



All Saints' Sunday and Music Sunday Sunday, November 3

**G. F. Handel's *O Praise the Lord with One Consent*
(Chandos Anthem #9)**

Motet Choir and Chamber Orchestra

**Linh Kauffman, soprano; Sandy Schoenecker, alto;
David Lower, tenor; Bill Sales, bass
Matthew Culloton, conductor**

Handel became Composer in Residence at Cannons in Middlesex in 1717, marking a brief but fruitful creative period in his life. His employer was James Brydges, who became the First Duke of Chandos. During this time, Handel composed a number of anthems which are known as the Chandos Anthems, sung in a chapel that was remodeled and finished in 1716 in a manner befitting the Baroque era. The surviving parts of the organ that Handel played are still found in the chapel today. For the anthems,

Handel relied on Psalm settings, which was the first time he had set these texts. The works were specifically written for the ensembles that were employed at Cannons - most were for three part choir of sopranos, tenors, and basses, and a small orchestral force of violins 1 and 2, oboe, and bass instruments. Not all of the anthems were for three parts, so we're happy to say that the Motet Choir altos will, in fact, be working as hard as everyone else!

Noteworthy to the House of Hope: Handel's primary theme for this anthem (recurring many times throughout) is the opening musical phrase to the hymn tune SAINT ANNE - which we sing as *O God Our Help in Ages Past*.

– Matthew Culloton



Sunday Series with Kate Bowler

Sunday, November 3 | 2 p.m.



Registration Required

House of Hope welcomes Dr. Kate Bowler to our Sunday Series on Sunday, November 3 at 2 p.m.

Kate Bowler, PhD is a four time *New York Times* bestselling author, award-winning podcast host, and

an Associate Professor of American Religious History at Duke University. She studies the cultural stories we tell ourselves about success, suffering, and whether (or not) we're capable of change. After being unexpectedly diagnosed with Stage IV cancer at age 35, she penned the *New York Times* bestselling memoir, *Everything Happens for a Reason (and Other Lies I've Loved)* and *No Cure For Being Human (and Other Truths I Need to Hear)*. Kate hosts the award-winning *Everything Happens* podcast where, in warm, insightful, often funny conversations, she talks with people like Malcolm Gladwell and Beth Moore about what they've learned in difficult times.

A selection of her books will be available for purchase from SubText Books in St. Paul.

Thanksgiving Eve Worship

Wednesday, November 27 | 7 p.m.



Thanksgiving Eve worship will be held in the sanctuary at 7 p.m. with music by the Motet Choir. All are invited to join us in worship and giving thanks.

You are invited to bring non-perishable food items or make a financial donation that will be shared with the food pantries at Hallie Q. Brown Community Center and Neighborhood House.

Praise the Lord! O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever. Psalm 106:1



Stewardship 2025: CONNECT

See page 3 to learn more about upcoming events.

WORSHIP

10 a.m.

Sunday, November 3, 2024
All Saints' Sunday | Music Sunday

Motet Choir:

Just as I Am, Culloton

Motet Choir and Chamber Orchestra

O Praise the Lord with One Consent
(Chandos Anthem #9), G.F. Handel

Sunday, November 10, 2024
Stewardship Sunday

Motet Choir:

God is Our Refuge, Mozart
Let Peace then Still the Strife, Wilberg
Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring, Bach

Choir School:

St Cecilia and St Nicholas Choirs
Prayer of the Norwegian Child, Artman

Bells of Hope:

Morning Prelude, Westenkueller
The Ash Grove, Wiltse

Sunday, November 17, 2024
Thirty-third Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Motet Choir:

I Will Lift Up My Eyes, Thiman
Singet dem Herrn, Pachelbel
Trotta: Behold How Good, Trotta

Sunday, November 24, 2024
Christ the King Sunday

Motet Choir:

Go Ye Into all the World, Reger
The Sun Himself Shall Fade, Work
A Prayer of St. Columba, McDowall



A Note from Scott

Our 2025 Stewardship theme this year is **CONNECT**. I am wondering, what are you connected to? Family? Friends? School? Church? Music? Community? Team? Political Party?

