

# THE HOUSE OF HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time | September 27, 2020 10 a.m.

## Welcome

**We are delighted that you have found the House of Hope online!**

Our caring and active community welcomes you.

We extend the hospitality of Christ to all.

### **Our streamed worship takes place on Sundays at 10 a.m.**

You can access our service on the home page of our website and on Facebook.

**Children and Family Ministry Worship** takes place on Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

Join Kiera Stegall and Rev. Lynn Barger Elliott for a twenty minute gathering with a biblical teaching, spiritual vocabulary word, and prayer. Please visit the "House of Hope Parents" page or email Kiera Stegall at [KieraS@hohchurch.org](mailto:KieraS@hohchurch.org) for more information.



Join us for our online conference as we engage with leading artists, activists, and scientists on where hope is emerging in our world. Links are available on at [www.hohchurch.org](http://www.hohchurch.org)

### **Pastoral Concerns:**

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.

**Today's Cover Art** is a photograph taken by Mark Barger Elliott in the Minnesota Landmark Arboretum.

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## THE APPROACH TO GOD

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### Prelude

Siciliano and Gigue  
Emma McCartney, Flute

G. F. Handel

### Welcome and Announcements

Lynn Barger Elliott

### Call to Worship — adapted from Psalm 8

Mark Barger Elliott

Leader: Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

**People: You have set your glory in the heavens.**

Leader: When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars,  
which you have set in place, what is humankind that you are mindful of them,  
human beings that you care for them?

**People: Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!**

Leader: Come, let us worship!

### Hymn

*There's A Wideness in God's Mercy*  
Joel Fischer, Soloist

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### Call To Confession — 1 John 1:5-9

Minister: The Lord is with you.

**People: And also with you.**

**All: This is the message we have heard from Jesus and declare to you:  
God is light; in God there is no darkness at all.  
If we claim to have fellowship with Jesus and yet walk in the darkness,  
we lie and do not live out the truth.  
But if we walk in the light, as Jesus is in the light,  
we have fellowship with one another,  
and the blood of Jesus, God's Son, purifies us from all sin.**

## Prayer of Confession — adapted from Beth Merrill Neel

Leader: There are chasms in our lives, we admit, O Lord;  
deep valleys that separate us  
from one another, from your creation, and from you.

**People: We confess that we have allowed those rifts to grow,  
for fear of admitting our part in the separation,  
for nurturing selfishness rather than understanding  
our place in the world as a part of your creation.**

Leader: Accept our contrition, we pray, O Lord;

**People: and mend and heal us so we might create wholeness  
in ourselves, our relationships, and in our world. Amen.**

## 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

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## First Lessons

Matthew 6:25-34 and Romans 1:20

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Julia A. Carlson

## Anthem

*Just As I Am Without One Plea*

The Motet Choir Section Leaders, Matthew Culloton, Choirmaster

Matthew Culloton

Just as I am, without one plea,  
But that Thy blood was shed for me,  
And that Thou bid'st me come to Thee,  
O Lamb of God, I come! I come!

Just as I am, though tossed about  
With many a conflict, many a doubt;  
Fightings within, and fears without,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come!

Just as I am, Thou wilt receive,  
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;  
Because Thy promise I believe,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come!

Just as I am, Thy love unknown  
Has broken every barrier down;  
Now, to be Thine, yea, Thine alone,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come!

## Second Lesson

Psalm 25

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

## Sermon

Lynn Barger Elliott

*The Joy of Recognition 2: 7 Psalms - 7 Truths*

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## THE RESPONSE TO GOD

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## Hymn

*Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me*

So nimm denn meine Hände

## Affirmation of Faith — from the *Belgic Confession*

**We know God by two means:**

**First, by the creation, preservation, and government of the universe,  
since that universe is before our eyes like a beautiful book, in which all creatures,  
great and small, are as letters to make us ponder the invisible things of God:  
God's eternal power and divinity, as the apostle Paul says,  
"All these things are enough to convict humans and to leave them without excuse."**

**Second, God makes Godself known to us more clearly by God's holy and divine Word,  
as much as we need in this life, for God's glory and for our salvation.**

## Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Zachary O. Wilson

**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**

*O God beyond all praising, we worship you today  
and sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay;  
for we can only wonder at every gift you send,  
at blessings without number and mercies without end:  
we lift our hearts before you and wait upon your word,  
we honor and adore you, our great and mighty Lord.*

## **Hymn**

*Lord of All Hopefulness*

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## **Benediction**

## **Postlude**

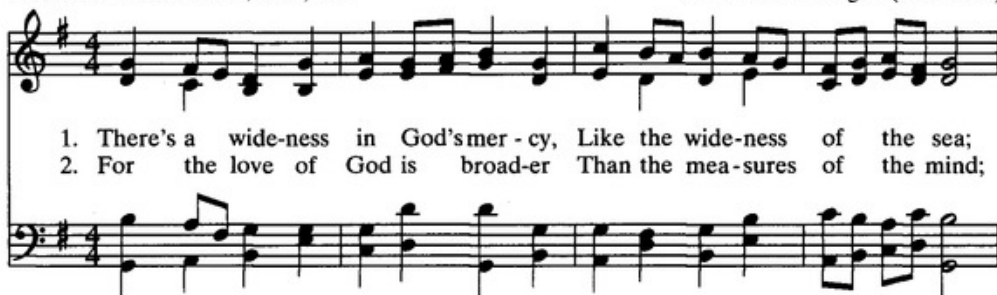
## **Carillon Postlude**

David W. Johnson, Carillonneur

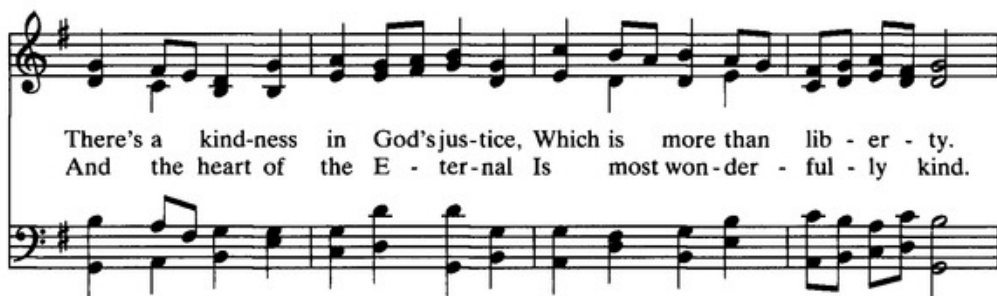
Dutch melody

Frederick William Faber, 1854; alt.

