THE HOUSE OF HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Strictly disciplined in the ascetic demands Francis placed on his own life (fasting, prayer, poverty, celibacy), he was at the same time a gentle, carefree, light-hearted character who possessed a kind of child-like innocence and wonder about life itself. Possessing nothing, he felt as though he possessed everything.

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany | February 13, 2022 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 variant guidelines, we ask 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.



Souper Bowl of Caring | TODAY, Sunday, February 13

HOH Youth are coordinating the Souper Bowl of Caring collection again this year to support Loaves and Fishes and Feed My Starving Children. All Food Pantry monetary donations during the month of February will also support this project. Youth volunteers will be at each sanctuary exit collecting monetary donations in stock pots.

Today's Adult Enrichment: Sunday, February 13 | Melvin W. Carter, Jr.

Assembly Room | 11:15 a.m. Please join us as we welcome Melvin W. Carter, Jr., a retired St. Paul Police Sergeant, father of Saint Paul's Mayor, founder of Save Our Sons, and a true son of the Rondo neighborhood. He will speak on his book, *Diesel Heart: An Autobiography*, that includes humor, vulnerability, and the power of hard work and principled resistance. Copies of the book are available for purchase in the church office and in the Assembly Room during Adult Enrichment. The Peace and Justice Committee is hosting the Adult Enrichment offerings in February.

THE APPROACH TO GOD

Prelude

Aria

Paul Manz, arr. Jeffrey Honoré

In Quietness and In Confidence

The Bells of Hope; Timothy Short, Conductor

Kenneth Logan

Introit

Walk With Me

George Elvey

The Motet Choir; Matthew Culloton, Choirmaster

⁺Processional Hymn 461

God Is Here!

ABBOT'S LEIGH

Timothy Short, Organist

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Julia A. Carlson

We come before you, loving God, to confess that we often need extensive mercy and help. We focus only on ourselves and forget those who are in need and those different from us. There are times, moments of self-awareness, when we are shocked to discover how far we have retreated from the light and joy of Christ.

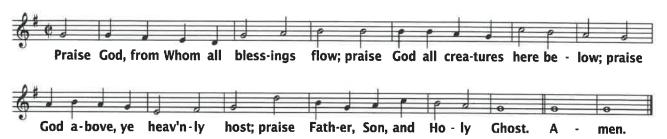
Loving God, we need to hear your call to us again. We want to feel your Spirit moving within and among us. We need your hand stretched out to us where we are entangled in misery and hurt. We need the saving grace of the Christ who is both Lamb of God and shepherd of the lost. Have mercy on us. Restore in us hope, and renew us by your Spirit. (The prayer will continue with our silent confessions.)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

⁺ Doxology



A Reading from the Book of Psalms, read responsively. (Congregation in bold)

¹Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers;

² but their delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law they meditate day and night.

They are like trees
planted by streams of water,
which yield their fruit in its season,
and their leaves do not wither.
In all that they do, they prosper.

⁴ The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

⁵ Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

⁶ for the LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Welcome and Announcements

Anthem

O Sing Joyfully Adrian Batten

O sing joyfully unto God our strength:

Make a cheerful noise unto the God of Jacob.

Take the song, bring hither the tabret:

The merry harp with the lute.

Blow up the trumpet in the new moon:

Even in the time appointed, and upon our solemn feast day.

For this was made a statute for Israel:

And a law of the God of Jacob.

THE WORD OF GOD

First Lesson Lois Knutson

Psalm 1 (OT, p. 489 in pew Bible) — Read Responsively

Leader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

Set Me as a Seal Carl F. Schalk

St Nicholas Choir; Sofia Ardalan, director

Set me as a seal upon thy heart;

for love is strong as death.

-Song of Solomon 8:6

Time for Children Kiera Stegall

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.

Second Lesson

Luke 6:17-26 (NT, p. 64 in pew Bible)
Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Dix Brachlow

Blessings and Woes

THE RESPONSE TO GOD —

*Hymn 339

Be Thou My Vision SLANE

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

We trust in God the Holy Spirit everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!" With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our 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.

Offering - There are four 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 a check to 797 Summit Ave. Saint Paul, MN 55105

-QR Code. Please see page 9.

