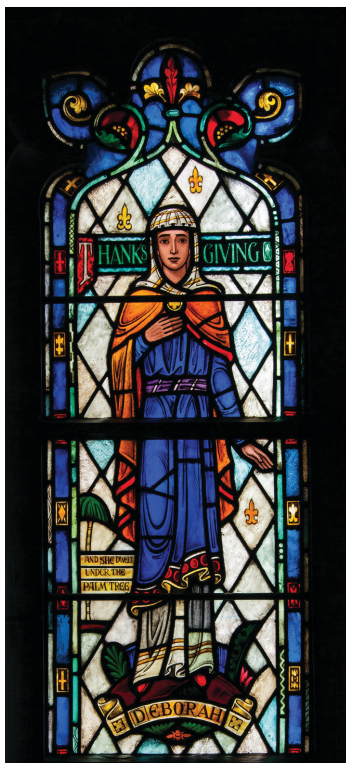


## All Saints' Sunday and Music Sunday November 6

Worship at House of Hope on All Saints' Sunday provides a time to reflect on loved ones who have joined the church eternal.

J.S. Bach's Cantata BWV 8, *Liebster Gott, wenn werd ich sterben?* was first performed in September, 1724 in Leipzig. The text of this work is suitable for performance as we remember and acknowledge those who have died in this past year. The work's opening movement poses the question, "Dearest Lord, when will I die?," as a flute colors the movement with a repetitive pattern, reminding us that our time on earth has an ending. The final chorale text asks that our end be good, and that we earn an honest grave among godly people.

This will be the Motet Choir's second performance of the work (first performed in 2015), and will feature soloists Linh Kauffman, Allison Eckberg, Tyler Berg, and Timothy Bruett. Joining the choir and soloists are The House of Hope Chamber Orchestra and organist Aaron David Miller. The Bells of Hope Handbell Choir will play during the reading of the names.



## Thanksgiving Eve Worship November 23

Thanksgiving Eve worship will be held in the sanctuary at 7 p.m. with music by the Motet Choir. All are invited to join us in worship and giving thanks.

You are invited to bring non-perishable food items that will be shared with the food pantries at Hallie Q. Brown Community Center and Neighborhood House. You may also make a financial donation to the food pantries.

***We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing.***

## Stewardship 2023 Building Hope | Sharing Hospitality Stewardship Sunday | November 13



This year's Stewardship Campaign will emphasize preparing House of Hope for the future, returning to regular worship and fellowship, and highlighting HOH's Mission Outreach programs. The Stewardship Committee chose **Building Hope, Sharing Hospitality**

as the theme. You will hear more about that theme and the campaign in the weeks to come.

We ask that you bring your pledge card to worship on Stewardship Sunday and come forward with your card during the worship service. Parents are encouraged to include their children. We are inviting members and friends of the congregation to reflect on what it is you love about House of Hope and why you give to support the ministries and mission of the church.

## The First Sunday of Advent November 27

The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be celebrated during worship and the Advent Celebration will follow worship in the Assembly Room.



## Labyrinth Days in the Great Hall

Wednesday, November 23 | 9 a.m.-5 p.m.  
Thursday, November 24 | 9 a.m.-5 p.m.  
Friday, November 25 | 9 a.m.-3 p.m.  
Sunday, November 27 | 9 a.m.-12 p.m.



# WORSHIP

10 a.m.

**Sunday, November 6, 2022**

**All Saints Sunday / Music Sunday**

**Motet Choir and House of Hope  
Chamber Orchestra:**

*Liebster Gott, wenn werd ich sterben?*  
(BWV 8), Bach

**Sunday, November 13, 2022**

**23rd Sunday after Pentecost**

**Motet Choir:**

*Like as the Hart*, Howells

**Choir School:**

*Song of Thanksgiving*, Ward  
St Nicholas Choir

**Bells of Hope:**

*Animato*, Dobrinski  
*Be Thou My Vision*, Thompson

**Sunday, November 20, 2022**

**Christ the King Sunday**

**Motet Choir:**

*Laudate Jehovam, omnes gentes*,  
Telemann

**Sunday, November 27, 2022**

**First Sunday in Advent**

**Holy Communion**

**Motet Choir:**

*O Thou the Central Orb*, Wood

**Choir School:**

*Bereite dich*, Zion, Bach  
St Nicholas Choir



## A Note from Scott

*How Things Have Changed—Ministry in the 21st Century*

I was born at the tail end of the “Baby Boom,” so I grew up in a world where the Mainline Protestant Churches were at the center of religious life in the United States and our churches were filled with kids of all ages.

