

THE HOUSE OF HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Self-denial can never be defined as some profusion – be it ever so great – of individual acts of self-torment or of asceticism...

Self-denial means knowing only Christ, and no longer oneself. It means seeing only Christ, who goes ahead of us, and no longer the path that is too difficult for us.

Again, self-denial is saying only: He goes ahead of us; hold fast to him...

- Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time | August 30, 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.

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.

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.

Today’s Cover Art is a photograph of German theologian Dietrich Bonhoeffer in 1924.

THE APPROACH TO GOD

Prelude

Joyful Overture and Gigue
Rachel Brandwein, Harp

Marcel Grandjany

Welcome and Announcements

Lynn Barger Elliott

Call to Worship

Julia A. Carlson

Leader: Scripture teaches, "Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children.

People: and walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us,

Leader: a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God."

People: Come, let us worship God.

Hymn

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise
William Sales, Soloist

St. Denio

Call To Confession

Minister: The Lord is with you.

People: And also with you.

Prayer of Confession

Leader: John Calvin once wrote, "we are not to seek our own, but the Lord's will, and act with a view to promote God's glory.

People: For when Scripture enjoins us to lay aside private regard to ourselves, it not only divests our minds of an excessive longing for wealth, or power, or human favour, but eradicates all ambition and thirst for worldly glory, and other more secret pests.

Leader: As Christians, we ought, indeed, to be so trained and disposed as to consider, that... we will bring all things to the disposal and estimate of God, so we will religiously direct our whole minds to God.

People: At times, however, we fall short of such expectations. At times, we do seek our own glory and our minds wander.

Leader: Come, let us bring our foibles and failures before God in the recognition there is nothing we can do or say that will separate us from the love of God.

People: Hear, O Lord, our silent reflections.

Assurance of Pardon

Minister: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

THE WORD OF GOD

First Lesson

Romans 12:1-2, 9-13

Ray Dean

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

Exsultate Deo

Alessandro Scarlatti

The Motet Choir Section Leaders, Matthew Culloton, Choirmaster

Exultate Deo, adjutori nostro, alleluia; jubilate Deo Jacob, alleluia.

Rejoice in God, our helper, alleluia; shout praise to the God of Jacob, alleluia.

Second Lesson

Matthew 16:21-26

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Lynn Barger Elliott

Seeds of Hope 5: The Church in Tumultuous Times

Hymn

Take Up Your Cross

Erhalt uns, Herr

Affirmation of Faith — from *The United Church of Canada*

Zachary O. Wilson

We are not alone, we live in God's world.
We believe in God:
who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others by the Spirit.
We trust in God.
We are called to be the church:
to celebrate God's presence,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.
In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us.
We are not alone.
Thanks be to God. Amen.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Mark Barger Elliott

**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

Lift High the Cross

Crucifer

Benediction

Service of Ordination and Installation

Carillon Postlude


David W. Johnson, Carillonneur

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise 263



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Walter Chalmers Smith, 1867; alt. 1987



Welsh folk melody
Adapted in *Caniadau y Cyssegr*, 1839





1. Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
2. Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
3. To all, life Thou giv - est, to both great and small;
4. Thou reign - est in glo - ry, Thou rul - est in light,


In light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
Nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, Thou rul - est in might;
In all life Thou liv - est, the true life of all;
Thine an - gels a - dore Thee, all veil - ing their sight;

Most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
Thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
We blos - som and flour - ish like leaves on the tree,
All praise we would ren - der; O help us to see

Al - might - y, vic - to - rious, Thy great name we praise.
Thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
Then with - er and per - ish; but naught chang - eth Thee.
'Tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth Thee!



Take Up Your Cross

1. "Take up your cross," the Sav - ior said, "if you would
 2. Take up your cross; let not its weight fill your weak
 3. Take up your cross, heed not the shame, and let your
 4. Take up your cross, then, in Christ's strength, and calm - ly

my dis - ci - ple be; take up your cross with
 spir - it with a - larm; Christ's strength shall bear your
 fool - ish heart be still; the Lord for you ac -
 ev - 'ry dan - ger brave: it guides you to a -

will - ing heart, and hum - bly fol - low af - ter me."
 spir - it up and brace your heart and nerve your arm.
 cept - ed death up - on a cross, on Cal - v'ry's hill.
 bun - dant life and leads to vic - t'ry o'er the grave.

Lift High the Cross

George William Kitchin (1827-1912)
 Rev. by Michael Robert Newbolt, 1916; alt.
Refrain and Descant

CRUCIFER 10.10 with refrain

Sidney Hugo Nicholson, 1916
 Desc. Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim

Till all the world a - dore His sa - cred name.

Till all the world a - dore His sa - cred name. *Fine*

1. Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our Sav - ior trod,
 2. Each new - born ser - vant of the Cru - ci - fied
 3. O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
 4. So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

Repeat Refrain

The Lamb vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
 Bears on the brow the seal of Christ who died.
 Your death has brought us life e - ter - nal - ly.
 Praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry.

A Service of Ordination and Installation

was held on Wednesday, August 26, 2020 on the Summit Ave. driveway.

Congratulations to the following people who were ordained and/or installed:

Deacon Class of 2023:

Leslie Meyer
Janice Dickinson
Janet Favorite
Sue Koebrick
Dave Hutchinson
Leatha Wolter
Chris Anderson
Katie Anderson
Barbara Deneen
Nancy Berry
Ben Hoganson

Session - Elder Class of 2023:

Karen Florez
Charlie Essig
Linda Lane
Mary Cardinal Peterson
Bonnie Alton
Ann Mack
Ginger Bailey
Tom Radio
Jeanne Bailey
Diane Smith
Sigrid VanDemark

Trustee Class of 2023:

Carol Stack
Jane Flad
Bill Geery

Annie Stewart, Mary Ellen Bland, and David Phillips will be ordained and/or installed at a later date.

Save the Date and Register! - September 13, 2020 - Rally Sunday Picnic

Rally Sunday at House of Hope is a time to rally the soul, mind and body. Please join us at 10 a.m. for our livestream worship as we conclude our series *Seeds of Hope*. We then invite you join us under the "Big Tent" on the Portland Ave. parking lot for a time of fellowship as we follow the guidelines of the MN Department of Health's Guidance for Safe Celebrations and Events.

Here are ten things to know:

1. Face masks or face coverings will be required. They may be temporarily removed to enable eating and/or drinking while seated.
2. To manage attendance, you will sign up for a time frame of 30 minutes using the link below. Upon arrival, you'll check in at a welcome table to receive event details.
3. A caterer will prepare and individually serve hotdogs, chips, water, and ice cream treats.
4. HOH member Terry Bailey's band, Jazz Savvy, will provide entertainment.
5. Traffic flow will be single direction in some areas.
6. Chairs that are physically distanced will be provided.
7. There will be hand sanitizer and hand-washing stations as well as porta potties.
8. Regular cleaning of surfaces will take place.
9. Parking will be available in HOH's Holly and Summit parking lots and street parking.
10. We ask that you stay safely home if you're not feeling well or are at greater risk due to health conditions.

We all have a role to play in protecting ourselves and fellow congregants from COVID-19. By following these guidelines, we can enjoy a Rally Sunday picnic and reconnect as a congregation while supporting public health.

Register online at: bit.ly/RallySunday2020 or call 651-227-6311 for assistance.

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