

THE HOUSE OF HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



"Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible."

- Hebrews 11:1-3

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time | August 14, 2022 10 a.m.

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

House of Hope extends the hospitality of Christ to all who gather here. Our church uses traditional worship, progressive values, and intellectual growth to enable people to better serve the neighborhood, community, and the world. Our caring active community welcomes people of all ages and backgrounds.

Our regular Sunday Worship time is 10 a.m., followed by refreshments, social hour, and educational opportunities. If you have any questions, our ushers will be glad to help you.

We invite you to join us for refreshments, including fair trade coffee, served in the **Kirk Parlour** following the service.



There is Hope

A CELEBRATION YEAR OF
PREACHING AND MUSIC



Upcoming Preaching and Events:

August 21: Music Sunday: The Singers - Minnesota Choral Artists
Matthew Culloton, Artistic Director

August 28: Rev. Dr. Scott M. Kenefake, HOH Transitional Pastor

September 4: Rev. Cam McConnell, Retired, and former
HOH Associate Pastor

Today's Adult Enrichment | 11:15 a.m. | Assembly Room

August 14: Rev. Brian Ellison will lead an Adult Enrichment titled: So Much Work To Do: The Past and Present Journey of LGBTQIA+ People in the Church

Mission Sewing Quilts. Outside the Kirk Parlour this Sunday the members of Mission Sewing will be displaying some of the quilts that we have made for the YWCA's "Women in Transition" program. Please take a look at these colorful pieces of needlework, and if you think you would like to join our group, we will begin meeting again on Thursday morning, September 8. Sewing skills are helpful but not necessary to lay out designs or tie the quilts. Contact Janet Brownell at 651-762-6948 or any member of Mission Sewing for further information.

THE APPROACH TO GOD

Prelude

Aaron David Miller, Organist

+ Opening Hymn 461

God Is Here!

ABBOT'S LEIGH

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Rev. Dr. Scott M. Kenefake

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart and soul and mind and strength.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
In your mercy, forgive what we have been,
help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be,
so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name.**

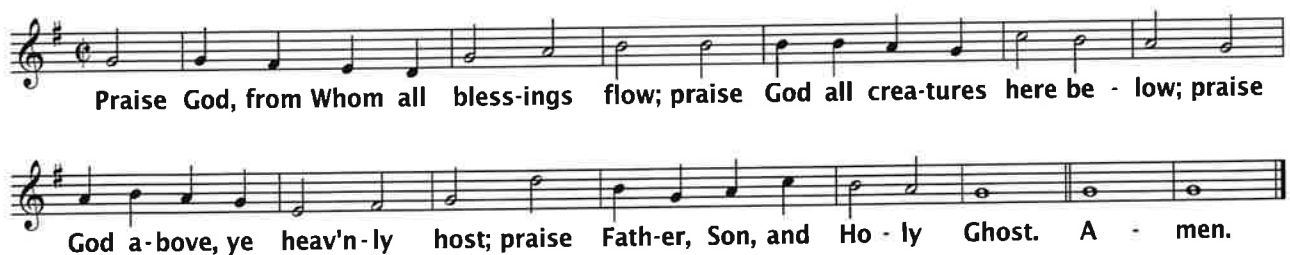
(The prayer will continue with our silent confessions.)

Assurance of Forgiveness

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

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

+ Doxology



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

Welcome and Announcements

Piano Solo

Meadow Lark
Phineas Pope, Piano

David Brubeck

THE WORD OF GOD

First Lesson

Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19 (OT, p. 540-541 in pew Bible)

Laurel Gamm

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Sacrament of Baptism — Benjamin Christopher Schultz

Rev. Dr. Julia A. Carlson

Congregational Response: Hymn 493 (verses 1 & 2)

Dearest Jesus, We Are Here

LIEBSTER JESU

During the hymn, all children Rising 6th Grade and younger are invited to exit to the Narthex to meet Kiera Stegall and be led to the HOH Park.

