



# There is hope

## A CELEBRATION YEAR OF PREACHING AND MUSIC

***There is Hope - A Celebration Year of Preaching and Music***  
begins on Palm Sunday weekend, April 9 and 10, 2022



**JULIAN, A One Woman Drama** by  
J. Janda, performed by Linda C. Loving  
**Saturday, April 9 | House of Hope  
Sanctuary | 2 p.m.**

Julian of Norwich, a 14<sup>th</sup> century mystic, was  
the first known woman to write in English.  
Her beautiful prose and theology from  
*Revelations of Divine Love* are brought to

life in this production, along with the medieval times and town of  
Norwich. Julian lived through 3 bouts of the Plague to proclaim:  
**"All shall be well!"** There are many other parallels with our current  
pandemic times, and the hope and inspiration of this remarkable  
spiritual guide have become more relevant than ever.

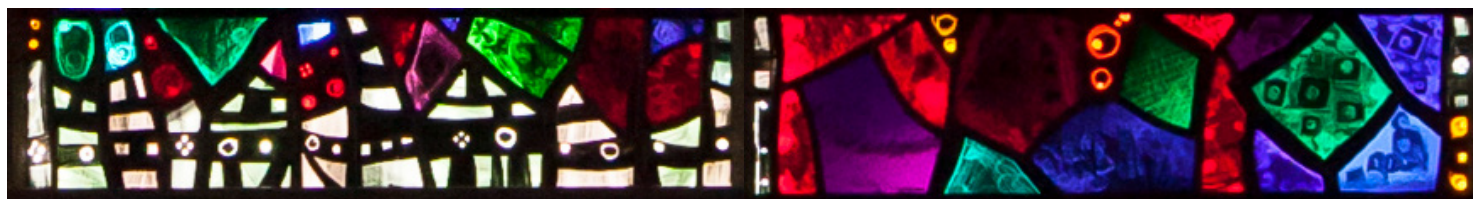
This moving performance by Ms. Loving reminds us of the  
**Mothering Love of a God who is all-inclusive, all compassion,  
and all forgiving**, and it shows us the courage and profound faith  
of a woman ahead of her time whose words may well be intended  
for our time.



**Palm Sunday Worship**  
**Sunday, April 10 | 10 a.m.**  
**Linda C. Loving, Preaching**

Rev. Linda C. Loving has performed  
**JULIAN** nearly 100 times around  
the country in the past 33 years,  
bringing to life the wisdom, hope,  
and profound writings of the 14<sup>th</sup>

century mystic. Forty HOH women traveled to England  
with Linda in 2001 to view her performance there, and in  
2006 Linda produced a DVD of this drama in Julian's cell.  
In recent years she has also been cast with professional  
theatre companies in the Midwest and Santa Fe, New  
Mexico where she now resides. After breast cancer  
treatment in 2010, she wrote *A New Song to Sing: Breast  
Cancer as Journey of Spirit*, a workbook intended to  
support groups of women survivors. Rev. Loving retired  
as Senior Pastor of House of Hope in December 2004.  
Her website is [www.Spirited-Voices.com](http://www.Spirited-Voices.com).



# WORSHIP

10 a.m.

**Sunday, April 3, 2022**

**Fifth Sunday in Lent**

Deb DeMeester

**Motet Choir:**

*In virtute tua, Gorczycki*  
*Those that Shall Abide, White*

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**Sunday, April 10, 2022**

**Palm Sunday**

Linda C. Loving

**Bells of Hope:**

*Aria, Manz/Honoré*  
*Canticle of Hope, Dobrinski*

**Motet Choir:**

*Lift Up Your Heads, Mathias*  
*The Three Ravens, Ravenscroft*

**Choir School:** *Alleluia, Ford*

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**Thursday, April 14, 2022**

