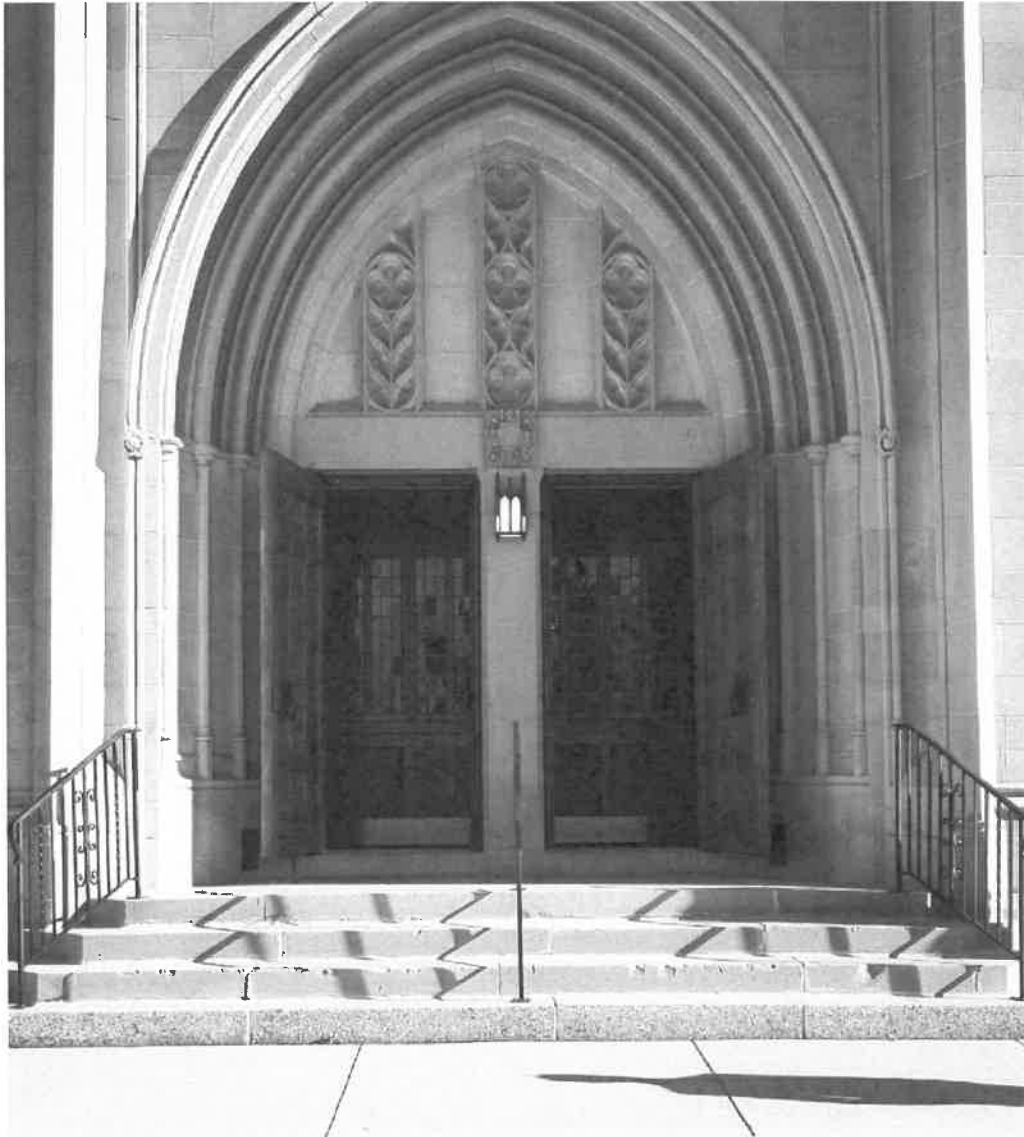


THE HOUSE OF HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



As he that sees a dark and shadie grove,
Stays not, but looks beyond it on the skie;
So when I view my sinnes, mine eyes remove
More backward still, and to that water flie...

