

The State of Repair and Reparations Work

Saturday, October 5 10:30 a.m. - Noon

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 and will preach on Sunday. Come



learn about this work at the local, state, national and international levels from experts working in the field. Registration is free but required for an accurate count for catering.

Learn more and register at https://bit.ly/PanelOct5

Sacred Sites Tour with Rev. Jim Bear Jacobs



Saturday, October 5 2-6 p.m.

Experience a tour of Dakota Sacred Sites and learn about their history. Rev. Jim Bear Jacobs is Co-Director of Racial Justice with the Minnesota Council of Church. Dress for the

weather and bring a folding chair. Learn more and register at https://bit.ly/SacredSitesOct5 or contact the church.

World Communion Sunday Peace & Global Witness Offering



Sunday, October 6

The Peace & Global Witness Offering unites our church with Presbyterians everywhere reaching out to people across the globe who long for peace and reconciliation. As we work to share Christ's peace with those beyond our doors, please consider a gift to the offering.

Ways to give:

- Envelopes in the pew racks
- Mail with the memo: Peace
- Online: https://bit.ly/HOHPeace
- Text: HOH PEACE to 73256



Sunday Series with Kate Bowler

Sunday, November 3 | 2 p.m.



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
times New York Times
bestselling author, awardwinning 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. She is the author of *Blessed*: A History of the American Prosperity Gospel and The Preacher's Wife: The Precarious Power of Evangelical Women Celebrities. 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). She has also co-written with Jessica Richie, spiritual reflections: Good Enough: 40ish Devotionals for a Life of Imperfection and The Lives We Actually Have: 100 Blessings for Imperfect Days. Kate's most recent book, Have a Beautiful, Terrible Day! Daily Meditations for the Ups, Downs, and In-Betweens, is packed with bite-sized reflections and action-oriented steps to help you get through the day, be it good, bad, or totally mediocre. 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. She lives in Durham, North Carolina with her family and continues to teach do-gooders at Duke Divinity School.

Online registration will open on Tuesday, October 1 at https://bit.ly/HOHKateBowler

The registration link will also be on our website at hohchurch.org under *Things to Know*.

If you need assistance in registering, please contact the church office at (651) 227-6311.

WORSHIP

10 a.m.

Sunday, October 6, 2024 World Communion Sunday Peace and Global Witness Offering

Bells of Hope:

A Festival Fanfare, Siebert Come, Let Us Eat for Now the Feast is Spread, Moklebust

Motet Choir:

A New Song, MacMillan See What Love, McLin

Sunday, October 13, 2024 Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, October 20, 2024
Twenty-ninth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Motet Choir:

Make a Joyful Noise, Fax Call to Remembrance, Farrant

Sunday, October 27, 2024 Reformation Sunday

Motet Choir: God is Living, God is Here, Bach I Was Glad, Parry

Ten Years of Streaming

The first broadcast of streamed worship took place on Reformation Sunday, October 26, 2014, on the occasion of the 100th Anniversary and Re-dedication of the Building. The initial streaming equipment was a memorial gift in memory of Gene Engelbert given by the Engelbert family. Through this gift, our worship and music have reached many people. Thank you to the volunteers who make this happen every Sunday.



A Note from Scott

Caring for Each Other Through Difficult Times

The last few years in the United States have been difficult for millions of people: the Covid pandemic, tumultuous political events and hyper partisanship, anxiety about the future due to the climate crisis and the unknowns of Artificial Intelligence, and a general sense that things are out of whack or that we as a society are on the wrong track.

Sometimes we forget that in the midst of distressing headlines is the fact that we are all trying to live our lives the best we can and to create a sense of balance and joy in daily living amidst all of the turmoil.

This is exactly why we have invited Dr. Kate Bowler to be our Sunday Series Speaker on Sunday, November 3, at 2 p.m. It is no accident that she has been scheduled two days before the election on November 5.

Here is some information about Dr. Bowler from her website (https://katebowler.com/):

Hi, I'm Kate. Let's untangle our culture's obsession with toxic positivity and self-help, shall we?

I am a Duke professor, podcaster, and author with a single mission: giving you permission to feel human. (And letting you have whatever weird or boring hobbies you can't explain to strangers. Do I love roadside attractions and exotic potato chip flavors? Yes. More than I should say.)

I believe that the world would be a gentler place if we took apart the wellmeaning clichés we use when life is hard. (What doesn't kill you makes you stronger? Maybe what doesn't kill you might try again tomorrow).

I am determined to create a gentler world for everyone who wants to admit that they are not always "living their best life." After years of being told I was incurable, I was declared cancer-free. But there's no going back. I am forever changed by what I discovered: life is so beautiful, and life is so hard. For everyone.

I encourage you to peruse her website and note some of the incredible conversations she has had on her Podcast Everything Happens (https://katebowler.com/podcasts/), as she talks to funny and wise people about how to live with the knowledge that, well, everything happens. Check out her books, too, (https:// katebowler.com/books-by-katebowler/) that examine the cultural stories we tell ourselves about success, suffering, and whether (or not) we are capable of change. She is the author of seven books and three were instant New York Times bestsellers.

