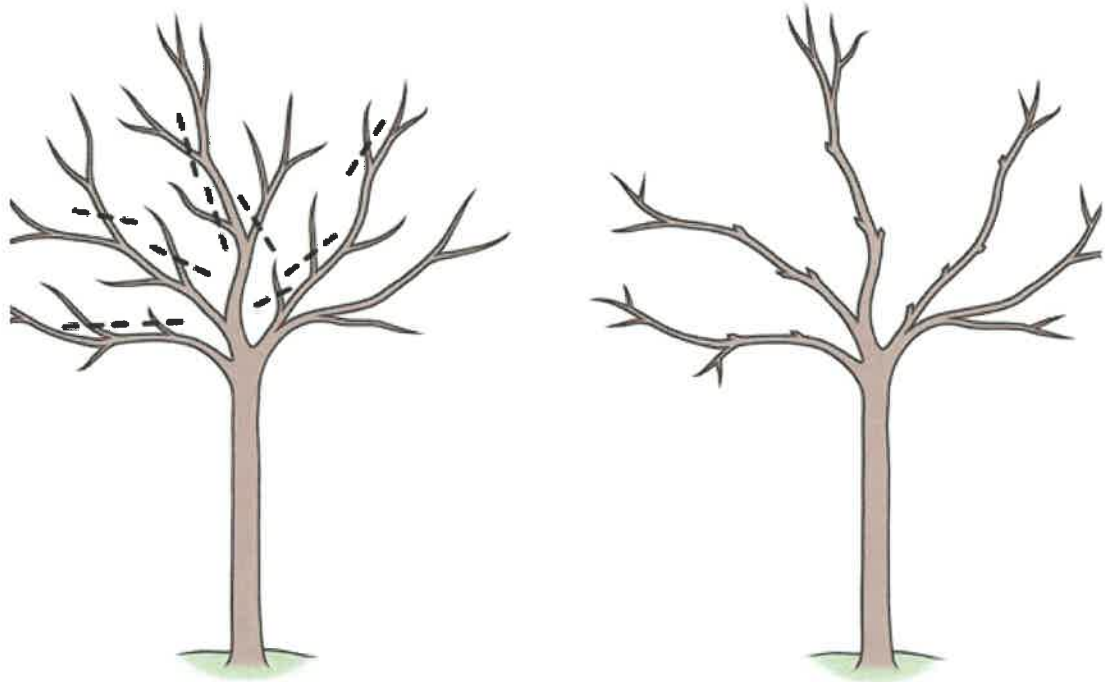


# THE HOUSE OF HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



“Laurel had watched him prune. Holding the shears in both hands, he performed a sort of weighty sarabande, with a lop for this side, then a lop for the other side, as though he were bowing to his partner.”

- Eudora Welty, *The Optimist's Daughter*

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost | August 29, 2021 10 a.m.

## Welcome

**We are delighted you have joined House of Hope for worship.**

Our caring and active community welcomes you.

We extend the hospitality of Christ to all.

### **Regarding Masks for In-Person Worship.**

Please know in light of the evolving situation regarding the Delta variant and new guidelines offered by the Mayor of Saint Paul, we now strongly encourage all those who attend worship to wear a mask. In this fluid situation with changing national, state and local protocols, we will continue to monitor developments and discern how best to respond while keeping in mind the safety of church staff and those attending worship.

Please continue 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.

Offering plates will be available at the sanctuary doors.

After the service, please join us for a time of fellowship by the Spirit of Hope statue for Caribou coffee and chocolate chip cookies.

Our worship service is also livestreamed and can be accessed on the home page of our website ([hohchurch.org](http://hohchurch.org)) and on our Facebook page (The House of Hope Presbyterian Church).

### **Rally Sunday — Sunday, September 12 | 10 - 12 a.m. | Sanctuary and Summit Lawn**

Join us as our congregation gathers after a wonderful summer of reopening to in-person worship, hearing our choirs sing, gathering with HUB Clubs, National Night Out, and celebrating the 10th Anniversary of our Community Garden! Festivities will begin after worship at 11:15 a.m. with a picnic lunch, the Ned Kantor Jazz Trio, an inflatable obstacle course and toddler bounce house, book swap, lawn games, and the opportunity to bring donations for Women's Advocates and Prior Crossing.