— George Herbert, *Holy Baptism I* (Excerpt)

Baptism of the Lord | January 12, 2020 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.–12:00 p.m. in the east wing.

- Infants and Toddlers | Room 8
- Preschool and PreK | Room 2
- Kindergarten through 6th 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 26 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

Three Lyric Pieces
Aaron David Miller, organist

Raymond Haan

Introit

This is My Son
The Motet Choir, Matthew Culloton, choirmaster

Aaron David Miller

*** + Processional Hymn 356**

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Nettleton

Call to Confession (*congregation seated*)

Rev. Julia A. Carlson

Minister: The Lord is with you.
People: And also with you.

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Sky-shattering God,
we confess that we have not always paid much attention to the baptism of Jesus,
but viewed it as a nice story which begins Jesus' ministry.
We don't always see ourselves as standing in that long line of those marked for service;
and therefore it is easy for us to dismiss this as a nice story and nothing more.
Yet, you have called us by name, knowing each of us, and loving us.
We are astonished by this.
We know that we have behaved in very unloving ways
and in some behaviors which do not promote your love and peace.
Forgive us for our blindness. Turn us around.
Help us to be people who not only recognize the light,
but who are willing to live in that light,
bringing help to others in your name.
For we pray this in the name of Jesus Christ.
(The prayer will continue with our silent confessions.)

Response



Assurance of Pardon

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

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

* + Doxology



Anthem

The Heaven's are Telling (from *The Creation*)

F.J. Haydn

Linh Kauffman, soprano; David Lower, tenor; Tim Bruett, baritone

The heavens are telling the glory of God,
The wonder of his work displays the firmament;

Today that is coming speaks to the day,
The night that is gone to following night.

In all the lands resounds the word,
never unperceived, ever understood.

Welcome and Announcements

PNC Update

Susan Haigh

THE WORD OF GOD

Choral Ascription

Let thy word abide in us, O Lord.

First Lesson

Evelyn Sunness

Isaiah 42:1-9 (OT, pp. 670-671 in pew Bible)

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

At the River

arr. Aaron Copland

The House of Hope Choir School, Sofia Ardalan, Director; Timothy Short, Organ

Shall we gather by the river,
Where bright angels' feet have trod,
With its crystal tide forever
Flowing by the throne of God.

Yes, we'll gather by the river,
The beautiful, the beautiful river,
Gather with the saints by the river
That flows by the throne of God.

Soon we'll reach the shining river,
Soon our pilgrimage will cease,
Soon our happy hearts will quiver
With the melody of peace.

Time for Children

Kiera Stegall

(Kindergarten–6th grade have the option of staying in the Sunday worship service or exiting after the Time for Children to the East Wing.)

Second Lesson

Matthew 3:13-17 (NT, p. 3 in pew Bible)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Zachary O. Wilson

Prevention

THE RESPONSE TO GOD

+ Hymn 70

When For Us You Were Baptized

Caithness

+ Affirmation of Faith — 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.

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


Offertory Anthem

How Lovely Are Thy Messengers

Felix Mendelssohn

How lovely are the messengers that preach us the gospel of peace.
To all the nations is gone forth the sound of their words,
throughout all the lands their glad tidings.

+ 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 361

How Firm a Foundation

Foundation

+ Benediction

Postlude

Toccata in E Minor

Johann Pachelbel

Carillon Postlude

David W. Johnson, carillonneur

The Communion Table Flowers are given in loving memory of Lindsay Jean Knutson.

Text Giving

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Today's Greeters

Jim and Silvey Barge; Jan Anderson; Kit Burch; James Brooks;
Jan Dickinson; Marilyn and Gus Bjorklund



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Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing 356