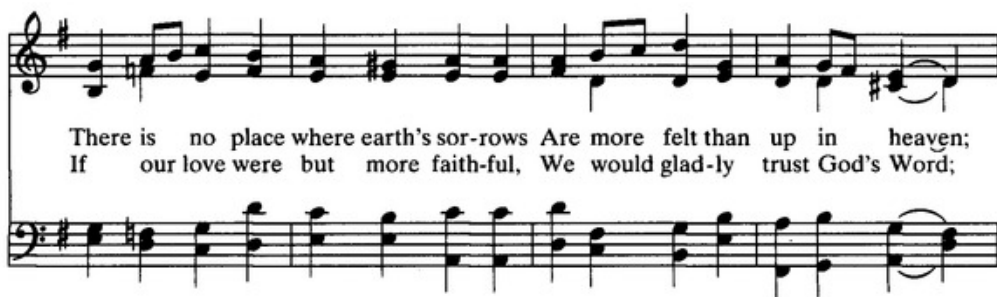
Arr. Julius Röntgen (1855-1933)



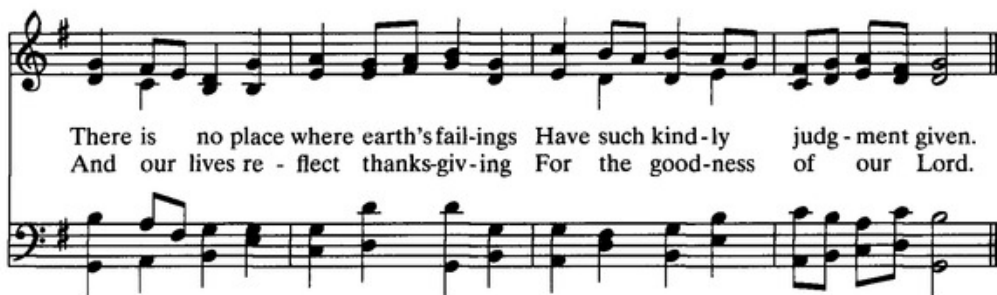
1. There's a wide-ness in God'smer-cy, Like the wide-ness of the sea;  
2. For the love of God is broad-er Than the mea-sures of the mind;



There's a kind-ness in God'sjus-tice, Which is more than lib-er-ty.  
And the heart of the E-ter-nal Is most won-der-ful-ly kind.




There is no place where earth's sor-rows Are more felt than up in heaven;  
If our love were but more faith-ful, We would glad-ly trust God's Word;




There is no place where earth's fail-ings Have such kind-ly judg-ment given.  
And our lives re-flect thanks-giv-ing For the good-ness of our Lord.

# Lord, Take My Hand



1. Lord, take my hand and lead me u - pon life's way; di -  
 2. Lord, when the tem - pest ra - ges, I need not fear; for  
 3. Lord, when the shad - ows length - en and night has come, I

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rect, pro - tect, and feed me from day to day. With -  
 you, the Rock of A - ges, are al - ways near. Close  
 know that you will strength - en my steps toward home, then

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out by your grace and a - fa - vor - ing, I go as - tray; so  
 by noth - ing side can im - pede me, O fear no foe, Friend! So,  
 for

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take my hand, O Sav - ior, and lead the way.  
 when your hand, is guid - ing, in peace the I go.  
 take my hand and lead me un - to the end.

## Lord of All Hopefulness



1. Lord of all hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy, whose  
2. Lord of all ea - ger - ness, Lord of all faith, whose  
3. Lord of all kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace, your  
4. Lord of all gen - tle - ness, Lord of all calm, whose



trust, ev - er child-like, no cares could de - stroy: Be  
strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe: Be  
hands swift to wel - come, your arms to em - brace: Be  
voice is con - tent-ment, whose pres - ence is balm: Be



there at our wak - ing, and give us, we pray, your  
there at our la - bors, and give us, we pray, your  
there at our hom - ing, and give us, we pray, your  
there at our sleep - ing, and give us, we pray, your



bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.  
strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.  
love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.  
peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

## World Communion Sunday | Sunday, October 4, 2020

### The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be celebrated during the streamed service on October 4.

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.

### Peace and Global Witness Offering | October 4 -11

The Peace & Global Witness Offering unites our church with Presbyterians everywhere reaching out to people across the globe who long for peace and reconciliation. Shaping a foundation for peace starts with honest conversations and shared experiences. When we share, we carry each other's burdens, advocate for one another, and share each other's hopes. Peace is active, not passive; peace is doing, not waiting. As we work to share Christ's peace with those beyond our doors, please give to the Peace & Global Witness Offering. Thank you!

#### Ways to give:

- Mail your gift with the Memo: Peace
- Online: Visit [hohchurch.org](http://hohchurch.org) > Donate > Donate Now > choose: Peace & Global Witness
- Sign into My HoH, choose: Giving
- Text: HOH PEACE to 73256

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