THE HOUSE OF HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



"Karl Barth says that at Christmas God remains eternal majesty but also becomes a child, a brother, a family member here, among us. He comes to all of us who've ever lived in an imperfect family."

- Matt Fitzgerald

Fourth Sunday of Advent | December 18, 2022 10 a.m.

Welcome!

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.

Sunday Morning Family Resources:

- **Worship:** Children are invited to join their families in the Sanctuary for worship. Following the anthem, children are invited to join us for the Sunday School Recessional, as we engage in faith formation via story, prayer, and activities.
 - · A variety of **children's Bibles** are located in the church pews.
 - **Children's bulletins and crayons** are located at all Sanctuary entrances. (Please return the crayons.)
 - · Nursery is open for infants toddlers.
- **Nursing:** At House of Hope, parents are welcome to nurse their children wherever they see fit. For those that require privacy, Room 6 is available.
- **Wiggle Room:** Children are always welcome in the Sanctuary. For those who desire a wiggle break, Room 7 is equipped with toys, books, puzzles, and livestream worship.

Tableaux Service Setup and Strike. The Tableaux setup will be done in two steps this year. On Monday December 19 at 1 p.m. we'll bring all the Tableaux parts up to the sanctuary. Then on Tuesday, December 20 at 3 p.m., we'll assemble and set up the Tableaux. Take down will be as usual right after the Tableaux service on Friday, December 23. Many hands make light work. No experience necessary.

Today's Cover Art is from the Friendship Window. Photo Credit: Dick Crone.

— THE APPROACH TO GOD

Prelude

Venite Adoremus Aaron David Miller, Organist **English Carol**

Introit

Our Soul Waiteth for the Lord
The Motet Choir; Matthew Culloton, Choirmaster

G. Thalben-Ball

⁺Processional Hymn 56, verses 1-4

The First Nowell

THE FIRST NOWELL

Prayer of Confession

Rev. Dr. Julia A. Carlson

Shepherd of our souls,
we anticipate your coming but do not feel ready.
We have done too much, and not done enough.
We have focused too much on ourselves,
and not enough on others. Restore us, O God;
let your face shine, that we might be saved.

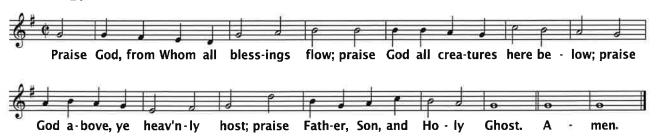
(The prayer will continue with our silent confessions.)

Assurance of Forgiveness

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

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

* Doxology



Anthem

Balulalow Hannah Armstrong, soprano Matthew Culloton

Lully, Iulia, Balulalow...

O my deare hert, young Jesu sweit Prepare thy creddil in my spreit And I sall rock thee to my hert And never mair from thee depart.

But I sall praise thee evermoir With sanges sweit unto thy gloir. The knees of my heart sall I bow And sing that richt Balulalow!

Welcome and Announcements

THE WORD OF GOD

First Lesson

Isaiah 7:10-16 (OT, p. 636 in pew Bible)

Laurel Gamm

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

Sing Merrily a Song

Carolyn Jennings

St Nicholas Choir; Sofia Ardalan, Director; Timothy Short, Piano

Sing merrily a song, sing today

Come, join the happy throng and sing today,

Bring a bell along and ring today,

For the Savior of all the world is born.

Pipe merrily a tune, play today,

Pipe merrily a tune, and say today,

"Celebrate the love of God today,

For the Savior of all the world is born."

So long ago the angels sang, proclaiming lowly birth

Of God's own son, God's only son,

now sent to live on earth,

That by his life and death we too may know rebirth.

Sing merrily a song, sing today,

Come, bring a friend along and sing today,

Whistle if you can for joy today,

For the Savior of all the world is born.

Lighting of the Fourth Advent Candle

Quint Sheldon, Kiera Stegall

Following the Advent Wreath lighting, all children and youth are invited to walk down the center aisle with Kiera Stegall to the Education Wing.

Choir School Advent Response

Second Lesson

Matthew 1:18-25 (NT, p 1 in pew Bible)

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

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Scott M. Kenefake

What Child is This?