Robert Robinson, c. 1758

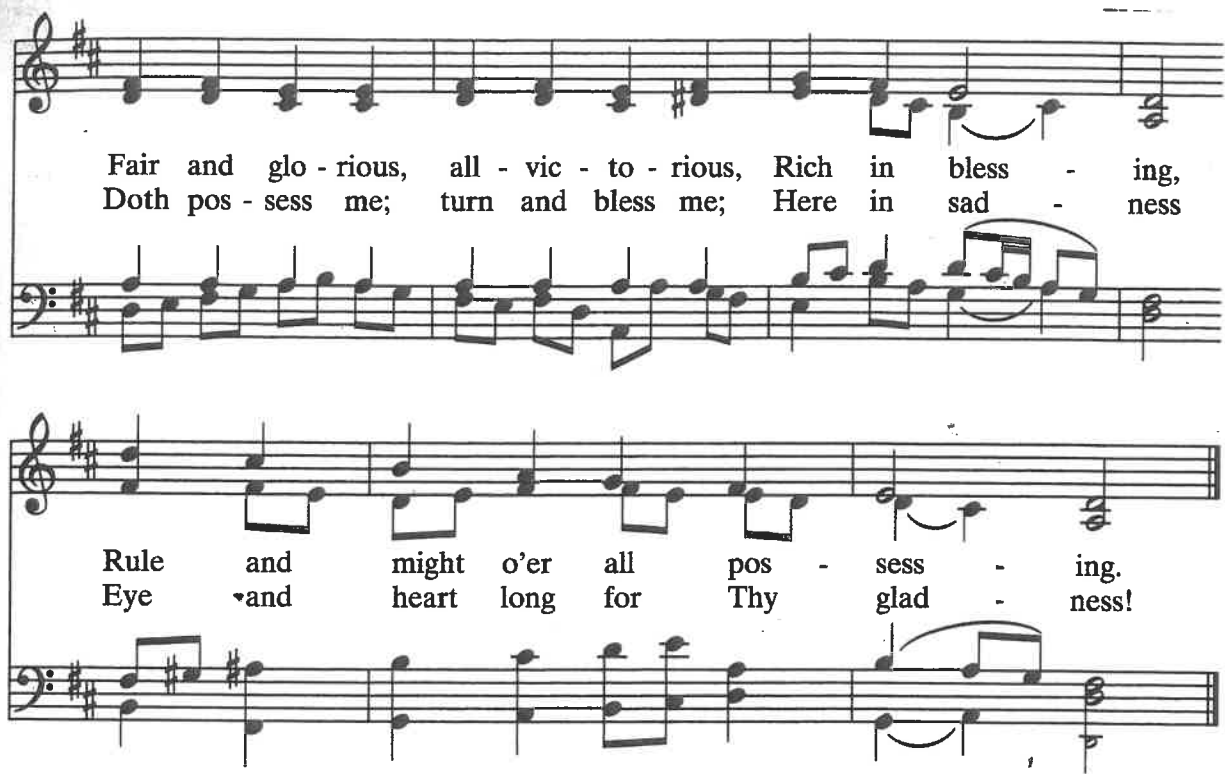
1. Come, Thou Fount of every blessing,
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
Sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,
Mount of God's unchanging love!

2. Here I raise my Ebenezer,
Hither by Thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure,
Safely to arrive at home.

Jesus sought me when a stranger,
Wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger,
Interposed His precious blood.

3. O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now, like a fetter,
Bind my wandering heart to Thee:
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it,
Seal it for Thy courts above.

Tune: NETTLETON, opposite.



Fair and glo - rious, all - vic - to - rious, Rich in bless - ing,
Doth pos - sess me; turn and bless me; Here in sad - ness

Rule and might o'er all for pos - sess - ing.
Eye and heart long for Thy glad - ness!

