THE HOUSE OF HOPE Presbyterian Church



"Ephesians 6 reminds us that we are at war against everything preventing us from living in beloved community," writes Ellen Williams Hensle. "Fighting that war does not require violence."

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time | August 25, 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 & backgrounds.

House of Hope 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,** served in the **Kirk Parlour** following the service.

Sunday Morning Family Resources:

- **Worship:** Children may engage their faith by remaining in the service, or joining others at the HOH Park following the Children's Blessing.
- **The Nursery will be closed** on Sundays in August as well as September 1. Nursery care will resume on September 8.
- 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.
- **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!



The HOH Choir School offers a well-rounded music education to all children ages Pre-K – Grade 12. Since 1982, The Choir School has inspired young singers to learn, grow, and have fun! Our outstanding choir ensembles meet on Wednesdays and Sundays, starting September 11.

Registration is now open! Please register using this link: https://bit.ly/ChoirSchoolRegistration

+ Stand as you are able

THE APPROACH TO GOD

Prelude

Capriccio on "Ash Grove" Ribambelle No. 6 and 7 for Harp Rachel Brandwein, Harp Aaron David Miller, Organ

⁺Opening Hymn 416

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

Prayer of Confession (unison)

A. D. Miller Bernard Andres

Rev. Phillip J. Romine

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

Loving God,

through Christ you abide in us, and you invite us to abide in you.

But so often we are restless and unsatisfied.

Instead of resting in the fullness of life Christ offers to us,

we chase after money and fame, recognition and power, status and control.

Instead of honoring the image of God in all our neighbors,

we push others down in the pursuit of our own desires.

Forgive us for forgetting that you call us to a different way of being in the world,

to lives grounded in the self-giving love of Christ.

Lead us out of self-interest and into communal care for one another

and the world you have made.

(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



Welcome and Announcements

THE WORD OF GOD

First Lesson

Psalm 84 (OT, p. 543 in pew Bible)

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

Harp Solo

Contemplation

Henriette Renié

Nancy Stendahl

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 with staff and volunteers to the HOH Park. If rain, children will remain in the service.

Second Lesson

Ephesians 6:10-20 (NT, p. 195 in pew Bible)

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

Sermon

The Armor of God?

Rev. Dr. Scott M. Kenefake

THE RESPONSE TO GOD

⁺Hymn 76

My Song is Love Unknown

LOVE UNKNOWN

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* Affirmation of Faith — from Phil. 2:5–11, Book of Common Worship Rev. Dr. Julia A. Carlson

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross. Therefore, God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess to the glory of God: Jesus Christ is Lord!

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 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
-QR Code.	Please see insert.

Offertory Solo

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⁺Offertory Response

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⁺ Prayer of Dedication

⁺Closing Hymn 388

O Jesus, I Have Promised

ANGEL'S STORY

*Benediction

Postlude

Ribambelle No. 9

Carillon Postlude

Bernard Andres

Timothy Short, Carillonneur

Concert Event TODAY:

On Sunday, August 25 at 2 p.m., harpist Rachel Brandwein and organist Aaron David Miller will present a concert of harp and organ music at Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd in Minneapolis. The concert will feature works of Corelli, Renié, and Grandjany along with original transcriptions for harp and organ. The concert is free to the public. Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd is located at 4801 France Ave., Minneapolis, MN 55410

MOTET CHOIR SEASON LAUNCHES SOON - NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!

The Motet Choir is an important part of the church's ministries and, as always, is welcoming new members interested in this valuable part of church life. The choir rehearses on Wednesday nights at 7 p.m., and sings on Sunday mornings (rehearsal at 9 a.m., service at 10 a.m.) and as part of the holidays seasons of the church. Rehearsals for the fall term begin on Wednesday, September 4. If you are interested, contact Choirmaster Matthew Culloton (e-mail: MatthewC@ hohchurch.org) to set up a preliminary hearing prior to that night.

Handbells at HOH!

The Handbell program at the House of Hope is the second oldest musical group and celebrates its 45th anniversary beginning this Fall. Join a group and experience the art of handbell ringing! The Bells of Hope rehearse each week for 90 minutes and ring musical offerings once each month. Music reading skills are required, but bell technique is taught at rehearsals. The Sounds of Hope meets weekly for 20 minutes each Wednesday and offers music for worship every other month. This is a great way to refresh music reading skills - bell ringing technique is taught in rehearsals. Sacred Bells is an ensemble that ring patterns - no music reading skills are required! The group rings about 5 times a year, meets early on a Sunday morning to learn the patterns, then accompanies a hymn or prayers in the service. Contact Tim Short, music associate for more information. TimS@hohchurch.org

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WESTMINSTER ABBEY 8.7.8.7.8.7



Acts 3:14-15

My Song Is Love Unknown

LOVE UNKNOWN 6.6.6.6.4.4.4.4



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O Jesus, I Have Promised

ANGEL'S STORY 7.6.7.6 D



Alternate tune: NYLAND, 389



News & Opportunities

August 25 - September 1, 2024

CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY

Jimmy Hoke: JimmyH@hohchurch.org

Nursery-Preschool | 8:45 a.m. | Room 8 No Nursery available in August and Sept. 1.