As you know, for the past several decades, participation in voluntary organizations of all kinds (religious institutions, civic organizations, and recreational groups) has been on the decline in the United States. A few generations ago we were known as a society of "joiners," but today we are better known for disaffiliating from voluntary organizations.

There are, of course, a variety of reasons for this: individualism, consumerism, social media, and the forced isolation of the pandemic, among others. But the result of all this has been an epidemic of loneliness.

Post-pandemic, it's as if we as a society have collectively decided that the groups and organizations we previously belonged to and found life-giving **are no longer meeting our needs** but we have no idea what to replace them with. We are searching for something, but we aren't sure exactly what that something is.

And yet, our churches, synagogues, and mosques still stand. People still come to worship, pray, serve, and

study together. Why? Because people need a sense of transcendence in their lives, and this is best experienced in community—through connecting with other people and rubbing shoulders with people who are different than they are.

In my mind, this is a kind of miracle where people voluntarily join together and pool their resources to create places where community can thrive, and lifetime connections are made to sustain one another through the joys and sorrows of life.

And so, I am asking for your generous financial support as we seek to strengthen the connections that bind us together as a community of faith. Good things are happening at House of Hope Presbyterian Church! The HVAC and electrical construction project is now complete, and there is a renewed commitment to hospitality and neighborliness, among many other signs of growth and vitality.

I look forward to seeing many of you at the Stewardship kick-off **Celebration Sunday, November 3** after worship and on **Stewardship Sunday, November 10**. Thanks in advance for all that you do for HOH!

Blessings,
Scott Kenefake
Transitional Pastor



Stewardship 2025: CONNECT



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– Rev. Dr. Scott Kenefake

As we focus on the remarkable strength of connecting for this year's stewardship theme, we invite you to two opportunities to **CONNECT** with each other in the spirit of stewardship:

Sunday, November 3: Celebration Sunday

Join us for a fun event immediately after worship in the Great Hall to connect with church friends and staff. The event will include *A Season of Stewardship* video, produced by Aaron David Miller. We will celebrate how your stewardship giving helps with the daily operations of HOH and our community initiatives. Refreshments will be served and fun activities will be available to connect with kids from 2 to 92.

Sunday, November 10: Stewardship Sunday

We ask that you bring your pledge card to worship on Stewardship Sunday and come forward with your card during the worship service. Parents are encouraged to include their children.

We hope you'll enjoy hearing how your stewardship contributions are at work, then joyfully consider how you can further support House of Hope in 2025.

You will receive a campaign brochure and pledge card by mail with more information.

To watch *A Season of Stewardship: CONNECT* videos and learn more, visit our Stewardship page on our website at <https://bit.ly/HOHStewardship>



Winter Clothing Drive

Drop off Donations in the Assembly Room by December 6

The Beacon Housing Leadership Team of the Peace and Justice

Committee, the Mission Outreach Committee, and members of Children and Family Ministry are coordinating a winter clothing drive before our Minnesota winter arrives to share with several Mission Partners. **We are focusing on new or like-new warm outerwear including warm hats, scarves, mittens, gloves, wool socks, boots, jackets, snow pants (especially for kids), and coats.** Items can be for children and adults of all sizes. Your clothing donations will be a source of warmth and comfort to many this winter and greatly appreciated.

To make a financial donation to purchase winter clothing, options are listed below. Donate funds by November 22.

- Donate online: bit.ly/HOH2024Clothing
 - Text **HOH Clothing** to **73256** using your mobile device.
 - Mail or drop off a check with memo: **Winter Clothing Drive**
- Contact Lisa Yost for more information: lyost@ramboll.com



Christmas Sponsor A Family

Our faith reminds us the Christmas season is about sharing with those most in need. We're planning to spread Christmas joy by providing gifts for approximately 60 families in partnership with some of our Mission Partners. Visit the church website under "Things to Know" on November 4 to find the SignUpGenius link for information on families. A family wish list with instructions will be emailed to you. For assistance in signing up, please contact the church office.