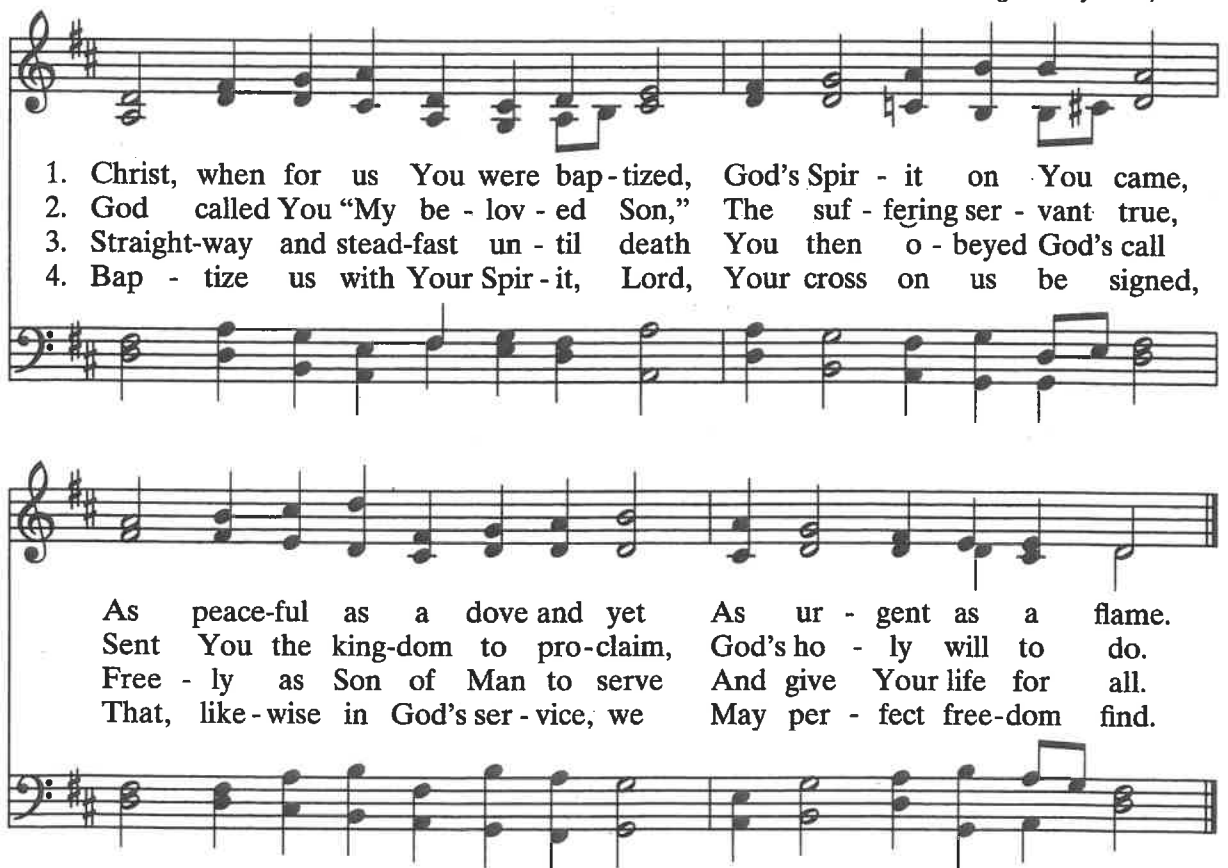
BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized 70

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F. Bland Tucker, 1979; alt. 1982

Scottish Psalter, 1635
Harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906



1. Christ, when for us You were bap - tized, God's Spir - it on You came,
2. God called You "My be - lov - ed Son," The suf - fering ser - vant true,
3. Straight-way and stead-fast un - til death You then o - beyed God's call
4. Bap - tize us with Your Spir - it, Lord, Your cross on us be signed,

As peace-ful as a dove and yet As ur - gent as a flame.
Sent You the king-dom to pro-claim, God's ho - ly will to do.
Free - ly as Son of Man to serve And give Your life for all.
That, like-wise in God's ser - vice, we May per - fect free-dom find.