Finally, under the "Resources" page of her website (https://katebowler.com/resources/) there are a variety of guides, devotionals, and free resources dealing with subjects such as: illness, grief, nuanced hope, resilient faith, caring at home, what not to say, inspiring lives, moving forward, and caring at work, among many others.

Kate Bowler will be bringing a message to the House of Hope and the larger community that we all need to hear on November 3 as we do our best to live with dignity and resilience during these difficult times. I look forward to seeing many of you there!

Blessings,

Scott

Blessing of the

Animals
Sunday,
October 6

October 6
House of
Hope Park
2-3 p.m.

Join us in the HOH Park

on Portland Ave for pet (and people) blessings and fun! Sweet Fruci's Ice Cream Truck will be on site with treats, including pup cups! All are welcome whether you have a pet or not!

Community Halloween Celebration



Friday, October 25 5:30 - 7 p.m.

Join us for an event to bring church and community together for a fun evening! There will be costumes, arcade games, photo booth, some treats (but no tricks). Dinner will be provided. Stay tuned for more details in the Enews.

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 or contact Phil Romine at:

PhillipR@hohchurch.org



Congregational/Family Retreat | Clearwater Forest

Friday-Sunday, November 8–10
By popular request, a congregation favorite is back: the House of
Hope Congregational Retreat at
Clearwater Forest! The focus of this retreat will be recharging – whether you do that through being out in nature, quiet time, a chance to play with others, or any combination thereof. Additionally, we will have several opportunities for children, youth, and adults to reflect on how we cultivate compassion for ourselves and others.

This retreat is open to all HOH congregants! We've reserved Eagle Lodge, so if you are interested, use the QR code below to go to the registration page and sign up. The cost of the retreat is \$110 per individual, or \$250 family max. Participants are invited to arrive on Friday afternoon any time after 5 p.m. On Sunday, we will have worship and then return to St. Paul with a stop on the way for lunch

for those who are interested. We hope to see a wide swath of HOH at camp!



per cap·i·ta

Per capita is a Latin phrase literally meaning "by heads" or "for each head", and idiomatically used to mean "per person."

For us as Presbyterians, Per Capita is a funding mechanism to support the work of the Presbyterian Church (USA) – our denomination – at the local, regional and national levels. House of Hope annually pays per capita for each of its members (not households). In 2025, Per Capita will be \$40 per member. We ask that every member contribute \$40 for next year. You will hear more about the Per Capita as we approach Stewardship Sunday.

Stewardship 2025 Kickoff Event November 3

Join us for a Fun Kick-Off Event in the Great Hall, immediately after worship to connect with church friends and staff, and celebrate how your stewardship giving helps with the daily operations of HOH and our community initiatives. Stewardship Sunday is November 10.





Choir School Holiday Wreath and Plant Sale:

Order online October 1-20.

Order pick up is December 4 between 4 - 6 p.m.

Wreaths, holiday arrangements, gift cards, and poinsettias from Gertens! Proceeds support The HOH Choir School.

To order, go to www.gertensfundraising.com and enter Store ID 95

CLOISTER GALLERY



Water & Spirit
© Robyn Sand Anderson

Now that the HVAC/Electrical Project construction has been completed, artwork can once again be displayed in the Cloister Gallery, and the Arts Committee will begin reviewing proposals for upcoming exhibits. In the interim, a new addition to House of Hope's permanent art collection is on display. Water & Spirit, an original painting by Robyn Sand Anderson was commissioned by the Arts Committee after her exhibit in the Cloister 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."

And, as we look forward to the upcoming Sunday Series event on November 3, also on display are a selection of posters from past events. House of Hope's 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, and Justice Alan Page. Last spring reservations to hear Heather Cox Richardson "sold-out" in less than twenty-four hours. Through this event House of Hope draws scores of people into our beautiful building to experience our hospitality and share in our community.

Children, Youth and Family Ministry



Children and Family Ministry

Contact Dr. Jimmy Hoke: Jimmy H@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

Third Grade Bible Presentation Sunday, October 6

We will present Bibles to third graders in worship on Sunday, October 6, World Communion Sunday.

Special Children's Worship Services During Sunday School Sunday, October 6

During the Sunday School dismissal from worship, younger children will join participate in a special service with songs, stories, prayer, and movement. Older children (Grades 3-5) will go to the Chapel where they will worship via the livestream, with leaders helping them discuss and engage worship at their level with talking and asking questions encouraged.

Tween Night: Movie in the Park Friday, October 11 | 6:30-8:30 p.m. Join us in the HOH Park for dinner and a movie.

Youth and Family Ministry Contact Elsa Kendig:

ElsaK@hohchurch.org

Sunday Youth Group: Grades 6-12 October 6 and 27 Youth Room | 6-8 p.m.

Join us for games, dinner and a little discussion.

