# THE HOUSE OF HOPE Presbyterian Church



"God came among us in the person of Jesus of Nazareth to show us the Way. He came to show us the Way to life, the Way to love. He came to show us the Way beyond what often can be the nightmares of our own devising and into the dream of God's intending. That's why, when Jesus called his first followers, he did it with the simple words 'Follow me." - Bishop Michael Curry

Confirmation Sunday | May 7, 2023 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 open and affirming, 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 **Cloister Gallery** following the service.

**Today is Confirmation Sunday!** We will welcome this year's confirmation class in worship. Following the congregational meeting, all are welcome to greet our new members and enjoy cake in the Cloister Gallery.

#### **Sunday Morning Family Resources:**

- **Worship:** Children are invited to join their families in the Sanctuary for worship. Following the Children's Blessing, children are invited to join us for Sunday School, 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 feel comfortable.
- **Wiggle Room:** Children are always welcome in the Sanctuary. For those who desire a wiggle break, the Library is equipped with toys, books, puzzles, and livestream worship.



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

Today, Sunday, May 7 | Sanctuary | 2 p.m.

All are welcome to the final Choir School concert of the season in the sanctuary and streamed at hohchurch.org. Come experience the beauty of our choristers' voices as we close out our 40th Anniversary Season!

#### **THE APPROACH TO GOD**

#### Prelude

Arioso Aaron David Miller, Organist

#### Introit

*Be Still, My Soul* The Motet Choir, Matthew Culloton, Choirmaster

#### + Processional Hymn 416

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

#### + Eastertide Affirmation (unison)

Wind Upon The Waters, from the time of creation you have been breathing new life into the universe. Breathe your Spirit into us so that we might be made new, with new hearts open to loving our neighbor, new minds open to new ways of thinking and insights. May our own spirits be renewed by your Spirit within us, so that we might experience new hope, new joy, and new peace in you.

#### + Doxology



#### **Welcome and Announcements**

J. S. Bach

Jean Sibelius

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

Rev. Dr. Julia A. Carlson

#### Anthem

*Laudate Dominum* Linh Kauffman, Soprano

Laudate Dominum omnes gentes, Laudate eum omnes populi! Quoniam confirmata est super nos misericordia ejus et veritas Domini manet in aeternum.

Gloria Patri et Filio et Spiritui Sancto. Sicut erat in principio et nunc et semper Et in saecula saeculorum. Amen. Praise the Lord all ye people, Praise the Lord! For his loving kindness and mercy Are given to us And the truth of the Lord endures forever.

Glory be to the Father and Son and Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now and always Will be for all generations. Amen.

#### **THE WORD OF GOD**

#### **First Lesson**

Psalm 31:1-5,15-16 (OT, pp. 505-506 in pew Bible) Leader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.** 

#### Anthem

*The Lord Bless You and Keep You* St Nicholas Choir, Sofia Ardalan, Director; Timothy Short, Piano

The Lord bless you and keep you: the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you: the Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon you and give you peace. Amen.

#### **Rising-Kindergarten Bible Presentation and Blessing**

Dear God, thank you for creating us in your image. As these children and their families read our sacred stories, let them learn from the joys and mistakes of our ancestors. Teach us to follow Jesus, as we care for the world and everyone in it. Amen.

Following the blessing, all children are invited to walk with Kiera Stegall to the front of the sanctuary and out the West Transept doors (Pulpit Side) and be led to the Assembly Room.

#### Second Lesson

John 14:8-17 (NT, pp. 108-109 in pew Bible) Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

John Rutter

**Ouint Sheldon** 

W.A. Mozart

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#### Sermon

Rev. Dr. Scott M. Kenefake

The Way of Love: Living a Jesus Shaped Life

#### THE RESPONSE TO GOD -

+ Hymn 321

Holy Spirit, Truth Divine

SONG 13

#### **Presentation of Confirmands**

Genevieve Grace Anderson Margaret Shae Anderson Elizabeth Emerson Daigle Imogen Weyandt Kaatz

Lars Grayson Osteraas Evan Charles Shipp William Carlton Weispfenning

#### **The Rite of Confirmation**

#### **Affirmation of Faith** — from A Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain, and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

#### Laying on of Hands

#### Welcoming the Confirmands (unison)

With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you to share with us in the ministry of Christ, for we are all one in him.

