THE HOUSE OF HOPE Presbyterian Church



For all that has been-thanks. For all that shall be-yes.

Dag Hammarskjöld Former Secretary-General of the United Nations

Christ the King Sunday | November 21, 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

Dona Nobis Pacem Aaron David Miller, Organist

Welcome and Announcements

Introit

Go Ye Into all the World The Motet Choir; Matthew Culloton, Choirmaster

Call to Worship

Leader:	Give thanks and sing to the Lord!
People:	For God has done wonderful things for us!
Leader:	Raise your hearts and voices!
People:	For great is the Holy One who lives among us!
Leader:	Come, let us worship!

⁺ Processional Hymn 151

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Invitation to Prayer

The mystic and theologian Meister Eckhart wrote, "If the only prayer you ever say is 'Thank you,' that will be enough." Let us pray.

Prayer of Gratitude — Adapted from Bread for the World's Banquet of Praise

God of all goodness, we give you thanks for all the blessings of this life. We are grateful for

the gift of food and the opportunity we have to feed others in your name;

the blessing of shelter and the challenge before us

to care for those without a home;

the fellowship of the church and your call to love those who are lost and alone.

Earst Krenek

Lynn Barger Elliott

Max Reger

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Mark Barger Elliott

Help us to receive your blessings and to lean into the challenge to care for our world. God of the harvest, God of the common table, hear our silent prayers of gratitude.

Assurance of Forgiveness

- Leader: Come and hear what God has done: Even when we do not notice God's extravagant gifts, God is ever faithful.
- People: At times, O Lord, we fall short of the challenges you put before us to care for our world.

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel,

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

⁺ Doxology



Time for Children

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

------ THE WORD OF GOD -------

First Lesson

Elly Verhagen

Psalm 100 (OT, p. 552 in pew Bible)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

A Hymn for St. Cecilia

Sing for the morning's joy, Cecilia, sing, In words of youth and praises of the Spring, Walk the bright colonnades by fountains' spray, And sing as sunlight fills the waking day; Till angels, voyaging in upper air, Pause on a wing and gather the clear sound Into celestial joy, wound and unwound, A silver chain, or golden as your hair.

Sing for your loves of heaven and of earth, In words of music, and each word a truth; Marriage of heart and longings that aspire, A bond of roses, and a ring of fire. Your summertime grows short and fades away, Terror must gather to a martyr's death; But never tremble, the last indrawn breath Remembers music as an echo may.

Through the cold aftermath of centuries, Cecilia's music dances in the skies; Lend us a fragment of the immortal air, That with your choiring angels we may share, A word to light us thro' time-fettered night, Water of life, or rose of paradise, So from the earth another song shall rise To meet your own in heaven's long delight.

-Ursula Vaughan Williams

Herbert Howells

Second Lesson

Il Corinthians 9:6-14 (NT, pp. 183-184 in pew Bible) Leader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

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THE RESPONSE TO GOD

⁺Hymn 473

For The Beauty of the Earth

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*Affirmation of Faith — written by Allen & Sara Ewing-Merrill

We believe that God has given us gifts to be shared freely and generously, in a spirit of love and joy.

We acknowledge that we are merely stewards of all that is God's,

caretakers of God's home.

We believe that faithful stewardship is an act of worship,

a means of praising God who has blessed us so abundantly.

We believe that God has great things in store for us,

for it is in giving that we receive. 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.

Presentation of Pledges

All are invited to come forward and place their pledge cards in the basket as an act of worship and a sign of commitment. Please come forward using the center aisle and return to your pews by the side aisle.

Julia A. Carlson

Lynn Barger Elliott

Anthem

Last Words of David

Randall Thompson

He that ruleth over men must be just, ruling in the fear of God.

And he shall be as the light of the morning,

When the sun riseth, Even a morning without clouds;

As the tender grass springing out of the earth by clear shining after rain. Alleluia.

