

THE HOUSE OF HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



“What does it look like to tell the Good News through the stories of women who are often on the margins of scripture and often set up to represent bad news?”

– Wilda C. Gafney

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time | June 21, 2026 10 a.m.

Welcome!

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

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, today served in the **Kirk Parlour** following the service.

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated today for Camden Wells Bergstrom, child of Beau and Laura Bergstrom. Elder assisting is Leatha Wolter.

We respectfully request that photographs not be taken during the celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism. Please help us honor the sacrament and the prayerful attention of the congregation. Photographs may be taken in the sanctuary following the service.

Sunday Morning Family Resources:

- **Worship:** Children may also engage their faith by remaining in the service. There is no Sunday School today. **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!

The Communion Table Flowers are given in loving memory of Joan Frank.



House of Hope's sanctuary is equipped with telecoil technology. To access the Hearing Loop, please sit in the long pews in the center of the sanctuary.

THE APPROACH TO GOD

Prelude

Aaron David Miller, Organist

Introit

Search Me Out, O God
The Motet Choir; Matthew Culloton, Conductor

Matthew Culloton

+Processional Hymn 139

Come, Thou Almighty King

ITALIAN HYMN

+Call to Worship (*congregation reads text in bold*)

Rev. Dr. E. Scott Jones

Holy One, you call each of us beloved.
Each of us cherished. Each of us desired. Each of us sacred.
And so, we give you thanks now and forever.

+Prayer of Confession

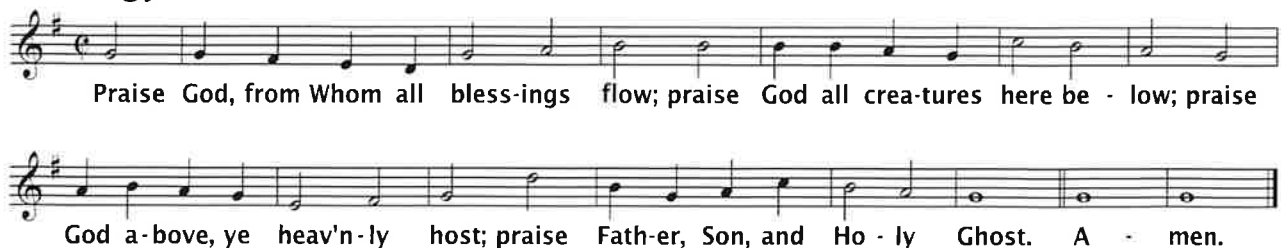
**Gracious God, we try to follow your word: to put others above ourselves,
to remember that we are all bound together as your beloved children,
to seek the common good instead of our own interests.
But it is so easy for our lesser selves to get the better of us. We succumb to jealousy,
vindictiveness, callousness, and indifference. In your mercy, send your healing
to those we have hurt, and to our own misguided souls
so that we may follow you once more. Amen.**

+Assurance of Forgiveness

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

+The Peace (*The Peace of the Lord is shared with those around you.*)

+Doxology



Praise God, from Whom all bless-ings flow; praise God all crea-tures here be - low; praise
God a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host; praise Fath-er, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

Welcome and Announcements

THE WORD OF GOD

Sung Affirmation



First Lesson

Psalm 113 (OT, p. 563 in pew Bible)

Bruce Johnson

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Anthem

God Our Father, Christ Our Mother (from *Light in Deepest Night*)

Aaron David Miller

God our father, Christ our mother,
Father guides as mother nurtures.
Father, font of every being,
Mother Christ, the heart of mercy.
Spirit give us grace abundant.
Spirit grant us peace and comfort.
Mother Jesus grant us peace and joy.
Bear us to your heavenly bliss.

Mother Jesus, love's fair grace,
Lay us gently on your breast.
Grant us through your open side,
Blessed life and endless love.
Mother fair, no kinder name,
Mother Jesus still the same.
Love unchanging ever near to us.
Grant us safe to heaven's bliss.