Second Lesson

Hebrews 11:29-12:2 (NT, p. 226 in pew Bible)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Brian Ellison

Blessed Imperfection

THE RESPONSE TO GOD

+ Hymn 394

There Is a Balm in Gilead

BALM IN GILEAD

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. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls all peoples to all ministries of 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!"

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:

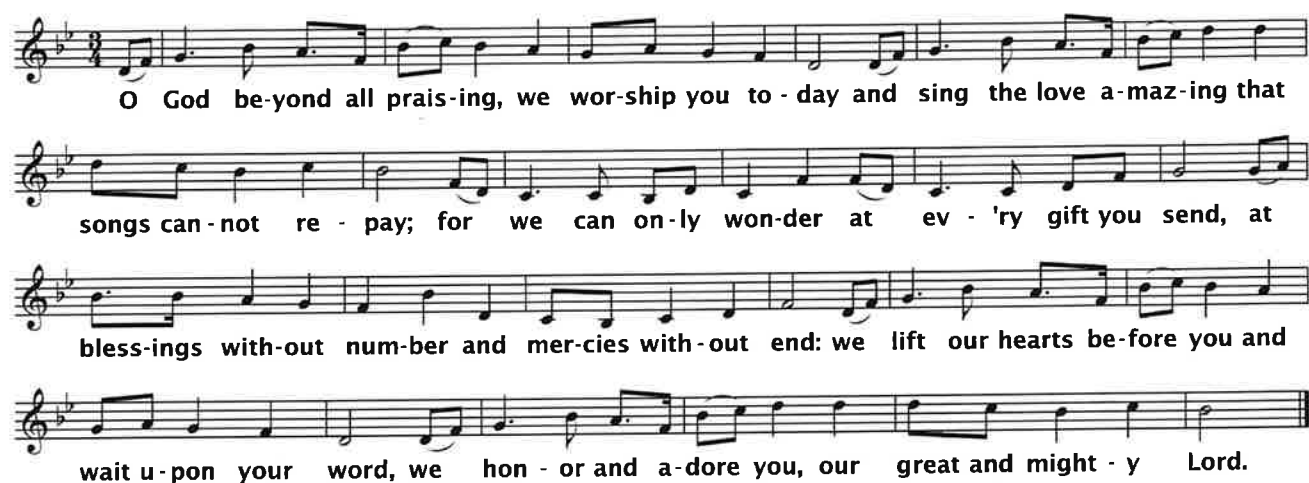
- **In-Person.** Offering plates will be available at the sanctuary doors.
- **Website.** On the homepage, click "Support House of Hope", then click on "Make a Gift"
Members can also sign into MyHOH to give.
- **Mail.** Mail a check to 797 Summit Ave. Saint Paul, MN 55105
- **QR Code.** Please see insert.

Offertory Solo

Moanin

Art Blakey

+ 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.

+ Closing Hymn 327

O Word of God Incarnate

MUNICH

+ Benediction

Postlude

Lift Every Voice and Sing

J. Rosamond Johnson

Carillon Postlude

David W. Johnson, Carillonneur

Peace Candle. The single candle near the pulpit is our Peace Candle, lighted as a reminder of the ongoing need for our prayer for peace in the world.

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated today for Benjamin Christopher Schultz, child of Christopher and Lauren Schultz. Elder assisting is Ingrid Verhagen.

We respectfully request that photographs not be taken during the celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism. Please help us honor the sacrament and the prayerful attention of the congregation. Photographs may be taken in the sanctuary following the service.

About Today's Preacher. Rev. Brian Ellison has served since 2012 as executive director of the Covenant Network of Presbyterians, a national organization engaging, educating, and equipping congregations and councils toward an equity not yet fully realized for LGBTQIA+ people in church and society. He is also Stated Clerk of the Synod of Mid-America and a host/contributor at KCUR, NPR in Kansas City. Brian was previously pastor of a congregation in the Kansas City area for 13 years, where he still lives with his partner, Troy, and their dog daughter, Willoughby.

Make a Joyful Noise! Celebrating 40 Years of HOH Choir School!

