

HOH Returned to In-Person Worship on May 23

We are pleased to announce the Session approved a motion to move the date to return to in-person worship from June 6 to May 23, which was fortuitously Pentecost! In a wonderful service, we enjoyed the voices of The Motet Choir, paper bulletins, and chocolate chip cookies on the Summit lawn.

For the time being, we ask all those present to please be masked and to maintain physical distance from other worshippers not in your household as children under the age of 12 are not yet able to be vaccinated, and to provide a safe environment for limited congregational and choral singing.

June Sermon Series: Unmute/4 Parables for a Post Pandemic Life

Join us for a special sermon series on the Jesus' parables and wisdom they offer in how to "unmute" our lives as we emerge from the pandemic.



Ice Cream Social, Graduate Celebration Sunday, June 6

Join us on the Summit lawn after worship for an ice cream social and celebration in honor of HOH youth graduating from high school. Enjoy complimentary ice cream treats and for-purchase food items from the Emconada food truck.

Picnics and Pastors in the Park on Fridays in June

Join Co Pastors Lynn and Mark on June 4, 11, and 18 from 6–7 p.m. in our HOH Park. Bring a blanket and a picnic as we enjoy the HOH Park, playground, and each other's company.



Help celebrate Julia Carlson's completion of her Doctor of Ministry degree from Luther Seminary! On Sunday, June 13, the Personnel Committee invites you to bring, or mail, a card to

express your congratulations for this wonderful achievement. We will also gather on the Summit lawn after worship to celebrate this milestone.

Julia Carlson began her Doctor of Ministry in 2017, and HOH congregants participated in an array of events connected to her research project that began and ended with all-church surveys. HOH members and friends also participated in neighborhood interviews, discussing cultural changes and the effect on the church, learning about the missional church movement, Dwelling in the Word Bible studies, and Dwelling in the World prayer walks. Her thesis is titled, *Hospitality in the House of God: Deconstructing Habit and Building Missio Dei*.

Dear HOH Friends,

At my first DMin class in 2017, the description of the process struck fear into my heart. The professor told my cohort that we would study leadership and new practices, look at congregational history, interview neighbors, prepare a research design, lead a research process, analyze the results, and write a thesis. The uneasiness ebbed and flowed through the first year and eventually was assuaged by the step by step work of it all—as is often the case in the spiritual journey. The journey is made possible with help from friends and guidance from those who have traveled ahead of us, in this case wonderful Luther Seminary professors. It looks like I have survived! Thank you all for your support and interest along the way! Thanks for taking part in the research activities as you were able. I'm grateful to my research team: Laurel, Jill, Elly, Patrick, John, and Phil. In the midst of it all, I enjoyed the process, even to the point of losing track of the way it would end, with graduation and a degree. Thank you for being there on the journey and for joining in celebration! —Julia

SUMMER | MISSION OUTREACH

Ongoing Throughout the Summer

Community Garden

As the temperatures rise, seeds are sprouting and vegetables are growing in our garden. Volunteers are needed to help in the garden—no special skills are required. Contact Elizabeth Karre at houseofhopegarden@gmail.com if you can help tend, harvest, or drive produce to area food pantries.

Project Home Laundry

In case you missed the announcement, Interfaith Action joined with the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet and Ramsey County to house Project Home in the Provincial House on the campus of St. Catherine University. Church congregations are supporting Project Home in new ways! **Join us for “Wash ‘n Fold”** at the Beautiful Laundrette (625 Stryker) for an hour on Tuesdays or Thursdays at 4:45 p.m. to launder bedding for Project Home families. Contact Laurel Gamm for more information at beautifulwestside@gmail.com.

