

THE HOUSE OF HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



"[My classes strip away inhibitions. How?] You are exposed completely, you do not think about what to do or what not to do. You just live within the moment. Basically, you have no time, the exercises go from one to another with such speed. So you just do it, you experience it and you keep going."

- Moni Yakim, Dance

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time | August 9, 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 and Family Ministry on Zoom *(note time change)*

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 and Family Ministry Worship on Zoom at 9:30 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

Be Thou My Vision - Irish Folk Song
Emma McCartney, Flute

Welcome and Announcements

Mark Barger Elliott

Call to Worship

Lynn Barger Elliott

Leader: Over the turbulent waves in our lives, scripture records how Jesus calls to us,

**People: But too often the crash of the waves, their crest and their fall,
distract us from hearing Jesus' voice.**

Leader: And yet, Jesus calls us again and again - from our living rooms, our front porches,
our backyards - to step forward in faith towards him.

People: So, come, let us set aside all that might distract us,

Leader: And listen for Jesus' voice once again.

People: Trusting when we do step forward what will embrace us, and hold us aloft,

Leader: is peace, joy, and purpose. Amen.

Hymn

How Firm a Foundation
Melissa Holm-Johansen, Soloist

Foundation

Call To Confession

Minister: The Lord is with you.

People: And also with you.

Prayer of Confession

Leader: Loving God, in these uncertain and turbulent times
we confess that often we long to be in control –
of our health, our careers, our lives and ultimately the future.

**People: More often than not we attempt to make plans on our own terms
and in ways that are familiar to us,
and yet we know this is not how the life of the spirit works.**

Leader: As you called Peter out of the boat and onto the choppy sea,
we know that over and over again you are calling us
into new patterns of thinking, of loving, of serving each other and our world.

**People: Yet we are afraid. We are unsure and at times even unwilling to release control.
Forgive us, we pray, for leaning into our own understanding rather than yours.
Grant us this morning the courage to listen and to follow your call onto the water.**

Assurance of Pardon

Minister: Friends, rejoice and be glad.
Our God is full of mercy, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

People: Through Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

THE WORD OF GOD

First Lesson

Proverbs 3:1-5

Sophie Stein

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

O Sing Joyfully

Adrian Batten

Section Leaders of the Motet Choir; Matthew Culloton, Choirmaster

O sing joyfully unto God our strength:
Make a cheerful noise unto the God of Jacob.
Take the song, bring hither the tabret:
The merry harp with the lute.
Blow up the trumpet in the new moon:
Even in the time appointed, and upon our solemn feast day.
For this was made a statute for Israel:
And a law of the God of Jacob.

Second Lesson

Matthew 14:22-33

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Mark Barger Elliott

Seeds of Hope 2: The Church in Tumultuous Times

THE RESPONSE TO GOD

Hymn

Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me

Pilot

Affirmation of Faith — from *Confession of 1967*

Zachary O. Wilson

**God has created human beings for a personal relation with Godself
that they may respond to the love of the Creator.**

**God has created male and female and given them a life which proceeds from birth to death
in a succession of generations and in a wide complex of social relations.**

**God has endowed humans with capacities to make the world serve their needs
and to enjoy its good things.**

Life is a gift to be received with gratitude and a task to be pursued with courage.

People are free to seek life within the purpose of God:

to develop and protect the resources of nature for the common welfare,

to work for justice and peace in society,

and in other ways to use their creative powers for the fulfillment of human life.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Julia A. Carlson

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

Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult

Galilee

Benediction

Postlude

Carillon Postlude

David W. Johnson, carillonneur

How Firm a Foundation

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

FOUNDATION 11.11.11.11

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."

Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me

1. Je - sus, Sa - vior, pi - lot me o - ver
 2. As a mo - ther stills her child, thou canst
 3. When at last I near the shore, and the

life's tem - pes - tuous sea; un - known waves be - fore me
 hush the o - cean wild; boiste - rous waves o - bey thy
 fear - ful brea - kers roar 'twixt me and the peace - ful

roll, hi - ding rock and treacherous shoal. Chart and
 will, when thou sayest to them, "Be still!" Won - drous
 rest, then, while lean - ing on thy breast, may I

com - pass come from thee; Je - sus, Sa - vior, pi - lot me.
 so - vereign of the sea, Je - sus, Sa - vior, pi - lot me.
 hear thee say to me, "Fear not, I will pi - lot thee."

Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult

1. Je - sus calls us o'er the tu - mult Of our life's wild re - stless sea;
2. Je - sus calls us from the wor - ship Of the vain world's gol - den store,
3. In our joys and in our sor - rows, Days of toil and hours of ease,
4. Je - sus calls us: by Thy mer - cies, Sa - vior, may we hear Thy call,

Day by day His sweet voice sound - eth, Sa - ying, "Chris - tian, fol - low Me!"
From each i - dol that would keep us, Sa - ying, "Chris - tian, love Me more."
Still He calls, in cares and plea - sures, "Chris - tian, love Me more than these."
Give our hearts to Thine o - be - dience, Serve and love Thee best of all.

Blessing of the Animals: Wednesday, August 12, 4-7 p.m. on the Summit Lawn.

If you're able, please join us with your pets. Don't miss this opportunity to meet our new pastors and celebrate the wonders of God's creation and our relationships with its creatures, great and small.

Intergenerational Scavenger Hunt — Saturday, August 22 | 10 a.m.

If you are interested in participating in the scavenger hunt or in receiving a socially distanced visit email Kiera Stegall at KieraS@hohchurch.org by August 17.

Join us for storytime in the House of Hope park and a church-wide scavenger hunt. You will need a vehicle, as you will be visiting three houses, collecting clues, taking socially-distanced 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: 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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