THE RESPONSE TO GOD

⁺ Hymn 53

What Child Is This

GREENSLEEVES

* **Affirmation of Faith** — Adapted from the *Confession of 1967*

God expressed love for all humankind through Israel, whom God chose to be a covenant people to serve him in love and faithfulness. When Israel was unfaithful, God disciplined the nation with judgment and maintained the covenant through prophets, priests, teachers, and true believers. These witnesses called all Israelites to a destiny in which they would serve God faithfully and become a light to the nations. The same witnesses proclaimed the coming of a new age, and a true servant of God in whom God's purpose of Israel and for humanity would be realized.

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"

- Mail.

Mail a check to 797 Summit Ave. Saint Paul, MN 55105

-QR Code.

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Offertory Anthem

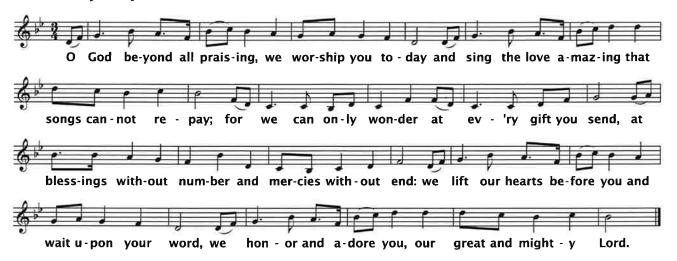
Alma Redemptoris Mater

G.P. da Palestrina

Alma Redemptoris Mater, quae pervia caeli porta manes, et stella maris, succurre cadenti surgere qui curat populo: Tu quae genuisti, natura mirante, tuum sanctum Genitorem: Virgo prius ac posterius, Gabrielis ab ore sumens illud Ave, peccatorum miserere.

Loving Mother of the Redeemer,
who remains the gate by which we mortals enter heaven,
and star of the sea, help your fallen people
who strive to rise:
You who gave birth, amazing nature,
to your sacred Creator:
Virgin prior and following,
taking from the mouth of Gabriel that Hail!
have mercy on our sins.

+Offertory Response



*Recessional Hymn 23

Angels, We Have Heard on High

GLORIA

*Benediction

Postlude

Carol of the Bells

Ukrainian Carol

Carillon Postlude

David W. Johnson, Carillonneur

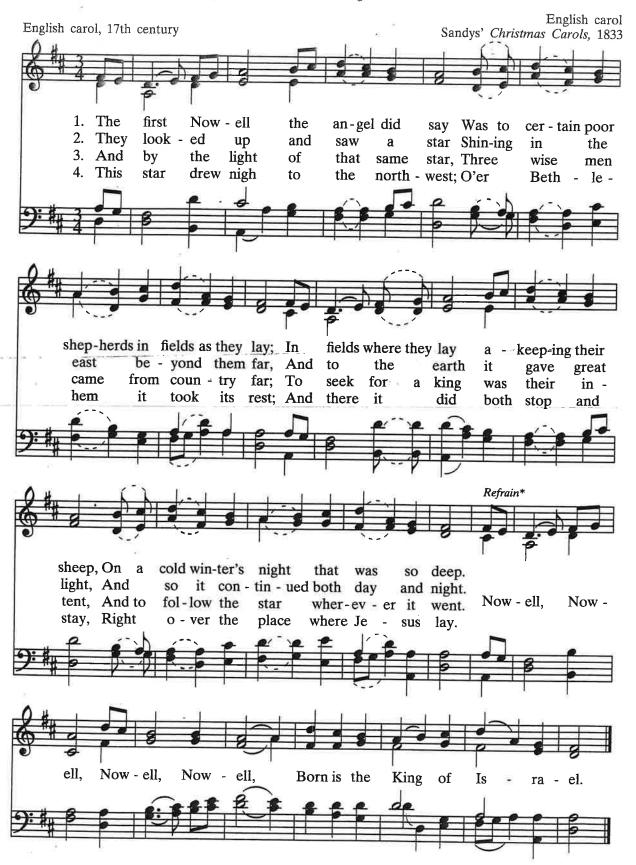
Peace Candle. The single candle near the pulpit is our Peace Candle, lighted as a reminder of the ongoing need for our prayer for peace in the world.

