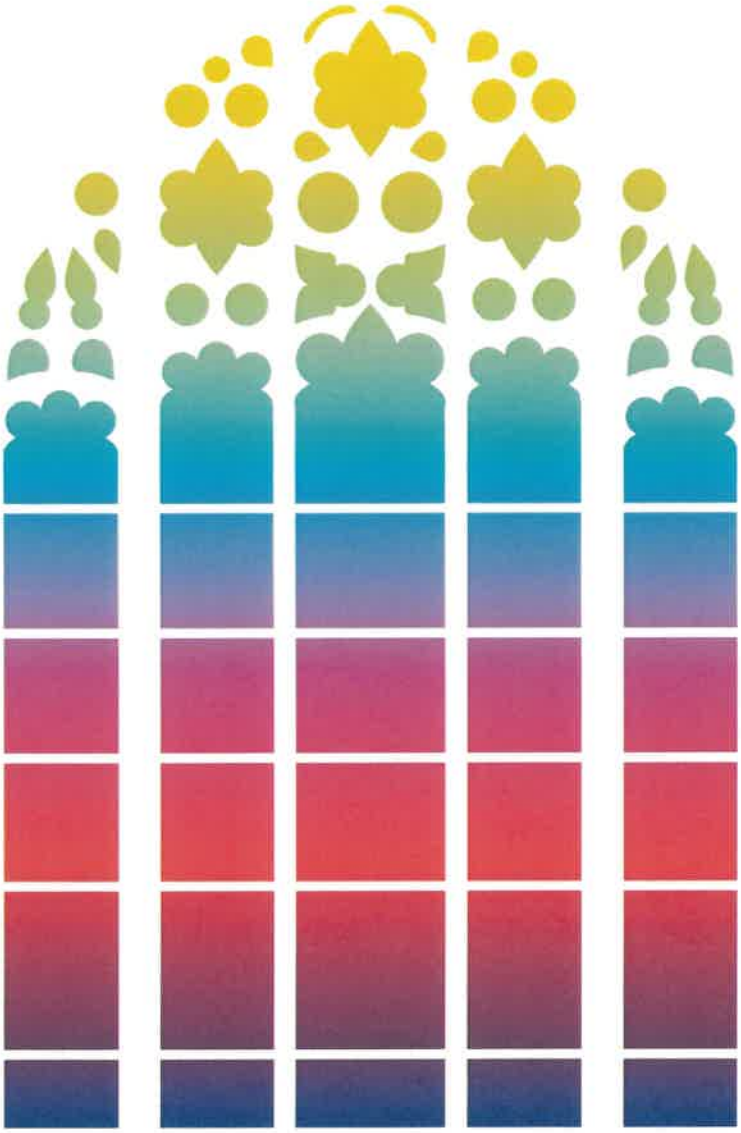
THE HOUSE OF HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



"The practice of great compassion makes every ordinary action prayer."

– Wendy Farley

Reign of Christ Sunday | November 22, 2026 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.

Please join us for a time of Faith Formation on Sunday Mornings:
8:30 a.m. Breakfast – Kirk Parlour | 9:10 a.m. Education Time/Sunday School – East Wing

Our regular Sunday Worship time is 10 a.m., followed by refreshments, social hour, and enrichment 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.

Sunday Morning Family Resources:
All children need to be registered before leaving their guardians for programming.
If your child is not registered, use this form: **https://bit.ly/CFMregistration or QR code:**

- **Worship:** Following the Time for Children, all children will remain in the sanctuary today. Children are welcome to sit with volunteers at the tables in the West Transept, where they can engage worship in a manner friendly to their attention span, or sit with their families. Children's Worship in the chapel (for Grades 3 and younger) will resume next Sunday!
- **A Wiggle Space** for children is available in the Bridal Room near the chapel with books and toys for your use, as well as a livestream of the service. Feel free to come in and out of the Sanctuary as needed.
- **Worship bags** are available at sanctuary entrances. Children's Bibles are located in the pews.
- **Nursery** in the East Wing is open for children age four and younger. A parent/guardian must sign children in and out of the nursery. Bring a photo ID with you.
- **Nursing** 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.
- **Alleluia Choir** Rehearsal 11:15 a.m. - 12 p.m. ages 3 through Kindergarten welcome to come sing, dance, and read books together. Jessica Bandelin, Choir School Director: JessicaB@hohchurch.org
- **Need help?** Ask an usher or staff member any time!

