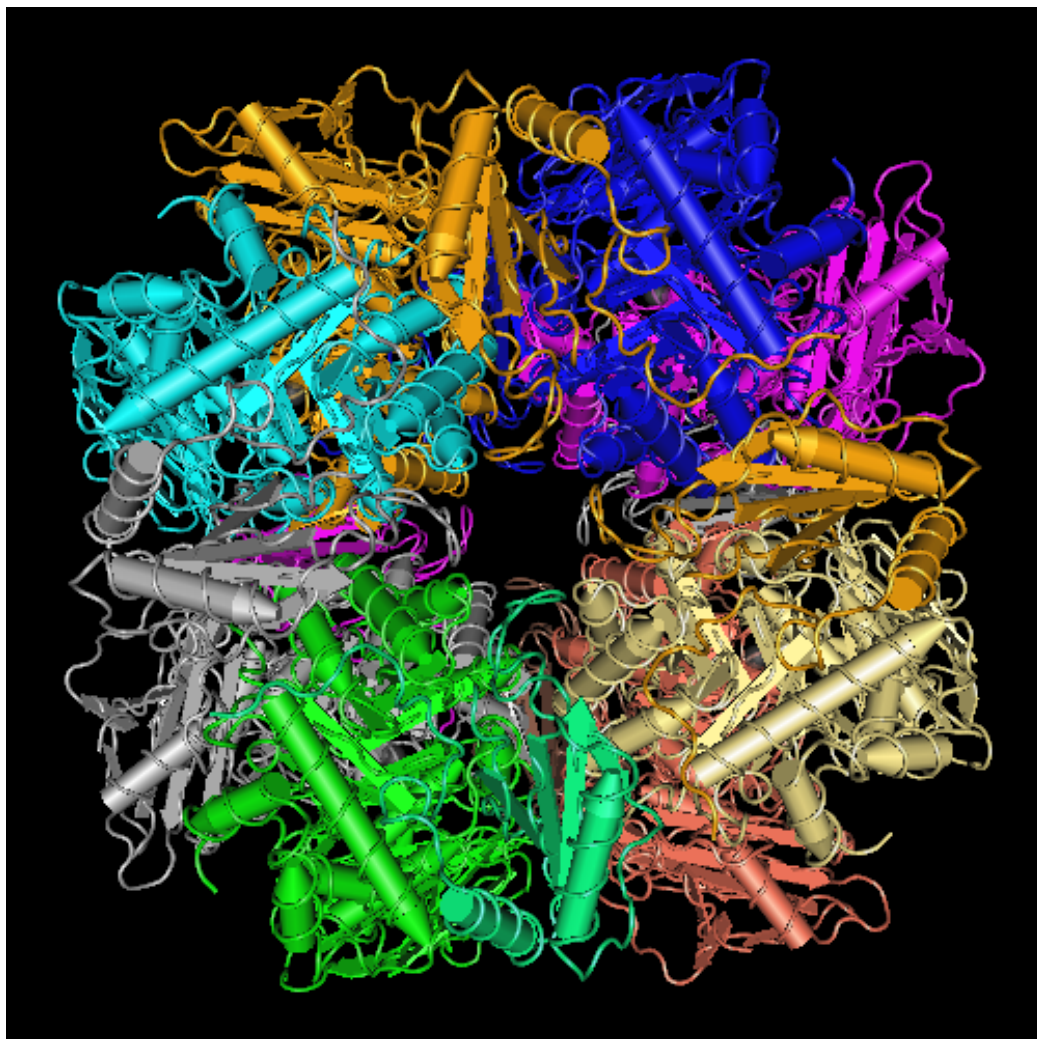


THE HOUSE OF HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Fourth Sunday in Lent | March 14, 2021 10 a.m.

Welcome

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

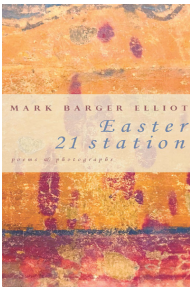
Our caring and active community welcomes you.

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.

Children and Family Ministry Worship takes place on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. via Zoom. Join Kiera Stegall, Sofia Ardan, and Lynn Barger Elliott for a twenty minute gathering with a biblical teaching, spiritual vocabulary word, music, and prayer. Please visit the "House of Hope Parents" page or email Kiera Stegall at KieraS@hohchurch.org for more information.

