

THE HOUSE OF HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



"In this week's Gospel reading, Jesus invites his disciples to live a question. 'Who do you say that I am?' he asks them as they make their way through the villages of Caesarea Phillipi. Who am I? Where do I stand in this life we're making together? What do I mean? To you?" - Debie Thomas

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time | September 15, 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.

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated today for Julia Laueremann, child of Cecelia and Taylor Laueremann. Elder assisting is Jan Parkman.

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:

- **Sunday School:** Following the baptism, children may leave the service to engage in faith formation with adult leaders to the East Wing for a Sunday School. Caregivers should pick their children up from the East Wing.
- **Worship:** Children may also engage their faith by remaining 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!

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.

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

THE APPROACH TO GOD

Prelude

Two Shaker Melodies
Aaron David Miller, Organist

19th Century American

Introit

Walk With Me
The Motet Choir; Matthew Culloton, Choirmaster

Edgar Bainton

+ Processional Hymn 434

Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples

KINGSFOLD

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Rev. Phillip J. Romine

**O Lord, you have called us to take up our cross and follow you:
to carry the truth of your justice like a banner
and bear the yoke of life as your servant.**

We are hesitant, O God, to serve anyone but ourselves.

**We draw away from the imagery of the cross,
forgetting that, in you, it has become a source of glory.**

**Forgive us, O God, and call us once more
to set aside our selfishness and follow in your way.**

(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



Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures 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

Anthem

The Heavens are Telling the Glory of God

F.J. Haydn

The heavens are telling the glory of God,
The wonder of his work displays the firmament;

Today that is coming speaks to the day,
The night that is gone to following night.

In all the lands resounds the word,
never unperceived, ever understood.

THE WORD OF GOD

Centering Mind, Body, and Spirit

First Lesson

Psalm 19 (OT, pp. 498-499 in pew Bible)

Lois Knutson

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Sacrament of Baptism — Julia Lauermann

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 home-place 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 498, Verse 1 & 4

Child of Blessing, Child of Promise

KINGDOM

During the baptismal response hymn, children are invited to either stay in the service with their guardians, or walk with staff and volunteers to the Narthex to be led to the East Wing for Sunday School.

Second Lesson

Mark 8:27-38 (NT, pp. 43-44 in pew Bible)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Scott M. Kenefake

Living the Questions

THE RESPONSE TO GOD

+ Hymn 393

Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said

BOURBON

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

The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the church's mission. His human life involves the church in the common life of all people. His service to all people commits the church to work for every form of human well-being. His suffering makes the church sensitive to all human suffering so that it sees the face of Christ in the faces of persons in every kind of need. His crucifixion discloses to the church God's judgment on the inhumanity that marks human relations, and the awful consequences of the church's own complicity in injustice. In the power of the risen Christ and the hope of his coming, the church sees the promise of God's renewal of human life in society and of God's victory over all wrong. The church follows this pattern in the form of its life and in the method of its action. So to live and serve is to confess Christ as 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 Anthem

O Perfect Love

Howard Helvey

O perfect Love, all human thought transcending,
Lowly we kneel in prayer before thy throne,
That theirs may be the love which knows no ending,
Whom thou forevermore dost join in one.

O perfect Life, be thou their full assurance
Of tender charity and steadfast faith,
Of patient hope and quiet, brave endurance,
With childlike trust that fears nor pain nor death.

Grant them the joy which brightens earthly sorrow;
Grant them the peace which calms all earthly strife,
And to life’s day the glorious unknown morrow
That dawns upon eternal love and life.

+ 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 376**

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

HYFRYDOL

+ **Benediction**

Postlude

Psalm 19

Benedetto Marcello

Carillon Postlude

Timothy Short, Carillonneur

The Pulpit Flowers are given in loving memory of Clyde E. Eklund

HOH NEW MEMBER CLASS: TODAY, September 15. Interested in learning more about House of Hope or becoming a member? Join us in Room 1 at 11:15 a.m.!

Today's Enrichment Hour | 11:15 a.m. | Great Hall (lower level)

Council Member Rebecca Noecker

St. Paul City Council Member Rebecca Noecker who represents Ward 2 will discuss the local ballot question about funding a dedicated early learning fund for St. Paul residents that would include early learning programs and stable childcare.