This state of affairs began to shift in the 1970s with the growth of Evangelical/Conservative Protestant Churches and the continued growth of the Roman Catholic community in the United States.

Add to this increased immigration to the United States beginning in the mid-1960s of population groups from Asia, Africa, and the Middle East (among others) and by the end of the 20th century the United States had become the most religiously diverse country in the world. [For those of you who are interested, the definitive book on this subject was written by Diana Eck of Harvard Divinity School: *A New Religious America: How a “Christian Country” Has Become the World’s Most Religiously Diverse Country*].

So, today, depending on which study you look at, Mainline Protestants make up roughly 13 percent of the American population. This has remained relatively stable in recent years and includes growth of 2-3 percent in the past several years. Evangelical Protestants make up another 13 percent of the population, down from 20 percent in 2010, and Roman Catholics make up 24 percent of the population, which adds up to 50 percent of the population.

As you are aware, the fastest growing religious demographic group in the United States are the “none’s” or the “spiritual but not religious.” These have come primarily from the ranks of Evangelical Protestantism and more conservative expressions of Roman Catholicism.

Interestingly, the majority of those who call themselves “spiritual but not religious” (most of whom are under the age of 40) maintain relatively “orthodox” religious beliefs: they believe in God or

a Higher Power, they like and respect the moral and ethical teachings of Jesus, and most of them pray or meditate on a regular basis—they just do not go to church. Why? For a variety of reasons: perceived and real discrimination against LGBTQIA people; gender inequality, rigid theological teaching that discourages open inquiry and independent thinking, denigration of other religious communities, overly aggressive evangelism techniques, and the “politicization” of the church through the embrace (by some) of the most conservative elements of Republican Party ideology.

So, how do mainline churches like House of Hope do ministry in this new theological and cultural landscape? The simple answer is, differently. The first step is to recognize and accept the change that has occurred and to stop being nostalgic for “what was” and is not coming back. The second step is to understand that building relationships with the people in the neighborhoods around our churches and the larger community is the key to future growth and sustainability over time.

What do I mean? We need to shift from a ministry model that is primarily focused internally on “us” like getting “our” members involved in worship, study, and service, to an outwardly focused “relational” ministry model that is constantly asking the question: How can we as a congregation engage with the others in our community to meet the spiritual, physical, and emotional needs of the people around us?

For example, many thriving churches have recognized that one of the best ways to do this is to open the church building/campus so that it becomes a hub of activity throughout the week for a variety of community groups and non-profit organizations that share the core values and ethos of the congregation. We call this 24/7, 7 days a week church. This looks different in every community, but it accomplishes a number of things for

churches like ours: it introduces many people who otherwise would never darken the door of the church to the people, programs, and worship life of the congregation; it communicates to the larger community that this is a church that genuinely cares about the well-being of the entire community; and it can provide a significant new revenue stream for the congregation through rental income (events, weddings, meetings, etc.), which also serve as ways to introduce ourselves to new people.

To facilitate this transition, congregations have recognized that many spaces within church buildings need to become “multi-use”—think, for instance, how rooms used for educational purposes on Sundays are often empty and unused during the week. How might these spaces be used for other purposes Monday through Saturday? Both Westminster Presbyterian Church and Central Lutheran Church in Minneapolis are good local examples of congregations that have made this shift with regard to how they use their buildings.

This does not mean that we stop doing those things that are valued and life-giving to so many in our congregation: beautiful worship and music, educational programming for all ages, spiritual reflection, fellowship, celebrating the arts, providing opportunities for service, and more. Rather, we begin to see how the stunning architecture of our buildings and the 300,000 square feet of space within their walls, as well as our park on Portland and other external spaces, can be used to extend hospitality and welcome to the larger community in practical ways.