Dr. Jimmy Hoke, Director of Christian Education: JimmyH@hohchurch.org
Sign up for Jimmy's CFM Updates here: bit.ly/CFMUpdates
Elsa Kendig, Director of Youth, Family, and Justice Ministries: ElsaK@hohchurch.org

Today's Enrichment Hour | 11:15 a.m. | Assembly Room. The Ministry Transformation Process Team (that came out of last year's survey) has now been working for almost 9 of their 18-month journey! What does "transformation" imply in this context? Come to hear what they've been up to!

Next Week:* *A.I. and Christian Ethics. Artificial intelligence has been in the news a lot lately. House of Hope member Erik Vorhes will show how A.I. works, introduce the people and worldviews behind these technologies, and discuss some of the ethical implications of using A.I., including how Christians can think about and engage with these technologies.

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.

[+] Stand as you are able

THE APPROACH TO GOD

Prelude

Minuet and Meditation — Léon Boëllmann
Aaron David Miller, Organist

Introit

Take Up Your Cross — Dietrich Buxtehude
The Motet Choir; Matthew Culloton, Conductor

†Processional Hymn 151
Crown Him with Many Crowns — DIADEMATA

†Call to Worship *(Congregation reads the text in bold)* — Rev. James D. Cochrane

The gates of the Lord are open to all;
Come before God with thanks!

†Prayer of Confession

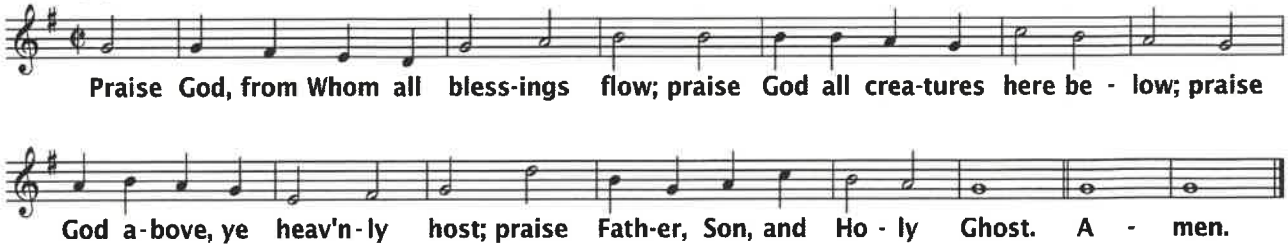
If we had known it was you, Lord, we would have done something different.
If we had known if was you, Lord, we would have given you food.
If we had known it was you, Lord, we would have taken you in.
If we had known it was you, Lord, we would not have passed you by.
But we did. Too often we make excuses for not taking care of each other.
We have ignored your commandments to love and care.
We ask you to help us change our ways. 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



Welcome and Announcements

Beacon Convening — Shana Wagner

Anthem

A Hymn for St. Cecilia — Herbert Howells

Sing for the morning's joy, Cecilia, sing,
In words of youth and praises of the Spring,
Walk the bright colonnades by fountains' spray,
And sing as sunlight fills the waking day;
Till angels, voyaging in upper air,
Pause on a wing and gather the clear sound
Into celestial joy, wound and unwound,
A silver chain, or golden as your hair.

Sing for your loves of heaven and of earth,
In words of music, and each word a truth;
Marriage of heart and longings that aspire,
A bond of roses, and a ring of fire.
Your summertime grows short and fades away,
Terror must gather to a martyr's death;
But never tremble, the last indrawn breath
Remembers music as an echo may.

Through the cold aftermath of centuries,
Cecilia's music dances in the skies;
Lend us a fragment of the immortal air,
That with your choiring angels we may share,
A word to light us thro' time-fettered night,
Water of life, or rose of paradise,
So from the earth another song shall rise
To meet your own in heaven's long delight.