#### 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. Please see insert.

#### **Offertory Anthem**

*The Lord is my Strength* Allison Eckberg, Alto; Kevin Shannon, Bass Samuel Coleridge-Taylor

The Lord is my strength and my song, And is become my salvation. I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of God.

O Lord of all, with us abide, In this our joyful Eastertide, From every weapon death can wield Thine own redeemed forever shield. All praise be thine, O Risen Lord, From death to endless life restored, All praise to God the Father be, And Holy Ghost eternally. Amen.

#### + Offertory Response



#### \*Recessional Hymn 538

Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing

SICILIAN MARINERS

#### +Benediction

#### **Congregational Meeting**

#### **Carillon Postlude**

David W. Johnson, Carillonneur

The Communion Table Flowers are given in honor of the Confirmation Class of 2023.

**The Pulpit Flowers** are given in honor of the House of Hope Choir School.

#### **Rising-Kindergartners receiving their Bibles today:**

Anna Bailey Wyatt Culley Jane Cummings Remy Henseler Alexander MacKenzie Daniel Thomas Rosalind Winkelman CHUKUH: MISSION

# 416 Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

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Attr. John Fawcett, 1773

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# News & Opportunities

# May 7 - 14, 2023

#### **CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY**

Kiera Stegall: KieraS@hohchurch.org

#### In the Assembly Room:

Nursery: Infants–Toddlers | 9:45 a.m. Sunday School: Presch.-Gr.5 | 10:10 a.m.

**Tweens End of the Year Party** | Friday, May 12 HOH Community Garden and Park | 6–8 p.m.

#### YOUTH AND FAMILY MINISTRY

Elsa Kendig: ElsaK@hohchurch.org

Youth Group: Assembly Room | 7:30 p.m.

#### Afternoon Bikes and Burgers

Sunday, May 21 | Portland Ave Entrance 11:25 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Upcoming

#### Sacred Gathering | Saturday, May 13, 2023 5:30 p.m. Sanctuary Chancel

This is the last Sacred Gathering in the spring series. Join us for another form of worship that explores the marvels and mysteries of our spiritual life, common experiences, and connections to faith.

#### Adult Enrichment: Best Reads for Summer Sunday, May 21 | Sanctuary | 11:15 a.m.

Whether you'll spend your summer in Saint Paul or at the lake, join us to learn about the best summer reads with Holly Weinkauf, owner of Red Balloon Bookshop. Books will be available for sale at the enrichment.

#### Great Decisions: *War Crimes* with speaker Christi Siver Tuesday, May 9 | Library | 4 p.m.

The Russian invasion of Ukraine has challenged many international norms, including the prohibition on state aggression and the protection of civilians. Russian forces are not hiding their crimes; they attack civilian targets with missiles and have committed numerous atrocities in occupied areas. How can Russian leaders and forces be held accountable for these offenses?

Christi Siver is a Professor of Political Science at the College of Saint Benedict and Saint John's University.

#### New Member Class Sunday, May 14 | Library | 11:15 a.m.

Interested in membership or want to know more about House of Hope? Please join us!



## Do you know a child who loves to sing?

#### Join the HOH Choir School!

Our unique music education program offers singing and choral experiences to all children Prek-Grade 12. Fall semester begins September 6. For more information and to register, contact Director Sofia Ardalan at SofiaA@hohchurch.org

The House of Hope offers text giving. Text HOH to 73256 and click the link to complete your gift. It's that easy.

**HOH Community Garden.** Returning and new volunteers are always welcome in our beautiful HOH Community Garden that supports the food pantries at Neighborhood House and Hallie Q. Brown Community Center! Even if you can only help out a couple times, our collective efforts contribute to creating over 1000 lbs. of delicious and nutritious food each year for our neighbors. All ages, abilities, experience levels, and schedules of volunteers are welcome—there are jobs to fit everyone, including delivering produce to the food markets. Most of our work is on weekday mornings, but we do occasional evenings and weekends. Weeding can be done on your own schedule. Volunteer once or all season. We'll begin by early May, and gardening continues through late fall. For questions or to join the email list to see when we're working and what we're doing contact Elizabeth Karre: houseofhopegarden@gmail.com

