

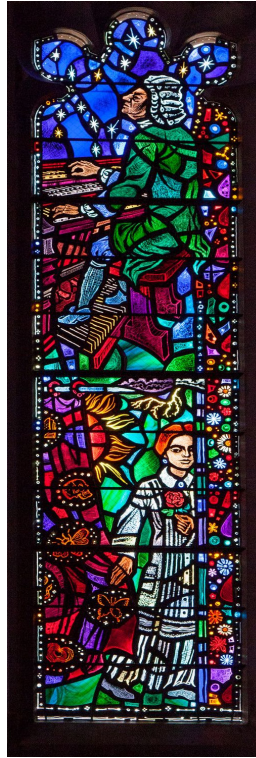
THE HOUSE OF HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



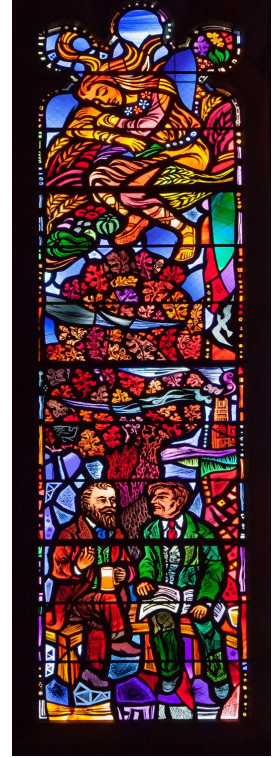
Thomas Tallis
Maurice Ravel



Walt Whitman
E.E. Cummings



J.S. Bach
Emily Dickinson



Keats' ode "To Autumn"
Brahms & Vaughn Williams

"The aim and final end of all music should be none other than the glory of God and the refreshment of the soul." - J.S. Bach

"... the powerful play goes on, and you will contribute a verse." - W. Whitman

Third Sunday after Epiphany | January 24, 2021 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.



We are excited to launch **The HUB**, a ministry where children, youth, and families build community and faith through education, service, and the arts! Our logo draws upon a familiar symbol in the House of Hope Sanctuary. It is the spirit moving through our worship, ministries, and programs. Just as stained glass is illuminated when light shines through it, our ministries to children, youth, and families will shine brightly as the light of Christ brings to life our work together.

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

Join Kiera Stegall and Dan Miglets-Nelson 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 for more information.



Evening Prayer@HOH. As we face these tumultuous times in our nation and in our lives, we invite you to join us for online Evening Prayer starting Sunday, January 17 from 8 - 8:15 p.m. and concluding on Sunday, January 24. All are invited to join. Please find the zoom link on our website under Upcoming Events.

Stewardship Update. We invite all members and friends of House of Hope to join the over 279 individuals and families, 9 out of 10 who have already increased or sustained their giving level in support of our 5 Campaign and funding our 2021 church budget. The average increase to date is approximately 9.6%. Our current pledge total is \$\$1,032,000 towards our goal of \$1,250,000. Thank you for your faithful generosity! On the home page, select "Support House of Hope" to pledge.

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Walking the El Camino: A Virtual Pilgrimage. "The shortest pilgrimage is the one to your heart." - Allister MacIntosh. A pilgrimage is a spiritual journey, it can be a physical journey but it doesn't have to be. In this time when we cannot travel, let's go on a virtual journey. Through the pictures and memories of one Camino pilgrim along with poetry from David Whyte and well-known author Joyce Rupp's own chronicle *Walk in a Relaxed Manner: Life Lessons from the Camino*, we will travel through both landscape and soulscape together. **Four Zoom Gatherings: Sundays January 24 and 31, February 7 and 14 at 2-3 p.m.** Zoom information can be found in the Events Calendar on the HOH website. Signup is encouraged, but not required. Sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/ElCamino>

Hope in Winter: Ways to Celebrate the Season:

January 27, Feb 3,10,&17: Summit Avenue Pilgrimages with Julia Carlson (11 a.m.; approximately one mile) For Jan.27 and Feb. 3, we'll begin at HOH.