Offertory Anthem

Almighty and Everlasting God

Orlando Gibbons

Almighty and everlasting God, Mercifully look upon our infirmities,

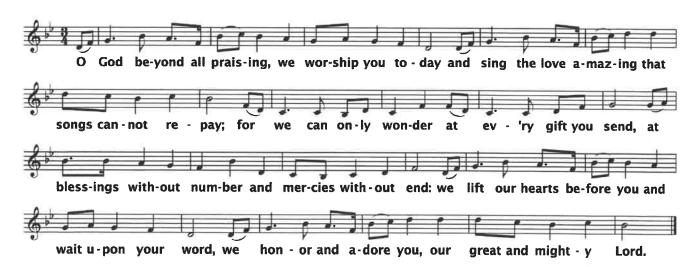
mercifully look upon our infirmities,

And in all our dangers and necessities,

Stretch forth thy right hand to help and defend us;

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

⁺Offertory Response



*Recessional Hymn 371

Lift High the Cross

CRUCIFER

*Benediction

Postlude

Finale from Petite Suite Gerald Bales

Welcome back to the pulpit The Rev. Dix Brachlow

The Rev. Dix Brachlow is a retired PC(USA) pastor, and regularly attends House of Hope. She's a graduate of the University of Minnesota and of Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, and she's served congregations in Mankato, Minnesota, and in Richmond, Virginia. After 40 years away from Minnesota, Dix and Stephen, a retired seminary professor, returned in 2013 to be near their daughter and family, who also attend House of Hope. Living with an adult son, an active dog, and retiring cat, Dix plays the piano, loves poetry, reading, hiking, and canoeing. She co-chairs the Disability Concerns Ministry for the Presbytery and at HOH is involved in Stephen Ministry, centering prayer, Bible study, and Christian education.

Cover Picture:

The Dancing Francis by Minnesota sculptor Paul T. Granlund, in convent garden in Assisi, Italy.

Join us for **HOPE IN WINTER**, a series of events and offerings to enjoy during some of the most beautiful and sunlit days of the year! Here are five ideas for spending some time together outdoors and indoors as a church family.



HOH Labyrinth Days

February 22 and 23 | Great Hall | 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

A labyrinth has been described as "walkable art." It is an ancient spiritual practice that enhances prayer and reflection. The House of Hope portable labyrinth will be set up in the Great Hall. No sign up necessary.



Snowshoeing with Ann and Bill Geery | Fort Snelling State Park | Date: TBA

Enjoy the beauty of winter in the park's extensive snowshoe trails where generations of Dakota lived along the Mississippi and Minnesota Rivers.



HOH Sanctuary Mornings

Come and watch the sun make its way from the East Transept window to the windows in the Chancel and through the Nave. The House of Hope sanctuary is available for quiet reflection and a time away from the world. Bring a devotional or journal and spend some time with God through the beautifully detailed wood carvings and plethora of stained glass. Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.,



HOH Little Free Book and Jigsaw Exchange

Whether it's the weather or virus safety, if you are spending more time at home this winter and you need a good read or new puzzle, check out the book and jigsaw exchange at HOH. Look for the special shelves on wheels in the entryway outside the Elizabeth Chapel Sunday through Wednesday during the day. The shelves will be in room one Thursday through Friday.



HOH Library

Pick a book or a magazine to leaf through. Escape into a work of fiction, comfort your soul with a devotional book or a bit of poetry, read some history or biography. The library will be open daily 9 a.m.—3 p.m., except Wednesday mornings.

This Week at House of Hope

Sunday, February 13, 2022

9:45 a.m. Sunday School Infants - Pre-K, Rm 8

10 a.m. Worship Service, Sanctuary

10:15 a.m. Sunday School K-Grade 8, Rms 4, 5

11:15 a.m. Adult Enrichment, (See page 2)

11:15 a.m. Feminist Theology, Library

11:15 a.m. Creative Expressions, Rooms 4, 8
11:15 a.m. Parenting Session, Room 1 & Zoom

11:15 a.m. Social Hour, Kirk Parlour

2 p.m. Youth Snowball Rumpus, HOH

Monday, February 14, 2022

11 a.m. Centering Prayer, Kirk Parlour

6:30 p.m. Faith and Fibers, Zoom

Tuesday, February 15, 2022

7 a.m. Men's Breakfast, Louisiana Cafe

6:30 p.m. Session, Great Hall

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Wednesday, February 16, 2022

9:30 a.m. Wednesday Morning Bible Study, Library

11:00 a.m. Art Committee Meeting, Room 1
1:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision, Zoom
6 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision, Zoom
6:45 p.m. Bells of Hope Rehearsal, Youth Room
7 p.m. Motet Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
7 p.m. Confirmation, Assembly Room

Thursday, February 17, 2022

7 a.m Men's Breakfast Group, Louisiana Cafe9 a.m. Thursday Morning Bible Study, Zoom

10 a.m. Library Committee, Library

5:30 p.m. Capital City Grief Group Coalition, Zoom6 p.m. Children and Family Ministry Meeting, Zoom

