain in the service or attend Sunday School. We are introducing the Frolic curriculum for the Preschool–PreK classroom, which includes storytelling, art, and play. Elementary age students will use the Dwell curriculum, which focuses on Bible storytelling through art and drama. Middle School youth are welcome to attend their own Sunday school class after the Time for Children on Sunday mornings as well.

SUNDAY NURSERY

Infants and toddlers are invited to join professional childcare staff in the nursery on Sundays from 9:45 a.m.–12 p.m.

CREATIVE EXPRESSIONS

Beginning September 15, elementary students focus on building theatre skills through games, art, and bibliodrama as we work toward a devised theatre Christmas Pageant. In the spring, we will focus on visual arts for our Children's and Youth Art Display. We will meet after worship at 11:15 a.m. Devised theatre is a collaborative process in which children work together to create an original pageant from the framework to the script.

SUNDAY STORY TIME

Beginning September 15, children and parents are invited to join us for story time, fellowship, and play on Sundays from 9:15–9:45 a.m. This time is geared toward children birth through age 5, but is open to everyone. Parents remain with their children, creating space to build community with other families.

TWEEN AND MIDDLE SCHOOL EVENTS

Tweens (fourth and fifth grade) and Middle Schoolers (sixth through eighth grade) are invited to monthly events, alternating between service projects and social events. Friends welcome.

- Sept. 20: Bowling at St. Francis Bowling
- Oct. 11: Arcade event at HOH
- Nov. 8: Feed My Starving Children
- Dec. 13: Christmas Party
- Jan. 10: Blanket Tying event
- Feb. 14: Ice Skating at Guidant John



Rose Oval in Roseville

- March 13: Minute-to-Win-It event
- April 17: Community Garden event
- May 8: HOH park & bike ride with a visit to Grand Ole Creamery

HIGH SCHOOL

Senior High youth are invited to come prepare a meal together at church while discussing a hot topic relating our beliefs and the culture we live in, from guns to politics, #MeToo to immigration, loneliness to love; we cover it all. Youth also gather on Sundays to discuss the topic *du jour* and learn more about each other.

PARENTS' NIGHT OUT

Children, birth through fifth grade, are invited for a night of fun while their parents enjoy an evening. Children will enjoy age-appropriate activities and rest time. We will host Parents' Night Out on November 22, January 24, and March 20.

MULTI-GENERATIONAL EVENTS

Everyone—from newborns to our more mature guests— is welcome. Invite friends, families, and neighbors!

- September 8: Welcome Sunday
- October 30: Halloween Party
- December 1: Advent Celebration
- December 8: Choir School Concert
- December 15: Christmas Pageant
- December 22: Carol Sing-Along
- February 23: Mardi Gras Chili Cook-off
- June 22–26: Clearwater Forest's Camp
- in the City at House of Hope

HOH COMMUNITY RETREAT | June 5-7

Every year we kick off the summer with the HOH Community Retreat at Clearwater Forest. Enjoy meals together, fellowship by the lake, and a variety of activities geared toward all ages. Families and friends are welcome to join the fun.

BELONG

Meet the Children, Youth, and Family Programming Staff

Director of Children and Family

Ministry Kiera Stegall has served children and families at House of Hope since June 2017. She holds a Master of Divinity degree from Candler School of Theology in Atlanta, GA, as well as a Bachelor's degree in Church Ministries, Bible, and Children's Ministries. She is passionate about children and families working together as they seek social justice, discovering that the call to action stems from faith.

Kiera enjoys storytelling and devised theatre. She teaches children to bring stories to life on-stage through her role as a Teaching Artist at SteppingStone Theatre. She is pursuing her Doctorate of Ministry in Theology and the Arts at United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities.



Confirmation is for ninth graders who are baptized or are planning for baptism. The tradition of confirmation is as an educational program that prepares youth to assume adult roles—not only in the church, but in their communities. Confirmation is a one year process where youth worship, attend classes, and build relationships.

House of Hope focuses on God's love of this beautiful and broken world and how to courageously love it and those who inhabit it. Our focus is on developing relationships with the other students, learning the stories of God's love in scripture and in the life, ministry, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Rev. Wilson and Director of Youth Ministry Doug Snaza, along with adult mentors from the church—one for each student—work hard to create a meaningful experience for each student.

Register at: MyHoH: bit.ly/HoH_Conf2020. Please contact Rev. Wilson (ZachW@hohchurch.org) or Doug Snaza (DougS@hohchurch.org) with questions.