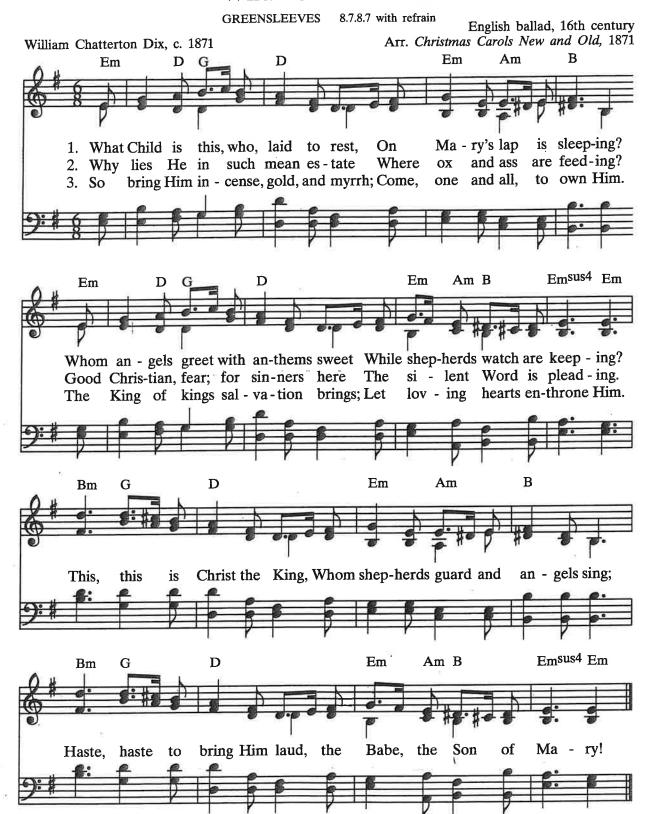
The Communion Table Flowers are given in loving memory of Delmar E. Bowers.

The Pulpit Table Flowers are given in celebration of David and Judith Cooper's 60th wedding anniversary on December 18.

The First Nowell

THE FIRST NOWELL Irregular with refrain





This tune can be sung in the original mode by sharping all C's in the soprano and alto parts.

Angels We Have Heard on High

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News & Opportunities

December 18 - 25, 2022

CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY

Kiera Stegall: KieraS@hohchurch.org

Nursery: Infants-Toddlers | 9:45 a.m. | Room 8 Sunday School: Presch.-Gr.5 | 10:10 a.m. | Rms 4&5

YOUTH AND FAMILY MINISTRY

Sigrid VanDemark: sfeldbrugge@gmail.com

Save the Date: Badlands Snow Park Friday, December 30 | 5 - 8 p.m.

25 Acres, 7 complete hills with 5 rope tows. Chaperones are needed. Contact Sigrid VanDemark to sign up.

Conversation and Confections for Youth Sundays beginning at 10:10 a.m. | Room 9 Youth Grades 6-12 are invited to meet for community and conversation.

Upcoming

TODAY: Choir School Christmas Concert and 40th Anniversary Celebration 11:15 a.m., reception following concert.



Sing, Choirs of Angels
Join us for the annual Choir
School Christmas Concert
in the Sanctuary after
worship. Sofia Ardalan,
conductor, and Tim Short,
accompanist. Following
the program, all are invited

to the Kirk Parlour for a light lunch reception honoring the 40th Anniversary of the Choir School.



Traditional Tableaux Service Friday, December 23 Sanctuary | 7:30 p.m.

A House of Hope tradition for over 100 years, this is the Christmas story as told through Scriptures, through

lovely carols and anthems, and in the adaptation in tableaux, or "living pictures," of well-known paintings and familiar scenes of the nativity. Childcare available for ages 5 and under.

Cloister Gallery Exhibit: Choir School 40th Anniversary Retrospective

Throughout December, photos and items from 40 years of the HOH Choir School will be on display. Take a journey down memory lane and see pictures from rehearsals, concerts, worship, and tours, and read reflections from alumni and former directors.

Upcoming January Adult Enrichment:

January 8: Eric Kruse, HOH's Owners Representative will offer a status report on the progress of the Electrical / HVAC Project.

January 15: Rev. Anna Kendig Flores, PTCA Anti-Racism Coordinator, presents: Future Dreaming: Revolutionary Visions of the Gospel in the 21st Century.

January 22: *Being Mortal* by Atul Gawande, Presentation and Panel Discussion. Books are available for purchase for \$15 in the church office.

New Member Class | Sunday, January 8 HOH Library | 11:15 a.m. Interested in membership or want to know more about HOH? Join us!

