

Holy Week and Easter at House of Hope

Palm Sunday: April 2

Sanctuary | 10 a.m.

Nursery and Sunday School for birth - Grade 5 available in the Assembly Room.

Maundy Thursday: April 6

Elizabeth Chapel Service | 12 p.m.

The Office of Tenebrae and Holy Communion | Sanctuary 7 p.m.

Good Friday: April 7

Elizabeth Chapel Service | 12 p.m.

Good Friday Vespers

Sanctuary | 7 p.m.

Nursery for ages 5 and under available.

Easter Sunday: April 9

Sunrise Service

Elizabeth Chapel | 7:30 a.m.

Festive Worship with Organ, Choirs, and Brass | Sanctuary | 9 and 11 a.m.

Nursery and Sunday School for birth - Grade 5 available in the Assembly Room.

Sanctuary services streamed at hohchurch.org



THE DIDIER SEMINAR 2023

Writer, Editor, and Religious Activist

Paul Brandeis Raushenbush

Building the Multi-faith Future: Freedom of Religion in a Democracy

April 21-23, 2023



President and CEO of Interfaith Alliance, Rev. Paul Raushenbush served as Senior Vice President at Auburn Seminary, Executive Editor of HuffPost Religion, and Associate Dean of Religious Life and The Chapel at Princeton University. Most recently, he was Senior Advisor for Public Affairs and Innovation at Interfaith America.

An ordained Baptist minister, Rev. Raushenbush has been a leader in the interfaith movement to protect freedom and preserve democracy. He comes from a dual line of pioneers in the very work he has been called to do. As the great-grandson of the first Jewish Supreme Court Justice Louis Brandeis and great-grandson of Baptist theologian Walter Rauschenbusch, a key figure in the Social Gospel movement, Rev. Paul Raushenbush's commitment to interfaith advocacy comes in part from his own interfaith background.

Also:

The Honorable Paul Anderson, Minnesota Associate Supreme Court Justice, Retired

Dr. Piercarlo Valdezsolo, Associate Professor of Psychology Science, Claremont McKenna College and Visiting Associate Professor of Psychology, Macalester College

Schedule:

Friday, April 21

6:30 p.m. Dessert Reception | Assembly Room

7:30 p.m. Democracy Not Theocracy: *Confronting the threat of Christian Nationalism to preserve our religiously diverse nation* – Rev. Paul Raushenbush

Saturday, April 22, Moderated by Rev. Paul Raushenbush

9:30 a.m. Christian Nationalism and the United States

Supreme Court: *Is the concept rooted in U.S. history?* – Justice Paul Anderson

10:45 a.m. The Psychology of Meaning: *How we create meaning and struggle with difference* – Dr. Piercarlo Valdezsolo

Sunday, April 23

10 a.m. Worship | Rev. Paul Brandeis Raushenbush Preaching:

Shall Christian Nationalists win? *The Critical Role of Congregations in Protecting our Diverse Democracy*

11:15 a.m. Adult Enrichment with Rev. Paul Raushenbush
Where Do We Go From Here? *Building a Multi-faith Future.*

Lectures held in the sanctuary and streamed at hohchurch.org. Register at <https://bit.ly/Didier23> or call the church office.



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. Special offering envelopes will be available on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday. *Thank you for your generosity!*

Ways to give:

- Check with the memo: OGHS
- Visit www.hohchurch.org > Support House of Hope > Make a Gift > Fund: OGHS
- Text "HOH OGHS" to 73256 to give using your mobile device.

WORSHIP

10 a.m.

Sunday, April 2, 2023
Palm/Passion Sunday

Motet Choir:

Ride On, King Jesus, Fleming
When I Survey the Wondrous Cross,
Martin

Sunday, April 9, 2023
Resurrection of the Lord/Easter Day

Choir School:

A Joyous Psalm, Butler, 9 a.m.

Motet Choir Anthems

Saturday, April 15, 2023
Sacred Gathering | 5:30 p.m.
Sanctuary Chancel

Join us to explore the marvels
and mysteries of our spiritual life,
common experiences, and
connections to faith.