The Sacrament of Baptism — Camden Wells Bergstrom

All: We welcome you with joy to Christ's church, and to our community, The House of Hope. We promise to help you feel seen, supported, and loved, to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with you and to serve the Gospel alongside you. We promise to be a homeplace for you, and a reminder that you do not journey alone. God is always with you, and we will be alongside you. Welcome.

+ Congregational Response Hymn 492 (verses 1 & 3)

Baptized in Water

BUNESSAN

During the baptismal response hymn, children are invited to stay in the service with their guardians. There is no Sunday School today.

Second Lesson

1 Samuel 1:1-6, 9-18 (OT, pp. 244-245 in pew Bible)

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

She Persisted

Rev. Dr. E. Scott Jones

THE RESPONSE TO GOD

+Hymn 422

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

BEACH SPRING

+Affirmation of Faith

– from *A Proposed New Confession for the PC(USA)*, February 20, 2026

God is faithful still.

**Though we have turned away again and again–
from God, from creation, and from our neighbors–
the Holy One has never turned away from us.**

**Again and again, God has sent witnesses to testify to the truth,
and through Holy Scripture has preserved this testimony
for the life of the church, calling all people back to covenant relationship.**

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 Anthem

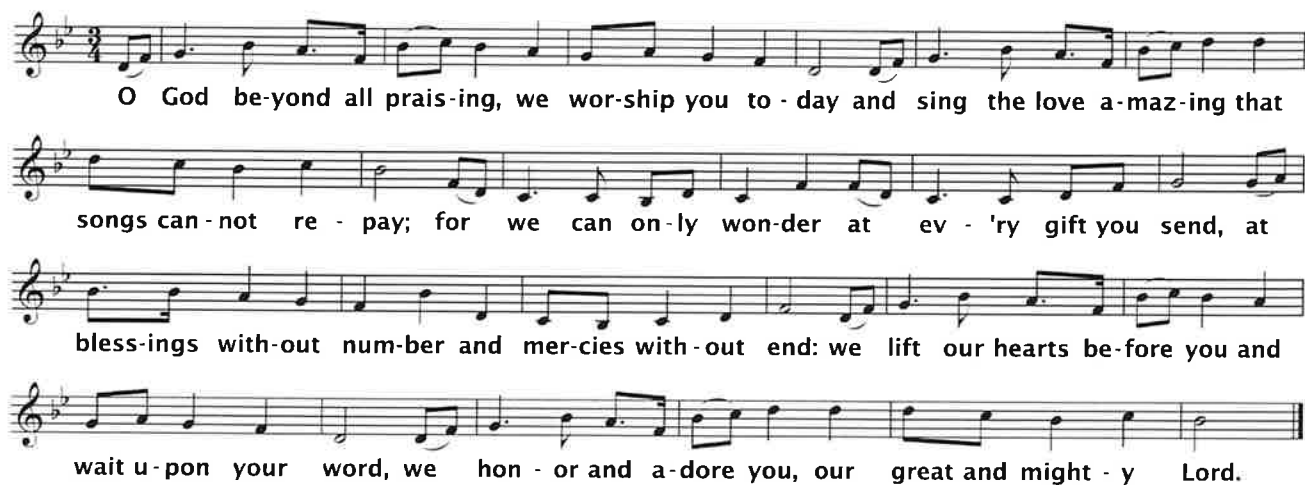
Lead Us into Fullness of Joy (from Light in Deepest Night)

Aaron David Miller

Lead us into fullness of joy,
You are our hope for endless bliss; be our keeper.

By love you made us. In love you shape us.
Through love preserve us. For love intend us.

+Offertory Response



O God be-yond all prais-ing, we wor-ship you to - day and sing the love a-maz-ing that
songs can - not re - pay; for we can on - ly won - der at ev - 'ry gift you send, at
bless-ings with-out num-ber and mer-cies with - out end: we lift our hearts be-fore you and
wait u - pon your word, we hon - or and a - dore you, our great and might - y Lord.

+Prayer of Dedication

+Recessional Hymn 145

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!