Today's Adult Enrichment: Kiera Stegall, Director of Children and Family Ministry Sunday, March 14 | 11:15 a.m. via Zoom. HOH's Director of Children and Family Ministry, Kiera Stegall, will discuss the spiritual and fellowship programming of our children's ministry, support for our families, and how those programs pivoted virtually for the pandemic. Link in the events calendar on our website.



Lenten Wednesday Evening Services February 17–March 31 | 8 p.m.

Lent is a season where we are invited to reflect on our spiritual life in preparation for the wonder of Easter morning. Join us as we reflect on the "Stations of the Cross," drawing from Mark Barger Elliott's book, *Easter: 21 Stations* (poems and photographs). Join here: bit.ly/2021HOHLentenWorship | Downloaded book here: markbargerelliott.files.wordpress.com/2020/02/easter-21-stations-.pdf

Mondays@1: An Olio of Life Topics via Zoom. How is it with your spirit? Join us Mondays at 1 p.m. for virtual conversations as we support and encourage each other during these turbulent times.

Join here: bit.ly/HOHHondaysAtOne

March 15: *The Saints in Light: Planning a Funeral*, with Julia Carlson

March 22: *Health Care Directives*, with Dix Brachlow

Easter Memorials. Although we will not be offering lilies to take home this year, you may make a donation in any amount to the Mission Outreach Fund in memory or in honor of loved ones for publication in the Easter Sunday Bulletin on April 4. Click this link: <http://bit.ly/HOHEasterMemorials2021> to reserve a place in the bulletin. You may also email DebT@hohchurch.org to submit names, and mail in your check. *The deadline for reserving Easter Memorials is Monday, March 29.*

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.



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 RATHBUN
Aaron David Miller, Organist

American Folk Melody

Welcome and Announcements

Mark Barger Elliott

Call to Worship

Lynn Barger Elliott

Leader: Simone Weil wrote, "it is an eternal obligation to human beings not to let them suffer from hunger when one has the chance of coming to assistance."

People: Scripture proclaims, "How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?"

Leader: Let us love, therefore, not in word or speech, but in truth and action."

People: Come, let us worship.

Hymn

In the Cross of Christ I Glory
Brad Runyan, Soloist

Rathbun

Invitation to Prayer

"The whole reason why we pray," observed Julian of Norwich, "is to be united into the vision and contemplation of God to whom we pray." Prayer, in other words, elevates our heart, soul and mind from a preoccupation with self, to the occupation, the calling, of working to realize God's vision for our world as we contemplate ways in which God leads us towards that purpose. Let us pray:

Prayer of Reflection

In sharing the loaves and fishes with those who were hungry, O Lord, you presented us with an image of solidarity with the hungry. Sharing yourself in the bread and wine, you called us to a table where all are invited. So create in us, we pray, a spiritual hunger to be a part of the feeding and the healing of our world. Nourish us with your grace so we may work with resolve to serve those in need. Open our eyes, we pray, to structures and systems that need to be transformed, so we all may break bread together. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: In the season of Lent, we are invited to reflect on our spiritual life and to bring before God our mistakes and misgivings, our foibles and our failures, for all of us, teaches scripture, fall short of the glory of God. I invite you in the silence to bring before God what you long to be forgiven so you might live in grace and joy. Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

THE WORD OF GOD

Time for Children

First Lesson

Dan Miglets-Nelson

Isaiah 58:9-10

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

Give to Jehovah

Heinrich Schütz

St Andrew Choir; Sofia Ardalan, Director
Abe Thompson, Soloist

Give to Jehovah, O ye mighty ones,
Give to Jehovah glory and power.
Alleluia!

Give to Jehovah the glory of His holy name.
Worship ye the Lord God in holy array.
Alleluia!

Every nation calls upon Thee,
And sings praise to Thee, sings praises to Thy glory.
Alleluia!

Second Lesson

Mark 8:1-9; Matthew 6:5-11

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Architecture of Prayer

Mark Barger Elliott

THE RESPONSE TO GOD

Hymn

For the Fruit of All Creation

Ar Hyd y Nos

Affirmation of Faith — *Apostles' Creed*

Ava Mayer

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

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

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.**

Hymn

Holy Ghost, Dispel Our Sadness

Geneva

Benediction

Postlude

Carillon Postlude

David W. Johnson, Carillonneur

The Communion Table flowers are given in loving memory of James Patrick Adams.

