# THE HOUSE OF HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



"You can speak to children of life, but your words are not life itself. You can show them what you see, but your showing and their seeing are forever different things. You cannot speak to them of Divinity Itself. But you can share with them the millions of manifestations of this Reality arrayed before them every moment."

-William Martin, The Parent's Tao Te Ching

Prayer Sunday and Fifth Sunday in Lent | March 17, 2024 10 a.m.

### Welcome!

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

Our open and affirming, caring active community welcomes people of all ages and backgrounds.

### **New Mission Statement:**

Building a loving community for all, House of Hope shares God's grace and presence through music, the arts, reflection, and action. Come join us as we walk through life together.

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:**

- **Sunday School:** Following the Children's Blessing, children may leave the service to engage in faith formation with adult leaders in Room 4 (pre-K to grade 2) or Room 7 (grades 3-5). Caregivers should pick their children up from these classrooms.
- Worship: Children may also choose to engage their faith with their families by staying in the service.
- **Worship bags** are available in the Narthex with age-appropriate materials to help kids focus as they worship alongside their families. You can ask an usher to help you find the best bag for you!
- A **Wiggle Space** for children needing a little more scope to move is available in the sanctuary entrance way during the service. There are books and toys there for your use. Feel free to come in and out of the Sanctuary as needed.
- A variety of children's Bibles are located in the church pews.
- Our **nursery** is open for infants toddlers. A parent/guardian must sign children in and out of the nursery. Bring a photo ID with you.
- Nursing: At House of Hope, parents are welcome to nurse their children wherever they feel comfortable. Feel free to ask an usher if you would feel more comfortable in a more private area.
- Need help? Ask an usher or Children and Family Ministry staff any time!

### **Upcoming Sunday Events and Enrichment Hours:**

### Sunday, March 24: Bridging Differences in Conversations | Great Hall | 11:15 a.m.

Dr. Jennifer Ross-Wolff is Director of the Perlman Center for Learning and Teaching at Carleton College, and she works with faculty on how to turn what could be a classroom debate into a useful classroom dialogue. While this will not be a book discussion, there are two books related to the topic for those who are interested: Subtle Acts of Exclusion, Jana & Baran • Overcoming Bias, Jana & Freeman

### THE APPROACH TO GOD

#### Prelude

Chorale Prelude on "Leoni" Aaron David Miller, Organist **Ancient Hebrew Melody** 

#### Introit

Make My Life a Living Prayer
The Motet Choir; Matthew Culloton, Choirmaster

**Aaron David Miller** 

### \* Processional Hymn 274

O God of Earth and Space

**LEONI** 

### **Prayer of Confession** (unison)

Rev. Scott M. Kenefake

God of life, ground us now in your presence.

Reveal to us the moments when we closed ourselves off in fear.

Reveal to us the moments when we resisted your invitation to love.

Reveal to us the moments when we confused success with faithfulness.

In the midst of our silence, inscribe your law of life within us...

(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.





### **Welcome and Announcements**

### **Commissioning Prayer for Capital Campaign Leadership**

### **Bright Hope for Tomorrow**

Diane Smith

### THE WORD OF GOD ———

### **Anthem**

The Eyes of All Wait Upon Thee

William Harris

The eyes of all wait upon Thee, O Lord:

and Thou givest them their meat in due season.

Thou openest thine hand:

And fillest all things living with plenteousness.

The Lord is righteous in all his ways:

And holy in all his works.

The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon him faithfully.

He will fulfill the desire of them that fear him:

He also will hear the cry and will help them.

The Lord preserveth all them that love.

### **Children's Blessing** (unison)

Here in worship, or going out, we promise to nurture your faith, support your gifts and listen to your voices among us. Remember: God is with you always, every day and everywhere.

Following the blessing, children are invited to either stay in the service with their guardians, or walk out with their guardians to the Narthex to be led to the East Wing for Sunday School.