Sunday, April 16, 2023
Second Sunday of Easter
Holy Communion

Bells of Hope:

Now the Green Blade Riseth, McChesney
Bell Jubilee, Prins

Motet Choir Anthems

Sunday, April 23, 2023
Third Sunday of Easter

Choir School:

Psalm 150, Johnson

Motet Choir Anthems

Sunday, April 30, 2023
Fourth Sunday of Easter

Choir School:

Sing Ye Joyfully, Besig

Motet Choir Anthems



A Note from Matt

From Palms to Passion: The Music of Holy Week

*See from his Head, his Hands, his Feet,
Sorrow and **Love** flow mingled down!
Did e'er such Love and Sorrow meet,
Or Thorns compose so rich a Crown?*

- Issac Watts

For me, the Motet Choir's involvement in Holy Week services in one of my favorite parts of the year. Having experienced this poignant week of the church year in other faith traditions, my wish is that more of us attended services here, finding time for reflection and prayer in the midst of our own busy lives. The services crafted for you by our church staff offer scripture, music, and meditations that may present to you new meaning and insights into the context and relevance of Christ's crucifixion and resurrection in today's world. In order to help play our part in this, the Motet Choir will be singing works from a number of musical traditions, portraying the events of Palm Sunday through the triumph of Easter morning.

Palm Sunday

We share the celebration of Jesus' arrival with a setting of the spiritual, *Ride On, King Jesus*, crafted by Larry Fleming. Later in the service, we will sing Gilbert Martin's famous setting of *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*, the third stanza of which is printed above. I've intentionally put this piece a week or two earlier than where I might otherwise program it, allowing a foretaste of Christ on the cross, where both love and sorrow flow.

Maundy Thursday

One of House of Hope's longest-running musical traditions is the sharing of Healey Willan's *Tenebrae Responses*, sung juxtaposed with the spoken scriptures. These four responses are part of a larger set, and are created in the same way

that composers in the Renaissance, from Gesualdo to Palestrina, approached these texts.

Good Friday

At this year's Good Friday Vesper service, we are performing John Rutter's *Requiem*. Known for his lovely melodic abilities, Rutter also visits darker tones and complex harmonies to relate to the grief of his own father's passing in the year before completing this score. Whereas the Requiems composed by Mozart, Fauré, Duruflé, and Verdi follow strict Latin sourcing from the *Mass for the Dead*, John Rutter's work is inspired by the works that drew from other scripture, particularly the Book of Psalms, in the manner of Johannes Brahms and Herbert Howells. It is a compelling and meaningful composition, and is the first time that we have sung it since 2012.

Easter Morning

Christ's resurrection is marked through exciting music for choirs, organ, brass, and percussion. It is a festive morning from start to finish, and our anthems include works by my esteemed colleague Aaron David Miller and music of the Renaissance era.

It is my pleasure to invite each and every one of you to consider attending services during Holy Week, especially if you have not done so in the past. It is a week of deep meaning, allowing numerous ways to reframe the world around us.

- Matt

House of Hope Congregational Meeting Sunday, May 7 | Sanctuary

The Session has called a meeting of the Congregation on Sunday, May 7 following worship for the purposes of electing Elders, Trustees, Deacons, members of the 2024 Nominating Committee, and a Pastor Nominating Committee.



Stewardship 2023

Thank you for your support!



The Stewardship Committee thanks all who have pledged or continue to give regularly to support the financial needs of

House of Hope. Every gift is one's commitment to our beautiful dynamic church. Our pledge goal for 2023 is \$1,100,000 and to date the pledges are at 92%. The goal is reachable with everyone's help!

Leading the effort is your Stewardship Committee. This year we are rallying around the theme of **Building Hope | Sharing Hospitality** for ourselves and for our community, also as we move forward in search of a new pastor. Stewardship is one of 11 standing committees of your Session, and our mission is to encourage the congregation to contribute time, talent, and financial resources to support HOH. The committee make-up is a cross section of the church and can include: 4 Elders, 2 Deacons, 2 Trustees and 6 members of the congregation.

The 2023 Stewardship team is listed below. We welcome your help and ideas!