SUNDAY SERIES with Heather McGhee | January 15 | Sanctuary / Livestream | 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 long listed for the National Book Award and Carnegie Medal for Excellence in Nonfiction. This event is free and open to the public. Registration is required for both in person and online viewing. Visit https://bit.ly/SundaySeriesJan2023 to reserve tickets.

Week Beginning December 18, 2022

Sunday, December 18, 2022	
9 a.m.	Motet Choir, Sanc
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tuary Choir School, Room 16

9:45 a.m. Nursery, Room 8

10 a.m. Worship Service, Sanctuary 10:10 a.m. Sunday School, Rooms 4&5

10:10 a.m. Middle and High School Youth, Room 9

11 a.m. Social Hour in the Kirk Parlour

Choir School Christmas Concert, Sanctuary 7:30 p.m. 11:15 a.m.

11:45 a.m. Choir School 40th Anniversary Reception, Kirk Parlour

Monday, December 19, 2022

11 a.m. Centering Prayer, Kirk Parlour/Zoom 1 p.m. Tableaux Set-up - Part 1, Sanctuary 5 p.m. Nominating Committee, Kirby Lounge

6 p.m. AA, Great Hall and A&B 6 p.m. Al-Anon, Youth Room

Tuesday, December 20, 2022

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

7:30 p.m. Tableaux Set-up - Part 2, Sanctuary

Wednesday, December 21, 2022

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

1 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision, Zoom

6 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision, Zoom

6:30 p.m. Motet Choir Rehearsal with Orchestra.

Sanctuary

7 p.m. Bells of Hope, Youth Room

Thursday, December 22, 2022

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

5:30 p.m. Capital City Grief Coalition, Kirk Parlour

6 p.m. Tableaux Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Friday, December 23, 2022

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

9 a.m. Friday Centering Prayer, Zoom 7 p.m. Nursery, Room 8

Tableaux Service, Sanctuary

Christmas Eve, Saturday, December 24, 2022

Nursery, Room 8 3:30 p.m.

4 p.m. Intergenerational Service, Sanctuary

7 p.m. Nursery, Room 8

7:30 p.m. Candlelight Service, Sanctuary 10 p.m. Candlelight Service, Sanctuary (no childcare at 10 p.m. service)

Christmas Day, Sunday, December 25, 2022

10 a.m. Worship Service, Sanctuary

No Social Hour in the Kirk Parlour 11 a.m.

(No Childcare on Dec. 25 or Jan. 1)

Monday, December 26, 2022

Office and Building Closed

Tuesday, December 27, 2022

Office and Building Closed

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For a full listing of events and activities, see our calendar on the homepage of our website www.hohchurch.org.

WHITH & CHRISTMAS WHITH WHITH

Sunday, December 11

The Third Sunday of Advent 10 a.m. Worship

11:15 a.m. Children's Christmas Pageant, East Wing

11:15 a.m. Christmas Carol Sing-Along,
Assembly Room

Sunday, December 18

The Fourth Sunday of Advent 10 a.m. Worship

11:15 a.m. Choir School Christmas Concert, Sanctuary

Choir School 40th Anniversary Reception following the concert in the Kirk Parlour.

Friday, December 23

7:30 p.m. Traditional Tableaux Service
The Christmas story as told through
Scriptures, through lovely carols and
anthems, and in the adaptation in
tableaux, or "living pictures," of wellknown paintings and familiar
scenes of the nativity.

Childcare available for children under 6.

Saturday, December 24

Christmas Eve

4 p.m. Intergenerational Candlelight Service

7 and 9:30 p.m. Carillon Recitals by David W. Johnson

7:30 and 10 p.m. Candlelight Services The Motet Choir and Orchestra Special Music (10 p.m. only): J.S. Bach's Christmas Oratorio, Part 3

Both later Candlelight Services include Christmas Anthems

Childcare available at the 4 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. services.

Sunday, December 25

Christmas Day 10 a.m. Worship (No childcare or Sunday School)

Sunday, January 1, 2023

New Year's Day 10 a.m. Worship

The Bells of Hope lead worship celebrating the 8th Day of Christmas through carols for handbells and harp. (No childcare or Sunday School)

Visit hohchurch.org for livestreaming of the Advent and Candlelight Services.

— Christmas Memorials —

Christmas Tributes in memory or in honor of loved ones have been donated by friends and family of those named below. These gifts have been designated for the mission outreach of the church or for poinsettias used for decoration throughout the church.