Councilmember Noecker grew up in Saint Louis Park and earned her bachelor's degree in social studies from Harvard College. She dedicated her early career to educational equity, as a middle school science teacher with Teach for America in Baton Rouge, a program officer at the Baton Rouge Area Foundation and Teach for India, and as director of community engagement at AchieveMpls.

Wednesday Bible Study Resumed September 11 Room 1 | 9:30 a.m.

We are a group of people ready to open and hear anew the Sunday Scripture passages, commenting and asking questions together. It requires only a Bible — and beginners are welcome! As we study the biblical passages together, we learn of one another's spiritual gifts, resources, experiences, and passions. Please join us! Contact Dix Brachlow for more information: DWBrachlow@gmail.com

HOH Office Closures: The Offices and Building will also be closed Thursday/Friday, September 19-20 for moving offices back to the west side of the building.

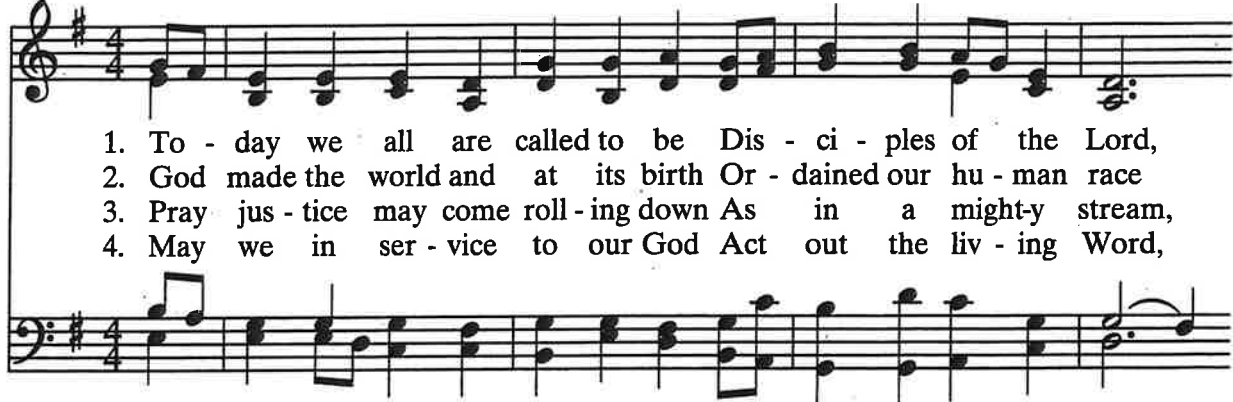
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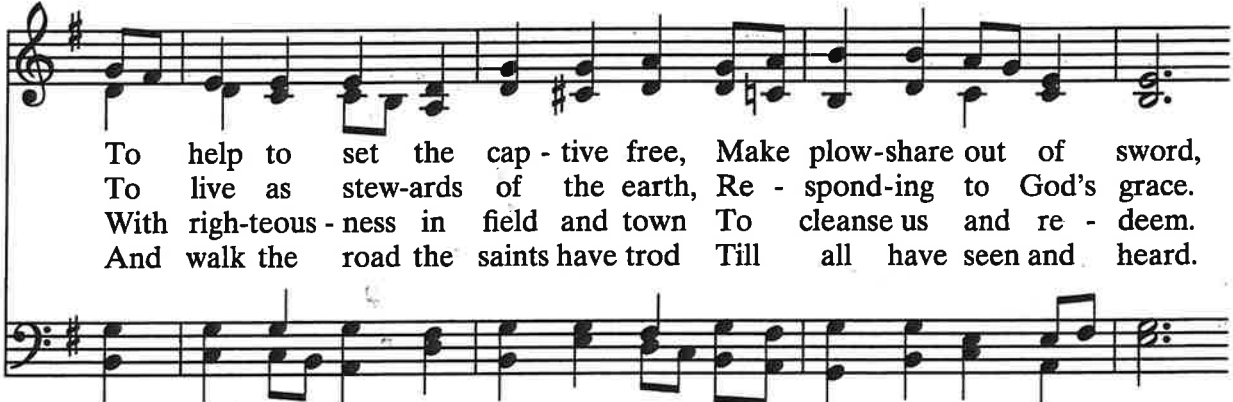
English Country Songs, 1893