CROP Hunger Walk Sunday, October 13 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. | Off site

HOH youth will join in with Macalester Plymouth in the annual CROP Hunger Walk, a community-based fundraising event that aims to end hunger and poverty. Running since 1969, the funds the walk raises are used to provide emergency food, seeds, tools, and other resources, which are used to fight hunger in emergency situations both internationally and locally. If you can help sponsor the HOH youth team with a donation of funds for their walk, do so by contacting Elsa Kendig, or by using this link: https://bit.ly/HOHCropWalk

House of Hope Art Collection

During the HVAC/ Electrical Project construction all the pieces of art that were hanging or displayed in the building were stored off-site at a professional art storage facility to ensure that the items would remain undamaged and secure. Now that construction has been completed the Arts Committee will begin reviewing and evaluating pieces to return to the church. It is the goal of the committee to ensure that the art we display will honor our church's past while also



providing a welcoming, enhancing and forward-looking experience for our members, friends and visitors. To do so with care and consideration, it will be a process that will take time and occur in stages. We appreciate your patience while we develop our committee guidelines which we will share in future communications.

SUNDAYS AT HOH

Twin Cities Marathon

Sunday, October 6

You'll want to arrange your drive to church to avoid road closures.

Sunday Enrichment with Rev. Jim Bear Jacobs (Mohican)

Sunday, October 6 | 11:15 a.m.

Rev. Jacobs, Co-Director of Racial Justice with the Minnesota Council of Churches, will debrief and delve into greater detail about the Sacred Sites tour on Saturday, October 5. See page 1 for information about the tour.

New Member Class

Sunday, October 13 Library | 11:15 a.m.

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

Sunday Enrichment with Najeeba Syeed

Sunday, October 13 | 11:15 a.m.

Najeeba Syeed is the El-Hibri Chair and Executive Director of Interfaith at Augsburg University, and he will join us to discuss the critical role of interfaith cooperation in anti-hate work.

Sunday Enrichment with William Moyers

Sunday, October 20 | 11:15 a.m.

William Moyers, Vice President of Public Affairs and Community Relations for Hazelden Betty Ford, will preach and provide ongoing conversation after worship about the state of the recovery movement.

Sunday Enrichment with Jennifer Ross-Wolff

Sunday, October 27 | 11:15 a.m.

Jennifer Ross-Wolff, Director of the Perlman Center for Learning and Teaching at Carleton College, will talk about the art and science of talking through conflict and disagreements in constructive, life-giving ways.

OTHER EVENTS

Great Decisions: International Pandemic Preparedness with Jeffrey Anderson

Tuesday, October 8 Kirk Parlour | 3 p.m.

International pandemic preparedness refers to the coordinated efforts of countries and international organizations to mitigate the impact of infectious disease outbreaks on a global scale. It involves strategies for early detection, rapid response, and effective containment of emerging pathogens that pose a threat to public health worldwide. Jeffrey Anderson is an Associate Professor of peace studies at St. John's University and the College of St. Benedict. He earned his doctorate in international relations from The American University in Washington, D.C.

The Singers Concert: American Tune: Music for a Time of Change

Saturday, October 12 Sanctuary | 7:30 p.m. Tickets available at:

www.singersmca.org

A true collage concert just weeks ahead of Election Day, the Singers' season starts with music of warning, resolution, and hope. Taking its title from Paul Simon's reflection on the American experience, American Tune will examine themes confronting the country today, universally explored by composers across nations and time. Never before have The Singers shifted from Byrd to Bob Dylan, Britten to Paul Simon, or Mendelssohn to Joni Mitchell – it is a wonder to hear the timeliness of American songs in new, meaningful contexts. This concert will also take place on October 13 at 3 p.m., Westminster Hall, Minneapolis.

Sunday-Weekday Connections with Sarah Walbert

Tuesday, October 22 Kirk Parlour | 5:30 p.m.

Since retiring from the State of Minnesota Trade Office three years ago, Sarah Walbert has continued project work for clients. Growing up, she lived in many different places in the U.S. and Japan with her missionary parents, always feeling like an outsider looking in. The transient life continued, until she, her airline husband, and their daughter found a sense of permanence in Minnesota. Moving taught her that God sure has a sense of humor, so best to "trust in the Lord," and certainly to "lean not on your own understanding." Sign up by Thursday, October 17 at https://bit.ly/HOHSundayWeekday



Earth Care

Take an Awe Walk

"O hushed October morning mild," the poet Robert Frost entreated, "Beguile us in the way you know." With its crisp morning air and its rustic palate of reds, oranges, yellows, and golds, autumn beckons us to get out for an "awe walk." When you take an awe walk you intentionally shift your attention outward to things around you that fill you with wonder instead of ruminating inwardly about your worries, your concerns and all the things you can't control. Studies have shown that awe walks can boost your sense of positivity, your feelings of compassion and gratitude—things we could all benefit from these days. So, lace up your shoes, get out, and let the season beguile you.



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