June Opportunities

Donation Drive for Neighborhood House Sunday, June 20

Grocery carts will be awaiting your food donations or cash contributions on Sunday, June 20. Worship together, see friends, and help neighbors. Summer is a time of high need for families since children are at home for three meals. In addition to bringing food items to the church you can also:

- Mail a check to HOH marked Neighborhood House
- Donate online: www.hohchurch.org/how-to-donate/
- Text to give: Text HOH Food to 73256

Most needed items include: infant formula/cereals, peanut butter, oatmeal, cereal, coffee (ground), tea, sugar, gallon plastic bags, oil (vegetable, olive, etc.), spices, buckwheat, sardines, jasmine rice, baby wipes, newborn diapers.

Loaves and Fishes at St. Matthew's Church Monday, June 21 | Beginning at 2:45 p.m.

Contact Norma Herther at normaherther@msn.com to volunteer to help prepare and serve a meal.

Looking Ahead

National Night Out Tuesday, August 3

Plans are underway for the 14th HOH National Night Out, and we need volunteers who can help plan and implement the event. If you'd like to help, contact Mary Cardinal Peterson at PeteCardFive@outlook.com or (651) 341-7173.

Habitat for Humanity Faith Builders Needs Volunteers August 9–13

Please volunteer with others in our congregation in the summer Faith Builders project. All skill levels are needed. Contact Dave Olson for more information at dwo823@yahoo.com.



Co Pastors | Commentary

Do you have a friend or neighbor who might be looking for a church home this summer? It is a great time to invite someone to House of Hope!

We are now worshipping in-person in our beautiful sanctuary, designed by Ralph Adams Cram. The Motet Choir is singing on Sunday mornings and leading us in worship. The HUB team has a fabulous schedule for children, youth, and families including Basecamp, a new weekly Bible study for Middle School and High School youth and HUB Club gatherings in the HOH Park for all ages. The Mission Outreach Committee is offering several opportunities this summer to volunteer in our Community Garden, support Project Home at a laundromat, and a Habitat for Humanity home build. The Noyes Memorial Carillon concerts will be back in July, and our lawn has ample room for lawn chairs!

There is something for everyone at HOH. Visit our updated website and watch for announcements. Add a friend to our email list, and spread the news that Hope is on the move!

See you in church!
Lynn and Mark
Co Pastors

HOH Monthly Financials

	2020 Actual April	2021 Actual April
Operating Revenue		
Pledge and Non-Pledged Revenue	\$91,800	\$65,642
Endowment Draw	\$0	\$130,265
Other Revenue	\$9,199	\$4,465
Total Operating Revenue	\$100,999	\$200,372
Operating Expense		
Mission Outreach	\$709	\$100
Other Spiritual Life	\$469	\$598
Worship, Music and Congregational Life	\$31,879	\$67,461
House, Property & Insurance	\$16,768	\$48,445
Salaries, Benefits and Allowances	\$120,900	\$133,248
Rev. Didier Housing	\$3,708	\$3,708
Total Operating Expense	\$174,433	\$253,560
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$73,434)	(\$53,188)



Children and Family Ministry

Summer Family Worship on Zoom Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

Families are welcome to join Kiera Stegall for a time of music, art, Bible storytelling, and prayer. We will enjoy weekly virtual worship throughout the summer.

Friday, June 4 | Zoom Programming

- Silly Songs and Storytime at 9:30 a.m.
- Elementary Game Time at 4:30 p.m.

HUB Club

Saturday, June 19 | 10 a.m.–12 p.m. | HOH Park

Infants through elementary age students are invited to join us for popsicles in the park! Bring a mask, bike, balls, and more as we enjoy 10 a.m. storytime and play outdoors.

Neighborhood Puppet Show

Thursday, June 24 | 6 p.m.

Rain Date: Sunday, June 27 | 1 p.m.

Wear a mask, bring a blanket or chair, and join us on the Summit Lawn for Open Eye Theatre's performance of *The Amazing Cowboat*. This intergenerational event is free and open to the public.

Contact Kiera Stegall for more information.

Youth and Family Ministry

Graduation Celebration

Sunday, June 6 | 11:15 a.m. | Summit Lawn

Join us as we celebrate High School graduates with a block party including complimentary ice cream treats and a for-purchase food truck.

