# THE HOUSE OF HOPE Presbyterian Church



It is rare indeed that people give. Most people guard and keep; they suppose that it is they themselves and what they identify with themselves that they are guarding and keeping, whereas what they are actually guarding and keeping is their system of reality and what they assume themselves to be.

One can give nothing whatever without giving oneself—that is to say, risking oneself. If one cannot risk oneself, then one is simply incapable of giving.

James Baldwin The Fire Next Time

Stewardship Sunday | November 14, 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 guidelines, 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 5 are not yet able to be vaccinated.

Deacons will provide offering plates at the sanctuary doors.

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

# After the service, please join us for a time of fellowship in the Kirk Parlour.

"If" is one of the most significant words in the Bible. Jesus uses it repeatedly to deepen our understanding of what it looks like to follow him in our lives. Jesus said, for example, "if you listen..." "If you forgive..." "If you believe..."

Our 2022 Stewardship Campaign that seeks to fund our Annual Budget focuses on how the word "if" has shaped the past, present, and future of The House of Hope.

If generations before us had not generously provided the means to build The House of Hope, we would not be able to enjoy our lovely sanctuary and building.

If members and friends had not given to The Houses of Hope Fund, we would not be able to make substantial grants to provide affordable housing in our community.

**If** members and friends had not contributed generously to our 2021 Stewardship Campaign, we could not have funded Mission Outreach giving from our annual operating budget for the first time in seventeen years.

**November 14** — **Stewardship Sunday.** We launch our 2022 Stewardship Campaign! Watch for a brochure and pledge card in the mail.

**November 21** — **Gratitude Sunday.** We express our gratitude for our blessings and celebrate our commitment to the present and future of The House of Hope through the generosity of our members and friends.

# - THE APPROACH TO GOD

#### Prelude

Antiphon Simple Gifts Bells of Hope; Tim Short, Director

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

#### Introit

*Make Me a Clean Heart* The Motet Choir; Matthew Culloton, Choirmaster

#### **Call to Worship**

Leader:	"In everything I did," writes St. Paul, "I showed you that by this kind of hard work we must help the weak,
People:	remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.' "
Leader:	Come, let us worship God.

#### <sup>+</sup>Processional Hymn 434

Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples

#### **Invitation to Prayer**

"Don't pray when it rains," said baseball pitcher Satchel Paige, "if you don't pray when the sun shines." Prayer opens our heart, soul, and mind to recognize the true source from whom all blessings flow, and that is our Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer.

Prayer of Reflection — adapted from John L. Bell

O God of our beginning, and our end, and all the sacred moments in between, help us, we pray, to become like stained glass through which your light and love, joy and generosity, might shine; thereby illuminating how you hope we might live our lives, and serve a hurting world. Amen Donald Allure arr. Carl Wiltse

Mark Barger Elliott

George Thalben-Ball

Lynn Barger Elliott

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#### **Assurance of Forgiveness**

Leader: "God saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but... God saved us through renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom the Lord poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ, so that, having been justified by God's grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life." Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven

#### <sup>+</sup> Doxology



#### Anthem

How Lovely Are Thy Messengers

Felix Mendelssohn

How lovely are the messengers that preach us the gospel of peace.

To all the nations is gone forth the sound of their words,

throughout all the lands their glad tidings.



# **First Lesson**

Ann Geery

Proverbs 11:23-24 (OT, p. 594 in pew Bible)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

#### Anthem

Prayer of the Norwegian ChildRichard Kountz arr. Ruth ArtmanSt Cecilia and St Nicholas Choirs, Sofia Ardalan, director; Timothy Short, piano

I lay me down upon the ground, And think on my Lord Jesus, Each flower and tree tells me of Thee, And praises Thee, Lord Jesus.

Lord Jesus, think on me, Make my soul, like unto Thee.

I rest my head upon my bed, And think on my Lord Jesus; Send angels down to kneel around my bed each night, Lord Jesus.

# **Time for Children**

All children and youth, Grades 8 and younger, are invited to walk down the center aisle to meet Kiera Stegall in the Narthex to be led to the Education Wing.

# Second Lesson

Matthew 19:19-23 (NT, p. 21 in pew Bible) Leader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

#### Sermon

Start with If - 1

Julia A. Carlson

Mark Barger Elliott

- THE RESPONSE TO GOD

+ **Hymn 357** O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

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### \*Affirmation of Faith — Apostles' Creed

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 four ways to give an offering:

- In-Person.	Offering plates will be provided by deacons 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
-QR Code.	Please see page 8.

#### Anthem

O Perfect Love

**Howard Helvey** 

O perfect Love, all human thought transcending, Lowly we kneel in prayer before thy throne, That theirs may be the love which knows no ending, Whom thou forevermore dost join in one.

O perfect Life, be thou their full assurance Of tender charity and steadfast faith, Of patient hope and quiet, brave endurance, With childlike trust that fears nor pain nor death.

Grant them the joy which brightens earthly sorrow; Grant them the peace which calms all earthly strife, And to life's day the glorious unknown morrow That dawns upon eternal love and life.

#### <sup>+</sup>Offertory Response



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.