The paradox is that by engaging with the community in this way, over time we will become a new spiritual home to many. And it is a method of “church growth” or evangelism that even introverted and shy Presbyterians can do!

Blessings,  
Scott Kenefake, Transitional Pastor



## 2022 Winter Clothing Drive

**October 30-November 8**

The HOH Beacon Housing Leadership Team and HOH’s Children and Family Ministry will have another winter clothing drive this fall.

Working in partnership with Beacon Interfaith Housing Collaborative, we are focusing on **new or like-new warm clothing including warm hats, scarves, mittens, gloves, wool socks, boots, jackets, and coats.** Items can be for children and adults of all sizes.

The winter clothing will be donated to several of our Mission Partners. Your clothing donations will be a source of warmth and comfort to many this winter and greatly appreciated. Drop off donations in the Assembly Room.

Contact: Shana Wagner at  
sharon.k.wagner@gmail.com.

## Christmas Sponsor A-Family

The HOH community reminds us what the Christmas season is all about, by sharing with those most in need. This year we’re planning to spread Christmas joy by providing gifts for 70 families in partnership with the YWCA, Neighborhood House, Liberty Plaza, Community of Peace Academy, and the Wilder Foundation. Visit the church website on November 7 to find the SignUpGenius link for information on families. A family wish list with instructions will be emailed to you. For assistance in signing up, please contact the church office.

Don’t like to shop? Donations are welcome to provide a grocery gift card for each family. Mail or drop off donations in the church office noted **Family Sponsor**. Drop off gifts in the Assembly Room by December 12.



## Sunday Series:

**Heather McGhee**  
**January 15,**  
**2023 | 2 p.m.**



Heather McGhee is an influential voice in the media and a former NBC contributor. McGhee regularly appears on NBC’s *Meet the Press* and MSNBC’s *Morning Joe*, *Deadline White House*, and *All In*. Her 2020 TED talk is entitled ***Racism Has a Cost for Everyone***. McGhee’s book ***The Sum of Us: What Racism Costs Everyone and How We Can Prosper Together*** spent 10 weeks on the *New York Times* bestseller list and was longlisted for the National Book Award and Carnegie Medal for Excellence in Nonfiction.

**Watch for more information in the December Anchor on how to register.**

House of Hope’s Sunday Series invites well-known speakers to discuss key issues of our day and artists to share their artistic engagement with life and faith.



# Children, Youth and Family Ministry

## Children and Family Ministry

Contact Kiera Stegall:

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

### Sunday Morning Ministries:

- Nursery: Infants & Toddlers | Room 8  
9:45 a.m.–11 p.m.
- Sunday School: Preschool – Grade 5  
Rooms 4 & 5 | 10:10–11 a.m.

### Build-a-World: Pageant Creations Sundays, November 6 – December 4 Room 5 | 10:10 a.m.

Preschool–Grade 5 will meet to play a game, wonder about the stories of Jesus's birth, and pray. Children will design costumes, build sets, and create vignettes populated with their creations to retell these stories. All children are welcome, regardless of participation in the pageant on December 11.

### Tweens Pajama Party Friday, November 11 | Kirk Parlour 6–8 p.m.

Grades 4–5 and their friends are invited to join us for a night of service and fun! Wear your pajamas, bring a blanket, pillow, and furry friend! Enjoy dinner as we watch *The Mitchells vs. the Machines*, while making tied-blankets for people in under-served communities. Cost is \$10 to offset the cost of materials.

### Advent Celebration

**Sunday, November 27  
11:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

Join us for a multi-generational morning of fellowship, as we create art, make Advent wreaths, caroling, decorate cookies, and more. Family Advent devotionals are provided by the Children and Family Ministry. All are welcome!

### Youth and Family Ministry

Contact Sigrid VanDemark for more information on Youth events:

[sfeldbrugge@gmail.com](mailto:sfeldbrugge@gmail.com)

### Youth Group/Summit Fellowship and Fun Sundays, November 6, 13, and 20 Great Hall | 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.