MARION

+Benediction

Postlude

Toccata

Eugene Gigout

Carillon Postlude

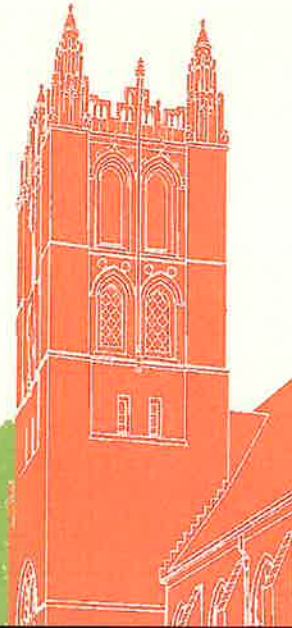
Timothy Short, Carillonneur

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.



HOPE ARTS CENTER

SUMMER IN THE PARK



IMAGINE THE PARK

MONDAY JUNE 29 · 5:30PM-7PM



Nature Sacred

Imagine the Park is a **FREE** community gathering inviting you to help envision the future renovation of the House of Hope Park. Meet the architects and partners from Nature Sacred, enjoy a **free food truck, ice cream, live music, and outdoor yoga**, and take

part in activities designed to gather ideas. Whether you're an engaged community member, longtime neighbor or discovering the park for the first time, your voice can help shape a vibrant, welcoming, and beautiful community space. **All are welcome!**



HOPE ARTS CENTER

SUMMER IN THE PARK



PHIL HEYWOOD & TIM SPARKS

TUESDAY JUNE 30 · 7PM

Come, Thou Almighty King

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ITALIAN HYMN 6.6.4.6.6.6.4

Collection of Hymns for Social Worship, 1757; alt.

Felice de Giardini, 1769

1. Come, Thou Al - might - y King, Help us Thy name to sing,
2. Come, Thou In - car - nate Word, Gird on Thy might - y sword,
3. Come, Ho - ly Com - fort - er, Thy sa - cred wit - ness bear
4. To Thee, great One in Three, The high - est prais - es be,

Help us to praise: Fa - ther, all - glo - ri - ous, O'er all vic -
Our prayer at - tend: Come, and Thy peo - ple bless, And give Thy
In this glad hour: Thou who al - might - y art, Now rule in
Hence ev - er - more! Thy sov - ereign maj - es - ty May we in

to - ri - ous, Come, and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.
word suc - cess; Spir - it of ho - li - ness, On us de - scend.
ev - ery heart, And ne'er from us de - part, Spir - it of power.
glo - ry see, And to e - ter - ni - ty Love and a - dore.

Baptized in Water

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BUNESSAN 5.5.8.5.5.9

Michael A. Saward, 1981

Gaelic melody
Arr. Dale Grotenhuis, 1985

C Am Dm G F G C

1. Bap-tized in wa - ter, Sealed by the Spir - it, Cleansed by the
 2. Bap-tized in wa - ter, Sealed by the Spir - it, Dead in the
 3. Bap-tized in wa - ter, Sealed by the Spir - it, Marked with the

Em Am Em G C Am F C/G

blood of Christ, our King; Heirs of sal - va - tion, Trust-ing the
 tomb with Christ, our King; One with His ris - ing, Freed and for -
 sign of Christ, our King; Born of the Spir - it, We are God's

Am G C G/B Am G7 C

prom - ise, Faith - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing.
 giv - en, Thank - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing.
 chil - dren, Joy - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing.