Session Elders: Chris Hilton, Linda Lane, Herb Lewis, and Co-Chairs Sarah Walbert and David Cleveland

Trustees: Jane Flad and John Couchman

Congregation: Sherwood Pomeroy

Staff: Pastor Scott Kenefake and Michelle Freyholtz

Your pledges enable better expense budgeting. We hope you will think of pledging as becoming a "sustainer." Simply complete a pledge card or set up your gift online. Contact Michelle Freyholtz for assistance.

Every gift reflects the values we all share and is important to sustain the mission and ministries of HOH. Together we will continue to **Build Hope** and **Share Hospitality**.

– Your Stewardship Committee



House of Hope's Women's Retreat

poetry and restoration

"Make a nesting place now ..."

Friday, April 28 – Sunday, April 30

Saint John's Abbey Guesthouse,

Collegeville, Minnesota

Facilitator: Rev. Dr. Julia Carlson

The power of words to wound is also a measure of the power of words to heal.

– Pádraig Ó Tuama

As a noun, retreat is a process of receding, to pull back the troops, or to seek refuge. To **make** a retreat is to withdraw to a spiritual place. Whether you are seeking time away from a siege or an opportunity to move into rest and reflection, our invitation is to form community around spiritual practice, poetry, and conversation for our restoration and well-being.

All women are invited for a weekend away from daily routines to re-connect and deepen our relationship with God, the earth, ourselves, and others. Beside gatherings as a group, there will be time to reflect on one's own, explore the beautiful campus and grounds, tour Saint John's Bible Gallery, visit Saint John's Pottery, and join the monastic community in worship and prayer.

Cost of \$200 single occupancy or \$170 each for double occupancy includes lodging, meals, and retreat materials, and is due at the time of registration.

Space is limited—final registration at our tables outside the sanctuary on Sunday, April 2.

Session Highlights

February:

- Appointment of a Task Force for the purpose of studying possible Leadership/Board Reorganization.
- Appointment of a Task Force for the purpose of studying Edward Duffield Neill's writings and history about Native Americans.

March:

- Appoint HOH Youth, working with the Peace and Justice Committee and church staff, to implement a comprehensive recycling and compost plan including congregational education, and approved funding.
- Appoint HOH Youth, working with Facility Manager Jim Brzezinski, to research secure options, best installation methods, and possible locations for bike parking, and to install secure bike parking under the supervision of the Facility Manager, and approved funding.
- Approved exploration of a House of Hope History Display.
- Approved recommendation of Developing for the Future Collaboration Group to retain Miller Dunwiddie architectural firm to develop a master site plan for HOH, and to extend the charter of the Collaboration Group to May 2024 to work with architectural firm, in consultation with Session and Board of Trustees.

House of Hope Livestream Team Members Needed

HOH is seeking additional team members to assist in the livestream of our Sunday worship services, weddings, memorial services, and other events. Training will be offered, and no prior experience is required.

Helpful skills include:

- Experience with technology.
- Understanding of audio and visual production.
- Strong communication skills.
- Attention to detail.
- Problem solving skills, including having cool, calm reactions, and an ability to troubleshoot issues.
- Creative and inventive.

Contact the church office with interest.



Children, Youth and Family Ministry

Children and Family Ministry

Contact Kiera Stegall:

KieraS@hohchurch.org

Sunday Morning Ministries:

Now offered in the Assembly Room unless otherwise noted.

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

Palm Sunday Processional Sunday, April 2 | Narthex 9:45 a.m.

Children, birth through fifth graders, are invited to join us for our annual palm processional. We will meet in the Narthex at 9:45 a.m. to distribute palm branches. Children, two-years-old and younger, must be accompanied by an adult. The palm processional takes place at the start of the worship service.

Easter Sunday Childcare & Treats Sunday, April 9 | 9 and 11 a.m.

All children are invited to enjoy Easter Sunday worship with their families in the sanctuary. For those who desire, childcare is available for children, birth through first grade, during the 9 and 11 a.m. services. Easter goodies are available for children, birth through fifth grade.

Twins Bowling Event Friday, April 14 | St. Francis Bowling Center | 6 – 8 p.m.

Fourth through sixth graders are invited to a night of bowling and dinner. Cost is \$10 per person, which includes two

hours of bowling, shoe rental, and dinner. Adult chaperones are needed. Families are responsible for their own transportation or coordinating carpools. RSVP to Kiera Stegall by Monday, April 3.