- Ursula Vaughan Williams

THE WORD OF GOD

Sung Acclamation



First Lesson

Ann Geery

Psalm 95:1-7a (OT, p. 550 in pew Bible)

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Anthem

Sing to the Lord of Harvest — Basque Melody arr. Shirley McRae
St Cecilia and St Nicholas Choirs; Jessica Bandelin, Director

Sing to the Lord of harvest, sing songs of love and praise
With joyful hearts and voices, our alleluias raise.
By him the rolling seasons in fruitful order move
Sing to the Lord of harvest, a song of happy love.

Heap on his sacred altar the gifts his goodness gave
The golden sheaves of harvest, the souls he died to save,
Your hearts lay down before him when at his feet ye fall,
And with your lives adore him, who gave his life for all.

Time for Children

Elsa Kendig

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Second Lesson

Matthew 25:31-46 (NT, p. 29 in pew Bible)

For the Word of God in scripture, For the Word of God within us,
For the Word of God among us,
Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Dr. E. Scott Jones

When Was It?

THE RESPONSE TO GOD

+Hymn 311

We Meet You, O Christ NORMANDY

+Affirmation of Faith — Adapted from the *Confession of 1967*

Biblical visions and images of the rule of Christ, such as a heavenly city, the household of God, a new heaven and earth, a marriage feast, and an unending day culminate in the image of the kingdom. The kingdom represents God's triumph over all that resists the divine will and disrupts God's creation.
Already God's reign is present as a ferment in the world, stirring hope in all people and preparing the world to receive its ultimate judgment and redemption.
With an urgency born of this hope, the church applies itself to present tasks and strives for a better world. It does not identify limited progress with the kingdom of God on earth, nor does it despair in the face of disappointment and defeat. In steadfast hope, the church looks beyond all partial achievement to the final triumph of God.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

(The prayers will begin with a moment for silent reflection.)

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

Let Their Celestial Concerts All Unite (from *Samson*) — G.F. Handel

Let their celestial concerts all unite,
Ever to sound his praise in endless blaze of light.

+Offertory Response



+Prayer of Dedication

+Recessional Hymn 423

Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun — DUKE STREET

+Benediction

Postlude

Toccata — Léon Boëllmann

Carillon Postlude

David Johnson, Carillonneur Emeritus

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.

The Communion Table Flowers are given in loving memory of Chuck and Mary Ellen Stewart.
The Pulpit Flowers are given in loving memory of Sofia Ardalan.

Stewardship Campaign: A Living Hope. *Rooted in Faith. Nourished by Generosity.*
You can pledge online at **https://hoh.s.gy/livinghope** or by QR:



Beacon Convening. December 3 | Creekside UCC | 7-9 p.m.

The House of Hope congregation has a long history of working with Beacon Interfaith Housing Network toward the shared goal that everyone has a home. With the severe cuts in federal and state funding for housing the progress Beacon has made in the last 25 years in Minnesota is at risk. At the December 3 Beacon convening we will gather as our entire collaborative, congregants, clergy, supportive housing residents, service partners, and elected officials, to ground ourselves in the reality of supportive housing. After the convening there will be a night-long vigil. For those who wish to join the vigil, you can sign up for an in person or virtual shift. Convening and Vigil Schedule:

- Doors open for registration, refreshments, and fellowship 7:00-8:00 p.m.
- Interactive regional breakout sessions, programming 8:00-9:00 p.m.
- Public launch of Losing Sleep, Losing Homes Vigil 9:00 p.m. (Thurs.) – 7 a.m. (Fri.) -Losing Sleep, Losing Homes virtual and In-person vigil shifts.

