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.

Livestreamed Worship will take place at 7 p.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
Chorale Prelude on “Ah Holy Jesus”
Johann Walther
Aaron David Miller, Organ

Call to Worship
Rev. Zachary O. Wilson
Blessed be the name of the Lord our God,
Who Redeems us from sin and death.
For us and for our salvation, Christ became obedient unto death,
even death on a cross.
Blessed be the name of the Lord.

Hymn 93
Ah, Holy Jesus
Herzliebster Jesu
Motet Choir Section Leaders, Matthew Culloton, Director

Welcome, Announcements, and Invitation to Giving

- 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
Scripture Lesson
Psalm 139:1-12

O Lord, you have searched me and known me.
You know when I sit down and when I rise up;
you discern my thoughts from far away.
You search out my path and my lying down,
and are acquainted with all my ways.
Even before a word is on my tongue,
O Lord, you know it completely.
You hem me in, behind and before,
and lay your hand upon me.
Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
it is so high that I cannot attain it.
Where can I go from your spirit?
Or where can I flee from your presence?
If I ascend to heaven, you are there;
if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there.
If I take the wings of the morning
and settle at the farthest limits of the sea,
even there your hand shall lead me,
and your right hand shall hold me fast.
If I say, “Surely the darkness shall cover me,
and the light around me become night,”
even the darkness is not dark to you;
the night is as bright as the day,
for darkness is as light to you.

Anthem
Drop, Drop Slow Tears

Drop, drop, slow tears,
And bathe those beauteous feet
Which brought from Heaven
The news and Prince of Peace.

Cease not, wet eyes,
His mercy to entreat;
To cry for vengeance
Sin doth never cease.

In your deep floods
Drown all my faults and fears;
Nor let His eye
See sin, but through my tears.
Yes there is fear.
Yes there is isolation.
Yes there is panic buying.
Yes there is sickness.
Yes there is even death.
But,
They say that in Wuhan after so many years of noise
You can hear the birds again.
They say that after just a few weeks of quiet
The sky is no longer thick with fumes
But blue and grey and clear.
They say that in the streets of Assisi
People are singing to each across the empty squares,
keeping their windows open so that those who are alone
may hear the sounds of family around them.
They say that a hotel in the West of Ireland
Is offering free meals and delivery to the housebound.
Today a young woman I know
is busy spreading fliers with her number
through the neighborhood
So that the elders may have someone to call on.
Today Churches, Synagogues, Mosques and Temples are preparing to welcome
and shelter the homeless, the sick, the weary

All over the world people are slowing down and reflecting
All over the world people are looking at their neighbors in a new way
All over the world people are waking up to a new reality
To how big we really are.
To how little control we really have.
To what really matters: to Love

Wake to the choices you make as to how to live now.
Today, breathe.
Listen, behind the factory noises of your panic
The birds are singing again
The sky is clearing,
Spring is coming,
And we are always encompassed by Love.
Open the windows of your soul
And though you may not be able
to touch across the empty square,
Sing, Sing, Sing
Homily
Rev. Julia A. Carlson

Anthem
Vere languores nostros
Antonio Lotti

Vere languores nostros ipse tulit, et dolore nostros ipse portavit.

_Truly he himself bore our griefs, and he himself carried our sorrows._

Pastoral Prayer and Lord Prayer

Our Father, who is 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, for ever. Amen.

Postlude

Rachel Brandwein, Harp

Motet Choir Section Leaders: Hannah Armstrong, Beth Althof (guest singer), Krista Costin, Allison Eckberg, David Lower, Tim Bruett, Brad Runyan, William Sales

_Easter Sunday at the House of Hope, April 12, 2020_

9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Worship Services on hohchruch.org > Livestreaming at HOH Festive worship with organ and brass, The Motet Choir Section Leaders
1. Ah, holy Jesus, how have You offended,
2. Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon You?
3. For me, dear Jesus, was Your incarnation,
4. Therefore, dear Jesus, since I cannot pay You,

That mortal judgment has on You descended? By foes des-
It is my treason, Lord, that has undone You. 'Twas I, Lord
Your mortal sorrow, and Your life's oblation, Your death of
I do adore You, and will ever praise You, Think on Your

rived, by Your own rejected, O most afflicted!
Jesus, it was denied You; I crucified You.
anguish and Your bitter passion, For my salvation.
pity and Your love unswerving, Not my deserving.
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In Memoriam

Jeannine Bohlmeyer joined The House of Hope Presbyterian Church on April 4, 2000. She entered the Church Triumphant on March 24, 2020. A Memorial Service will be held at a later date.

John Jackson joined The House of Hope Presbyterian Church on October 14, 1965. He entered the Church Triumphant in April, 2020. A Memorial Service will be held at a later date.

“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