The House of Hope Choir School offers well-rounded music education to all children ages 4-18. For 40 years, The Choir School has inspired young singers to learn, grow, and have fun! Choristers sing high-quality sacred repertoire, learn the fundamentals of music through Orff and voice classes, and come together in an enthusiastic and encouraging community.

Registration open online at: <https://bit.ly/ChoirSchoolRegistration>

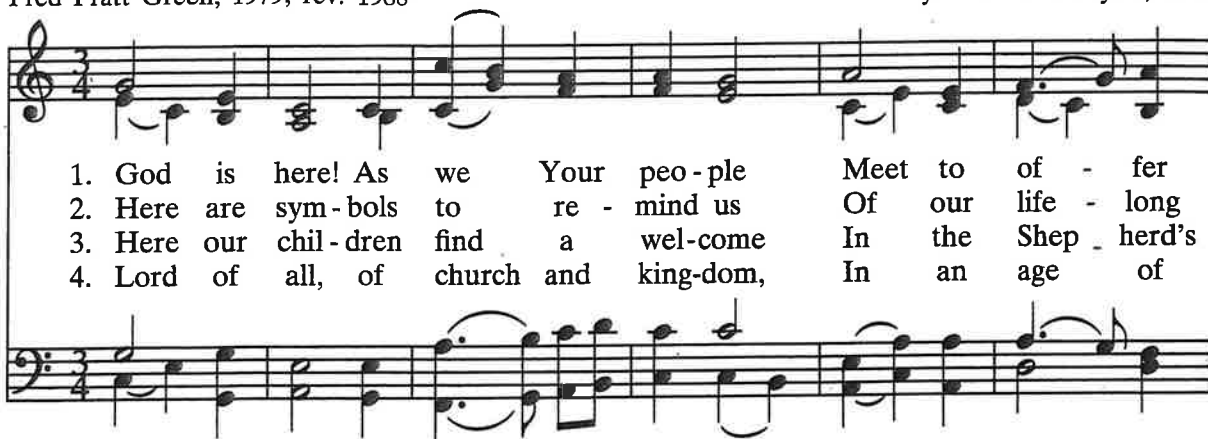
House of Hope Pandemic Response Plan — Spring 2022

Based upon shared and guiding values of caring compassion, wearing a mask at House of Hope will be optional with the following provisions:

- If someone is vaccinated, feels well, and has had no known COVID-19 exposures in the previous 5 days, wearing a mask is optional.
- Anyone who feels more comfortable wearing a mask is encouraged to do so. A limited supply of masks are available at Welcome Kiosks.
- Those who are not vaccinated are asked to continue wearing a mask.
- For our youth and children, we trust parents and our staff to make appropriate decisions for the nursery, Sunday School and Youth Group.
- We trust the Motet Choir, Bell Choir and Choir School leaders to make appropriate decisions for each group.
- If warranted, wearing a mask may become required again based on future COVID-19 conditions and guidelines from the CDC and the City of Saint Paul. This would be communicated to the congregation in a timely manner.