**Maundy Thursday**

**Motet Choir:**

*Tenebrae Responses, Willan*

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**Friday, April 15, 2022**

**Good Friday Vespers**

**Motet Choir and Chamber Orchestra:**

*Stabat Mater, Caldara*  
*O vos omnes, Cornea*

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**Sunday, April 17, 2022**

**Easter**

Julia A. Carlson

**Motet Choir:**

*Christ the Lord is Risen Again, Rutter*  
*Haec est dies, Gallus*

**Choir School:**

*Be Joyful in the Lord, Andre Campra*

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**Sunday, April 24, 2022**

**Second Sunday of Easter**

Sabbatical Pastor

**Motet Choir:**

*The Lord is My Shepherd, Rutter*

## A Note from Julia



*I love being your pastor!* Thank you for calling me to the position almost eight years ago and for calling on me to minister as needs arose.

And I am in need of rest and refreshment. The Session approved a sabbatical for me last November, and it was agreed that I would be gone from April 19-July 10, 2022. The Personnel Committee together with the Presbytery believe it is important to stay with this plan even with the unexpected transition. In addition to your strong and wonderful HOH Staff, there will be a Sabbatical Pastor here while I am away for any clergy and leadership needs if the Transitional Pastor has not yet been identified. And you have seen in this issue of *The Anchor* that we are beginning a year-long celebration of preaching and music beginning on Palm Sunday. Our worship life will be as strong as ever!

### Personnel Committee Update:

A subcommittee within the Personnel Committee has begun interviewing candidates for the Transitional Pastor position in coordination with our Presbytery representative, Rev. Denise Dunbar-Perkins. Once a candidate or candidates are identified, others, including Rev. Dr. Julia Carlson and/or other staff will also be invited to interview the candidate(s). Once a Transitional Pastor is in place, we will have a clergy team of Senior Associate Pastor Rev. Dr. Julia Carlson and a Transitional Pastor.

We are also working to address the possibility that we may not have a Transitional Pastor in place before Dr. Carlson goes on her well-deserved sabbatical. Specifically, Julia is being supported by the Presbytery Commission on Ministry (COM) to identify potential Sabbatical Pastors.

During my sabbatical, I have made plans to visit some of Britain's great cathedrals to enjoy the beauty of their space and see what they can teach us about living deeply into the Christian faith in a more secular world. And some indigenous sites are on the itinerary as they are still sources for some of the spirituality that is rising around us. I look forward to sharing my experiences when I return. After about five weeks of international travel that begins with a hermitage stay in Ireland, I will also have time to visit with family and friends around Minnesota and in Kansas. Thank you for this time away!

Meanwhile, I look forward to seeing Linda Loving revive *Julian* on April 9 in the sanctuary and hearing her preach on Palm Sunday. In this time we should remember Julian's words, "**All shall be well, and all shall be well, and all manner of things shall be well... for there is a force of love moving through the universe that holds us fast and will never let us go.**"

See you in church,  
Julia

### Happy Anniversary, Debbie!



We are celebrating Debbie Tschida's tenth work anniversary at HOH. Stop by the office and congratulate her!

### HOH Mask Policy Update

The Session voted to update the mask policy. With caring compassion, informed decision-making, and mutual trust, wearing a mask will be optional on April 1 with the following provisions:

- Those vaccinated who feel well with no exposures within 5 days, masks optional.
- Those who feel more comfortable wearing a mask are encouraged to do so.
- Those not vaccinated, wear a mask.
- Children/Youth/Choir leaders will make appropriate decisions for nursery, Sunday school, Youth Group, and rehearsals.
- If warranted, wearing a mask may become required again.



# Holy Week at HOH

## Palm Saturday, April 9

**Julian** by Linda C. Loving

Sanctuary | 2 p.m.

## Palm Sunday: April 10

Linda C. Loving Preaching

Sanctuary worship and  
streamed | 10 a.m.\*

\* Nursery and Sunday school available at 10 a.m.

## Maundy Thursday: April 14

Elizabeth Chapel Service | 12 p.m.

Sanctuary worship and  
streamed | 7 p.m.

## Good Friday: April 15

Elizabeth Chapel Service | 12 p.m.