422 God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

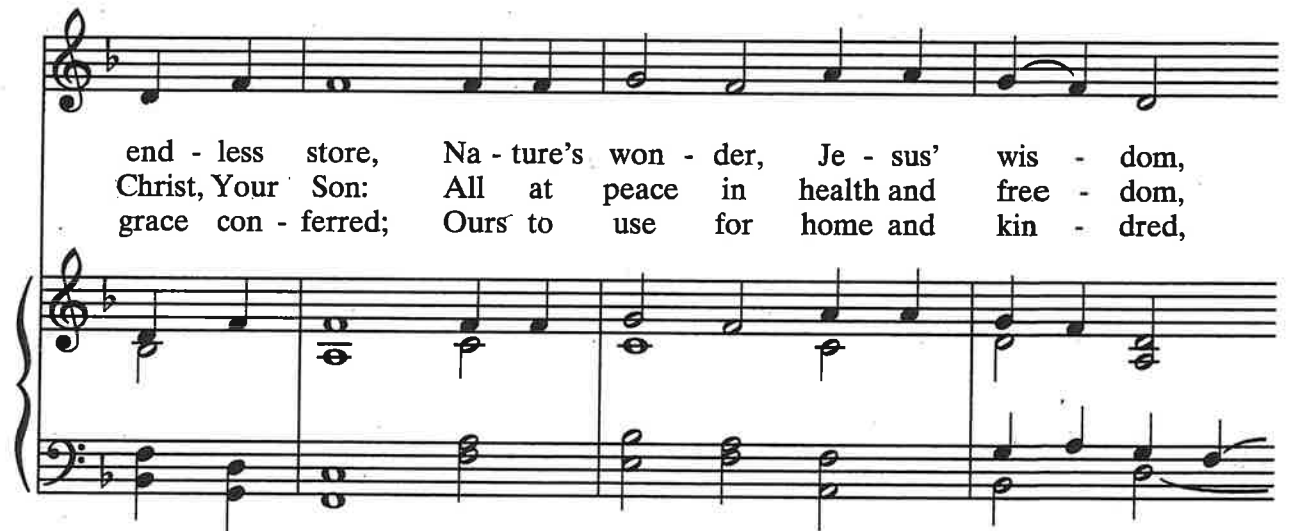
BEACH SPRING 8.7.8.7 D

Robert L. Edwards, 1961

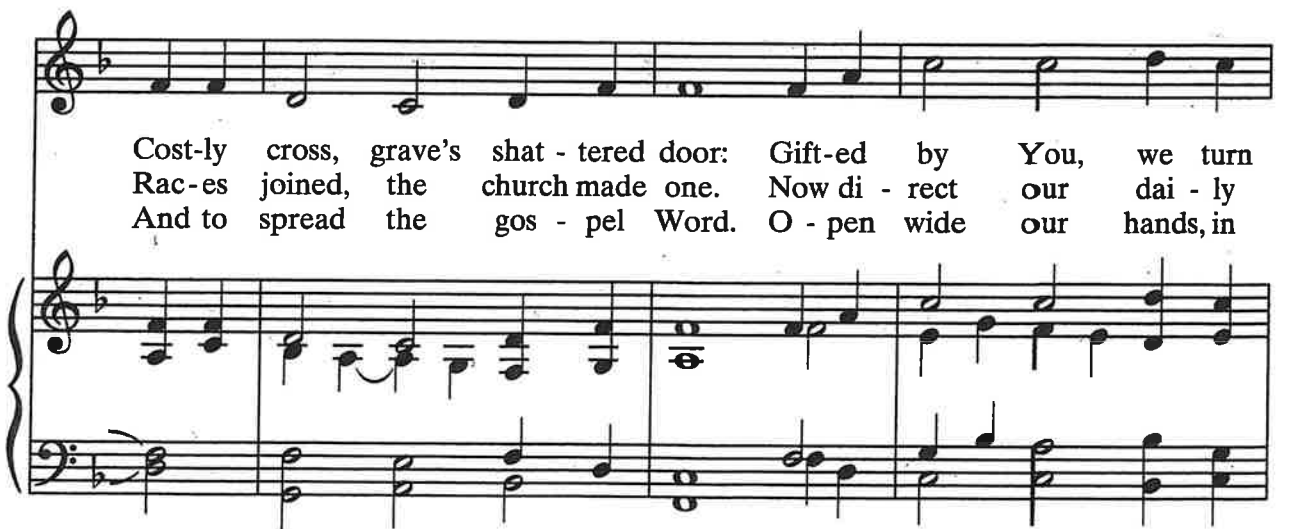
The Sacred Harp, 1844
Harm. James H. Wood, 1958