One Great Hour of Sharing Fish Bank Collection: Sundays, April 2 and 9

Return fish banks with donations on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday. Thank you for your generosity!

Youth and Family Ministry

Contact Elsa Kendig:

ElsaK@hohchurch.org

Youth Group Sundays, April 2, 23, and 30 Assembly Room | 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday, April 9:

There will be no youth events to allow you to enjoy time with your family.

Youth Afternoon: Chipotle and a Movie | Sunday, April 16

11:15 a.m. – 3 p.m. Let's meet in the Skylight Room.

Sunday Youth Hour: April 16 | Skylight Room | 9 a.m. April 2, 23, 30 | Kirby Lounge 10:10 a.m.

We'll decompress from the week, do highs and lows, enjoy treats, and think deep thoughts.

Confirmation Class Sundays, April 16, 23, and 30 Kirby Lounge | 6:15 - 7:30 p.m.

CLOISTER GALLERY



Do not be afraid...for he has been raised, as he said. Matthew 28:5,6

New Testament Images Kirsten Malcolm Berry Through Easter Sunday, April 9

"My work is drawn from the images of the New Testament. Integrated into each painting is the verse on which it is based, written in Greek. The Greek links viewers to the original form of the text and its unfamiliar script hints at God's global grace to 'every tribe and language.'

The exercise of faith is difficult for those of us who long for perceptible signs of God's presence. I paint the images of the Bible to help me translate the abstract into the tangible. Through pictures I grasp that the Word indeed became flesh, and in resurrection power is present even now in the Advocate. And is that not him behind the glimmers of new creation we see each day?"

— Kirsten Malcolm Berry

To learn more, visit KirstenMalcolmBerry.com

CLOISTER GALLERY UPDATE

As part of the HVAC/Electrical Project, construction related work will be taking place in the area around the gallery that will cause dust and/or other conditions not conducive to displaying artwork. Therefore, exhibits will be temporarily suspended.

Children and Youth May Virtual Art Gallery



Children and youth are invited to submit artwork for the May Virtual Art Gallery. Artists can use any medium (i.e. painting, Play-Doh, Legos, clay, drawing, photographs, coloring, digital art, etc.). Submit a digital image to Kiera Stegall by Sunday, April 30 of the artwork along with the student's first name and age or grade. We do not post

photos of our artists or their last names in our virtual gallery.

APRIL

Adult Enrichment

Adult Enrichment: Invitation to Holy Week

Sunday, April 2 | Sanctuary
11:15 a.m.

Pastor Julia Carlson and Motet Choir Director Matthew Culloton will preview the different opportunities for worship during this year's Holy Week. They will be joined by Aaron Miller and the Motet Choir, who will share musical information and a sneak peek into John Rutter's *Requiem* and Healey Willan's *Tenebrae Responses*.

Adult Enrichment: House of Hope Architectural Visioning

Sunday, April 16 | Sanctuary
11:15 a.m.

The Session has selected Miller Dunwiddie architectural firm to support HOH's visioning process by creating House of Hope's Master Site Plan. Come learn about the process for this work as we fine-tune our vision for the church building and grounds.

Adult Enrichment: *Where Do We Go From Here? Building a Multi-faith Future* with Rev. Paul Brandeis Raushenbush

Sunday, April 23 | Sanctuary
11:15 a.m.

Join us to hear Rev. Paul Raushenbush as we conclude The Didier Seminar. See page 1 for more information.

Adult Enrichment: History and Tradition of the Eastern Orthodox Church with Dr. Ann Woods

Sunday, April 30 | Sanctuary
11:15 a.m.

Join us to deepen your understanding of the Eastern Orthodox Christianity through a discussion of their rich history, traditions, and practice of their faith. Dr. Ann Woods is the Assistant Coordinator of Education at St. George Greek Orthodox Church, a neighboring church of House of Hope.