Friday, February 18, 2022

8 a.m. Women's Breakfast Book Group, Zoom

9 a.m. Friday Centering Prayer, Zoom

Saturday, February 19, 2022

9:30 a.m. Session Retreat, Great Hall

Sunday, February 20, 2022

10 a.m. Worship Service, Sanctuary11:15 a.m. Social Hour, Kirk Parlour

11:15 a.m. Adult Enrichment, Assembly Room11:15 a.m. Ireland Pilgrimage Meeting, Room 1

Children and Family Ministry

Contact Kiera Stegall: Kiera S@hohchurch.org

In-Person Sunday Morning Children's Ministry

- Nursery: Infants PreK | 9:45 a.m. | Room 8
- Kindergarten-Grade 5 | 10:15 a.m. | Rooms 4 & 5

Parenting Session: Children's Literature | Sunday, February 13 | 11:15 a.m.-12 p.m. | Room 1 and Zoom

Join us for a monthly Children & Family Ministry education session, as April Greibrok talks about her experience and knowledge of children's literature as an early childhood educator. Learn how to build your child's library to include diversity, justice, social-emotional skills and more. Gain knowledge about where to find book lists and resources.

Creative Expressions | Sunday, February 13 | 11:15 a.m.-12 p.m. | Rooms 4 & 8

Preschool – Grades 5 are invited to join us for a time of art-making as we explore our spirituality via the creative process. Infants and toddlers will meet in Room 8.

Virtual Sunday School — February 20, 2022 | 11:30 a.m. | Zoom

Children, grades 5 and younger, are invited to join us for a time of faith formation via stories, artwork, and prayer.

Youth and Family Ministry

Contact Dan Miglets-Nelson: DanMN@hohchurch.org

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

Students between grades 6-8 are invited to come together to hear and explore Bible stories every week, and respond to them using creative expression tools like art and writing. We are using the curriculum *Echo the Story* and are currently exploring the story of Exodus.

Confirmation Classes | Wednesdays | 7 p.m. | Assembly Room

We are in the homestretch of this year's Confirmation class. Please keep these students in your prayers as they finish their statements of faith and prepare for their time with the Session.

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

The SUMMIT is a place for students between grades 6-12 to gather and explore beloved Christian community in a safe and fun atmosphere. We play games, share stories, and grow in faith by

responding to God's love through serving our church and our world.

Hope in Winter I Youth Event

Sunday, February 13 | Snowball Rumpus | 2 p.m. | House of Hope

House of Hope Choir School

Contact Sofia Ardalan: Sofia A@hohchurch.org

Mardi Gras Celebration | February 27 Confirmation | March 6 Rock Climbing | March 11 Feed My Starving Children | April 1

Mark your calendars:

Youth Sunday | May 8

The Choir School offers outstanding music education for all children ages 4-18. Contact Sofia Ardalan, Choir School Director, for more information and to register.

Coming soon...Easter plant sale, March 1-10

Ways to Support House of Hope

Online Giving.

Online giving allows you to express your faith through generosity. Become a sustainer by setting up a recurring contribution or update your online giving and manage your recurring gifts for 2022.

Go to our church's website - www.hohchurch.org – and click the words on the home screen that says "My HOH" or "Support House of Hope"

Follow the prompts and enter your email to log into or set up your online account. Go to My Giving Summary and select Manage Scheduled Giving to access your recurring gifts and edit them. If you have any questions or would like assistance in setting up the account, please contact me at MichelleF@hohchurch.org or by phone (651) 223-7556.

Thank you for taking a few moments to update your giving information. Your generous support is vital to this ministry.

Recommendations for Elders, Deacons, and Trustees

The Nominating Committee is charged with drawing up a slate of candidates to serve on the church's governing boards: as Elders, Deacons, Trustees, or as members of next year's Nominating Committee.

Please help the committee by nominating members of the congregation to serve in one of these capacities by filling out the form at:

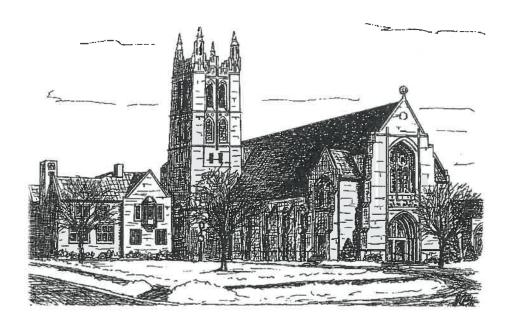
hohchurch.org>About Us>Governing Bodies, or https://bit.ly/HOHGoverningBodies

The slate of candidates will be presented at a Congregational Meeting in the spring.

In Memoriam

Janet C. Riley joined The House of Hope Presbyterian Church on June 5, 2012. She entered the Church Triumphant on February 1, 2022. A memorial service took place on February 9 at Wooddale Church in Eden Prairie.

"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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