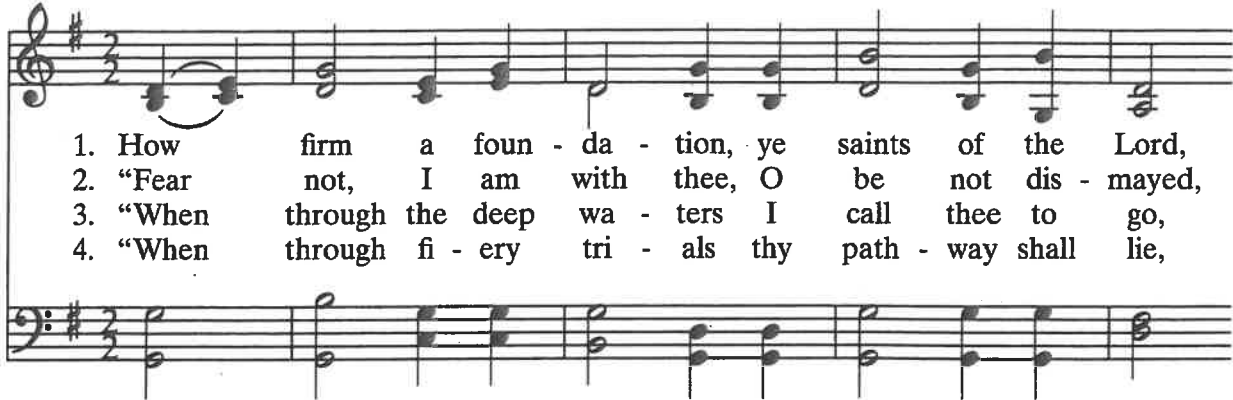
How Firm a Foundation

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"K" in *A Selection of Hymns*, 1787
Ed. John Rippon; alt.

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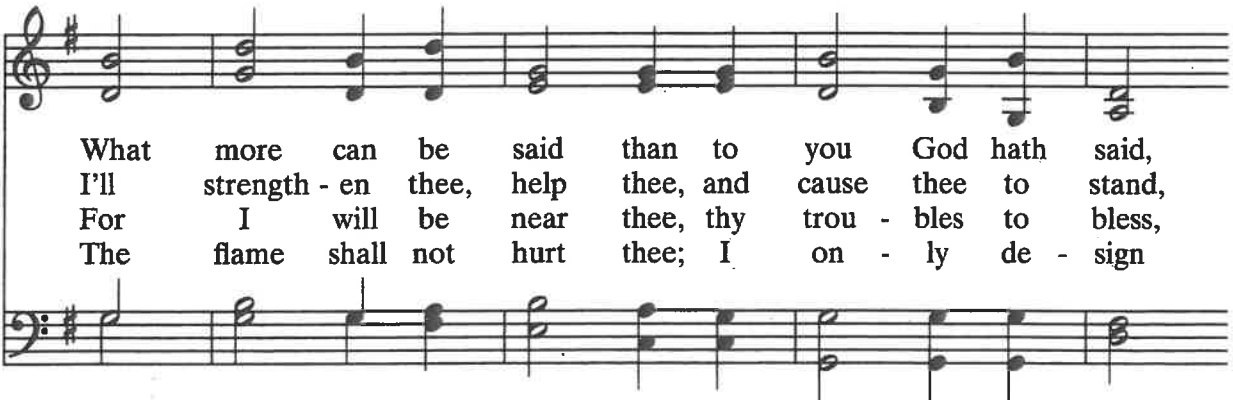
American folk melody
Funk's *Genuine Church Music*, 1832



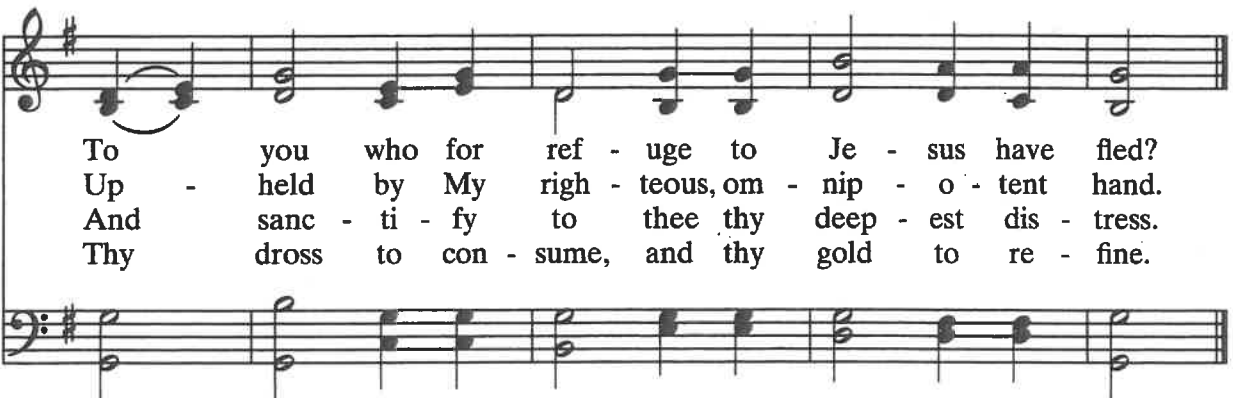
1. How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,
2. "Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dis - mayed,
3. "When through the deep wa - ters I call thee to go,
4. "When through fi - ery tri - als thy path - way shall lie,