Director of Youth Ministry Doug Snaza has

worked with youth at House of Hope since 2015. He is a lifelong Presbyterian, having grown up at North Como Presbyterian Church, and attended trips and programs with House of Hope. Previously Doug was the Director of Christian Education at The Federated Church of Fergus Falls, MN and has also served as Program Director at Clearwater Forest.

October 2019

Jesus calls those who follow him to "serve, not to be served." The community we seek to build at House of Hope isn't for our benefit alone—we seek to live out the mission of building a better community and world. We do this in many ways. House of Hope seeks to make an impact in working to eliminate homelessness, gun violence, and child abuse and working toward ensuring a world where everyone has health care, and we care for the earth. This month in Adult Education, we will explore our partnerships with some of House of Hope's Mission Partners through which we live out this community's calling.

Sunday, October 6

Interfaith Action of Greater Saint Paul



House of Hope has always been a key congregation in the work of Interfaith Action of Greater Saint Paul, which is incredibly important to many vulnerable populations in the East Twin Cities metro. In October, House of Hope will be hosting one of their important programs: Project Home.

Through **Project Home**, churches, synagogues, and schools become temporary homes for families experiencing homelessness. Before entering emergency shelter, these families struggle with choosing to pay rent or put food on the table. House of Hope has opened our doors each October for more than 20 years.



Sarah Peterka, Interfaith Action's Director of Congregational Engagement, will give an overview of their ministries and share stories of the vital

impact we are making together through our partnership.

Sunday, October 13 Ain Dah Yung Center

The Ain Dah Yung Center—which means "our home" in the Ojibwe language—is an emergency shelter for runaway and homeless Native American youth. Two years ago, the Mission Outreach Committee made a multi-year grant commitment to Ain Dah Yung to help it complete its new shelter and offices: Mino Oski Ain Dah Yung.

We're excited to welcome their Director of Development, **Jacob Hustedt**, and some of the Ain Dah Yung residents to share how Ain Dah Yung is transforming their lives and how construction is going on their new digs.



Sunday, October 20 Ujamaa Place

House of Hope was instrumental in the formation of Ujamaa Place. This nonprofit assists young African American men, who are economically disadvantaged and have experienced repeated cycles of failure. Their mission is rooted in the philosophy of African American empowerment—everyone is important, valuable, worthy, and loveable.



Join Ujamaa's CEO, **Otis Zanders**, and some of the men that Ujamaa Place serves and learn how you make a concrete difference in disrupting the cycle of incarceration and building up men who are living into the love that God has for them.



Sunday, October 27 Jeremiah Program

When the Jeremiah Program began in 1993, House of Hope was one of its earliest funders and partners. The Jeremiah Program offers a successful strategy for transforming families from poverty to prosperity two generations at a time. It prepares determined single mothers to excel in the workforce, readies their children to succeed in school, and reduces generational dependence on public assistance. The Jeremiah Program has expanded nationally with active locations in Austin, TX; Boston, MA; Fargo-Moorhead, ND; Brooklyn, NY, and Rochester, MN.

Patty Healy Janssen, the Twin Cities' Director of Development, will speak about how continued support from House of Hope, and other partners, makes an enormous local, and even national, impact.





EXPLORE



Sunday Series January 19, 2020 Pulitzer-Prize Winning Writer Leonard Pitts, Jr.



Martin Luther King weekend 2020, House of Hope presents Pulitzer Prize winning writer Leonard Pitts, Jr.

Pitts is the author of the bestseller, *Becoming Dad: Black Men and the Journey to Fatherhood,* a poignant account of the meaning of black fatherhood in the contemporary US. His *Miami Herald* column on current affairs and human rights is syndicated in more than 250 newspapers.

Sunday Series invites well-known speakers to discuss key issues of our day and artists to share their artistic engagement with life and faith.



Didier Seminar February 29 and April 1



The New Cosmic Story: Inside our Awakening Universe with Internationally Renowned Theologian John Haught

How has our idea of the universe changed over the past 2000 years? What is the new cosmic story, and how does it invite a new understanding of the religious quest? Do the stories we've been telling about the universe and religion still work? Do they compete or interact? Does human experience—what we now know, how we feel, what we do—have an impact on the evolving universe? Is there an inside story and an outside story?

February is Science and Religion month at House of Hope. Look forward to dynamic enrichments and study.

Music is integral to our faith at House of Hope.

Our outstanding music program is committed to providing an exceptional musical experience for all.