James Patrick Adams

Teddy Altman

Marina Anderson

Navonne Nicholls Andre

Behrouz Ardalan

Margaret Ann Atmore

Marian Bailey

Fred Bailey

Mary Bailey

Rev. Dr. James Barge

Phillip Beedon

Nancy Beedon

Robert G. Behrens

Robert Bland

Marion Blomholm

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G. U. Blomholm Jim Bokovoy

Peter and Flora Borenz

Tom Bowers

Marge and Del Bowers

John and Andrea Brainard

Bonnie Brenengen Herman and Anna Brooks

Adeline Brouillard

Bill and Kit Burch

AA Calala

Marion Calph

Jean Campbell

Elizabeth Campbell

Greg and Patty Cardinal

Margaret and Ray Charlton

Ray Lawrence Clark, Jr.

Miles and Olive Cooper

Mae and Mort Cravath

Dr. Joy Davis

Dr. John Davis

Mai-Dinh-Thanh

Evelyn and Howard Floyd

Harry and Dorothy Fogelberg

Faith Franken

Ruth S. Freeburg

James Freeburg

Terry E. Freyholtz

Gloria Freyholtz

Alfred M. and Lua B. Fulton

Alfred M. and Ruth R. Fulton, Jr.

Donald B. and Sara A. Fulton

Kelly Angus Fulton

Martha J. Fulton

Ellen Goudzwaard

Francis and Elizabeth Gruber

Wally and Jean Hansen

Gottlieb and Ingeborg Heidmann

Bob and Marjorie Hennesy

David Herr

Esther Hewitt

Phil. Helen and Ardis Hill

David Hopper

William and Mabel Jarvis

Norm and Betty Jensen

Percy and Myrtle Jensen

Alisandra Johnson

Jeffrey David Johnson

John King

Donna R. Klein

Charles (Chip) Klein

Lindsay Jean Knutson

Thomas and Marian Koeck

Herb and Ruth Kueck

Cindy Kueck

Barbara Kuhn

Laura Lamb

Christian and Alta Larson

Alison Lewis

Jon Ljungkull

Gunnar Ljungkull

Loren L. Lundeen

Ann, Ruth and Robert Lyon

Lottie and Roscoe Lyon

Bob Mairs

Harriet E. McCloskey

George F. and Sara McI Amend

Molly McMillan

Libby Monson

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Mosbrucker

Rudy and Norma Nelson

Joyce and Harold Nicholls

Catherine and Roy Nienhauser

JoAnn Noland

Mary Jacqueline O'Keefe

Mardell and Leonard Opitz

Kayton and Marilyn Palmer

James and Lois Parkman

Jan Patton

Justin V. Pearson

Leonard and Louise Pearson

Lisa M. Pearson

Molly Ann Pearson

Sharon Sullivan Pearson

Vern and Beatrice Pearson

Howard and Judith Peterson

Florence and Dr. Benjamin A. Pomeroy

June and Dr. James Pomeroy

Dr. Harold Pomeroy

Margaret L. and Dr. Benjamin S. Pomeroy

Benjamin A. Pomerov

Dinh-Quang-Vinh

Calvin and Annabel Randolph

Albert A. Rosner

Phyllis and Tom Schluter

Lorraine and Edward Schneider

John Gavin Scott

Jack and Phyllis Sjoholm, Sr.

Robert L. Smith Family

Nobelt L. Sillitin anni

Manville D. Smith, Jr.

Don and Loretta Smith

Edward and Mary Snyder

William and Marion Snyder

Peter Snyder

Darlene and Ken Stensby

Chuck and Mary Ellen Stewart

Tyler and Roberta Sturdevant

Henry Sylvester

Mark W. Thomas

Lowell Thornber

Kari Lynn Thorsen

Wyle and Dorothy Van

Coleen Vaught

Martha and Arie Verhagen

James and Margaret Wall

Jean Wardin

Jack and Dorothy Warren

Dr. and Mrs. John Wertz

Ted Weverhaeuser

Wendy White

Edgar and Valerie White

William and Evelyn Widmann

Mary Snyder Wilson

Christine Campbell Yaeger

Ann Yuska

In Honor:

Julia Carlson Scott Kenefake

Kiera Stegall

In Memoriam

Marilyn E. Lentz joined the House of Hope Presbyterian Church on October 14, 1973. Marilyn entered the Church Triumphant on December 13, 2022.

"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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