H. Kenn Carmichael, 1985

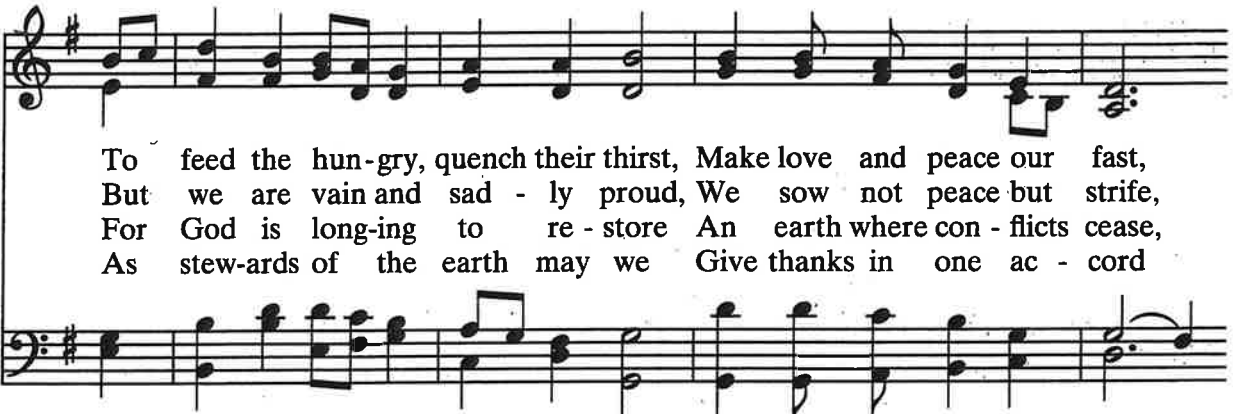
Arr. and harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906



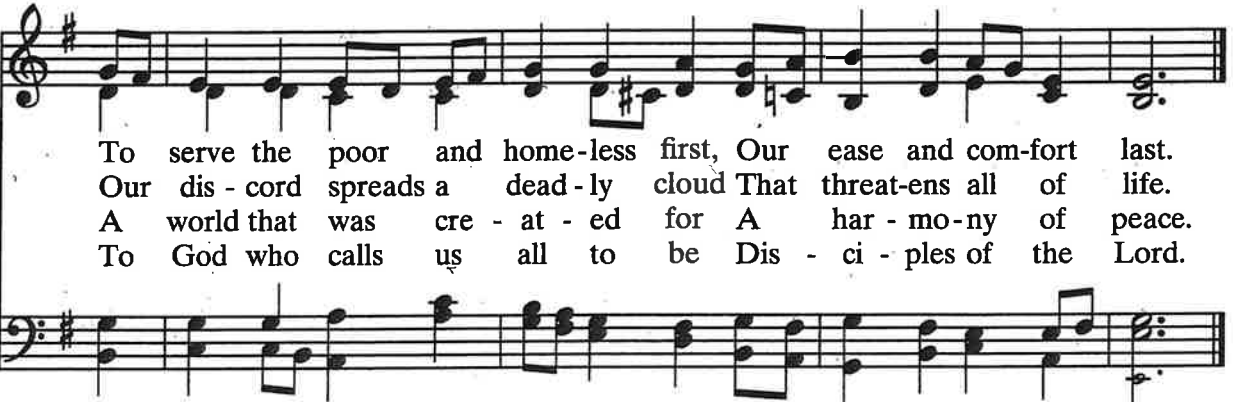
1. To - day we all are called to be Dis - ci - ples of the Lord,
2. God made the world and at its birth Or - dained our hu - man race
3. Pray jus - tice may come roll - ing down As in a might-y stream,
4. May we in ser - vice to our God Act out the liv - ing Word,



To help to set the cap - tive free, Make plow-share out of sword,
To live as stew-ards of the earth, Re - spond-ing to God's grace.
With righ-teous - ness in field and town To cleanse us and re - deem.
And walk the road the saints have trod Till all have seen and heard.