### **Scripture Lesson**

John 12:20-33 (NT, pp. 106-107 in pew Bible)

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

**Sermon** Rev. Phillip J. Romine

**Everything Grows** 

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### \*Hymn 403

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

**CONVERSE** 

### \* **Affirmation of Faith** — Adapted from *Enfleshed*

Rev. Dr. Julia A. Carlson

As a gathered community of disciples, bound together by the Spirit that breaths life into all things, we affirm our commitment to the way of Jesus Christ, who is The Liberator of the Oppressed, The Bread of Heaven, God enfleshed. With faith, we aim to live as Christ taught us, seeking a world free of domination and control. We believe the resurrecting power of Christ persists in all efforts to make life flourish in the midst of destruction, to birth beauty in places of death, and to tend gently to the aches of this world. We profess the transforming power of love. We profess that justice is a form of love. We profess that we are still growing into the mystery of love. In the company of the saints who go before us, we journey together by grace, seeking always to unlearn all that obstructs authentic relationship, listening for the guidance of Sacred Wisdom, and praying earnestly for the day the Kindom of God is born anew. Until it is so, we live in hope, for God is with us.

### **Renewal of Baptism and Anointing of Oil**

If you wish to mark this reaffirmation of your baptism with the anointing of oil, please come forward. When we baptize, it is with recognition that we are each a child of God. If you come forward, we will ask for your Christian name which is commonly first and middle names.

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 passed throughout the congregation at this time.

**- 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

- **OR Code.** Please see insert.

### **Offertory Anthem**

Jesus is Calling

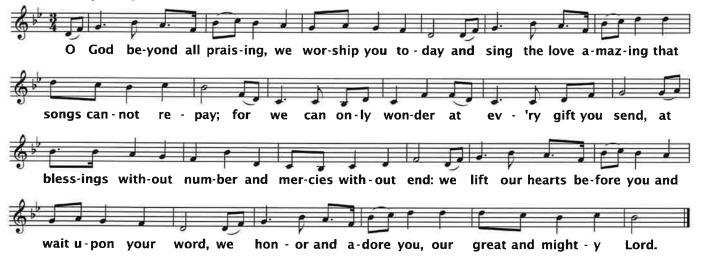
**Aaron David Miller** 

Softly, tenderly Jesus is calling to you, See, on the portals He's waiting and watching, Watching for you and for me.

Come home, come home, You who are weary, come home; Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, Calling sinners come home! Time is now fleeting, moments are passing, Passing from you and from me; Shadows are gathering, night time is coming, Coming for you and for me.

Oh for the wonderful love he has promised, Promised for you and me. Though we have sinned, he has mercy and pardon, Pardon for you and me.

### +Offertory Response



### + Prayer of Dedication

### \*Recessional Hymn 391

Take My Life

**HENDON** 

#### \* Benediction

### **Postlude**

Toccata Gaston Béliere

### Carillon Postlude

Timothy Short, Carillonneur

Special Note: Assisting at the Renewal of Baptism are the Sacred Bells, led by Timothy Short.

**The Communion Table Flowers** are given in loving memory of James Patrick Adams. **The Pulpit Table Flowers** are given in memory of Catherine "Kay" Falenzer.



# Wednesday Lenten Series: Beautiful Work in the Neighborhood

Wednesdays through March 20 in the Kirk Parlour Dinner: 5:45 - 6:15 p.m.

Presentation and Conversation: 6:15 - 7:15 p.m.

Soup supper and kid-friendly dinner options available. Nursery care available.

Questions? Contact Phil Romine, PhillipR@hohchurch.org

For this year's Wednesdays in Lent series, we're highlighting people, organizations, and initiatives that embody the legacy of Fred

Rogers, a leading figure in the revolution of children's (and adults') learning and engagement in community. Come learn how our commitment to being a Matthew 25 congregation, our connections with local community organizations, and the individuals who bring this work life can help us live into the legacy of Fred Rogers, creating neighborhoods where everyone can flourish.