Good Friday Vespers | Sanctuary  
worship and streamed | 7 p.m.\*

\* Nursery available at 7 p.m.

## Easter Sunday: April 17

Sunrise Service

Elizabeth Chapel | 7:30 a.m.

Sanctuary worship and  
streamed | 9 and 11 a.m.\*

\* Nursery and Sunday school available at 9 and 11.



## One Great Hour of Sharing

Received during the season of Lent, Presbyterians worldwide join in sharing God's love with our neighbors-in-need around the world by providing disaster assistance, food for the hungry, and support for the poor and oppressed. This Lenten season, please consider a gift to One Great Hour of Sharing. Thank you! Special offering envelopes will be available on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday.

### Ways to give:

- Check with the memo: OGHS
- Visit [hohchurch.org](http://hohchurch.org) > Support House of Hope > Other Gift > Fund: OGHS
- Sign into My HOH, choose Giving
- Text: HOH OGHS to 73256

## Labyrinth Days in the Great Hall

Tuesday, April 12 | 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Wednesday, April 13 | 9 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 14 | 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Friday, April 15 | 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Saturday, April 16, Great Vigil | 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

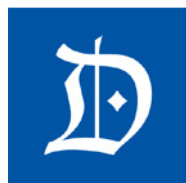
Wednesday, April 20 | 9 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 21 | 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Friday, April 22 | 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Sunday, April 24 | 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Building codes will be available in the church office for entry after 5 p.m. on Wednesday evenings.



## THE DIDIER SEMINAR



**Jeannine Hill Fletcher**  
Fordham Theologian

***Christianity and Religious Diversity: Challenges and Opportunities***

**Friday April 29 – May 1**

### Embracing Religious Diversity

How do we maintain our deep roots in the Christian faith while being positively open to the many religious traditions of our world? What elements of our tradition will be challenging in the task of appreciating religious diversity? What elements of our tradition can be mobilized to embrace religious diversity as a gift?

### Friday April 29:

6:30 p.m. Dessert Reception | Kirk Parlour

7:30 p.m. Lecture: ***Religious Diversity in America: Christian Nationalism as a Threat to our Multi-Religious Reality.***

How can Christian theology meet the challenge and embrace the gift of difference?

### Saturday April 30:

9:30 a.m.-12 p.m. Lecture and Discussion: ***Roadblocks and Resources: Faithfully Working Towards a Non-Supremacist Theology and Interpretation: Scripture, Liturgy, Education, and Practice***

### Sunday, May 1:

10 a.m. Worship | Jeannine Hill Fletcher Preaching:

***The Gift of Difference: Jesus Followers in a Multi-Religious World***

11:15 a.m. Lecture and Q&A: ***Living Religious Pluralism***

What can we learn from interreligious relationships? How can we maintain deep roots in Christianity while opening up to a world rich with other traditions?

***Lectures will be in the sanctuary and streamed at [hohchurch.org](http://hohchurch.org).***

Registration for in-person attendance is appreciated at

<http://bit.ly/DidierSeminar22> or by calling the church office.



# Children, Youth and Family Ministry

## Children and Family Ministry

Contact Kiera Stegall:

[KieraS@hohchurch.org](mailto:KieraS@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

### Virtual Sunday School

**Sundays, April 3 and 24 | 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.

### Palm Processional

**Sunday, April 10 | Room 5 | 9:45 a.m.**

Join us before worship to receive palm fronds. Children will lead the Sunday morning processional into the sanctuary.

### Family Session: Let's Play

**Recording Available April 10**

Check out our monthly Children & Family Ministry education session, as Liz Camozzi and Kiera Stegall encourage families to play together. We'll explore ways music, theatre, and visual arts create space for healthy spirituality and self-expression. Reserve a Family Kit by April 4 by contacting Kiera Stegall.

### Intergenerational Event:

**HOH Spring Park Cleanup**

**Saturday, April 23 | Linwood**

**Recreation Center | 9-11:30 a.m.**

See page 5 for details. Please register at

<https://bit.ly/ParkCleanUp22>



### Tween Event:

### Feed My Starving Children

**Friday, April 22 | 7–8:30 p.m.**

Fourth and fifth graders and their friends are invited to join us for an evening of service at Feed My Starving Children in Eagan where we will pack food to battle hunger around the globe.