Fred Pratt Green, 1979; rev. 1988

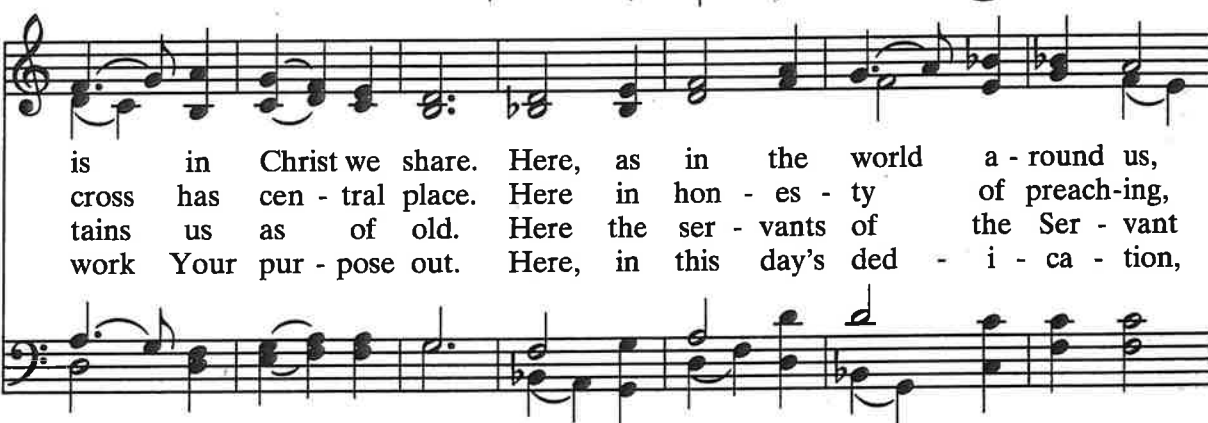
Cyril Vincent Taylor, 1941



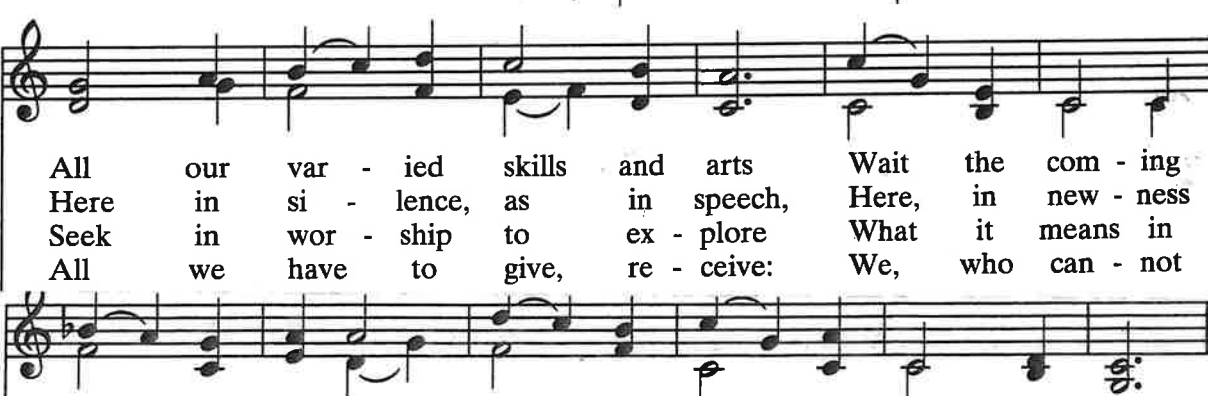
1. God is here! As we Your peo - ple Meet to of - fer
 2. Here are sym - bols to re - mind us Of our life - long
 3. Here our chil - dren find a wel - come In the Shep - herd's
 4. Lord of all, of church and king - dom, In an age of



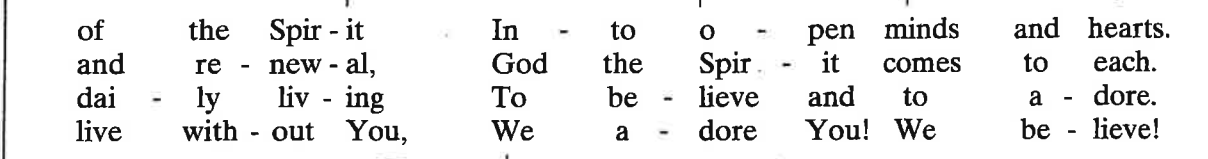
praise and prayer, May we find in ful - ler mea - sure What it
 need of grace; Here are ta - ble, font, and pul - pit; Here the
 flock and fold, Here, as bread and wine are tak - en, Christ sus -
 change and doubt Keep us faith - ful to the gos - pel, Help us



is in Christ we share. Here, as in the world a - round us,
 cross has cen - tral place. Here in hon - es - ty of preach - ing,
 tains us as of old. Here the ser - vants of the Ser - vant
 work Your pur - pose out. Here, in this day's ded - i - ca - tion,



All our var - ied skills and arts Wait the com - ing
 Here in si - lence, as in speech, Here, in new - ness
 Seek in wor - ship to ex - plore What it means in
 All we have to give, re - ceive: We, who can - not



of the Spir - it In - to o - pen minds and hearts.
 and re - new - al, God the Spir - it comes to each.
 dai - ly liv - ing To be - lieve and to a - dore.
 live with - out You, We a - dore You! We be - lieve!