Don't like to shop?

- Donations will be used to purchase grocery store gift cards for each family. Mail or drop off donations in the church office with a notation of **Sponsor A Family**.
- If you'd like to sponsor a family and don't want to shop, we will shop for you. Contact Stacy Paleen for details.

Drop off gifts at HOH by December 8.

Contact Stacy Paleen with questions: spaleen@yahoo.com

CLOISTER GALLERY



Water & Spirit
© Robyn Sand Anderson

The latest addition to House of Hope's permanent art collection continues on display in the Cloister Gallery. Be sure to take the opportunity to see up close *Water & Spirit*, an original painting by Robyn Sand Anderson, that was commissioned by the Arts Committee after her exhibit in the gallery during the spring of 2022. Robyn describes it as "a play of the ethereal and the tangible—God's spirit in the form of a dove grounded in earth and water, God's promise made real in the baptism of Christ."

Also on display are a selection of posters from House of Hope's past Sunday Series events. The Sunday Series, which began in the fall of 2011, has featured well-known speakers discussing key issues of our day and artists sharing their artistic engagement with life and faith. Recent speakers include David Brooks, Heather McGhee, George Takei, Justice Alan Page, and a sold-out attendance last spring for Heather Cox Richardson. This event draws scores of visitors to House of Hope and into our beautiful building to experience our hospitality and share in our community.



HOH at NAMI Walk

Thank you to those who gave time and energy to support the National Alliance on Mental Illness that continues to bring hope and help to those who endure mental illnesses, and those who love them. NAMI provides educational classes for parents and families to understand and deal with these illnesses; and they have support groups with well-trained leaders so that families don't have to go it alone.



Habitat for Humanity Volunteers

A small group of Summer Faith Builders volunteers participated in day one of the Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter Work Project. The photo above includes Sherwood Pomeroy and Dave Olsen from House of Hope. Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity plans to build 174 homes at The Heights (formerly Hillcrest Golf Course).

Children, Youth and Family Ministry



Children and Family Ministry

Contact Dr. Jimmy Hoke:
JimmyH@hohchurch.org

Sundays at House of Hope:

Nursery: Room 8 | 8:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
PreK - 2nd Graders: Room 4
3rd-5th Graders: Room 7

Youth and Family Ministry

Contact Elsa Kendig:
ElsaK@hohchurch.org

Overnight at the Church

November 1-2 | 7 p.m. Friday to 8:30 a.m. Saturday

Pizza, games all over the church, movie and lots of snacks!

Sunday Youth Group:

Grades 6-12

November 17 and 24

Youth Room | 6-8 p.m.

Join us for games, dinner and a little discussion.

Community Connections

We are in the process of creating a new committee at House of Hope to build stronger connections

between our congregation family and our community. And, we need volunteers to support events and help plan opportunities to gather and have

FUN!

If you are interested in being a part of events like Blessing of the Animals, Rally Sunday, and the Halloween Celebration, please contact the church office.



NOVEMBER

SUNDAYS AT HOH

Celebration Sunday

**Sunday, November 3 | Great Hall
11:15 a.m.**

Join us after worship for a fun celebration as we kick off our annual stewardship campaign. See page 3 for more information.

Stewardship Sunday

Sunday, November 10

New Member Class

**Sunday, November 10
Library | 11:15 a.m.**

If you are interested in learning more about House of Hope, please join us!

Sunday Enrichment with Rev. Josh Heikkila

**Sunday, November 17
Assembly Room | 11:15 a.m.**

Since 2009, Josh Heikkila is a PC(USA) Mission co-worker in Ghana, and he is serving as World Mission's regional liaison for West Africa. Prior to his work in Africa, Josh was an Associate Pastor at HOH working primarily with youth. Josh will share about his work.