To feed the hun - gry, quench their thirst, Make love and peace our fast,
But we are vain and sad - ly proud, We sow not peace but strife,
For God is long-ing to re - store An earth where con - flicts cease,
As stew-ards of the earth may we Give thanks in one ac - cord



To serve the poor and home-less first, Our ease and com-fort last.
Our dis - cord spreads a dead - ly cloud That threat-ens all of life.
A world that was cre - at - ed for A har - mo - ny of peace.
To God who calls us all to be Dis - ci - ples of the Lord.

498 Child of Blessing, Child of Promise

Ronald S. Cole-Turner, 1980

KINGDOM 8.7.8.7

V. Earle Copes, 1959

1. Child of bless-ing, child of prom-ise, Bap - tized with the Spir - it's sign,
2. Child of love, our love's ex - pres-sion, Love's cre - a - tion, loved in - deed!
3. Child of joy, our dear-est trea-sure, God's you are, from God you came.
4. Child of God, your lov - ing Par - ent, Learn to lis - ten for God's call.

BAPTISM

With this wa - ter God has sealed you Un - to love and grace di - vine.
Fresh from God, re-fresh our spir - its, In - to joy and laugh - ter lead.
Back to God we hum-bly give you: Live as one who bears Christ's name.
Grow to laugh and sing and wor - ship, Trust and love God more than all.

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393 Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said

BOURBON LM

Charles William Everest, 1833; alt.

Attr. Freeman Lewis, 1825
Harm. John Leon Hooker, 1984

Fm Bbm Cm Fm

1. Take up your cross, the Sav - ior said, If
 2. Take up your cross, let not its weight Fill
 3. Take up your cross, heed not the shame, And
 4. Take up your cross, then, in Christ's strength, And

Db Ab Db Fm Eb Ab Fm7 Cm Db Cm

you would My dis - ci - ple be; Take up your cross with
 your weak spir - it with a - larm; Christ's strength shall bear your
 let your fool - ish heart be still; The Lord for you ac -
 calm - ly ev - ery dan - ger brave: It guides you to a -

Db Ab Fm Db Bbm Fm Cm Fm

will - ing heart, And hum - bly fol - low af - ter Me.
 spir - it up And brace your heart and nerve your arm.
 cept - ed death Up - on a cross, on Cal - vary's hill.
 bun - dant life And leads to vic - tory o'er the grave.

376 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

HYFRYDOL 8.7.8.7 D

Charles Wesley, 1747

Rowland Hugh Prichard, 1831

1. Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heaven, to
 2. Breathe, O breathe Thy lov - ing Spir - it In - to ev - ery
 3. Come, Al - might - y to de - liv - er, Let us all Thy
 4. Fin - ish, then, Thy new cre - a - tion; Pure and spot - less

earth come down, Fix in us Thy hum - ble dwell - ing,
 trou - bled breast! Let us all in Thee in - her - it,
 life re - ceive; Sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er,
 let us be; Let us see Thy great sal - va - tion

All Thy faith - ful mer - cies crown! Je - sus, Thou art all com -
 Let us find the prom - ised rest; Take a - way the love of
 Nev - er - more Thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - ways
 Per - fect - ly re - stored in Thee; Changed from glo - ry in - to

pas - sion, Pure, un - bound - ed love Thou art; Vis - it us with
 sin - ning; Al - pha and O - me - ga be; End of faith, as
 bless - ing, Serve Thee as Thy hosts a - bove; Pray, and praise Thee
 glo - ry, Till in heaven we take our place, Till we cast our

Thy sal - va - tion, En - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.
 its be - gin - ning, Set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
 with - out ceas - ing, Glo - ry in Thy per - fect love.
 crowns be - fore Thee, Lost in won - der, love, and praise.



News & Opportunities

September 15 - 22, 2024

CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY

Jimmy Hoke: JimmyH@hohchurch.org

Nursery available at 8:45 a.m. in Room 8
Sunday School | 10:10 a.m. | Rooms 4 & 7

Third Grade Bible Classes and Presentation

We will present Bibles to third graders in worship on Sunday, October 6, World Communion Sunday. Invitations will be sent to 3rd graders to attend Bible Classes to help them learn how to engage their new Bibles. **Bible classes will take place on September 22 and 29 from 11:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.** with lunch from Chipotle!