You can learn more and sign up for the Convening here:
www.beaconinterfaith.org/event/congregational-convening-faith-in-home/

Address and information about Creekside UCC is here: www.creeksideucc.org

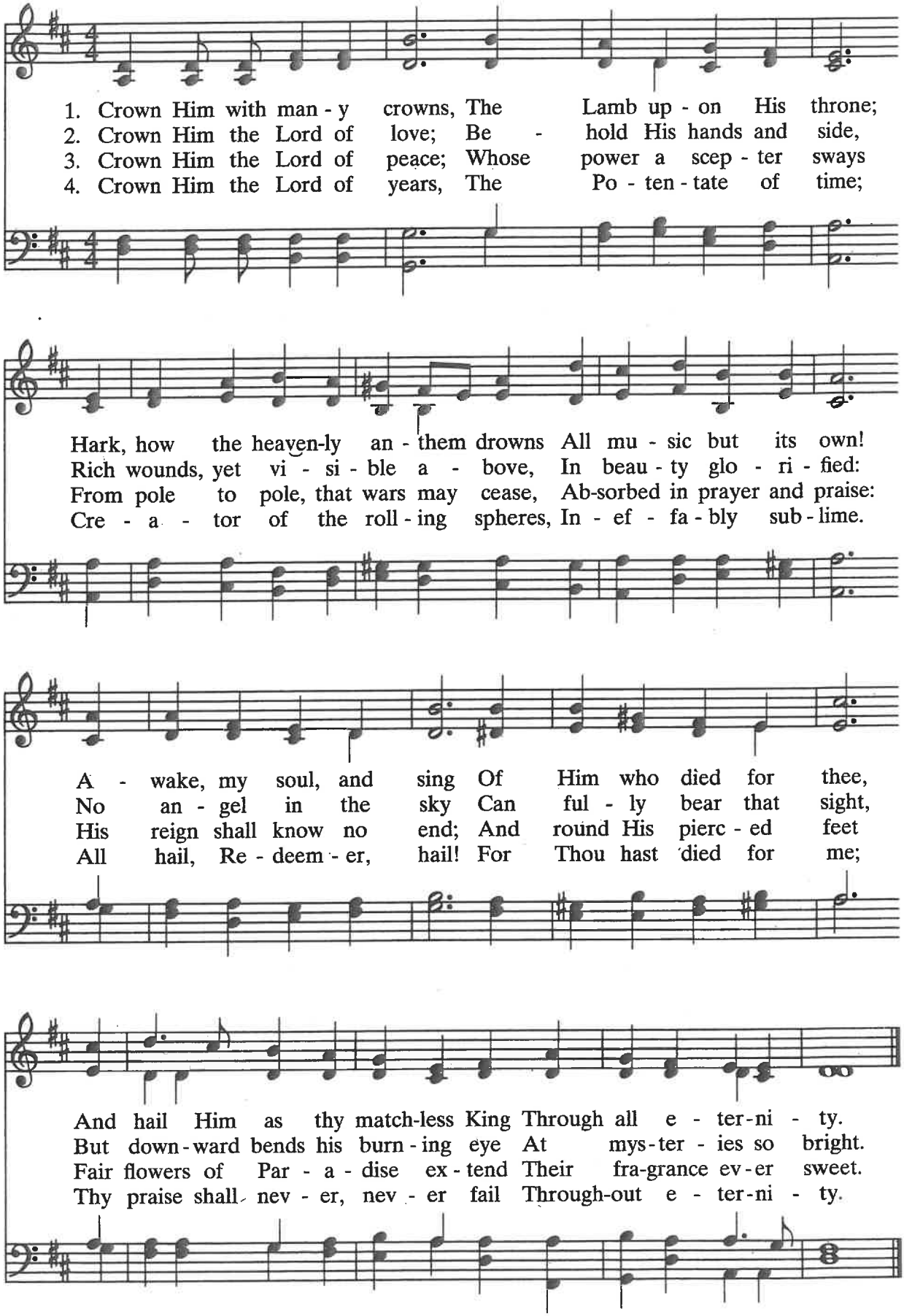
Please reach out to Lisa Yost, Shana Wagner, Judith Foley, Charles Sevens for further information.

24/7 Pastoral Care Voicemail. House of Hope has reestablished an on-call phone number for pastoral emergencies: **651-223-7559.** Calls go straight to voicemail. After you leave a message and hang up, it is forwarded to a member of the House of Hope clergy, who will respond as soon as possible.