There Is a Balm in Gilead

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BALM IN GILEAD 7.6.7.6 with refrain

African-American spiritual

African-American spiritual
Arr. Melva W. Costen, 1989; alt.

There is a balm in Gil-e-ad to make the wound-ed whole.

There is a balm in Gil-e-ad to heal the sin - sick soul.

1. Some - times I feel dis - cour-aged, And think my work's in vain, But
 2. Don't ev - er feel dis - cour-aged, For Je - sus is your friend, And
 3. If you can-not preach like Pe - ter, If you can - not pray like Paul, You can

then the Ho - ly Spir - it Re - vives my soul a - gain. There is a
 if you lack for knowl-edge He'll not re - fuse to lend. There is a
 tell the love of Je - sus And say, "He died for all." There is a

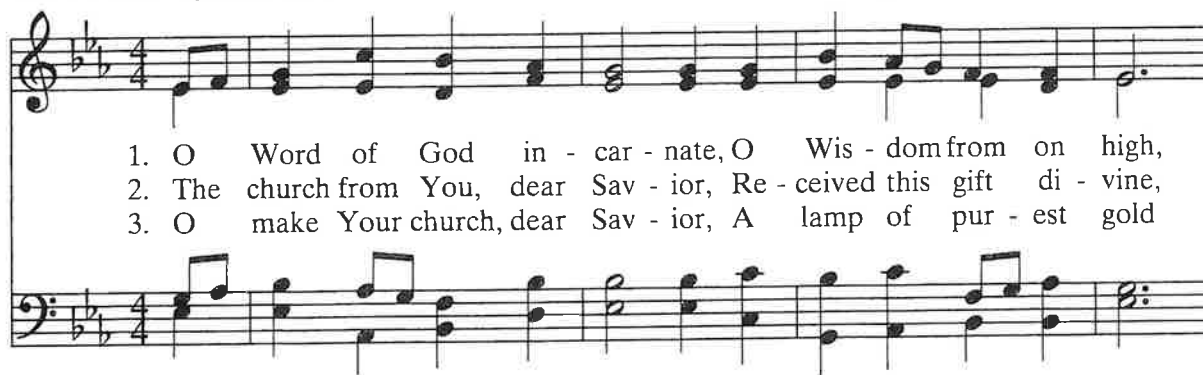
O Word of God Incarnate

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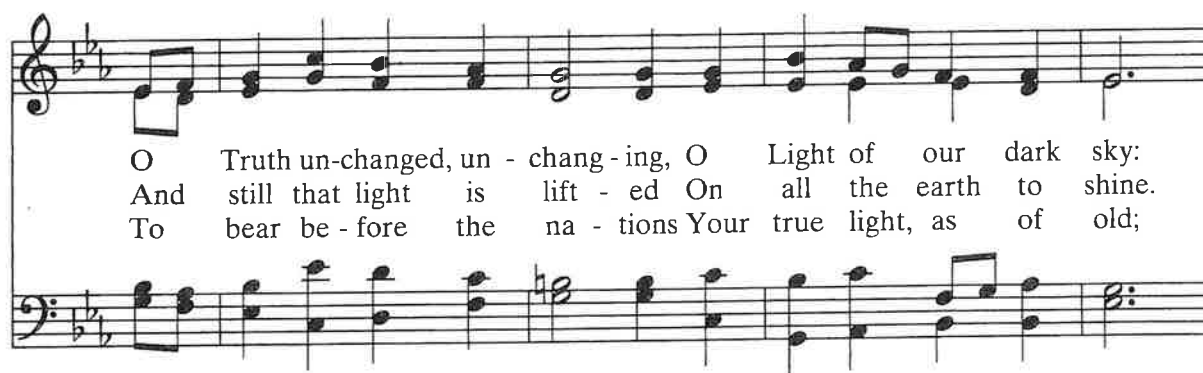
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William Walsham How, 1867
As in *Psalter Hymnal*, 1987

