# THE HOUSE OF HOPE Presbyterian Church



My destination is no longer a place, rather a new way of seeing. -Marcel Proust

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time | July 26, 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**, or visit The House of Hope Presbyterian Church on Facebook. 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.

# THE APPROACH TO GOD

#### Prelude

Aaron David Miller, Organ

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

Zachary O. Wilson

#### **Call to Worship**

Meet us here, holy God, to search our hearts and strengthen our spirits. Plant you Word among us that it may spring up in nurturing, inviting ways for the sake of all your creatures. May we find in these moments of worship the assurance we need to live triumphantly in the face of loss, discouragement, and suffering. Lead us by the teaching and example of Jesus Christ, to trust you and your will for us. We believe that whatever happens, you can bring some good from it. Show us, O God, the good you intend.

#### Hymn

*Live into Hope* Hannah Armstrong, Soloist

# **Call To Confession**

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

# **Prayer of Confession**

You know us, God, better than we know ourselves. You know the ways we scheme and manipulate for our own advantage. You are aware of how often our deeds fail to match the faith we claim. Help us to face ourselves with honesty. Give us the will and courage to change our ways. We give thanks for Christ's intercession for us. We rejoice as the Spirit gives voice to all we cannot express. Save us, O god, that our lives might give expression to your reign. Truro

#### **Assurance of Pardon**

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

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# THE WORD OF GOD

#### **First Lesson**

Psalm 105:1-11 (From *Psalms for Praying* by Nan Merrill)

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

Anthem

Heinrich Schütz

**Cally Minner** 

*Cantate Domino* Section Leaders of the Motet Choir; Matthew Culloton, Choirmaster

Cantate Domino canticum novum; laus ejus in ecclesia sanctorum. Laetetur Israël in eo qui fecit eum, et filii Sion exsultent in rege suo. Laudent nomen ejus in choro; in tympano et psalterio psallant ei. Sing ye to the Lord a new canticle: let his praise be in the church of the saints. Let Israel rejoice in him that made him: and let the children of Sion be joyful in their king. Let them praise his name in choir: let them sing to him with the timbrel and the psaltery.

#### Second Lesson

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

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

#### Sermon

What Do You Seek?

Julia A. Carlson

# **THE RESPONSE TO GOD**

#### Hymn

Be Thou My Vision

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### 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**

#### Hymn

Eternal God, Whose Power Upholds

#### Benediction

#### Postlude

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#### **Carillon Postlude**

Please join David Johnson as he presents a **Carillon Concert** Sunday, August 2 at 4 p.m. Grab your lawn chair or a blanket and sit on the church grounds, or listen from your car. All are welcome!

#### The Communion Table Flowers are given in loving memory of Robert W. Deneen.

Forest Green

Vincent Dubois

David W. Johnson, carillonneur

Live Into Hope

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TRURO

Thomas Williams, 1789 Jane Parker Huber, 1976 Harm. Lowell Mason (1792-1872) 1. Live hope of cap - tives freed. Of sight in to re blind 2. Live hope the shall With sight in - to in see 3. Live hope of lib -The right in - to er ty, to cap - tives From chains Live in - to hope of 4. freed of the end gained, of greed. The op-pressed shall be the and with clar i ty, Re mov - ing shades of speak, right the The right to be. to have one's fear or want greed. God now claims or pro our -00 first The year God's ju - bi to see of own lee! vi - sion pride and fear — A of God brought our near. dai ly bread, To hear God's word and thus be fed. full faith and re lease To hope and joy and peace.

# Be Thou My Vision

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# 412 Eternal God, Whose Power Upholds

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#### The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be celebrated during the livestreamed service

**on August 2.** To participate at home, prior to the service, you may want to prepare your own table with bread, crackers, or goldfish crackers and juice, wine, or even grapes. Use what you have at hand; Jesus used ordinary things—the basic elements of water, bread, and wine—to proclaim the extraordinary love of God. If you wish to fast from the bread and cup until we can be together again in the Sanctuary, please take this time to join in the prayers and enjoy the music.

#### **August Intergenerational Scavenger Hunt**

Saturday, August 22 @ 10:00 a.m.

Join us for storytime in the House of Hope Park at 10:00 a.m. Following storytime families are invited to engage in a church-wide scavenger hunt. You will need a vehicle, as you will be visiting three houses, collecting clues, taking social distance selfies, delivering cards, and hearing stories from members of the congregation. At your last stop you will receive a lawn flamingo. Take it home. Dress it up to give it some personality and send us a family photo with your decorated flamingo. One family will win a prize. We will display all the decorated flamingos on the House of Hope lawn in celebration of Rally Sunday.

#### Calling All Congregants...

We invite all House of Hope congregants to sign-up to receive a brief social distance visit from one of our families on Saturday, August 22. Your role is simple. To sign-up to participate send an email to Kiera Stegall at kieras@hohchurch.org. On August 22 be available to receive a card from a family. Tell the family one of your favorite memories at House of Hope. Take a social distance selfie with the family. Give the family a clue to their next destination. Will you help us connect with our church community this summer?



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