All Middle School and High School Youth are invited to participate in Youth Group/Summit activities. Parents are welcome to enjoy the HOH Library during Youth events.

### Conversation and Confections Sundays beginning at 10:10 a.m. Room 9

Youth Grades 6–12 are invited to meet for fellowship and conversation.

## CLOISTER GALLERY



### Change of View: Sabbatical Photographs of Julia Carlson Through Sunday, November 27

From Julia: Author Mark Nepo wrote, "To journey without being changed is to be a nomad. To change without journeying is to be a chameleon. To journey and to be transformed by the journey is to be a pilgrim." My sabbatical travel time became a pilgrimage and a soul journey. The Arts Committee asked me to share some photos, and I have selected a collection that is centered around cathedrals in Bath, Edinburgh, Lindesfarne, Rosslyn, and London. Between these great places of worship were bookstores, museums, sunny days, gardens, and other delights. I am so grateful for this journey and grateful to have the opportunity to share it with House of Hope.



## Earth Care Eco-Conscious Holiday Travel

If you plan to travel by air this holiday season, did you know that "transportation accounted for the largest portion (27%) of total U.S. GHG emissions in 2020" and that airline flights generate surprising amounts of greenhouse gases into the atmosphere? In the spirit of HOH's commitment as an Earth Care Congregation, please consider balancing out the impact of your air flight by purchasing carbon "credits" through a carbon-offset program. These credits help finance "green" energy projects to reduce air pollution in the future. Check your airline website for their program or donate to the PC(USA)'s *Restoring Creation for Ecology and Justice Fund* which supports planting trees in South America. Go to [www.presbyterianmission.org/eco-journey/presbyterian-carbon-tree-fund](http://www.presbyterianmission.org/eco-journey/presbyterian-carbon-tree-fund). Our Earth thanks you!



### Choir School Wreath and Holiday Plant Curbside Pick Up

**Wednesday, November 30 | 3–6 p.m.**

Can't stop by? Your order will be labeled and available during office hours December 1 and 2 and on Sunday, December 4.

# Adult Education & Events | NOVEMBER

## Sunday Adult Enrichment: Assembly Room | 11:15 a.m.

### How Things Have Changed—Ministry in the 21st Century with Scott Kenefake | November 13

Scott Kenefake will share the dreams submitted by congregants for the future of House of Hope. Please submit your dream by November 6 in writing or online:

[www.surveymonkey.com/r/H68V6L3](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/H68V6L3)

### Be Thou My Vision Ireland Pilgrimage Highlights | November 20



On September 19, a group of 26 from House of Hope gathered at the Dublin airport to begin a time of pilgrimage travel. We visited Clonmacnoise, a number of sites

on the Aran island of Inishmore, did a walking tour of Galway City, and visited the Dingle Peninsula and the Ring of Kerry. The trip ended with a stay at Glendalough in the Wicklow Mountains and a tour including the Book of Kells in Dublin. We engaged this post-pandemic world in varied ways; at the same time, the people, our spiritual guides, myths, stories, and beauty of Ireland provided a welcoming embrace. We look forward to sharing our pilgrimage and some of Ireland's music.

### Advent Celebration November 27

Join us for a multi-generational morning of fellowship, Advent wreaths, and more. A representative from Red Balloon Books will share books that make great gifts.

### White Church Truths, Sponsored by the Minnesota Council of Churches Saturday, November 5 | 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Westminster Presbyterian Church

In order to work for racial justice there are truths that must be faced, even about the faith practiced in most Minnesota churches. At *White Church Truths* we will face the truths hidden in white Christian beliefs and open our eyes more clearly to the future – and white Christians' role in it. Learn more: <https://bit.ly/WhiteChurchTruths>

### Great Decisions: Drug Wars in Latin America with Gary Prevost Tuesday, November 8 | Kirk Parlour 4 p.m.

For fifty years many aspects of United States foreign policy in Latin America have been shaped by a US declared "war on drugs" in the Andean countries of Colombia, Peru, and Bolivia, and more recently with Mexico. Latin American leaders and public health experts in the US have challenged the efficacy of the policy. We will explore the history of this policy while discussing new approaches that are now under discussion. Gary Prevost is Professor Emeritus of Political Science and Latin American Studies at the College of St. Benedict and St. John's University. He is the author of numerous books and articles on Latin American and the Caribbean.