1. God, whose giv - ing knows no end - ing, From Your rich and
2. Skills and time are ours for press - ing Toward the goals of
3. Trea - sure too You have en - trust - ed, Gain through powers Your



end - less store, Na - ture's won - der, Je - sus' wis - dom,
Christ, Your Son: All at peace in health and free - dom,
grace con - ferred; Ours to use for home and kin - dred,



Cost-ly cross, grave's shat - tered door: Gift-ed by You, we turn
Rac-es joined, the church made one. Now di - rect our dai - ly
And to spread the gos - pel Word. O - pen wide our hands, in

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to You, Of - fer - ing up our - selves in praise; Thank - ful
 la - bor, Lest we strive for self a - lone; Born with
 shar - ing, As we heed Christ's age - less call, Heal - ing,

song shall rise for - ev - er, Gra - cious do - nor of our days.
 tal - ents, make us ser - vants Fit to an - swer at Your throne.
 teach - ing, and re - claim - ing, Serv - ing You by lov - ing all.

ev - ery na - tion Hath re - deemed us by His blood.
 get His prom - ise, "I am with you ev - er - more"?
 all the sin - less Sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.
 Priest and Vic - tim In the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!

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MARION SM with refrain

Edward Hayes Plumptre, 1865

Arthur Henry Messiter, 1883

1. Re - joice, ye pure in heart! Re - joice, give thanks, and sing!
 2. Yes, on through life's long path, Still chant-ing as ye go;
 3. At last the march shall end; The wea - ried ones shall rest;
 4. Then on, ye pure in heart! Re - joice, give thanks, and sing!

Your fes - tal ban-ner wave on high, The cross of Christ your King.
 From youth to age, by night and day, In glad-ness and in woe.
 The pil - grims find their home at last, Je - ru - sa - lem the blest.
 Your fes - tal ban-ner wave on high, The cross of Christ your King.

Refrain

Re - joice! re - joice! Re - joice, give thanks, and sing!

Re - joice! re - joice!

June 21 – 28, 2026

CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY

Jimmy Hoke: JimmyH@hohchurch.org

Nursery available at 8:45 a.m. in Room 8

YOUTH AND FAMILY MINISTRY

Elsa Kendig: ElsaK@hohchurch.org

Pride Enrichments | 11:15 a.m. Assembly Room

What is the queer perspective on the Bible and theology? This summer our Senior Pastor Rev. Dr. Scott Jones and Director of Children's Ministries Dr. Jimmy Hoke will present a three-part Enrichment exploring the queer perspective.

- **On Sunday, June 28**, Scott will lead an introductory session about queer theology and spirituality.
- **On Sunday, July 26**, Jimmy, who is currently writing the first lectionary commentary from a queer perspective, will talk about queer Biblical interpretation.
- **On Sunday, August 30**, Scott and Jimmy will lead a panel conversation going more in-depth.

Celebrate LGBTQ Pride this summer by participating in these enrichment opportunities.

Habitat for Humanity Faith Builders Project Monday, July 13 – 17 | 8:30-3:30 p.m.

Wednesday wraps at 2:30 p.m. Faith Builders is a coalition of neighboring congregations which sponsors and supplies volunteers for a project each summer. No experience required. Volunteers must be 18 or older. We need up to 8 volunteers a day. Contact Dave Olsen for more information: dwo823@yahoo.com. Sign up to volunteer and waiver: <https://bit.ly/HOHFaithBuilders>

Prior Crossing Welcome Baskets Drive

House of Hope is collecting items to provide to new residents when they move into Prior Crossing to help them get situated and set-up.

Items Needed:

1. Linens: Towels, wash cloths, full size sheets, bathmats (new is best, but gently used is OK)
2. Kitchen: plates, bowls, silverware
3. Cleaning: cleaning supplies like all-purpose cleaner, dish soap, toilet bowl cleaner, laundry detergent, brooms and dustpans
4. Bath: Shampoo, cream rinse, soap, feminine hygiene items and/or shaving supplies. (These can be regular size, but also the little shampoo's etc. offered at hotels are helpful too)

Please bring items to the bin in the Assembly Room by July 16. If you'd like to help financially so others can shop for these items, please write checks to House of Hope, Memo: 'Prior Crossing Baskets'; or <https://bit.ly/HOHMakeAGift> choose fund "Other Gift" and list 'Prior Crossing Baskets' in the memo.