#### Week Beginning May 7, 2023

Confirmat	ion Sunday, May 7, 2023	Thursday, May 11, 2023		
9 a.m.	Confirmand Family Gathering,	7 a.m.	Men's Breakfast, Day by Day Cafe/Zoom	
	Cloister Gallery	9:30 a.m.	Mission Sewing, Cloister Gallery	
9:15 a.m.	Choir School, Library	5:30 p.m.	Capital City Grief Coalition, St. John's	
9:45 a.m.	Nursery, Assembly Room	5:30 p.m.	Budget Committee, Zoom	
10 a.m.	Worship Service, Sanctuary	6 p.m.	Master Site Listening Session, Assembly	
10:10 a.m.	Sunday School, Assembly Room		Room	
11 a.m.	Congregational Meeting, Sanctuary	7 p.m.	Personnel Committee, Zoom	
11:15 a.m.	Social Hour/Confirmand Cake Reception,	Friday, May 12, 2023		
	Cloister Gallery	8 a.m.	Women's Breakfast Group, Zoom	
2 p.m.	Choir School Spring Concert, Sanctuary	9 a.m.	Friday Centering Prayer, Zoom	
7:30 p.m.	Youth Group, Assembly Room	9 a.m.	Trustees Meeting, Zoom	
Monday, N	1ay 8, 2023	9:30 a.m.	Houses of Hope Endowment Committee,	
11:00 a.m.	Centering Prayer, Chancel/Zoom		Library	
5:30 p.m.	Faith and Fibers, Library/Zoom	10:30 a.m.	Developing for the Future, Kirby/Zoom	
5:30 p.m.	Peace and Justice Committee, Zoom	6 p.m.	Tweens Event, HOH Community Garden	
6 p.m.	AA, Sanctuary	Saturday, I	May 13, 2023	
6 p.m.	Al-Anon, Library	5:30 p.m.	Sacred Gathering, Chancel	
Tuesday, May 9, 2023		Sunday, M	ay 14, 2023	
7 a.m.	Men's Breakfast, Day by Day Cafe/Zoom	9 a.m.	Youth Hour, Skylight Room	
3:30 p.m.	Great Decisions, Library	9:45 a.m.	Nursery, Assembly Room	
5 p.m.	Stewardship Meeting, Kirby Lounge/Zoom	10 a.m.	Worship Service, Sanctuary	
6 p.m.	Master Site Listening Session, Assembly	10:10 a.m.	Sunday School, Assembly Room	
	Room	11:15 a.m.	Social Hour, Cloister Gallery	
6:45 p.m.	Youth Committee, Skylight Room/Zoom	11:15 a.m.	Adult Enrichment, Sanctuary	
Wednesday, May 10, 2023		11:15 a.m.	Master Site Listening Session, Kirby Loung	
9:30 a.m.	Wednesday Bible Study, Library	11:15 a.m.	New Member Class, Library	
4:30 p.m.	Choir School Voice, Sanctuary	7:30 p.m.	Youth Group, Assembly Room	
6 p.m.	Stephen Ministry Continuing Ed, Library	-	To support House of Hope	
7 p.m.	Motet Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary		please use this QR code:	
7 p.m.	Bells of Hope, Youth Room			

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

#### In Memoriam

**William E. Smith** joined The House of Hope Presbyterian Church on October 1, 2013. Bill entered the Church Triumphant on April 28, 2023.

A memorial service will take place on Wednesday, May 17 at 1 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

*"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

#### House of Hope Master Site Plan Listening Sessions

The Session has selected Miller Dunwiddie architectural firm to support HOH's visioning process by creating House of Hope's Master Site Plan. You are invited to share in the process for this work as we fine-tune our vision for the church building and grounds at numerous listening sessions offered. Architect Paul May from Miller Dunwiddie as well as members of the Developing for the Future Collaboration Group will guide the planning process, incorporating the Dreamscape visioning & materials, and community engagement efforts.

To view dates and sign up for listening sessions, as well as a preparatory survey to be completed prior to attending a listening session and additional information, visit the church office or visit: **www.hohchurch.org/master-site-plan-listening-sessions** 



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#### Clergy

Rev. Dr. Scott M. Kenefake, Transitional Pastor

Rev. Dr. Julia A. Carlson, Senior Associate Pastor/Spiritual Life and Care



The House of Hope Presbyterian Church is a Stephen Ministry Church.