

THE HOUSE OF HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



We will rise from the gold-limbed hills of the west, we will rise from the windswept northeast where our forefathers first realized the revolution. We will rise from the lake rimmed cities of the midwestern states, we will rise from the sunbaked south. We will rebuild, reconcile and recover and every known nook of our nation and every corner called our country, our people diverse and beautiful will emerge, battered and beautiful. When day comes we step out of the shade, aflame and unafraid. The new dawn blooms as we free it. For there is always light, if only we're brave enough to see it. If only we're brave enough to be it.

- Amanda Gorman, *The Hill We Climb*

Second Sunday of Easter | April 11, 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.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion is celebrated today. All who put their faith and trust in Jesus Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

Children and Family Ministry Worship takes place on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. via Zoom. Join Kiera Stegall 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.

Adult Enrichment: Earth Care at Oak Grove. Sunday, April 11 | 11:15 a.m. via Zoom
Green Team members from Oak Grove Presbyterian Church in Bloomington will share their congregation's inspiring successes with solar and wind powered electricity, storm water management, and more.

Earth Care: Intergenerational HOH Park Clean-Up. Saturday, April 17 | 10–11 a.m.
In case of rain: Saturday, April 24, 1–2 p.m. Join us to clean up the HOH Park and grounds. Co-sponsored by the Peace and Justice Earth Care Group and Children and Family Ministry. Sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050a49adae2fa0f58-intergenerational>

The Didier Seminar 2021 via Zoom- speaker Jeannine Hill Fletcher

Christian Entanglement in Racism: Facing the Past, Transforming the Future

Jeannine Hill Fletcher is a professor at Fordham University whose research focuses on gender, race, and religious diversity. Her book *The Sin of White Supremacy—Christianity, Racism and Religious Diversity in America* has been described as "a heartfelt lament and passionate advocacy for racial justice—both sobering and liberating."

Lecture | Wednesday, April 21 | 7 p.m.

Facing Racism: An Historical, Structural and Theological View

Lectures and Discussion | Saturday, April 24

9:30-10:45 a.m.: *How the Past Touches Down in Our Present*

11 a.m.-12 p.m.: *Embracing our Story to Shape our Future: Christian Tradition and Transformation*

Sermon and Adult Enrichment on Sunday, April 25 | 11:15 a.m.

Partners in Transformation: Shaping the Future

Pre-Didier Study and Discussion via Zoom Wednesday, April 7 & 14 | 7 p.m.

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.

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THE APPROACH TO GOD

Prelude

Aria
Handbell Choir; Timothy Short, Director

Paul Manz

Welcome and Announcements

Julia A. Carlson

Hymn

Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain
Melissa Holm-Johansen, Soloist

St. Kevin

Eastertide Affirmation

Leader: The Lord is with you,

People: **And also with you.**

This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast: that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day, and that he appeared first to the women, then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end; he is our Lord and our God.

THE WORD OF GOD

Time for Children

Kiera Stegall

Anthem

Celebrate This Happy, Holy Day
St Cecilia and St Nicholas Choirs; Sofia Ardalan Director

Henry Purcell, arr. Hruby

Come, all you children of God,
Come, come away,
Come, all you people of God,
Come, come to pray,
Praise with your voices, and instruments play,

To celebrate this happy, holy day.
Strum violin and dulcimer and psaltery today,
To celebrate this happy, holy day.
Pipe happily, dance gleefully, sing merrily today,
To celebrate this happy, holy day.

Scripture Lesson

Acts 4:32-35

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

The Beloved Community

Julia A. Carlson

THE RESPONSE TO GOD

Hymn

This Is My Song

Finlandia

Affirmation of Faith — from a *Brief Statement of Faith*

Dan Miglets-Nelson

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.

Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:

preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives,

teaching by word and deed and blessing the children,

healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts,

forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified,

suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world.

God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life,

breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

Offering - There are three ways to support House of Hope:

- **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

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Great Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord is with you.

People: 
And with thy spir - it.




Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: 
We lift them up un-to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: 
We lift them up un-to the Lord.