HUB Club

Saturday, June 19 | 2-3:30 p.m.

Middle and High School students are invited to gather for fellowship and outdoor games at HOH.

Save the date!

Schoolhouse Rock Jr. | July 10 and 11 | 2 p.m.

Intergenerational event performed by the Lakeshore Kids and Family Theatre.

Choir School

Thank you to the Choristers of the Choir School for a wonderful Spring Concert *Simple Gifts* and for enriching our worship this year. If you missed the concert, you can find it on the streaming page of our website.

JUNE AT HOH

Monday Exchange

Mondays, June 7 and 21 | 7 p.m. via Zoom

<http://bit.ly/MondayExchangeJune7>

<http://bit.ly/MondayExchangeJune21>

Great Decisions

Tuesday, June 8 | 4 p.m. via Zoom

Roles of International Organizations in a Global Pandemic with Todd Lefko

The World Health Organization (WHO) is a specialized agency in the UN for global public health. COVID-19 response experts want to strengthen WHO's authority and to obtain sustainable funding. What can be done to improve WHO's response to future global health crises? Todd Lefko is president of an import-export company and has worked in Russia for more than 32 years. He has taught sociology and urban affairs at the University of Minnesota and is one of the founders of Global Volunteers.

Join here: <http://bit.ly/GreatDecisionsJune8>

Upcoming Events:

Summer Carillon Series

Sundays, July 4, 11, 18, and 25 | 4 p.m.

The Summer Recital Series opens July 4 with an Independence Day program performed by HOH Carillonneur Dave Johnson. This year's series will feature Dave Johnson and HOH Music Associate Timothy Short.

Rally Sunday

Sunday, September 12

10 a.m. Worship and 11:15 a.m. picnic on the Summit lawn.



Thank you, Handbell Choir!

The HOH Bellchoir faithfully met from last September until May 2021 in the Great Hall where they wore masks, safely distanced, and rehearsed and recorded musical offerings which were integrated into streamed worship over the past nine months. Thanks to Deb B., Martha, Liz, Deb J., Beth, Leslie, John, Nancy and Maureen for their dedication, musicianship, and good humor during this unusual time.

—Tim Short, Music Associate

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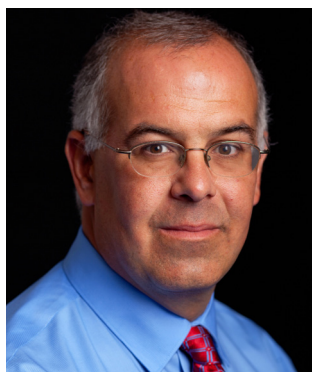


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SUNDAY SERIES AT HOUSE OF HOPE

*Discussing key issues of our day through
artistic engagement with life and faith.*



David Brooks | Sunday, September 26 | 2 p.m.

In HOH's Sunday Series, we
invite well-known speakers
to discuss key issues of our
day and artists to share their
artistic engagement with life
and faith.

Previous speakers include
Harry Belafonte, Dr. Jill Biden,

Michael Beschloss, and Don Lemon. This fall, we welcome
David Brooks who has a gift for bringing audiences face
to face with the spirit of our times with humor, insight,
and quiet passion. He is a keen observer of the American
way of life and a savvy analyst of present-day politics and
foreign affairs.

David Brooks holds several prestigious positions as a
commentator: bi-weekly Op-Ed columnist for *The New York
Times* and regular analyst on PBS *NewsHour* and NPR's *All
Things Considered*. Brook's *New York Times* bestseller, *The
Road to Character*, "explains why selflessness leads to greater
success. He tells the story of ten great lives that illustrate how
character is developed, and how we can all strive to build
rich inner lives, marked by humility and moral depth. In a
society that emphasizes success and external achievement,
The Road to Character is a book about inner worth."

Plan to join us and watch for additional details!

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