YOUTH AND FAMILY MINISTRY

Elsa Kendig: ElsaK@hohchurch.org

Sunday Youth Group: Grades 6-12

Today, September 15 | 6-8 p.m. | Youth Room
Pot-luck dinner, decorating the youth room and games in the church.

Calling All Confirmands. Youth grade 9 (or above, if you are in 10th, 11th or 12th, but still looking to for a chance to do confirmation) are invited to join this year's confirmation class. If you are interested in having your youth be a part of this year's class, contact Elsa Kendig by September 18.

Youth Retreat, September 27-29

YMCA Camp St. Croix. Youth grades 6-12 are invited to join us as we relax, play, and consider how the stories that shape us and how they connect, or don't, to have a big influence on the ways we are, or aren't, equipped to face our world.

All-Church Movie in the HoH Park. On Friday, September 20 at 7 p.m., we will be showing *The Secret Life of Walter Mitty* (2013) for all ages, based on the short story by James Thurber. Join us with your lawn chairs and snacks to enjoy a good time together at the tail end of summer!

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

Sunday-Weekday Connections with Jill Winter

Tuesday, September 24 | Kirk Parlour | 5:30 p.m.

Jill Winter has been an active member of HOH for 17 years and has served in many roles, including Sunday School teacher, deacon, elder, confirmation mentor, and coordinator of Children and Family Ministry. Jill is a licensed clinical social worker and has spent her career working with children, adolescents, and their families. Sign up by Thursday, September 19 at <https://bit.ly/HOHSundayWeekday>

Save the Dates for these future events:

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 on Saturday at 10:30 a.m. at HOH, concluding with a light lunch, and preach on Sunday. **Register here:** <https://bit.ly/PanelOct5>

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. Register: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/SacredSites2024#/>

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 Sea Salt 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 September 15, 2024

Sunday, September 15, 2024

- 8:45 a.m. Nursery, Room 8
- 10 a.m. Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 10:10 a.m. Sunday School, Rooms 4&7
- 11 a.m. Social Hour, Kirk Parlour
- 11 a.m. Alleluia Choir, Room 15
- 11:15 a.m. New Member Class, Room 1
- 11:15 a.m. Enrichment Hour, Great Hall
- 6 p.m. Youth Group, Youth Room

Monday, September 16, 2024

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

Tuesday, September 17, 2024

- 7 a.m. Men's Breakfast, Day by Day Cafe/Zoom
- 6:30 p.m. Session Meeting, Kirk Parlour

Wednesday, September 18, 2024

- 9:30 a.m. Bible Study, Room 1
- 1:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision, Zoom
- 2 p.m. Didier Seminar Meeting, Room 1
- 4 p.m. Choir School Rehearsals, Choir School Room/Choir Room
- 6 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision, Zoom
- 6:30 p.m. Sounds of Hope, Room 5
- 7 p.m. Bells of Hope, Room 5
- 7 p.m. Motet Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

Thursday, September 19, 2024

Building and church offices closed for move

- 7 a.m. Men's Breakfast, Day by Day Cafe, Zoom
- 5:30 p.m. Capital City Grief Coalition, Lumen Christi Catholic Community

Friday, September 20, 2024

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- 8:30 a.m. Women's Breakfast Group, Zoom
- 9 a.m. Centering Prayer, Zoom
- 1:15 - 5 p.m. St. Paul Farmers' Market, Summit Lot
- 7 p.m. All-Church Movie Night, HOH Park

Sunday, September 22, 2024

- 8:45 a.m. Nursery, Room 8
- 10 a.m. Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 10:10 a.m. Sunday School, Rooms 4&7
- 11 a.m. Social Hour, Kirk Parlour
- 11 a.m. Alleluia Choir, Room 15
- 11:15 a.m. Third Grade Bible Class, 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

Truman White Porter was a friend of The House of Hope Presbyterian Church and husband of HOH member Noelyn Porter. Truman died on September 1, 2024. A memorial service will be held on November 16, 2024, at 2 p.m. at Unity Church Unitarian, 733 Portland Ave., St Paul, MN 55104

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