### Youth and Family Ministry

Contact Dan Miglets-Nelson:

[DanMN@hohchurch.org](mailto:DanMN@hohchurch.org)

This month, we will continue to explore what it means to be followers of Jesus as we follow his story into Jerusalem, onto the cross, into the tomb, and learn how his resurrection continues to transform us. We will serve together marking Earth Day and will develop and prepare worship for Youth Sunday on May 8.

### Middle School Sunday School

**Sundays | 10:15 a.m.**

### Upcoming Events:

**April 3** | The SUMMIT | 7 p.m.

**April 10** | Palm Sunday | 10 a.m.

**April 10** | The SUMMIT | 7 p.m.

**April 17** | Easter Sunday, The SUMMIT will not meet.

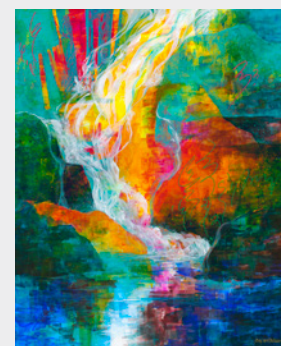
**April 23** | Spring Clean-up | Earth Day Event | 9 a.m. | Linwood Recreation Center. See page 5 for details.

**April 24** | The SUMMIT | 7 p.m.

## Welcome to our New HOH Members!

On March 6, five youth were confirmed at House of Hope. We are excited to see how they grow in love and grace and share their gifts in the community.

## CLOISTER GALLERY



Grieg's Piano Concerto in A Minor

© Robyn Sand Anderson

### Abstract Expressionist Paintings by Robyn Sand Anderson

**Through May 1**

Robyn Sand Anderson was originally “a lover of representational watercolors” Sand Anderson found her way to abstract expressionism after a diagnosis of rheumatoid arthritis in 2008. Abstract expressionism opened up a new world for her; one in which color, movement, and texture helped her work through what she couldn't find words to express. Her use of bright, vibrant color always moves toward hope.

In 2018 she received a grant to visit Norway, the home of Edvard Grieg, to study his music, his life, and the environment that colored his compositions.

*I've found a home interpreting music with paint. It's funny how unexpected gifts can rise out of terrible things. I feel like this way of painting lifted me out of a dark place. I am grateful. Once troubled by the breadth of my styles, I now embrace it as a gift and love variety. I never get bored. With the return of good health, I treasure my ability to paint every day.*

[www.robysandanderson.com](http://www.robysandanderson.com)





## Session Update: HVAC/ Electrical Systems

At its March 15 meeting, the Session voted to proceed with the replacement of our Electrical/HVAC system.

We are doing this work for the preservation of the building and the safety of all within it. We are the stewards of amazing stained glass windows, "narratives of colour" as John O'Donohue puts it, "a beautiful house where the divine presence could trust

itself among us." Our hearts, minds, and spirits have been nurtured in this space and our building continues to offer tremendous potential for new and future ministries. And as the Director of the Choir School said, "We want to be able to pass this building on to our children's grandchildren."

*Here's a recap of our process over the last five years.*

- In 2018, the House, Property and Insurance Committee asked the Session to move ahead with replacing the HVAC system.
- In 2019, HOH contracted with the Pegasus Group to get the support of an Owner's Representative to guide us through the project.
- In 2020, with the help of our Owner's Representative Eric Kruse, mechanical, electrical, and structural engineers, along with architects and designers went through the building to determine the best replacement plan. At this time, it was found that 15 of 21 electrical panels were in need

of replacement and the fire alarm systems were not up to code. These were added to the project.

- In 2021, the Head of Staff Pastors led several small groups through a planning process for moving ahead with and financing construction in 2023.