March 20: Diver Van Avery, Writer, Public Artist, Therapist

### **Upcoming Concert Event:**

# The Singers present "My Soul's Repose" at House of Hope Sunday, March 24 at 3:00 p.m.

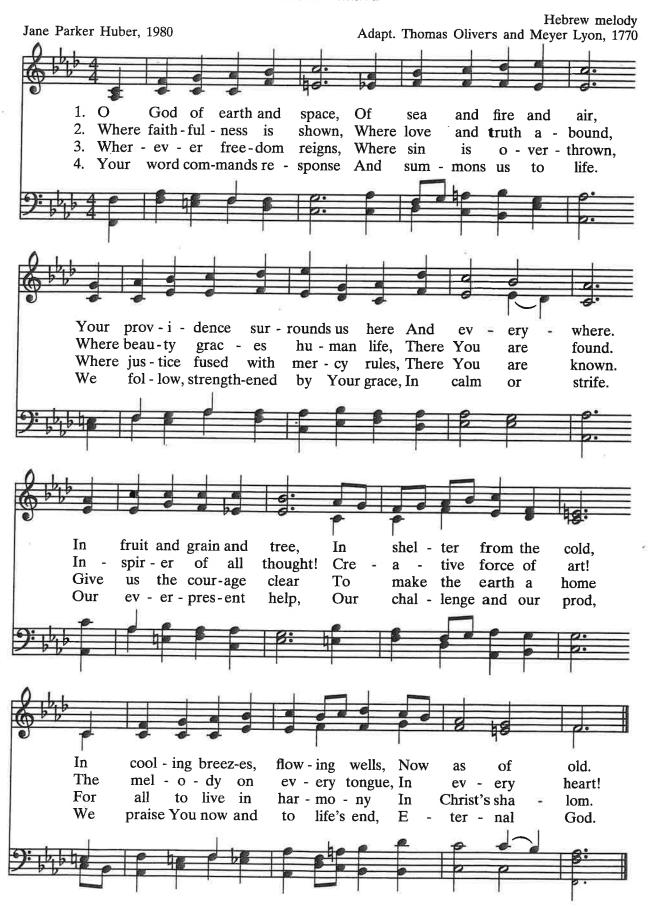
Herbert Howells composed his tender, moving Requiem in memory of his young son, Michael, drawing from the Psalms and other liturgical texts. Pulitzer Prize-winning composer Caroline Shaw also drew inspiration from the Psalms for her and the swallow, showcasing her outstanding choral imagination. A world premiere work commissioned for The Singers' anniversary season composed by John Muehleisen will feature a new text by Brian Newhouse. Other works by J.S. Bach and John Rutter make for a poignant musical offering. There is an additional concert on Saturday 3/23 at 7:30 p.m. in Minneapolis.

### Tickets and info at singersmca.org

**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.

### O God of Earth and Space

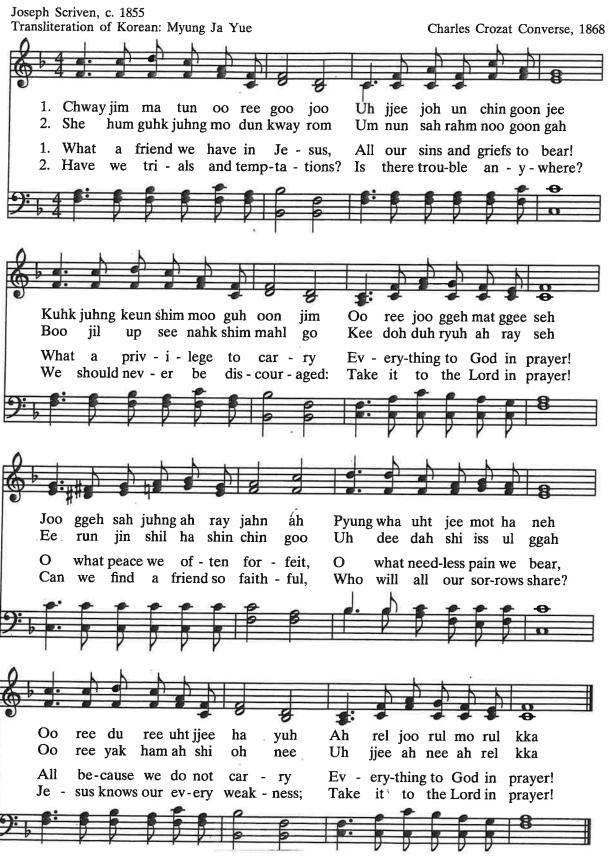
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# Jin Shil Ha Shin Chin Goo ''What a Friend We Have in Jesus