Crown Him with Many Crowns 151

DIADEMATA SMD

Matthew Bridges, 1851 George Job Elvey, 1868



311 We Meet You, O Christ

NORMANDY 10.10.11.11

Fred Kaan, 1966

Basque carol
Harm. George Mims, 1979



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John 11:35

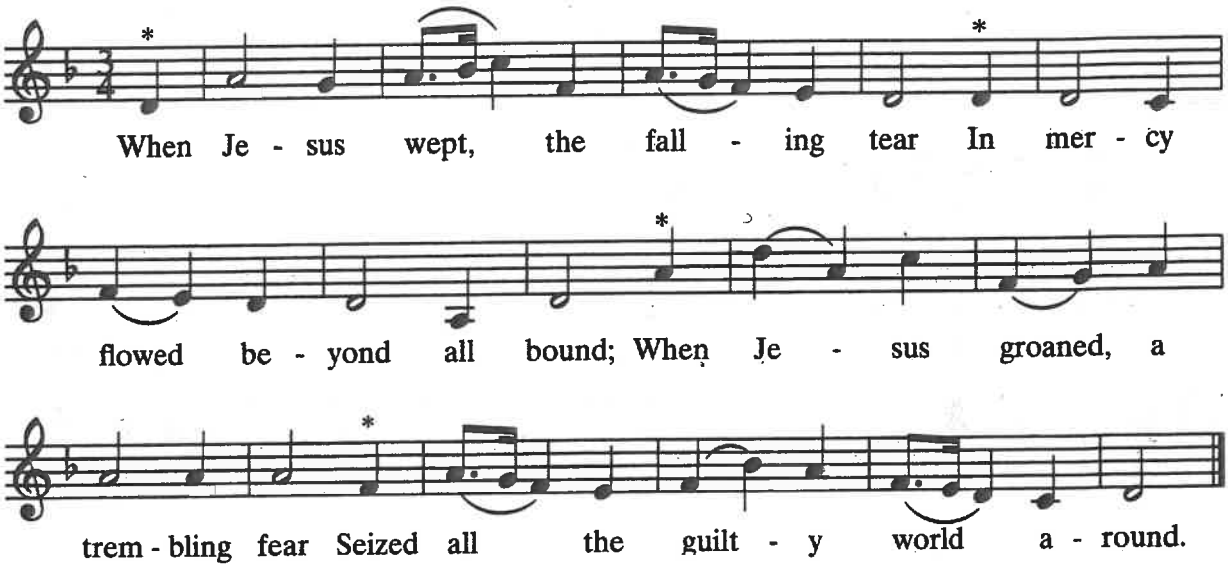
When Jesus Wept

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WHEN JESUS WEPT LM

William Billings, 1770
As in *New England Psalm Singer,* 1770

William Billings, 1770



**May be sung as a canon.*

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423 Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

DUKE STREET LM

John Hatton (d. 1793)

Isaac Watts, 1719, alt.

Desc. David McKinley Williams, 1959



5. Let every creature rise and bring
Honors peculiar to our King;
Angels descend with songs again,
And earth repeat the loud Amen!

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HOUSE OF HOPE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

News & Opportunities

November 22 – 29, 2026

Matthew 25 Art Exhibit and Fundraiser. The Matthew 25 Team will be presenting an exhibit *Human Toll: A Public History of 35W* for January and February in the HOH Art Gallery. This exhibit will be enhanced by additional presentations about the displacement of thriving African American communities in both South Minneapolis and the Saint Paul Rondo neighborhoods due to the construction of 35W and I-94.

To offset the costs of these community events, we are selling HOH Matthew 25 t-shirts (long and short sleeve) and sweatshirts, November 15, 22, and 29 at tables outside of the Kirk Parlour. To order online, please see our website. We know you'll look great in your HOH swag! Your support in helping fund an exhibit that will benefit both HOH and the wider community is greatly appreciated!

HOH Great Advent Cookie Bake-Off!