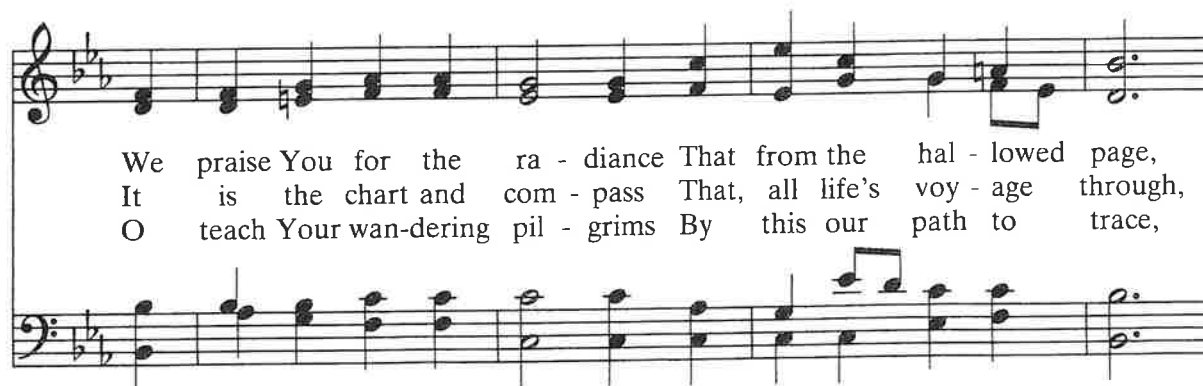
Neuvermehrtes Meiningisches Gesangbuch, 1693
Adapt. Felix Mendelssohn, 1847



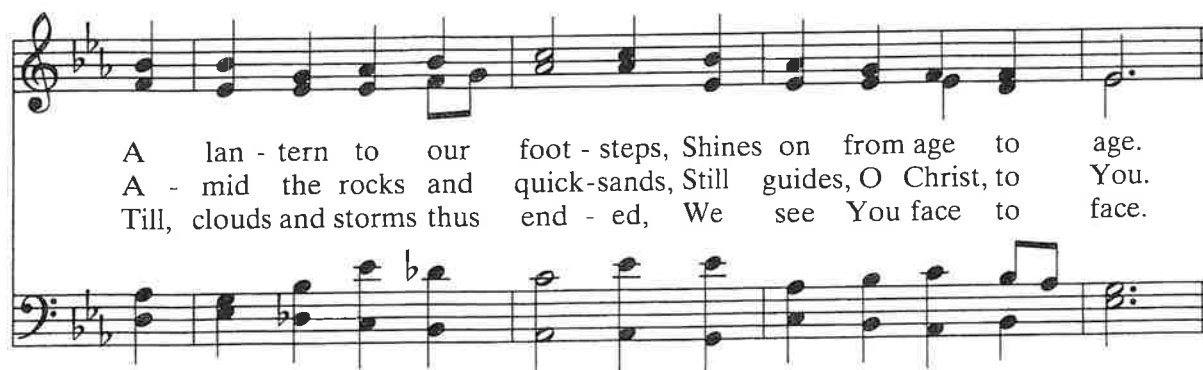
1. O Word of God in - car - nate, O Wis - dom from on high,
2. The church from You, dear Sav - ior, Re - ceived this gift di - vine,
3. O make Your church, dear Sav - ior, A lamp of pur - est gold



O Truth un - changed, un - chang - ing, O Light of our dark sky:
And still that light is lift - ed On all the earth to shine.
To bear be - fore the na - tions Your true light, as of old;



We praise You for the ra - diance That from the hal - lowed page,
It is the chart and com - pass That, all life's voy - age through,
O teach Your wan - dering pil - grims By this our path to trace,



A lan - tern to our foot - steps, Shines on from age to age.
A - mid the rocks and quick - sands, Still guides, O Christ, to You.
Till, clouds and storms thus end - ed, We see You face to face.