Other Events

Great Decisions: Energy Geopolitics with Dr. Andrew Latham

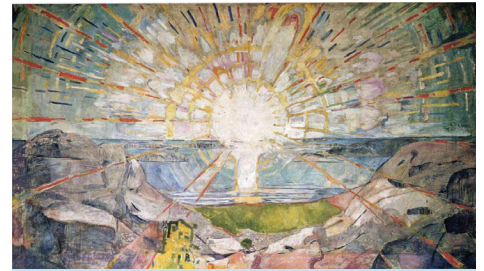
Tuesday, April 11 | Library | 4 p.m.

Access to oil and gas has long shaped the politics of individual nations and their relations with others. But as more countries move toward sustainable energy, and supply chain shortages affect the availability of oil and gas, how will this change the way the United States interacts with the outside world? Dr. Andrew Latham is a professor of International Relations and Political Theory at Macalester College. He regularly teaches courses on regional conflict, grand strategy, great power competition, and Chinese foreign policy. He is currently working on a book entitled *China's Grand Strategy: A History, 1950-2050*.

April Donation Drive for 21st Century Academy

Liberty Community Church is home to the 21st Century Academy, an after-school program serving K-12 students. Approximately 80 scholars spend their afternoons doing homework, exercising, playing, participating in enrichments, therapy as needed, and having dinner. Snacks are needed for this program for May.

- **Snacks should be individually wrapped, single-serve items that don't require utensils.**
- **No candy, cookies, or snacks with peanuts.**
- **Requested items:** Goldfish Crackers, PopCorners, granola bars, cheese sandwich crackers, dried fruit snacks, pretzels, applesauce pouches, chips, and fruit bars.
- **Financial donations** appreciated with memo: **21st Century**.
- **Sunday, April 30:** Donate perishable items including apples, clementine oranges, packaged hard boiled eggs, Go-Gurt, string cheese.
- **Drop off** donations in bins marked 21st Century.



The House of Hope Choir School Spring Concert: *Let There Be Music*

Sunday, May 7 | 2 p.m.

Join us for our spring concert as we close out our 40th Anniversary Season!

Earth Care



Observe Earth Day

Earth Day Congregational Event

Saturday, April 22 | Summit Avenue and Mississippi River Boulevard | 9-11:30 a.m.

In observance of Earth Day, the Peace and Justice Earth Care Group invites congregants and friends to join in a park and watershed cleanup. Meet at The Monument in Shadow Falls Park. Wear comfortable clothes and bring garden or work gloves. For more information contact Deb James at dsjames96@gmail.com. Please register at:

<https://bit.ly/HOH2023EarthDay>

The first Earth Day in 1970 launched the birth of the modern environmental movement. Join with the more than a billion people across the globe, who celebrate it every year by doing something that shows your commitment to making personal changes and working for systemic ones to help halt climate change. Ways to participate include:

- Walk or bike anywhere that's less than a mile.
- Eat more plant-based meals.
- Quit single-use plastic—purchase and use reusable items.



House of Hope has been re-certified as an Earth Care Congregation. *Thank you for your efforts to care for our environment.*

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Easter Reflection



"On this Easter morning, let us look again at the lives we have been so generously given and let us let fall away the useless baggage that we carry -- old pains, old habits, old ways of seeing and feeling -- and let us have the courage to begin again. Life is very short, and we are no sooner here than it is time to depart again, and we

should use to the full the time that we still have.

We don't realize all the good we can do. A kind, encouraging word or helping hand can bring many a person through dark valleys in their lives. We weren't put here to make money or to acquire status or reputation. We were sent here to search for the light of Easter in our hearts, and when we find it we are meant to give it away generously. The dawn that is rising this Easter morning is a gift to our hearts and we are meant to celebrate it and to carry away from this holy, ancient place the gifts of healing and light and the courage of a new beginning."

—John O'Donohue

Dawn Mass Reflections at Corcomroe Abbey from *Walking on the Pastures of Wonder: In Conversation with John Quinn*



Interested in a House of Hope Pilgrimage to England?

Travel Dates: September 30 and October 10

Tour Dates: October 1-9

Join Julia Carlson in England and soak in the spirit of England's ancient heritage on pilgrimage from Stonehenge to Glastonbury, Bath to Bristol, the Cotswolds to London, and so much more in between. Trip information can be found at welcome centers. Contact Julia Carlson for more information or to express interest in the trip by Tuesday, April 11.