Leader: O holy God, we give you thanks and praise for the gift of creation and for the gift of the new creation, made known to us in the resurrection of your Son, Jesus. We are humbled by this gift of life, by the hope and wonder this gift brings. And so in joy we join our voices to those of the saints who sing these words forever:

People: 
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of Hosts,

Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry:

Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord Most High. A - men

Leader: Blessed is Jesus, the Christ, our Lord and Savior, who lived as we live; who suffered and died; whom you raised from the dead that we might fear death and sin no more. Blessed is your Spirit, who comes among us now and upon these gifts of bread and cup, that the bread we break will become for us the Bread of Life, and the cup we bless will become the Cup of Salvation. By your Spirit make us one with each other and with all who share in this feast you have prepared. And hear us now as we say the prayer Jesus taught us:

**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.**

Words of Institution

To participate, prepare your own table with bread, 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.

Prayer after Communion

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul;

People: and all that is within me, bless God's holy name!

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul;

People: and forget not all God's benefits.

Leader and People:

**We thank you once again for this meal, this gift of resurrection.
Send us out into your world to be the presence of love and hope
to all who despair and fear, that all may have life, and have it in abundance.
Alleluia, alleluia, Amen.**

Hymn

Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!

Gelobt sei Gott

Benediction

Postlude

Jesus Lover of My Soul - ABERYSTWYTH

Carillon Postlude

David W. Johnson, Carillonneur

The Pulpit Table Flowers are given in loving memory of Carol L. Damberg.

Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain 115

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John of Damascus (c. 675-749)

Trans. John Mason Neale, 1859; alt.

Arthur Seymour Sullivan (1842-1900); alt.

1. Come, ye faith - ful, raise the strain Of tri - um - phant glad - ness;
2. 'Tis the spring of souls to - day; Christ hath burst His pris - on,

God hath brought forth Is - ra - el In - to joy from sad - ness;
And from three days' sleep in death As a sun hath ris - en.

Loosed from Phar - aoh's bit - ter yoke Ja - cob's sons and daugh - ters;
Now re - joice, Je - ru - sa - lem, And with true af - fec - tion

Led them, with un - moist - ened foot, Through the Red Sea wa - ters.
Wel - come in un - wea - ried strains Je - sus' res - ur - rec - tion!

This Is My Song



1. This is my song, O God of all the na-tions, a song of peace for
2. May truth and freed - om come to ev - ery na-tion; may peace a - bound where



lands a - far and mine; this is my home, the coun-try where my heart is;
strife has raged so long; that each may seek to love and build to - geth - er,



here are my hopes, my dreams, my ho - ly shrine: but oth - er hearts in
a world u - nit - ed, right - ing ev - ery wrong; a world u - nit - ed



oth - er lands are beat - ing with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.
in its love for free-dom, pro - claim - ing peace to - geth - er in one song.

Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing! 111

GELOBT SEI GOTT 8.8.8 with alleluias

Melchior Vulpus, 1609

As in *Pilgrim Hymnal*, 1958

Cyril A. Alington, 1931; alt.

1. Good Chris-tians all, re - joice and sing! Now is the tri - umph
2. The Lord of life is risen to - day! Bring flowers of song, be -
3. Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry That love, that life which
4. Thy name we bless, O ris - en Lord, And sing to - day with

of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:
deck the way; Let ev - ery tongue re - joice and say:
can - not die, And sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:
one ac - cord The life laid down, the life re - stored:

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

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Children and Family Ministry April Family Kit Pick-up:

TODAY, Sunday, April 11 | 2- 3 p.m. | Porte Cochere



Weekly Zoom Programming

- Silly Songs and Storytime on Fridays at 9:30 a.m.
- Elementary Game Time on Fridays at 4:30 p.m.
- Family Worship on Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

Contact Kiera Stegall for more information and to receive Zoom links to these events.

Youth and Family Ministry

The SUMMIT via Zoom; Wednesdays | 7-8:15 p.m.

Junior High School Frisbee & Play - Saturday, April 10 | 2-3:30 p.m.

With warming weather, and longer days, we can't wait to get together! We'll toss a frisbee together, play games, and enjoy fellowship. Light refreshments will be provided.

Senior High Spring Bonfire - Sunday, April 25 | 7 p.m.

Meet at HOH to roast marshmallows and enjoy music. Mark your calendars and watch for more details.

Contact Dan Miglets-Nelson for more information and to receive Zoom links for these events.

Children and Youth Art Exhibit in May

May is the time when we celebrate our children and youth artists. Join us in creating an art exhibit video. To submit artwork, take a picture and email it to Kiera at KieraS@hohchurch.org. You may submit artwork in any medium (including digital). You may also submit more than one piece. All submissions are due by Sunday, April 25. Contact Kiera for more information.

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