August 14 - 21, 2022

CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY

Kiera Stegall: KieraS@hohchurch.org

Nursery: Infants – Toddlers | 9:45 a.m. | Room 8

Summer Sunday School: 3 Years Old – Rising 6th Grade | 10:15 a.m. | HOH Park

Popsicles in the Park TODAY | 11-11:30 a.m.

Join us in the HOH Park for popsicles after Sunday school. Come for church, stay for popsicles! Neighbors and friends are welcome! Wear comfortable play clothes and sunscreen.

Upcoming



Blessing of the Animals

Wednesday, August 17

4:30-6:30 p.m. | Summit Lawn

"All creatures great and small, the Lord God made them all." Bring your pets to be blessed by our pastors. This will also be an opportunity to greet our Transitional Pastor Rev. Scott Kenefake, so stop by to say "hello!"

The Singers – Minnesota Choral Artists

Sunday, August 21 | 10 a.m.

Members of The Singers present movements from Craig Hella Johnson's *Considering Matthew Shepard*, a 21st century oratorio about the tragic beating and murder of the young man. The Singers and conductor Matthew Culloton presented this entire work in May, and will share solo and ensemble moments that explore the murder and our communal response, moving a society from anger to light and love.

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Wilder School Supply Drive

July 24 - August 28

We are collecting school supplies for the Wilder Center School Supply Drive. Drop off supplies in Room 5 on Sunday mornings or in the front office during business hours throughout the week. A complete list of items can be found at the kiosks, entrance tables and the front office.

Sunday School Volunteers

We invite youth and adults to join our Sunday school leadership team for the 2022 – 2023 school year, leading roughly once a month. Enjoy creating community in a multi-age environment, as children explore their spirituality through sacred stories. No experience is necessary. Training is provided. To learn more contact Kiera Stegall at KieraS@hohchurch.org.

Upcoming August Labyrinth Days:

August 24-25 | 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

August 26 | 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

August 28 | 9 a.m. - 11:30 p.m.



An Evening of Arias with Sofia Ardalan and Britta Soltan Saturday, August 20 | Sanctuary | 7 p.m.

Sofia Ardalan and Britta Soltan are presenting a recital in the Sanctuary on Saturday, August 20, at 7 p.m.

Week Beginning August 14, 2022

Sunday, August 14, 2022

- 10 a.m. Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 10 a.m. Summer Sunday School
- 11 a.m. Popsicles in the Park, HOH Park
- 11:15 a.m. Adult Enrichment with Brian Ellison, Assembly Room

Monday, August 15, 2022

- 11 a.m. Centering Prayer, Kirk Parlour/Zoom
- 6 p.m. A.A., Great Hall and A&B
- 6 p.m. Al-Anon, Room 11 and 9

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

- 7 a.m. Men's Breakfast, Day by Day Cafe/Zoom

Wednesday, August 17, 2022

- 1:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision, Zoom
- 4:30 p.m. Blessing of the Animals, Summit Lawn
- 1:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision, Zoom

Thursday, August 18, 2022

- 7 a.m. Men's Breakfast, Day by Day Cafe/Zoom
- 10 a.m. Library Committee, Library
- 1:30 p.m. Bridal Room Book Group, Bridal Room

Friday, August 19, 2022

- 8 a.m. Women's Breakfast Group, Zoom
- 9 a.m. Friday Centering Prayer, Zoom
- 1:15 p.m. St. Paul Farmers' Market, Portland Lot

Saturday, August 20, 2022

- 7 p.m. Sofia Ardalan and Britta Soltan Recital, Sanctuary

Sunday, August 21, 2022

- 10 a.m. Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 10 a.m. Summer Sunday School
- 11 a.m. Social Hour in Kirk Parlour

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