CONVERSE 8.7.8.7 D



3. Are we weak and heavy laden, Cumbered with a load of care? Precious Savior, still our refuge— Take it to the Lord in prayer!

Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer! In His arms He'll take and shield thee, Thou wilt find a solace there.

- 3. Kuhn shim guhk juhng moo guh ooh jim 3. Are we weak and heavy laden, Ah nee jin jah noo goon gah Pee nahn chuh nun oo ree Ye su Joo ggeh kee doh duh ree seh Seh sahng chin goo myul see ha go Nuh rul joh rong ha yuh doh Joo eh poo meh ahn gee uh suh Cham dwen wee ro baat get neh.
  - Cumbered with a load of care? Precious Savior, still our refuge— Take it to the Lord in prayer! Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer! In His arms He'll take and shield thee, Thou wilt find a solace there.

## Precious Lord, Take My Hand

PRECIOUS LORD 6.6.9 D



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### Take My Life

HENDON 7.7.7.7



- 5. Take my will, and make it Thine; It shall be no longer mine.

  Take my heart, it is Thine own; It shall be Thy royal throne, It shall be Thy royal throne.
- 6. Take my love; my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treasure store. Take myself, and I will be Ever, only, all for Thee, Ever, only, all for Thee.



# **News & Opportunities**

March 17 - 24, 2024

### CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY

Jimmy Hoke: JimmyH@hohchurch.org

Nursery-Preschool | 9:45 a.m. Nursery Room Elementary Sunday Sch. | 10:10 a.m. | Rooms 4 & 7

March Sunday School Teachers & Helpers. We are in need for volunteer helpers on Sundays. Moving back to the East Wing (hooray!), we have space to create classes for pre-K - grade 2 and grades 3-5. Please sign up to help—I am creating an easy-to-implement curriculum that will also help teachers and helpers feel equipped to discuss faith with our kiddos! JimmyH@hohchurch.org

### YOUTH AND FAMILY MINISTRY

Elsa Kendig: ElsaK@hohchurch.org

**Pre-Worship Gathering**Sundays | Youth Room | 9:40 a.m.

Youth lunch and meet with Peace and Justice Committee | March 17 | 11:15 a.m. -12:15 p.m. Youth Room. We will have lunch with the Peace and Justice committee. They would love to talk with you all about the work they are doing, any ideas, feedback or input you might have ...and areas we can collaborate on (Peace and Justice also includes the Earth Care committee).

Easter Memorials: You may purchase an Easter lily (\$15) or make a donation in any amount in memory of or in honor of loved ones for publication in the Easter Sunday bulletin. Your donation will support the ministries of House of Hope. The deadline for reserving Easter Memorials is Palm Sunday, March 24. Contact the church office, or sign up online: https://bit.ly/EasterMemorials

### Upcoming

### **Advance Commitments Gatherings**

We are in the process of preparation for our *Bright Hope for Tomorrow* Capital Campaign. An important part of this effort will be three gatherings taking place next week: Tuesday, March 19, Noon (Kirk Parlour) and 6:30 p.m. (Pool & Yacht Club); and Thursday, March 21, 6:30 p.m. (Town and Country Club). The purpose of these gatherings is to build confidence and momentum through the sharing of information, testimonials, and early "pacesetter" commitments. If you are interested in attending one of these gatherings and making an early commitment, please contact the church office by noon on Monday, March 18.