### New Member Class Sunday, November 13 | HOH Library 11:15 a.m.

Interested in membership or want to know more about HOH? Please join us!

### Installation of John Zwier as Moderator of the Presbytery of the Twin Cities Area | HOH Sanctuary Saturday, November 19 | 10 a.m.

**Faith and Fibers** continues to knit and crochet hats, scarves, baby blankets, and prayer shawls for our Mission Partners and congregants. Currently, we have 49 hats completed, 5 scarves, 2 prayer shawls ready for distribution. If you'd like to participate, or if know someone who would like to knit/crochet for others, prepackaged project kits are available in the library. Contact Janice Dickinson for more information.

## Session Highlights

### September 20, 2022

There was a review of the recent Session HVAC discussion. Rev. Dr. Scott Kenefake discussed the five developmental tasks of transitional ministry including thoughts on next steps including elements of the necessary Visioning Process.

Budget Committee reported a \$88,000 deficit in the budget through July.

Mission Outreach Committee's disbursement recommendations for The Houses of Hope Fund totaling \$100,000 was presented. A motion to approve passed.

Nominating Committee reported they have begun meeting.

Peace and Justice noted the Earth Care group is inquiring about solar energy availability. The recent history of signage on church property was also addressed.

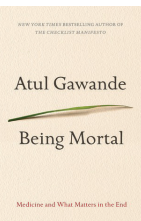
Stewardship Sunday is November 13.

Youth Ministry reported on Youth activities including the initiation of Confirmation classes.

Following discussion of the HVAC plan vote taken at the June 21, 2022, a motion was made to "Proceed with the HVAC project using the endowment as collateral, with the understanding that we will need to develop additional sources of funding as soon as possible." This motion was seconded and following discussion, the motion unanimously passed with a voice vote.

*The work of the church is strengthened when it is done in a spirit of openness and trust. Learn more about the PC(USA) policy on open meeting at [www.pcusa.org/openmeeting/](http://www.pcusa.org/openmeeting/)*

## Coming in 2023



### All Church Book Read: *Being Mortal*

#### Sunday, January 22 Presentation and Panel Discussion

Join us for *Being Mortal*, *Medicine and What Matters in the End* by Atul Gawande. Read it already? Pull it from your bookshelf and reread it. Haven't read it yet? Give yourself a copy and settle in for a moving read. Books available for purchase at HOH beginning November 6.

**2023 Women's Retreat | Friday, April 28 - Sunday, April 30**  
**Saint John's Abbey Guesthouse in Collegeville, MN**

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## TAKE ANOTHER LOOK: *Art at House of Hope*



### The Bambini

There is a large distinctive ceramic work of art on the walls of our church of a young child, wrapped in swaddling clothes, and surrounded by a glossy, blue background. It hangs just outside the Kirk Parlour kitchen near the Education Wing. This work of art in the House of Hope collection is based on an important series of works

in Florence, Italy created by master sculptor Andrea della Robbia (1435-1525). In fact, there are ten similar sculptures that adorn the façade of the Ospedale degli Innocenti, a Florentine foundling hospital founded in 1419. Designed by the important Renaissance architect Filippo Brunelleschi and opened in 1445, the Innocenti was one of the first institutions in Europe dedicated to the care of abandoned children and at the forefront of helping those unable to raise them.

Brunelleschi's building, pictured below, originally left the roundrels empty. The decorative medallions above the arches were filled in with colorful works by Andrea della Robbia who was hired in 1487. Described as bambini di terra ("babies made of clay") in contemporary payment records, the high relief sculptures were made of glazed terracotta of special formula created by his family.

These bambini creations became important symbols worldwide and can be seen today on hospital façades such as Boston's Brigham and Women's Hospital as well as the centerpiece of the seal of the American Academy of Pediatrics. So next time you walk by this work of art, ***take another look!***



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