On the north-western coasts of Britain and Ireland, the air has a remarkable transparency, for it is almost free of particulate matter. Little loose dust rises from the wet land, and the winds blow prevailingly off the sea. Through such air, photons can proceed without obstacle. The light moves, unscattered, and falls upon the forms and objects of those regions with candour. Standing within such light, you feel thankful for its openness. There is a sense of something having been freely given, without its store having been diminished.

- Robert Macfarlane, The Wild Places
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 Worship 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.
Prelude
Chorale Prelude on “Deep River”  
Aaron David Miller, Organ  

Welcome and Announcements  
Zachary O. Wilson  

Hymn
*I Sing the Mighty Power of God*  
Ellacombe  

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

All:  
This is the good news which we have received,  
in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast:  
that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures,  
that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day, and that he appeared first  
to the women, then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses.  
We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God.  
Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end;  
he is our Lord and our God.  

First Lesson
Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19  
Minister: The Word of the Lord.  
People: Thanks be to God.  

Hymn
*Be Still My Soul* (Verses 1-2)  
Finlandia
THE WORD OF GOD

Second Lesson

Minister: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon
This Is a Time for Openness

Julia A. Carlson

THE RESPONSE TO GOD

Hymn
This Is My Song

Finlandia

Affirmation of Faith — from A Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in God the Holy Spirit everywhere the giver and renewer of life.
The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves
and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles
rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed,
claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,
and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church.
In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.
In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives,
even as we watch for God’s new heaven and new earth, praying, “Come, Lord Jesus!

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

**Offertory Music**

*Deep River*  
William Sales, Soloist  
Spiritual

**Hymn**

*Praise God for Hope*  
Summit Avenue

**Benediction**

**Postlude**  
*Rigaudon*  
André Campra

**Carillon Postlude**  
David W. Johnson, carillonneur
I Sing the Mighty Power of God

Words: Isaac Watts, 1709.

1. I sing the mighty pow'r of God, That made the mountains rise;
2. I sing the goodness of the Lord, That filled the earth with food:
3. There's not a plant or flow'r below, But makes Thy glories known;

That spread the flowing seas abroad, And built the lofty skies.
He formed the creatures with His word, And then pronounced them good.
And clouds arise and tempests blow, By order from Thy throne.

I sing the wisdom that ordained The sun to rule the day:
Lord, how Thy wonders are displayed, Wheres'er I turn my eye;
Creatures that borrow life from Thee Are subject to Thy care:

The moon shines full at His command, And all the stars obey.
If I survey the ground I tread, Or gaze upon the sky.
There's not a place where we can flee, But God is present there.
Be Still My Soul

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1. Be still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side.
   Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain.
   Leave to thy God to order and provide;
   In every change, He faithful will remain.

2. Be still, my soul: thy God doth undertake
   To guide the future, as He has the past.
   Thy hope, thy confidence let nothing shake;
   All now mysterious shall be bright at last.

3. Be still, my soul: when dearest friends depart,
   And all is darkened in the vale of tears,
   Then shalt thou better know His love, His heart,
   Sorrows forgot, love's purest joys restored.

4. Be still, my soul: the hour is hast'ning on
   When we shall be forever with the Lord.
   When disappointment, grief and fear are gone,
   So shall He view thee with a well pleased eye.

5. Be still, my soul: begin the song of praise
   On earth, believe thy heav'n-ly Friend
   Thy best, thy waves and storms, His voice shall lead you.
   His voice and tears are past and winds are still.

   And winds still know sus can re-pay
   And tears are past and storms are still.

   And stormy ways leads to a joyful end.
   Through passing clouds shall but more brightly shine.

   Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.
   Through passing clouds shall but more brightly shine.
This Is My Song

1. This is my song, O God of all the nations, a song of peace for
lands afar and mine; this is my home, the country where my heart is;
here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine: but other hearts in
other lands are beating, with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.

2. May truth and freedom come to every nation; may peace abound where
strife has raged so long; that each may seek to love and build together,
a world united, righting every wrong; a world united
in its love for freedom, proclaiming peace together in one song.
1. Praise God for hope, for all who in the past
held on to hope when life was overcast,
And practiced faith in God, the first and last: Alle
lueia!! Allelueia!! Allelueia!!

2. Praise God for hope, of plenty ending dearth,
outwitting grief with love's unfading worth,
through resurrection glory brought to birth: Alle

3. With living faith, sing praises old and new,
gather the world and pray in hope renewed
with in a house that Christ invites us to: Alle

4. Though none can see our future life in Christ,
we treasure all that Jesus sacrificed,
and trust in love unfathomed and unpriced: Alle

5. Praise God in hope, and greet each day with praise,
as God in Christ continues to amaze,
our saving hope begins and ends with praise: Alle
In Memoriam

Clifford Peet joined The House of Hope Presbyterian Church on June 19, 2005. He entered the Church Triumphant on March 27, 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

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