February 14: Snow Sculpture Contest, House of Hope Park (2 p.m.)
Snowshoeing with Ann and Bill Geery, Fort Snelling State Park (1 p.m.)
We'll meet in the parking lot opposite the Visitor Center at the end of the road.



On September 15, the Session approved a 1-7-75-175 Initiative to enable us to prayerfully discern where God might be leading our congregation in the coming years. In addition, they set in motion a Long Range Planning Committee to assimilate input from the congregation and discern our mission and 7 major objectives we can tackle in the coming years as we move toward our 175th anniversary. Below are working documents approved by Session that we will discuss in January with further input from the congregation.

House of Hope Mission Statement

Hope is more than a word in our name—it is why we were founded on Christmas Eve in 1855.

Our inclusive and affirming community seeks to live out the word of God in our time. In the Presbyterian tradition we are Reformed, and yet always reforming. In this spirit we:

Glorify God in our worship and seek to be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ by proclaiming the Gospel through preaching, prayer, and exceptional music;

Engage in a holy curiosity which seeks through ongoing learning to apply the teachings of the Bible and to follow the example of Jesus in our daily lives;

Offer fellowship to people both inside and outside the church, listening to and respecting perspectives other than our own;

Celebrate the dynamic and perpetual re-creation of God's world by nurturing a faithful expression of the arts from children's programs to hosting established artists and fostering musical gifts;

Create a welcoming spiritual home for people in all stages of life, from young families to singles, empty nesters to senior adults; and

Advocate for the just treatment of all people by offering tangible assistance and striving for structural change in racial equity, housing, and healthcare access, and environmental stewardship.

7 Objectives

1. Establish and implement a HOH Master/Site Plan that reflects our desire to be a hospitable and welcoming community.
2. Create and implement a HOH Master Financial Plan.
3. Develop and expand programs for children, youth, family, and adults.
4. Create dynamic new partnerships and programs to further our spiritual life through music, arts and adult education.
5. Update our governance system to be relevant to our current and future needs.
6. Take bold and courageous action to advance diversity, religious pluralism, social justice and environmental stewardship.
7. Capitalize on new technologies to engage prospective and current members.

THE APPROACH TO GOD

Prelude

Chorale Prelude on *Laudes Domini*
Aaron David Miller, Organist

Paul Manz

Welcome and Announcements

Mark Barger Elliott

Call to Worship

Kiera Stegall

**We know that the Kingdom that Christ began on earth is progressing.
The good news is expanding;
The momentum of your will being done on earth as it is in heaven is unstoppable.
Even as all around us changes,
your love endures forever.
Even in war, and climate change, and social media, and cultural shifts
your love endures forever.
Even in theological and political disagreement
your love endures forever.
Help us to love one another as never before; better than before.
Help us to not be defensive or closed-minded,
but open to the Kingdom coming in unexpected ways.**

Hymn

When Morning Guilds the Skies
Brad Runyan, Soloist

Laudes Domini

Call To Confession

Dan Miglets-Nelson

Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart and soul and mind and strength.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been,
help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.**

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.

People: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

THE WORD OF GOD

Time for Children

First Lesson

Psalm 62:5-12

Ann Geery

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Solo

Meditation on GREGORY

Stephen Paulus

Second Lesson

I Corinthians 7:29-31

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

God's Mission Has a Church

Julia A. Carlson

THE RESPONSE TO GOD

Hymn

God With Me

Gregory

**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!”**

Offering - There are three way that give an offering:

- **Website.** On the homepage, click “Support House of Hope”, then click on “Donate Now”
Members can also sign into MyHOH to give.
- **Text Giving.** Text HOH to 73256 and click the link to complete your gift.
- **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.*

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.**

Hymn

When in Our Music God Is Glorified

Engelberg

Benediction

Postlude

Improvisation on ENGELBERG

A. D. Miller

Carillon Postlude

David W. Johnson, Carillonneur

When Morning Gilds the Skies

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German hymn, c. 1800

Trans. Edward Caswall, 1853, 1858; alt.