Is laid for your faith in God's ex - cel - lent Word!
For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
The riv - ers of sor - row shall not o - ver - flow;
My grace, all - suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply;



What more can be said than to you God hath said,
I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
For I will be near thee, thy trou - bles to bless,
The flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign



To you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?
Up - held by My righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand.
And sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress.
Thy dross to con - sume, and thy gold to re - fine.

5. "The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake."



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

News & Opportunities

January 12 - 19, 2020

Sunday School. Children are invited to join us for a morning of Bible stories, arts, activities, 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-1 in Room 4; Sunday Studio 2-3 in Room 5; Tween Transitions in Room 7.

Creative Expressions (K-8) Room 4 | 11:15 a.m.

Middle School Youth in Room 9 at 11:15 a.m.

High School Youth in the Youth Room at 11:15 a.m.

Families with infants through PreK children are invited to join us on Sunday mornings from 9:15 - 9:45 a.m. for family **story time** in the Children's Library.

Sunday Exchange: *What do you do with "truths" you no longer believe? What do you still believe ... or not? Get a cup of coffee and let's talk about that,* 11:15 a.m. in Room 1. Your children can remain in childcare until noon.)

Adult Enrichment: Capitol Renovation Findings. 11:15 a.m. in the Assembly Room. When the Minnesota Capitol was going through its recent renovations, the workers found some fascinating artifacts and discovered some mysterious features. Come learn about these findings with the project's manager, Paul Mandela.

Upcoming

Centering Prayer meets on Mondays at the House of Hope at 11:00 a.m. in the Kirk Parlour.

Wednesday Evening Dinners will resume on January 15 at 6 p.m. Everyone is invited to sign up on MyHOH: bit.ly/HoH_Meal2020, on Sunday mornings, or by calling the church office. Volunteers are needed to prepare the meal and clean up.

Wednesday Night In-Depth Study. On January 15, Rev. McDonald will launch a study on perhaps the arguably most misinterpreted and mysterious book of the Christian Scriptures: *Revelation*. This study will continue on the subsequent Wednesday evenings in January at 7 p.m. in the Kirk Parlour.

Sunday Series: Leonard Pitts, Jr. Next Sunday, January 19 at 2:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Lecture topic: *Martin Luther King, Jr. Does Not Belong To You*. Pitts was a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize in 1992 and winner in 2004. He won the top prize for commentary at the Scripps Howard Foundation's National Journalism Awards in 2002. This event is free and open to the public. A book signing will follow the lecture. Books will be available for purchase.

Adult Enrichment. 11:15 a.m.

On January 19, Saint Paul Mayor Melvin Carter will lead the adult enrichment time. Location to be announced.

Parents Night Out - Friday, January 24, 5-8 p.m. Children, birth-fifth grade, are invited to join us for games, art, snacks, a movie, and more. Bring your dinner and your friends! Cost is \$20 for the first child and \$5 for each additional child. Adult volunteers are needed. Reservations are required to ensure appropriate staffing. R.S.V.P. to Kiera Stegall at KieraS@hohchurch.org by Monday, January 20.

Didier Seminar Book: *The New Cosmic Story, Inside Our Awakening Universe* by this year's Didier speaker Dr. John F. Haught, will be available for \$20 outside Kirk Parlour beginning next Sunday, January 19. A Wednesday In-Depth Study of this book will begin on February 5 in the Kirk Parlour in anticipation of the Didier Seminar on February 29-March 1. You may register for the Seminar on our website or in the church office.

