“Jesus is aware that he is acting as God would do. He translates God’s action to human beings. God turns toward lost and vulnerable people. So with him there is a claim that in his actions and words God himself is present.”

– Edward Schillebeeckx

Palm/Passion Sunday | April 5, 2020 10 a.m.
Welcome

House of Hope welcomes all who are worshipping online.
Our caring and active community welcomes you.
We extend the hospitality of Christ to all.

Our Livestreamed Worship will take place at 10 a.m

Live broadcasts and audio versions of worship services are available at hohchurch.org. Copies of past sermons are also available online.

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.

If you would like a pastor to call you, or if you are ill at home, 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 call, please contact the church.

House of Hope Parents on Facebook
Join us on Facebook! Send a request to the “House of Hope Parents” Facebook page. This closed group is a great way to receive announcements. As COVID-19 stretches our creative imagination we will develop a stronger presence on Facebook, including story time videos and family resources.

Children & Family Ministry on Zoom
While we cannot be in-person with one another on Sundays, we would love to continue to be in community together. Please join our Children & Family Ministry Check-in on Zoom at 11:15 a.m. on Sundays.

Join Kiera and Sofia to share your highs and lows of the week and engage in a brief liturgy. Check the “House of Hope Parents” page or email Kiera Stegall at KieraS@hohchurch.org for more information.
THE APPROACH TO GOD

Prelude
The King of Glory Comes
Aaron David Miller, Organ

Welcome and Announcements

Hymn 88
All Glory, Laud, and Honor
Valet will ich dir geben

Call to Confession
Minister: The Lord is with you.
People: And also with you.

Prayer of Confession (unison)
Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being,
whose face is hidden from us by our sins
and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts:
cleanse us from all our offenses.
We have left undone those things which we ought to have done;
and we have done those things which we ought not to have done.
Set us free from a past that we cannot change;
open to us a future in which we can be changed;
and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image;
through Jesus Christ, Savior of the World.
(The prayer will continue with our silent confessions.)

Assurance of Pardon
Minister: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.
People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Solo
The People That Walked in Darkness from Messiah
G. F. Handel
Brad Runyan, Bass
Scripture Lessons
Mark 14:32-42
2 Corinthians 12:7-10
Minister: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon
Rev. Dr. Andrew L. McDonald
Power Made Perfect in Weakness

Hymn 80
Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley

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 - Three ways to give:

- **Text Giving.**
  The House of Hope offers text giving. Text HOH to 73256 and click the link to complete your gift.

- **Website.**
  On the homepage, click “Giving at House of Hope” at the top or “Donate” at the bottom, then click the “Donate Now button”, and follow the prompts. Members can also sign into MyHOH to give.

- **Mail.**
  Mail a check to 797 Summit Ave. Saint Paul, MN 55105

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**Offertory Music**

**Hymn 98**

*O Sacred Head Now Wounded*  
Passion Chorale

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

**Carillon Postlude**  
David W. Johnson, carillonneur

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**In Memoriam**

Patricia Jean Paulus joined The House of Hope Presbyterian Church on September 29, 1991. She entered the Church Triumphant on March 27, 2020. A Memorial Service will be held at a later date at Johanna Shores Presbyterian Homes.

“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
Mark 14:32-42 (NRSV)
Jesus Prays in Gethsemane

32 They went to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, “Sit here while I pray.” 33 He took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be distressed and agitated. 34 And he said to them, “I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake.” 35 And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. 36 He said, “Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, not what I want, but what you want.” 37 He came and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, “Simon, are you asleep? Could you not keep awake one hour? Keep awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.” 39 And again he went away and prayed, saying the same words. 40 And once more he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy; and they did not know what to say to him. 41 He came a third time and said to them, “Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Enough! The hour has come; the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. 42 Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand.”

2 Corinthians 12:7-10 (NRSV)

7 even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. 8 Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. 10 Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.