Joseph Barnby, 1868

1. When morn - ing gilds the skies, My heart a - wak - ing cries:
2. Does sad - ness fill my mind? A sol - ace here I find:
3. Let earth's wide cir - cle round In joy - ful notes re - sound:
4. Be this, while life is mine, My can - ti - cle di - vine:

May Je - sus Christ be praised! A - like at work and prayer
May Je - sus Christ be praised! Or fades my earth - ly bliss?
May Je - sus Christ be praised! Let air and sea and sky
May Je - sus Christ be praised! Be this the e - ter - nal song

To Je - sus I re - pair: May Je - sus Christ be praised!
My com - fort still is this: May Je - sus Christ be praised!
From depth to height re - ply: May Je - sus Christ be praised!
Through all the a - ges long: May Je - sus Christ be praised!

God With Me

Celtic Invocation

GREGORY

Stephen Paulus (b. 1949)

1. God with me ly - ing down, God with me ris - ing up,
 2. Christ with me sleep - ing, sleep - ing, Christ with me wak - ing up,
 3. God with me pro - tect - ing, The Lord with me di - rect - ing,
 4. God with me ly - ing down, Christ with me wak - ing up,

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 1. God with me in each ray of light, Nor I a ray of
 2. Christ with me watch - ing o'er each mo - ment, And with me ev - 'ry
 3. The spir - it with me strength - en - ing, For - ev - er and for -
 4. God with me in each ray of light, And with me ev - 'ry

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 1. joy with - out Him, Nor one ray with - out Him.
 2. day and night, With me each day and night.
 3. ev - er more, The chief of chiefs, A - men.
 4. day and night, For - ev - er and for - ev - er more.

*For my Mother, Patricia Paulus. Commissioned for the 150th anniversary of
 The House of Hope Presbyterian Church, Saint Paul, Minnesota*

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ENGELBERG 10.10.10.4

Fred Pratt Green, 1972

Charles Villiers Stanford, 1904

1. When in our mu - sic God is glo - ri - fied, And a - do -
 2. How of - ten, mak - ing mu - sic, we have found A new di -
 3. So has the church, in lit - ur - gy and song, In faith and
 4. Let ev - ery in - stru - ment be tuned for praise! Let all re -

ra - tion leaves no room for pride, It is as
 men - sion in the world of sound, As wor - ship
 love, through cen - tu - ries of wrong, Borne wit - ness
 joyce who have a voice to raise! And may God

though the whole cre - a - tion cried: Al - le - lu - ia!
 moved us to a more pro - found Al - le - lu - ia!
 to the truth in ev - ery tongue: Al - le - lu - ia!
 give us faith to sing al - ways:

All-Church Focus on Housing and Homelessness

We hope to foster understanding and deepen engagement by providing several ways to learn more and pray together about this important issue. Watch for details on the HOH Blog page (hohchurch.org/house-of-hope-blog/). Contact Shana Wagner at sharon.k.wagner@gmail.com with questions.

Warm Clothing Drive
Resource list including spiritual resources
Activities for children and youth

Book Study: *The Color of Law*, by Richard Rothstein

Wednesday, January 27 | 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

This book study will be led by Shana Wagner. Look on the church website for the Zoom link or contact Shana Wagner and you will be sent the link and other information prior to the start of the book study. Plan to join even if you haven't started the book.

Adult Enrichment: *Bring it Home MN*

Sunday, January 24 | 11:15 a.m. via Zoom

Join us to learn about newly introduced housing legislation with speaker Ben Helvick-Anderson, Director of Public Policy for Beacon Interfaith Housing Collaborative. The Zoom link can be found in the Events Calendar on our website.

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