Save the Dates: 2026 Carillon Recital Series

Now in its 32nd year, this series celebrates the historic 49-bell carillon housed in House of Hope's soaring tower. Admission and parking are free. Bring a lawn chair and a picnic to settle in and savor the music. Complimentary ice cream is also served at each concert. Public restrooms are available on site. **All Recitals begin at 4 p.m.**

Saturday, July 4 — Timothy Short

Music Associate/Carillonneur, House of Hope

Sunday, July 12 — Amy Hamburg-Mead

Indiana University, Bloomington, IN

Sunday, July 19 — John Gowens

Culver Academies, Culver, IN

Sunday, July 26 — Margaret Pan, Boston, MA



First Friday Jazz returns on Friday, July 10! | 6 p.m. | Assembly Room

“An Evening in NOLA” with Jazz Savvy and guests Charmin Michelle, Vocalist and Doug Haining, clarinetist.

Hope Arts Center is pleased to invite you to First Friday Jazz. This popular series offers a quarterly lineup of cabaret-inspired events, welcoming people to experience House of Hope “by night”! Each evening is designed as a relaxed, social evening inspired by classic jazz clubs — live music accompanies good food, wine, beer, and an array of NA beverages, conversation, and community.

Come reconnect with friends and meet new ones. Creative activities will also be available for children, who are welcome to attend with their families.

Advance registration is recommended. Cover charge for adults (\$25) and donations can be purchased here: <https://our.show/ffj/july10> Cover charge and donations can also be processed at the door.

Checks, credit cards, and cash accepted at the door. Kids are free - no ticket needed! Members of House of Hope can reserve a complimentary ticket for a first-time guest by calling (651) 223-7545.

Week Beginning June 21, 2026

Sunday, June 21, 2026

- 8:45 a.m. Nursery, Room 8
- 10 a.m. Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 11:15 a.m. Social Hour, Kirk Parlour

Monday, June 22, 2026

- 5 p.m. Faith and Fibers, Library
- 6 p.m. AA, Assembly Room
- 6 p.m. AI-Anon, Room 1

Tuesday, June 23, 2026

- 7 a.m. Men’s Breakfast, Day by Day Cafe/Zoom
- 9:30 a.m. Centering Prayer, Chapel/Zoom
- 6:30 p.m. Ministry Transformation Process Team, Room 1/Zoom

Wednesday, June 24, 2026

- 12:15 p.m. Midweek Prayer Service, Elizabeth Chapel

Thursday, June 25, 2026

- 7 a.m. Men’s Breakfast, Day by Day Cafe/Zoom
- 1 p.m. Drop-in Knitting and Crafting, Library
- 1 p.m. Amy Larson Memorial Service, Chapel
- 2 p.m. Amy Larson Reception, Kirk Parlour
- 5:30 p.m. Capital City Grief Coalition, St John’s Episcopal Church

Friday, June 26, 2026

- 8 a.m. Women’s Book Group, Zoom
- 9:30 a.m. Centering Prayer, Zoom
- 12 p.m. Juneteenth Recital, Carillon
- 1:15 p.m. St. Paul Farmer’s Market, Summit Lot

Sunday, June 28, 2026

- 8:45 a.m. Nursery, Room 8
- 10 a.m. Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 11:15 a.m. Social Hour, Kirk Parlour
- 11:15 a.m. Sunday Enrichment, Assembly Room

Midweek Contemplative Prayer in Elizabeth Chapel | Wednesdays | 12:15 p.m.

House of Hope offers a short, contemplative prayer service in the Elizabeth Chapel. Led by clergy, Scripture reading, prayers, bells, and silence invites us to ground and center ourselves.

To support House of Hope, please use this QR code.

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



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