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

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RATHBUN 8.7.8.7

John Bowring, 1825

Ithamar Conkey, 1849



1. In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, Tower-ing o'er the wrecks of time;
2. When the woes of life o'er-take me, Hopes de-ceive, and fears an - noy,
3. When the sun of bliss is beam-ing Light and love up - on my way,
4. Bane and bless-ing, pain and plea-sure, By the cross are sanc - ti - fied;



All the light of sa - cred sto - ry Gath - ers round its head sub-lime.
 Nev - er shall the cross for - sake me: Lo! it glows with peace and joy.
 From the cross the ra - diance stream-ing Adds more lus - ter to the day.
 Peace is there that knows no mea - sure, Joys that through all time a - bide.



For The Fruit of All Creation



1. For the fruit of all cre - a - tion, thanks be to God.
2. In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will is done.
3. For the har - vests of the Spir - it, thanks be to God.



5 gifts be - stowed on ev - ery na - tion, thanks be to God.
In the help we give our neigh - bor, God's will is done.
For the good we all in - her - it, thanks be to God.



9 For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, sil - ent growth while we are sleep - ing,
In our world - wide task of car - ing for the hun - gry and des - pair - ing,
For the won - ders that as - tound us, for the truths that still con - found us,



13 fut - ure needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, thanks be to God.
in the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will is done.
most of all that love has found us, thanks be to God.

Paul Gerhardt, 1648

Trans. John Christian Jacobi, c. 1725; alt.

George Henry Day, 1940



1. Ho-ly Ghost, dis-pel our sad-ness; Pierce the clouds of na-ture's night;
 2. Au-thor of the new cre-a-tion, Come, a-noint us with Your power.



Come, O source of joy and glad-ness, Breathe Your life, and spread Your light.
 Make our hearts Your hab-i-ta-tion; With Your grace our spir-its shower.



From the height which knows no mea-sure, As a gra-cious shower de-scend,
 Hear, O hear our sup-pli-ca-tion, Bless-ed Spir-it, God of peace!



HOLY SPIRIT

Bring-ing down the rich - est trea - sure We can wish, or God can send.
Rest up - on this con - gre - ga - tion With the full - ness of Your grace.

The musical score consists of three staves. The top staff is a single melodic line in G major, 4/4 time. The middle and bottom staves are grouped as piano accompaniment. The middle staff uses a grand staff (treble and bass clefs) to play chords and a melodic line. The bottom staff is a bass line. The lyrics are placed below the vocal line.

Food and Donation Drives in March

March Food Drive | March 1–April 11

Help us fight hunger in Saint Paul

House of Hope supports food pantries each year during the March Food Drive. In addition, these organizations receive produce grown in HOH's Community Garden and harvested by our members and friends.

Food insecurity has been a critical challenge for many families due to the economic impacts of the pandemic, and food pantries have seen dramatic increases in participants. Be a part of this important effort, when churches come together to support our local food pantries!

Thank you for your generosity! Ways to give:

- Mail a check to HOH with the notation: "Food Pantry"
- Donate through hohchurch.org > Support House of Hope > Donate Now > select Food Pantry
- Text HOH Food to 73256

Do you want the joy of helping more? Consider volunteering at Neighborhood House. Contact Kathy Schubert at keschubert@q.com for more information.

HOH Youth Donation Drive for Neighborhood House

Sunday, March 14 | 2-4 p.m. | Porte Cochere

Neighborhood House has made a special request and HOH Youth are excited to help! There is a need for basic health and hygiene items as well as household cleaning products.

Please consider supporting our Youth in this service project by purchasing items and dropping them off curbside at the church. Items will be collected from your car by our Middle and High School Youth. Thank you for your generosity! Requested items include:

- Diapers and Baby Wipes
- Infant Formula
- Toothpaste and Toothbrushes
- Laundry Detergent
- Shampoo and Conditioner
- Soap and Shower Gel
- Hand Sanitizer
- Dish Soap
- Lotion
- Toilet Paper and Facial Tissue

Streamed Holy Week and Easter Services

Sunday, March 28 | Palm Sunday - 10 a.m.

Thursday, April 1 | Maundy Thursday - 7 p.m.

Holy Communion

The Office of Tenebrae with Tenebrae Responses by Healey Willan

Friday, April 2 | Good Friday - 7 p.m.

Featuring Giovanni Pergolesi's *Stabat Mater*

Sunday, April 4 | Easter Sunday - streamed worship - 10 a.m.

The CW, WUCA Channel 23 | 9:30 a.m.

One Great Hour of Sharing Offering

Carillon Easter Postlude | 11 a.m.

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