YOUTH AND FAMILY MINISTRY

Elsa Kendig: ElsaK@hohchurch.org

Care Pastors in Residence

Retired Presbyterian pastors Dix Brachlow and Mike Anderson have each been involved in our congregational life in varied ways over the past years. Both have now agreed to serve as volunteer Care Pastors in Residence. They are each gifting the congregation with a specified number of hours a month to make phone calls and visits. We are grateful for their generous and loving presence among us. Their emails are included on the back of the bulletin, or you may call the church office.

Volunteer to be a Greeter!

Now that construction projects are being completed, it's time to reorganize the Sunday greeter program!

Please consider volunteering for one Sunday per month at one of the many posts around the church. To sign up or for more info, contact Shana Wagner at (612) 396-0807 or sharon.k.wagner@gmail.com

HOH Office Closure:

The House of Hope Offices and Building will be closed on Monday, September 2, 2024 in observance of Labor Day.

Save the Dates for these future events:

Sunday, September 8 is Rally Sunday!

Rally Sunday is a time to gather together for the start of a new program year! Please join us for our celebration worship as our Motet Choir returns and for an all-church picnic with burgers, hot dogs, veggie burgers, and all the trimmings. All members, friends, and neighbors welcome!

Saturday-Sunday, October 5-6: Rev. Jermaine Ross Allam, the PC(USA)'s Director of the Center for the Repair of Historic Harms will lead a panel discussion at HOH on Saturday (10:30 a.m. - Noon)" and preach on Sunday.

October 5, 2-6 p.m.: Experience the Sacred Sites Tour and learn about Dakota history with Rev. Jim Bear Jacobs, Co-Director of Racial Justice with the Minnesota Council of Churches. Email Phillip Romine to register: PhillipR@hohchurch.org

Sunday, October 20 is Recovery Sunday

with bestselling author and national recovery advocate William C. Moyers, guest preaching. Moyers is a former CNN journalist who is now the Vice President of Public Affairs and community relations for the Hazelden Betty Ford Foundation.

Sunday, November 3: Our 2 p.m. **Sunday Series** Speaker will be Dr. Kate Bowler, a 4x *New York Times* bestselling author, award-winning podcast host, and professor at Duke University.

Friday, November 8 - Sunday, November 10 Congregational/Family Retreat

This is an opportunity to pause with your church community at Clearwater Forest before the bustle of the end of the year.

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

Save the Date and Register:

NAMI WALK with our Presbytery's Disability Concerns Ministry - September 28

Join us Saturday, September 28, as Team "Presbyterians4NAMI" will help bring Minnesota's NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) closer to our goal of "Mental Health for All." Friends and family will walk with our presbytery's Disability Concerns Ministry. Register, then meet us at a round table near SeaSalt Eatery at 12:00 p.m. (Noon). Look for royal blue t-shirts. We have an impact to make, and the larger our team, the bigger our effect as we raise money and supercharge awareness to power NAMI and its free, life-changing programs.

Register or contribute support at this link: https://bit.ly/NAMIWalk2024

There will also be a table outside Kirk Parlour on Sundays in September to signup.

Questions? Contact Dix Brachlow: 651-508-1425 or DWBrachlow@gmail.com

Week Beginning August 25, 2024

Sunday, August 25, 2024

No Nursery available in August10 a.m.Worship Service, Sanctuary

11 a.m. Social Hour, Kirk Parlour

Monday, August 26, 2024

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

Tuesday, August 27, 2024

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

Thursday, August 29, 2024

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

Friday, August 30, 2024

9 a.m.Centering Prayer, Zoom1:15 - 5 p.m.St. Paul Farmers' Market, Summit Lot

Sunday, September 1, 2024

	No Nursery available
10 a.m.	Worship Service, Sanctuary
11 a.m.	Social Hour, Kirk Parlour
11:15 a.m.	Stephen Ministry Continuing Ed,
	Room 1/Zoom

Monday, September 2, 2024

The Office and Building is closed in observance of Labor Day.



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

In Memoriam

Robert Wardin joined The House of Hope Presbyterian Church on March 23, 1964. He entered the Church Triumphant on August 12, 2024. A memorial service will take place at 11 a.m. on Friday, September 6, 2024, in the Chapel with a reception following.

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Care Pastors in Residence:

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Rev. Dr. Scott M. Kenefake, Transitional Pastor **Rev. Dr. Julia A. Carlson**, Senior Associate Pastor for Spiritual Life and Care **Rev. Phillip J. Romine**, Transitional Associate Pastor for Faith Formation and Lifelong Learning





Stephen Ministry Church.

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