### **Rally Sunday Free Book Exchange**

How do you pass on a good read? On Rally Sunday, HOH will have our version of "A Little Free Library." If you have a good read you are ready to pass on, be it gardening, cookbook, mystery, theology, or something for young people and children, please drop it off at the church office between now and September 10. There will be a Book Swap table at our picnic where you or one of our neighbors might pick up something new to read.

Our **NEW** midweek program, **Wednesday Night Live!** begins **September 15**. What you will find at 797 Summit Avenue are family friendly meals from Kowalski's in our newly carpeted Great Hall, faith enrichment classes led by Rev. Dr. Julia Carlson and Revs. Lynn and Mark Barger Elliott, and opportunities to join our music program from the Choir School to The Motet Choir.

## THE APPROACH TO GOD

### Prelude

Preludium in E Major  
Aaron David Miller, Organist

Vincent Lübeck

### Welcome and Announcements

Mark Barger Elliott

### Call to Worship

Julia A. Carlson

Leader: "If some of the branches have been broken off," writes Paul, "and you, though a wild olive shoot, have been grafted in among the others and now share in the nourishing sap from the olive root,

**People: do not consider yourself to be superior to those other branches. If you do, consider this: you do not support the root, but the root supports you."**

Leader: Come, let us worship the God of all creation, the one who created us, supports us, and longs for us to grow in faith.

### + Opening Hymn 476

*O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!*

Lyons

### Invitation to Prayer

"When a person is with God in awe and love, then that person is praying," observed author Karl Rahner. Let us pray:

### Prayer of Reflection

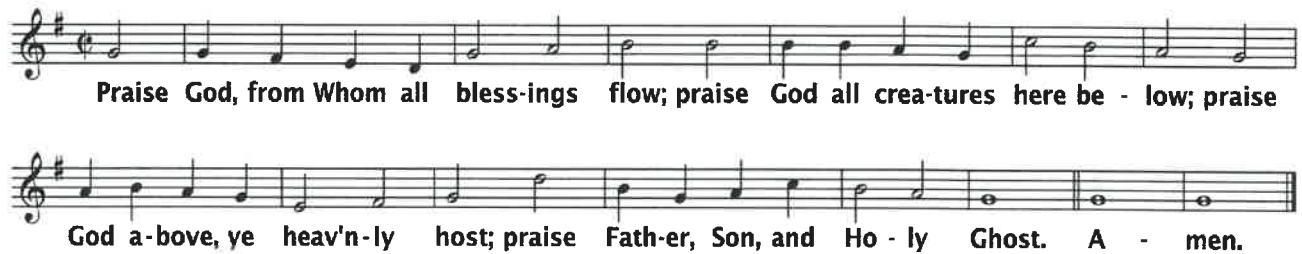
**God of the stars and God of the vine, we gather before you in awe of the splendor and majesty of the universe and our world. We sense your steadfast love beneath us as seeds sprout, beside us as we watch the wonder of a hummingbird, and above us as we stare in wonder at the constellations above. And yet, at times, we admit we have allowed other seeds to take root in our lives – seeds of grievance and anxiety, doubt and regret. Help us, we pray, to remember you long for us to flourish, and invite us to dig up and to prune what prevents us from growing in our faith in you. Amen.**

## Assurance of Pardon:

Leader: God longs to lead us to truth, to beauty, and to that which does not change; namely, God's love for us. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

**People: By God's grace we are saved, renewed and made whole. Amen**

## + Doxology



Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here be - low; praise  
God a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host; praise Fath - er, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

## THE WORD OF GOD

## Time for Children

### First Lesson

Dan Miglets-Nelson

Isaiah 18:4-5 (OT, p. 646 in pew Bible)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### Solo