Calling all bakers, of all ages: The third annual Great Advent Cookie Bake-Off is coming up on December 6, after worship. Do you think you have the confectionary skills to win a coveted grand prize?

If so, the sign-up is officially open:
bit.ly/AdventCookieBakeOff

We hope many of you will compete this year and the rest will come eat and vote for a winner. Questions: email Jimmy (JimmyH@hohchurch.org) or Elsa (ElsaK@hohchurch.org).



2026 Christmas Sponsor-A-Family

Our faith reminds us the Christmas season is about sharing with those most in need. We plan to spread Christmas joy by providing gifts for 60 families in partnership with mission partners. Visit the church website under **Things to Know** to find the link for information on families. A family wish list with instructions will be emailed to you. For assistance in signing up, contact the church.

Don't like to shop?
- Donate to help purchase grocery store gift cards for each family. Mail or drop off donations with a notation of Sponsor A Family.

- **Let us shop for you.** Contact Stacy Paleen for details at spaleen@yahoo.com



Thanksgiving Eve Worship

Wednesday, November 25 | 7 p.m.

Thanksgiving Eve worship will be held at 7 p.m. with music by the Motet Choir and Choir School. A recital of carillon music will take place at Noon, and 6:40 p.m. with the program to be found at the HOH website. 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

For a full listing of events and activities, please visit our website www.hohchurch.org.



Save the Date and kick off the Christmas Season: Saturday, December 5 at 7 p.m.

Members of the Minnesota Music Hall of Fame, Monroe Crossing has been entertaining audiences for over 25 years. Whether appearing in an intimate room, community theater, major venue or outdoor festival, Monroe Crossing presents a highly entertaining show making them favorites among bluegrass connoisseurs and non-bluegrass audiences alike!

Join us for a special Bluegrass Christmas concert, hosted by Hope Arts Center and House of Hope.

Tickets: hohchurch.org/tickets

Week Beginning November 22, 2026

Reign of Christ Sunday, November 22, 2026

9:30 a.m.	Breakfast Time, Kirk Parlour
9:15 a.m.	Choir School, Choir School Room
9:30 a.m.	Education Time, East Wing
10 a.m.	Worship Service, Sanctuary
11:15 a.m.	Social Hour, Kirk Parlour
11:15 a.m.	Enrichment Hour, Assembly Room
11:15 a.m.	Alleluia Choir, Choir School Room
6 p.m.	Middle School Youth Group, Youth Room

Monday, November 23, 2026

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

Tuesday, November 24, 2026

7 a.m.	Men's Breakfast, Day by Day Cafe/Zoom
9:30 a.m.	Centering Prayer, Chapel/Zoom
1:30 p.m.	Library Committee, Library

Wednesday, November 25, 2026

9:30 a.m.	Bible Study, Room 1/Zoom
12:15 p.m.	Midweek Prayer Service, Elizabeth Chapel
4:30 p.m.	Choir School Rehearsal, Sanctuary
7 p.m.	Thanksgiving Eve Service, Sanctuary

Thursday, November 26, 2026

Office and Building are closed in observance of Thanksgiving

Friday, November 27, 2026

Office and Building are closed in observance of Thanksgiving

9:30 a.m.	Centering Prayer, Zoom

First Sunday of Advent, November 29, 2026

8:30 a.m.	Breakfast Time, Kirk Parlour
9:10 a.m.	Education Time, East Wing
9:15 a.m.	Choir School, Choir School Room
10 a.m.	Worship Service, Sanctuary
10:15 a.m.	Children's Worship, Chapel
11:15 a.m.	Social Hour, Kirk Parlour
11:15 a.m.	Enrichment Hour, Assembly Room
11:15 a.m.	Alleluia Choir, Choir School Room

To support House of Hope, please Text HOH to 73256 and follow link, or use this QR code:

In Memoriam

Mildred Merrick joined the House of Hope Presbyterian Church on October 10, 1952. Mildred entered the Church Triumphant on November 14, 2026. A private family memorial service will take place at a later date.

If we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord.
So, whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord.
– Romans 14:8

HOUSE OF HOPE

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