## The Anchor Society

House of Hope is blessed that so many of its members have, over years and decades, dedicated gifts in their wills or estate plans to the church's endowment fund through The Anchor Society. The endowment provides crucial support to our ongoing operations, our capital improvements, and for special programs. Please consider being a part of this vital service to our church. Contact the Director of Administration, Michelle Freyholtz at [MichelleF@hohchurch.org](mailto:MichelleF@hohchurch.org) or 651-223-7556 to join or for more information about including HOH in your estate plans.

## Adult Education & Events | APRIL

### Great Decisions: Climate Change with Rick Olsen

**Tuesday, April 12 | Kirk Parlour | 4 p.m.**

Climate change is affecting us all -- some for the better (sometimes) and some for the much worse. What are our options? Rick Olson has traveled to 41 countries and has seen countries that are being adversely affected by climate change. As a former candidate for Congress and a member of the Citizens Climate Lobby, he will offer possible policy options.



### Choir School Flower Sale

**Curbside Pick-Up | Wednesday, April 13 | 3:30-6 p.m.**

Thank you to all who ordered and helped make this a successful fundraiser! We appreciate your continued support of the Choir School program!

### Memorial Easter Lilies

**Sunday, April 17**

Following Easter worship, Easter lilies can be picked up in the sanctuary.

### HOH Spring Park Cleanup

**Saturday, April 23 | Linwood Recreation Center, 860 St. Clair Ave. 9-11:30 a.m.**

In observance of Earth Day, the Peace & Justice Earth Care Group invites families and friends to spruce up a corner of creation, as we join the greater Saint Paul community in cleaning up our parks. Wear comfortable clothes and bring garden or work gloves. Garbage bags will be provided. For more information contact Deb James or Elly Verhagen.

Please register at:

<https://bit.ly/ParkCleanUp22>

### Adult Enrichment with Dr. Anantanand Rambachan

**Sunday, April 24 | Assembly Room 11:15 a.m.**

#### *Reasons and Grounds for Interreligious Relationships*

Professor of Religion, Philosophy, and Asian Studies at St. Olaf College, Professor Rambachan has been involved in the field of interreligious relations and dialogue for over 25 years as a Hindu participant and analyst. He has been an advisor to the Harvard Pluralism Project, published for *The Huffington Post*, and serves as chair of the Minnesota Multifaith Network's Board of Directors. Interfaith visionary Rev. Dr. Tom Duke, founder of St. Paul Interfaith Network and co-founder of the Minnesota Multifaith Network will also participate.

### HOH Women's Retreat

**April 29-May 1 | St. John's Abbey Guesthouse, Collegeville MN**

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## HOH Community Garden

Volunteers are always welcome in the HOH garden! Even if you can only help out a couple times, it all contributes to creating the 1,000+ pounds of nutritious food each year for our neighbors. All ages, abilities, experience levels, and schedules of volunteers are welcome. Work with others, or work on your own. Drive the vegetables to food pantries. Volunteer once or all season long. We'll begin in early May, and gardening goes on through late fall. If you are interested, have questions, or to be on our email list, contact Elizabeth Karre at [houseofhopegarden@gmail.com](mailto:houseofhopegarden@gmail.com).



## PC(USA) Recertifies HOH as an Earth Care Congregation!

The Earth Care program is housed under the Presbyterian Hunger Program and based on the belief that hunger, poverty, and environmental destruction are linked areas of concern, constantly interacting and impacting one another. *Thank you to our Earth Care Team for their efforts to help HOH better care for God's creation!*



## Earth Care

**Earth Day: Friday, April 22**



The first Earth Day in 1970 launched the birth of the modern environmental movement. Join with the more than a billion people who celebrate it every year by doing something on April 22 that shows your willingness to make personal changes and work for systemic ones to help halt climate change. For example:

- Be mindful of the impact of your vehicle—walk or bike anywhere that's less than a mile
- Eat lower on the food chain—make your next meal vegetarian or plant based
- Take a step to quit plastic—add reusable eating utensils to your everyday carry bag.

Learn more: <http://www.earthday.org/take-action>.