*At the Name of Jesus*

Ralph Vaughan Williams

Timothy Bruett, Soloist

### Second Lesson

John 15:2-5 (NT, p. 109 in pew Bible)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### Sermon

Mark Barger Elliott

*Hypethral: Life in a Cathedral without Walls - 4*

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## THE RESPONSE TO GOD

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### + Hymn 172

Resignation

*My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*

### + Affirmation of Faith— Apostles' Creed

Lynn Barger Elliott

**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 ways to give an offering:

- **In-Person.** Offering baskets will be available at the sanctuary doors.
- **Website.** On the homepage, click "Support House of Hope", then click on "Make a Gift"  
Members can also sign into MyHOH to give.
- **Mail.** Mail a check to 797 Summit Ave. Saint Paul, MN 55105

### Offertory Solo

Psalm 126

Charles Villiers Stanford

## + Offertory Response



O God be-yond all prais-ing, we wor-ship you to - day and sing the love a-maz-ing that  
songs can - not re - pay; for we can on - ly won - der at ev - 'ry gift you send, at  
bless-ings with-out num-ber and mer-cies with-out end: we lift our hearts be-fore you and  
wait u - pon your word, we hon - or and a - dore you, our great and might - y 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.**

## + Closing Hymn 356

Nettleton

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

## + Benediction

## Postlude

March

Felix Mendelssohn

## Carillon Postlude

Timothy Short, Carillonneur

**The Communion Table Flowers** are given in loving memory of Betty and Dale Sorensen.



## Children and Family Ministry

### **In-person Nursery & Sunday School - Beginning Sept. 12**

**Infants – PreK | 9:45-11:15 a.m.** Infants-PreK will use age-specific Frolic curriculum as each group learns to take little steps toward big faith. With stories and prayer, they will explore faith concepts the way they know best – through play.

**Kindergarten - Grade 5** students worship with their families in the sanctuary before joining us for Sunday school following the Time for Children.

Our elementary students will use Growing in God's Love: A Story Bible Curriculum that features diverse artwork from more than twenty artists. Students are invited to wonder, play, and connect as they engage with the Bible stories.

### **Zoom Sunday School for Families with Infants-Grade 5 Sundays, 4 p.m.**

Contact Kiera Stegall for more information at [KieraS@hohchurch.org](mailto:KieraS@hohchurch.org).

## Youth and Family Ministry

### **Confirmation Information Meeting | September 8 | 7 p.m.**

All youth grades 9+ and their parents are invited to learn about preparing for church membership and confirming one's faith on March 6, 2022.

### **Confirmation Classes Begin | September 15 | 7 p.m.**

All youth grades 9+ who are interested in membership at HOH will meet Wednesday nights to explore basic Christian beliefs and membership in the Presbyterian Church.

### **Middle School Sunday School Begins September 12 10:15 a.m. | Room 9**

Middle Schoolers will meet on Sunday mornings following the Time for Children to learn about God's word, deepen their faith, and grow together.

### **The SUMMIT Youth Group Fall Kick-Off**

**September 12 | 7 p.m.** All youth in grades 6-12 are invited to kick off a new year of youth ministry at The SUMMIT taco party in the Great Hall! The SUMMIT will meet Sunday nights 7-8:30 p.m.

Contact Dan Miglets-Nelson for more information at [DanMN@hohchurch.org](mailto:DanMN@hohchurch.org).

## House of Hope Choir School

**Every child can sing!** The Choir School offers outstanding music education for all children ages 4-18 beginning September 8. Registration is open online and spots are going fast! [bit.ly/ChoirSchoolRegistration](https://bit.ly/ChoirSchoolRegistration)

Contact Sofia Ardan for more information at [SofiaA@hohchurch.org](mailto:SofiaA@hohchurch.org).

## In Memoriam

**Andrea Ueland Brainard** joined The House of Hope Presbyterian Church on November 19, 1948. She entered the Church Triumphant on August 17, 2021.

A memorial service will be announced at a later date.