\* Recessional Hymn 343 Called as Partners in Christ's Service

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\*Benediction

Postlude

**Carillon Postlude** 

David W. Johnson, Carillonneur

# This Week at House of Hope

### Sunday, November 14, 2021

9:45 a.m. Sunday School Infants - PreK, Room 8
10 a.m. Worship Service, Sanctuary
10:15 a.m. Sunday School, Rooms 4 & 5
11:15 a.m. Social Hour, Kirk Parlour
11:15 a.m. Feminist Theology, Room 1
7 p.m. The Summit Youth Group, Great Hall

#### Monday, November 15, 2021

- 6 p.m. AA, Great Hall
- 6:30 p.m. Worship, Sacrament & Music Committee Meeting, Zoom
- 7 p.m. Monday Exchange, Zoom

# Tuesday, November 16, 2021

7 a.m.	Men's Breakfast, Zoom
6:30 p.m.	Session Meeting, Great Hall

## Wednesday, November 17, 2021

9:30 a.m. Wednesday Morning Bible Study, Library
1 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision, Zoom
4 p.m. Choir School Rehearsals
6 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision, Zoom
6:30 p.m. Acolyte Training & Refresher, Sanctuary
6:45 p.m. Bells of Hope Rehearsal, Youth Room
7 p.m. Motet Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

# Thursday, November 18, 2021

7 a.m	Men's Breakfast Group, Louisiana Cafe
9 a.m.	Thursday Morning Bible Study, Zoom
10 a.m.	Library Committee, Library
5:30 p.m.	Capital City Grief Group Coalition
6 p.m.	Children & Family Committee Meeting, Zoom

# Friday, November 19, 2021

8 a.m.	Women's Breakfast Book Group, Zoom
9 a.m.	Friday Centering Prayer, Zoom

# Sunday, November 21, 2021

10 a.m.	Worship Service, Sanctuary
7 p.m.	The Summit Youth Group, Great Hall



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#### Children and Family Ministry — Contact Kiera Stegall at KieraS@hohchurch.org

Infants – PreK | 9:45 a.m. | Room 8 Will take little steps toward big faith through stories and play.

Kindergarten – Grade 5 | 10:15 a.m. | Rooms 4 & 5 Will grow in God's love through artwork and wonder.

#### Zoom Kids' Sunday School & Storytime | Sundays | 11:30 a.m.

Infants - Grade 5 will grow in faith and wonder through artwork and stories. Build-a-World Christmas Pageant

#### Sundays | November 21–December 12 | 10:15 – 11:00 a.m.

Preschool – Grade 5 will meet in Room 5 to talk about the stories of Jesus's birth. Using craft materials and costume supplies, children will create vignettes populated with their creations to retell these stories. The House of Hope community is invited to bear witness to the unfolding narrative as they tour the education wing on December 12 at 11:15 a.m.

#### Youth and Family Ministry — Contact Dan Miglets-Nelson at DanMN@hohchurch.org

#### Middle School Sunday School | 10:15 a.m. | Room 1

On Sunday November 7, Middle School students are invited to remain in worship to experience Music Sunday. Sunday School will resume for this age group on November 14 in Room 1 at 10:15 a.m.

#### The SUMMIT Youth Group | Sundays | Great Hall | 7 p.m.

All youth in grades 6-12 are invited to be a part of the SUMMIT, the House of Hope Youth Group. We will meet weekly in the Great Hall to play games, fellowship, and explore ways to live out our faith through service and mission in the church and in the world.

Confirmation Classes at the House of Hope: November 17: Acolyte Training & Refresher Course | Sanctuary | 6:30 p.m. All 9-12 grade students are invited to participate. November 24: Thanksgiving Eve Service | 7 p.m.

#### House of Hope Choir School — Contact Sofia Ardalan at SofiaA@hohchurch.org

**Every child can sing!** The Choir School offers outstanding music education for all children ages 4-18. Limited registration is open for Spring Session I beginning January 5.



"Hope is the last thing ever lost." The words of this Italian proverb inspire us to scan our horizons to detect places of emerging hope, especially in challenging times. Festival of Hope, our online conference, invites us to find hope in the landscapes of the refugee crisis, faith and science, the writings of William James, racial injustice, the sacred within us, and the American identity.

These conversations will be available on our website, hohchurch.org November 13.



**Becca Stevens,** a "CNN Hero," is a social entrepreneur, author, priest, and founder of Thistle Farms. Her new book *Practically Divine* is about experiencing the sacred in our lives.



**Jess McHugh** is a writer and researcher whose work has appeared in *The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal, The Washington Post,* and *TIME*. Her book, *Americanon,* was published this year.



**Dr. John Kaag** is an award-winning author and Chair of Philosophy at UMass Lowell. He will speak on his new book, *Sick Souls, Healthy Minds: How William James Can Save Your Life*.



**Jessica Goudeau** is author of *After the Last Border: Two Families and the Story of Refuge in America*, named a *New York Times* Editors' Choice book. She has written for *The New York Times* and *The Atlantic*.



**Greg Cootsona** is a professor, author and noted speaker on the intersection between science and faith. He has written for *The Wall Street Journal* and has been interviewed by CNN and the BBC.

### **Sponsor-A-Family**

Christmas Sponsor-A-Family will take place again this year! We will sponsor 71 families from the YWCA, Neighborhood House, Liberty Plaza, and the Wilder Foundation.

Visit the church website homepage to find the SignUpGenius link where information on families will be provided. A family wish list will be emailed to you.

For assistance with SignUpGenius, please contact the church office. Don't like to shop? Donations are welcome and will be used to provide a grocery gift card for each family. Mail or drop off donations in the church office. Memo: Family Sponsor.

Item Collection Dates: December 8 and 12, Porte Cochere. All gifts should be delivered to HOH by December 12.

#### In Memoriam

Kayton R. Palmer entered the Church Triumphant on November 5, 2021. A memorial service will be planned for next year.

"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



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