⁺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 555 Now Thank We All Our God	NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT
*Benediction	
Postlude	
Now Thank We All Our God	Sigfrid Karg Elert
Carillon Postlude	David W. Johnson, Carillonneur

This Week at House of Hope

Sunday, November 21, 2021

9:45 a.m.	Sunday School Infants - Toddlers,	
	Room 8	
10 a.m.	Worship Service, Sanctuary	
10:15 a.m.	Sunday School Preschool - Grade 5,	
	Room 5	
11:15 a.m.	Social Hour, Kirk Parlour	
11:30 a.m.	Sunday School Infants, Zoom	
7 p.m.	The Summit Youth Group, Great Hall	

Monday, November 22, 2021

11 a.m.	Centering Prayer, Kirk Parlour
6 p.m.	AA, Great Hall

Tuesday, November 23, 2021

7 a.m. Men's Breakfast, Zoom

Wednesday, November 24, 2021

7 p.m. Thanksgiving Eve Service

Thursday, November 25, 2021

Thanksgiving Day - Building and office closed

Friday, November 26, 2021

Thanksgiving Observance - Buiding and office closed

Sunday, November 28, 2021

10 a.m.	Worship Service, Sanctuary
11:15 a.m.	Social Hour, Kirk Parlour
4 p.m.	First Light Advent Celebration,
	Assembly Room / Summit Lawn; see Page 11
	for more information.

The Communion Table flowers are given in loving memory of Chuck and Mary Ellen Stewart

The Pulpit flowers are given in loving memory of Robert D. Bland and Marina S. Anderson



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Children and Family Ministry — Contact Kiera Stegall at KieraS@hohchurch.org Infants – Toddlers | 9:45 a.m. | Room 8 Our youngest children will take little steps toward big faith through stories and play.

Preschool – Grade 5 | 10:15 a.m. | Room 5 Our preschool and elementary Sunday school classes will Build-a-World for Christmas, as we prepare for the Christmas pageant.

Zoom Kids' Sunday School | 11:30 a.m. | Zoom Infants – Grade 5 will grow in faith and wonder through artwork and stories.

Build-a-World Christmas Pageant | Sundays from November 21 – December 12 | 10:15 a.m. | Room 5

Using craft materials and costume supplies, children will create vignettes populated with their creations to retell the stories of Jesus' birth. The House of Hope community is invited to bear witness to the unfolding narratives as they tour the Education Wing on December 12 at 11:15 a.m.

Tween Christmas Party | Friday, December 10 | 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. | Sky Zone

Fourth and fifth graders, join us for a free Christmas celebration at Sky Zone in Oakdale! Friends are welcome! Families are responsible for their own transportation. Completed waivers are required. Adult chaperones are needed. R.S.V.P. to Kiera Stegall at kieras@hohchurch.org by Friday, December 3 at 5:00 p.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.

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 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

Out of 71 families, only 13 are left to sponsor! We are partnering this year with the YWCA, Neighborhood House, Liberty Plaza, and the Wilder Foundation to spread some Christmas joy!

Visit hohchurch.org/christmas-sponsor-a-family 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.

Curbside Drop-Off Dates: December 5 and 12, 2-4 p.m. All gifts should be delivered to HOH by December 12.

First Light — Advent Celebration | Sunday, November 28 | 4 p.m.

Join us in the Assembly Room at 4 p.m. for creating Advent crafts and wreaths. On the Summit Lawn, we will celebrate the beginning of Advent as we light the trees on Summit Avenue to proclaim the "light" is coming into the world.

We'll enjoy a Carillon concert by Dave Johnson at 4:30 p.m. with cookies and hot cocoa. At 5 p.m. we will light our Summit Avenue trees in joy and expectation for the coming of the Christ child.



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For the Beauty of the Earth

5. For Thy church that evermore Lifteth holy hands above, Offering up on every shore Her pure sacrifice of love, Lord of all, to Thee we raise This our hymn of grateful praise.

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Now Thank We All Our God

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