*"If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's." - Romans 14:8*

**Supporting Relief Work in Haiti.** The Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is responding to the devastating 7.2 magnitude that struck Haiti the morning of August 14, 2021 that has resulted in the loss of more than 1,200 lives. Working closely with our ministry partners on the ground, Presbyterians are addressing emergency needs such as WASH (water, sanitation and hygiene), emergency power generators, shelter, food, first aid and more. To make a contribution, please go to <https://pda.pcusa.org/situation/haiti/>

## Motet Choir Welcoming New Members in September.

The Motet Choir is welcoming new singers interested in this aspect of music ministry. The choir rehearses on Wednesday evenings from 7-9 p.m., and meets at 9 a.m. on Sundays before the service. The first rehearsal is Wednesday, September 8. Singers in the choir are required to be vaccinated against COVID-19. If interested, or if you have any questions, contact in Matthew Culloton in advance at [MatthewC@hohchurch.org](mailto:MatthewC@hohchurch.org).

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## 476 O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!

LYONS 10.10.11.11

Robert Grant, 1833; alt.

Attr. Johann Michael Haydn (1737-1806); alt.

1. O wor - ship the King, all glo - rious a - bove!  
 2. O tell of God's might, O sing of God's grace,  
 3. The earth with its store of won - ders un - told,  
 4. Thy boun - ti - ful care what tongue can re - cite?

O grate - ful - ly sing God's power and God's love;  
 Whose robe is the light, whose can - o - py space.  
 Al - might - y, Thy power hath found - ed of old;  
 It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;

Our shield and de - fend - er, the An - cient of Days, Pa -  
 The char - iots of heaven the deep thun - der - clouds form, And  
 Hath stab - lished it fast by a change-less de - cree, And  
 It streams from the hills, it de - scends to the plain, And

vil - ioned in splen - dor and gird - ed with praise.  
 bright is God's path on the wings of the storm.  
 round it hath cast, like a man - tle, the sea.  
 sweet - ly dis - tills in the dew and the rain.

5. Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,  
 In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail;  
 Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end,  
 Our maker, defender, redeemer, and friend.

# My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

RESIGNATION CMD

Para. Isaac Watts, 1719; alt. 1972

Walker's *Southern Harmony*, 1835  
Harm. Dale Grotenhuis, 1986

C C G C G Am AmG C Am Em F C G C

1. My Shep-herd will sup-ply my need; Je-ho-vah is His name:  
2. When I walk through the shades of death Your pres-ence is my stay;  
3. The sure pro-vi-sions of my God At-tend me all my days;

F C G C Em Am F G C F C F C G C

In pas-tures fresh He makes me feed, Be-side the liv-ing stream.  
One word of Your sup-port-ing breath Drives all my fears a-way.  
O may Your House be my a-bode, And all my work be praise.

G C F C Dm G C Am Em F Dm Am

He brings my wan-dering spir-it back, When I for-sake His ways;  
Your hand, in sight of all my foes, Does still my ta-ble spread;  
There would I find a set-tled rest, While oth-ers go and come;

F C G C Em Am F G C F C F C G C

And leads me, for His mer-cy's sake, In paths of truth and grace.  
My cup with bless-ings o-ver-flows, Your oil a-noints my head.  
No more a strang-er, or a guest, But like a child at home.

# Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing 356

Robert Robinson, c. 1758

1. Come, Thou Fount of every blessing,  
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,  
Call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet,  
Sung by flaming tongues above;  
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,  
Mount of God's unchanging love!
2. Here I raise my Ebenezer,  
Hither by Thy help I'm come;  
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure,  
Safely to arrive at home.

Jesus sought me when a stranger,  
Wandering from the fold of God;  
He, to rescue me from danger,  
Interposed His precious blood.

3. O to grace how great a debtor  
Daily I'm constrained to be!  
Let that grace now, like a fetter,  
Bind my wandering heart to Thee:  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,  
Prone to leave the God I love;  
Here's my heart, O take and seal it,  
Seal it for Thy courts above.

Tune: NETTLETON, opposite.