Sunday-Weekday Connections. January 28 at 6:00 p.m. in the Kirk Parlour. Mary Cardinal Peterson will speak about how her faith has led and sustained her through a long career in corrections. She recently retired from the Minnesota Correctional Facility in Lino Lakes, where she worked with people convicted of sexual offenses. Sunday-Weekday Connections brings together women of the congregation for fellowship and a light supper. The cost is \$25. Reserve your spot at a table outside the Kirk Parlour on January 19 & 26, or call the church office.

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

HOH Community Retreat Registration. June 5-7. Join House of Hope for a multigenerational community retreat at Clearwater Forest. Enjoy a waterfront view, communal meals, art, activities, worship, bonfire, and play. Register to join us in a beautiful lodge, as we celebrate summertime together. Cost is \$85 per participant, which includes meals and lodging. Children, 3-years-old and younger, participate for free. Scholarships available. Registration opens soon.

Clearwater Forest Camp-in-the-City (VBS 2020). June 22 - 26, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Join us at House of Hope for a fun-filled week of Bible stories, art, outdoor activities, and more! Cost is \$60 per child and is open to children, 4-years-old by September 1, 2019, through Grade 5, completed by June 2020. Registration opens soon.

Week Beginning January 12, 2020

Sunday, January 12, 2020

9:15 a.m. Story Time, Children's Library
 9:30 a.m. Child Care, Rooms 2 & 8
 10:00 a.m. Worship Service, Sanctuary
 10:15 a.m. Sunday School, East Wing
 10:15 a.m. Tweens Transitions, Room 7
 11:15 a.m. Middle School, Room 9
 11:15 a.m. High School, Youth Room
 11:15 a.m. Creative Expressions, Room 4
 11:15 a.m. Sunday Exchange, Room 1
 11:15 a.m. Adult Enrichment, Assembly Room

Monday, January 13, 2020

9:00 a.m. Anchor Deadline
 11:00 a.m. Centering Prayer, Kirk Parlour
 6:00 p.m. AA, Great Hall
 6:00 p.m. Al-Anon, Assembly Room
 6:00 p.m. Faith & Fibers, Library

Tuesday, January 14, 2020

7:00 a.m. Tuesday Men's Breakfast, Louisiana Café
 5:30 p.m. Adult Ministry Committee, Room 1
 5:30 p.m. Stewardship Committee, Library
 6:00 p.m. Membership Development, Kirby Lounge

Wednesday, January 15, 2020

9:30 a.m. Bible Study, Library
 1:30 p.m. Stephen Min. Supervision, Rooms 1 & 6
 3:00 p.m. Didier Committee Meeting, Room 1
 4:30 p.m. Choir School, Choir School Room

5:00 p.m. Personnel Committee, Kirby Lounge
 6:00 p.m. Stephen Min. Supervision, Grp 2, Room 1
 6:00 p.m. Community Dinner, Kirk Parlour
 6:30 p.m. PNC Meeting, Kirby Lounge
 7:00 p.m. Wednesday In-Depth Study, Kirk Parlour
 7:00 p.m. Motet Choir, Choir Room
 7:00 p.m. Adult Handbell Choir, Bell Room

Thursday, January 16, 2020

7:00 a.m. Thursday Men's Breakfast, Joseph's
 9:00 a.m. Bulletin Deadline (for January 26)
 9:15 a.m. Bible Study, Library
 5:00 p.m. Budget Committee, Library
 5:30 p.m. Grief Support Groups, Kirk Parlour
 6:00 p.m. Third Thursday Group, Women's Advocates

Friday, January 17, 2020

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

Saturday, January 18, 2020

10:00 a.m. Piano and Voice Lessons, Choir Room

Sunday, January 19, 2020

10:00 a.m. Worship Service, Sanctuary
 Leonard Pitts, Jr., preaching
 11:15 a.m. Adult Enrichment, Room TBA
 11:15 a.m. Feminist Theology Class, Room 1
 2:00 p.m. Sunday Series, Sanctuary
 3:00 p.m. Book Signing - Leonard Pitts, Kirk Parlour

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