### **Prayer Retreat**

Saturday, March 23 | Great Hall | 8:30 - 11 a.m. 8:30 a.m. Gathering Time with Coffee, Tea, and morning treats | 9 a.m. program

Because it is Lent, because we are in the midst of many changes, and a capital campaign, we are offering a few hours away from the world to talk about prayer and to practice different forms of prayer. The program will be followed by the opportunity to visit Prayer Stations that offer suggestions for a variety of ways to pray. The HOH portable Labyrinth will also be available during open time.

### **Sunday-Weekday Connections**

Tuesday, March 26 | Kirk Parlour | 5:30 p.m.

Sunday-Weekday Connections is a gathering of women for fellowship, a meal, and a guest speaker. Please R.S.V.P. by March 22 at: https://bit.ly/HOHSundayWeekday

**The March Food Drive has begun.** Hunger in our neighborhood is very real. 1 in 8 children in Ramsey County struggle with being hungry. This is where local food shelves like Neighborhood House and Hallie Q. Brown are crucial. They can multiply cash gifts through buying in bulk. Give *often* this month. Indicate March Food Drive when giving. Bring food to the shopping carts near the narthex or by the chapel doors whenever you come to church. Other ways to give:

- Check with memo: Food Pantry
- Text: HOH Food to 73256
- Online: https://bit.ly/HOHGiving > Fund: Food Pantry

**Pastor Nominating Committee Update:** The Presbytery has approved the completed Ministry Discernment Profile. We are now able to begin the matching process with pastors open to a new call. The committee thanks you for your continued prayers and support.

### Week Beginning March 17, 2024

### **Sunday, March 17, 2024**

9:40 a.m. Youth Gathering, Youth Room 9:45 a.m. Nursery, Nursery Room 10 a.m. Worship Service, Sanctuary 10:10 a.m. Sunday School, Rooms 4 & 7 11 a.m. Alleluia Choir, Room 15 11 a.m. Social Hour, Kirk Parlour

11:15 a.m. Youth Lunch with P&J, Youth Room

### Monday, March 18, 2024

11 a.m. Centering Prayer, Sanctuary/Zoom 6 p.m. AA, Great Hall/Dining Rooms A&B 7 p.m. Al-Anon, Room 11/Youth Room

### Tuesday, March 19, 2024

7 a.m. Men's Breakfast, Day by Day Cafe/Zoom 3:30 p.m. Choir School Voice, Choir School Room

### Wednesday, March 20, 2024

7 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study, Room 1/Zoom
1:30 a.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision, Zoom
4 p.m. Choir School Rehearsals, Choir School
Room/Choir Room

5:45 p.m. Lenten Soup Supper, Presentation, and Conversation, Kirk Parlour

7 p.m Motet Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary 7 p.m. Bells of Hope Rehearsal, Room 5

### Thursday, March 21, 2024

7 a.m. Men's Breakfast, Day by Day Cafe/Zoom
10 a.m. Library Committee, Room 3
2:30 p.m. Didier Seminar Meeting, Room 1
5:30 p.m. Capital City Grief Coalition, Kirk Parlour, Bridal Room, Chapel, Room 1

### Friday, March 22, 2024

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

9 a.m. Centering Prayer, Zoom

10:30 a.m. Developing for the Future Committee

Meeting, Room 1/Zoom

### Saturday, March 23, 2024

8:30 a.m. Prayer Breakfast, Great Hall/Dining Rooms A&B

### Palm/Passion Sunday, March 24, 2024

9:40 a.m.
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10 a.m.
10:10 a.m.
11 a.m.
Youth Gathering, Youth Room
Nursery, Nursery Room
Worship Service, Sanctuary
Sunday School, Rooms 4 & 7
Alleluia Choir, Room 15
Social Hour, Kirk Parlour

3 p.m. The Singers MCA Concert, Sanctuary

6 p.m. Youth Group, Room 7

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

### In Memoriam

Mary Stewart Swanson joined The House of Hope Presbyterian Church on February 2, 1993.

Mary entered the Church Triumphant on March 10, 2024.

A memorial service will take place at a later date.

"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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