An accomplished adult choir, **The Motet Choir** sings during the worship service and collaborates with the Bach Chamber Players of St. Paul on extended choral works each year. The Motet Choir and House of Hope members have commissioned and premiered dozens of new works over the years by composers like Stephen Paulus, James MacMillan, Anthony Piccolo, Gerald Near, and Frank Ferko.

2019 marks **Dr. Matthew Culloton**'s tenth year conducting the Motet Choir. He is a composer whose works have been commissioned by The Dale Warland Singers, Choral Arts Ensemble of Rochester, and numerous schools and universities around the country. Dr. Culloton is also the Founding Artistic Director of **The Singers-Minnesota Choral Artists**, a professional choir and current Artists-in-Residence at House of Hope.



JOURNEY HOME – This October The Singers-MCA launch their 16th season with reflections on themes of home, including the Minnesota premiere of Philadelphia-based composer Melissa Dunphy's American DREAMers. Dunphy has set the stories of five young Americans who were brought to the country as children, weaving a work that honors their stories and inspires hope and empathy. Abbie Betinis teamed with a St. Paul high school student to create the text for Journey Home, and the work reminds us that we all long for a place to call our own—our home. Lastly, The Singers-MCA give the world premiere of a work by newly appointed Composer-in-Residence, Timothy Takach.

October 19 at 7:30 p.m. at House of Hope in St. Paul and October 20 at 3 p.m. at Annunciation Catholic Church in Minneapolis



Elizabeth Chapel Organ Recitals curated by Aaron David Miller

December 1 at 4 p.m.

Advent Teleman Cantatas, with Krista Costin (vocalist), Barbara Leibundguth (flute), Sarah Carmack (oboe)

February 23 at 4 p.m. Works for harp and organ, with Rachel Brandwein on harp

April 19 at 4 p.m. Solo Organ Concert, Aaron David Miller

House of Hope's Music Director Aaron David Miller is a renowned organ improviser having won numerous international awards and given concerts across the

country. Dr. Miller's performances have been heard on Pipe Dreams and numerous television programs. His orchestra works have been performed by such ensembles as the Seattle Symphony, Chicago Symphony, Zurich Symphony, and numerous new music ensembles. In addition to many performance prizes, Dr. Miller was recipient of the 2004 Hellenikon Idyllion Prize for Composition, Athens, Greece.

AN IMPRESSIVE DISPLAY OF SWIRLING VIRTUOSITY. —Los Angeles Times



House of Hope Choir School

Worship is at the core of the Choir School experience. Choristers learn the value of presenting their best each Sunday and participate in worship as leaders. Grades 4–12 sing weekly September–May, and Grades 2–3 join them on the second Sunday of each month.

The Choir School presents two concerts each season; a Christmas concert and a Spring Concert. These performances are open to the public and live-streamed.

This year we will also offer individual lessons in voice and piano for all ages.

These lessons are not just for children. Register on our website.

Voice and Musicianship

For nearly 40 years, the House of Hope Choir School has offered outstanding choral training and well-rounded music education for children, with voice training, music theory, and musicianship. Choristers learn to express themselves through music, sing high-quality repertoire, and grow in friendships and faith.



Choristers enter with varying degrees of music experience and prior musical training is not required. The Choir School is open to both members and nonmembers of House of Hope. Nonmembers may participate in worship on a less frequent but regular basis.

The House of Hope Choir School has toured regionally and internationally, most recently to Latvia in June 2019. The Choir School has produced a number of recordings and presented Galuppi's *Dixit Dominus*, Vivaldi's *Gloria*, and *Cantata BWV 4 Christ lag in Todesbanden*, by J.S. Bach in worship and concert with professional orchestra.



Choir School Director Sofia Ardalan oversees the five ensembles of the Choir School program, and conducts three

of the choirs. She has led the Choir School in performances of several large choral works including Vivaldi's *Gloria*, Galuppi's *Dixit Dominusand Cantata BWV 4* by J.S. Bach. A member of the National Association of Teachers of Singing, Ms. Ardalan is dedicated to the idea that all children can, and should sing.



God is here. Each week, members and friends gather for Centering Prayer. It is a practice of the continual letting go of our own thoughts to listen for the silence of God; centering prayer, as described by Stephen Brachlow, as a time when we can rest in God. All are welcome to this prayer of consent and rest on Monday mornings at 11 a.m. with Rev. Julia Carlson.

Intercessors Prayer Group. The Intercessor's Guild has been praying for nearly 100 years. Volunteers pray every day for members of our church and its misison, as well as the larger community and the world. If you would like to request prayers, please contact Rev. Julia Carlson at (651) 223-7553 or JuliaC@hohchurch.org.



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