Sunday Enrichment with Sue Zumberge of SubText Books

**Sunday, November 24
Assembly Room | 11:15 a.m.**

Join us for a presentation of great books for Christmas gifts with Sue Zumberge from SubText Books in St. Paul.



OTHER EVENTS

House of Hope Intercessors Guild Meeting

**Sunday, November 10
Room 1 | 11:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.**

Intercessors will gather to enjoy a light brunch and conversation. Debby Fulton and Martha Rhode will talk about the recent Scotland Pilgrimage and where and how they encountered God on the pilgrimage.

Congregational/Family Retreat | Clearwater Forest Friday-Sunday, November 8-10

Great Decisions: *Understanding Indonesia* with Richard Leith

**Tuesday, November 12
Kirk Parlour | 3 p.m.**

Despite its large size, Indonesia remains virtually invisible to most Americans. But as one of the world's largest democracies, the world's largest Muslim-majority nation, and as an economic driver of ASEAN, why does it fly below the radar? What are current issues in US—Indonesian relations, and what role can the country play in Asia? Richard Leith has been a professor in the Political Science Department at Gustavus since 1996.



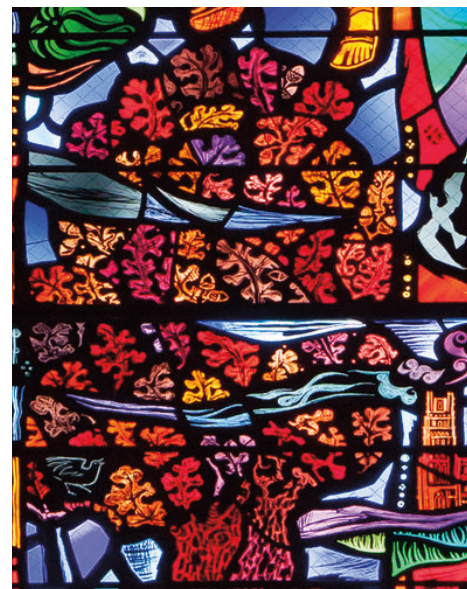
Choir School Holiday Wreath and Plant Order Pick Up

**Wednesday, December 4
Porte Cochere Entrance
4-6 p.m.**

Red Cross Blood Drive

**Wednesday, December 4
Rooms A&B | 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.**

To sign up, go to:
www.redcrossblood.org/give
Sponsor Code: houseofhope



Earth Care

A Sustainable Thanksgiving

As you prepare to gather with family and friends this Thanksgiving, consider how to make it a more sustainable feast to minimize your carbon footprint. Look for locally sourced and organic foods at the St. Paul Farmers' Market, area co-ops, or the local/organic section of your grocery store. Use natural decorations like gourds, leaves, and pine cones that can be composted afterward. Ask guests to bring a dish to share—to lighten your load and promote a diverse meal without over preparation on your part. Use reusable containers for leftovers instead of disposable ones and ask guests to bring their own. Start by taking one of these or another small step to help make your Thanksgiving both honor tradition and support the environment.

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SCOTLAND PILGRIMAGE



*"... And I allowed
myself to be
astonished by the
great everywhere
calling to me
like an old
and unspoken
invitation ..."
"Twice Blessed" by
David Whyte*

Twenty-seven members and friends of House of Hope gathered in Edinburgh on September 18 as pilgrims and boarded a bus to the south. We dropped into the Borderlands of Scotland to see Rosslyn Chapel and then into Northern England to visit Lindesfarne, The Holy Isle. And that was just the first 24 hours. In all, we traveled nearly 2000 kilometers; took six ferries; visited five islands; and followed in the footsteps of St. Cuthbert, St. Brigid, St. Columba, Mary Queen of Scots, Bonnie Prince Charlie, and John Knox. We journeyed to Scotland for the landscapes, the history, and the sites. We came together to share the worship, the wind, and the adventure. We came as pilgrims to discern and witness the Divine in our midst. Our pilgrimage was a great blessing shared! – Julia Carlson



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