

Prelude: Shall We Gather at the River with Deep River

Arranged by Dan Goeller Cathedral of Hope Orchestra

# **Call to Worship**

People of Hope, today we remember and celebrate the "great cloud of witnesses" who have come before us:

The saints who poured love and wisdom into our lives,

The saints whose smiles and touch we miss the most,

And the saints who live on through our lives and acts of kindness.

So rise, people of God, in body or spirit, as we sing in honor of all the saints!

\*\*Processional Hymn: For All the Saints

All:

For all the saints, who from their labors rest, who thee by faith before the world confessed, thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.

Alleluia, alleluia!

# **Tenor and Bass Voices:**

Thou wast were their rock, their fortress, and their might; thou, Lord, the captain in the well-fought fight; thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.

Alleluia, alleluia!

# All:

O blest communion, fellowship divine, We feebly struggle, they in glory shine; Yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluia, alleluia! And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long, Steals on the ear the distant triumph song, And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong. Alleluia, alleluia!

# Choir only:

The golden evening brightens in the west; soon, soon to faithful servants cometh rest.

Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.

Alleluia, alleluia!

# **Soprano and Alto Voices:**

But then there breaks a yet more glorious day; the saints triumphant rise in bright array; the Lord of glory passes on the way. Alleluia, alleluia!

## All:

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
They sing to Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost,
Alleluia, alleluia!

#### Welcome and Life of the Church

Rev. Dr. Neil G. Thomas Rev. Dr. Andria Davis

# \*\*Exchange of Peace

# Act of Remembrance for All Saints' Sunday

One: Remembering that tears are cleansing as well as painful, remembering that recalling the lives of those we love is sometimes difficult, but renews hope, we now name in our hearts those who have gone before us to join the great cloud of witnesses.

# Time of Silent Remembrance

One: Let us bring to mind all of those whose lives we honor today:

One: In the blowing of the wind and in the chill of winter,

All: We remember them.

One: In the opening of buds and in the rebirth of spring,

All: We remember them.

One: In the blueness of the sky and in the warmth of summer,

All: We remember them.

#### CHANCEL FLOWERS

One: In the rustling of leaves and in the beauty of autumn,

All: We remember them.

One: In the beginning of the year and when it ends,

All: We remember them.

One: When we are weary and in need of strength,

All: We remember them.

One: When we are lost and sick at heart,

All: We remember them.

One: When we have joys we yearn to share,

All: We remember them.

One: So long as we live, they too shall live, for they are now a part of

us,

All: And we remember them. Amen.

# The Lord's Prayer

Creator/Our Father/Our Mother
which 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. Amen.

# \*\*Scripture Lesson: Hebrews 12:1-3

Rev. Jeremy Rose

One: Our Scripture Lesson is from the Twelfth Chapter of the Letter to the Hebrews. Hear these words:

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside everything that impedes us and the sin that so easily entangles us. Let us run with perseverance the race laid out for us. Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, who leads us in our faith and brings it to perfection. For the sake of the joy to come, Jesus endured the cross, heedless of its shame, and now sits at the right hand of the throne of God. Think of Jesus—who endured such opposition from sinners—so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

One: This is the Word of God for the People of God.

All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

## **CONGREGATIONAL CARE**

If you find yourself experiencing illness, hospitalization, grief, or other critical challenges, the Congregational Care Ministry (CCM) at Cathedral of Hope will connect you with the appropriate resources that best correspond to your needs.

# \*\*Gloria

# Glory to God

Glory to God in the highest, and to all creation, peace!

O God Almighty, we thank you and give praise to you for your glory.

Jesus Christ, Lamb of God, you take away our sin;
for you alone are the Holy One; you alone are Most High.

To Jesus Christ, at God's right hand, and Holy Spirit, evermore
Be blessing and honor and glory; be all blessing and honor and glory.

Amen, Amen!

**Sermon** Rev. Dr. Neil G. Thomas

We Remember. Nevertheless, We Live.

Offering Call Rev. Dr. Dawson B. Taylor

#### Offertory

# Beyond the River There Is Rest

Words by Benjamin Wolaver and Robin Wolaver
Music by Bill Wolaver, Robin Wolaver, and Annie Dupre
Sanctuary Choir and Orchestra

Lay down your sword, the war is done; The fragile dust returns to dust. O wounded warrior, look beyond with valiant heart and eyes of trust.

Beyond the river there is rest, by living streams that lap the sod, and soften mossy beds of sleep, awaiting weary sons of God.

Let us cross over the river, and rest under the shade of the trees, where the crystal tide flows forever, forever.

So follow to the other shore; baptize with joy in silver spray. In heaven's stream, our Lamb, the Lord has washed the former things away.

Let us cross over the river, and rest under the shade of the trees, where the crystal tide flows forever, forever.

Oh, shall we gather at the river that flows by the throne of God? Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river. Gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.

Beyond the river there is rest.

# **Great Thanksgiving for All Saints' Sunday**

**Sursum Corda** 

Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;

\*\*Please rise as you are able, in body or spirit

## **ONLINE GIVING**

At www.cathedralofhope.com/give you can make a one-time donation or even set up a recurring electronic gift (by automated checking account withdrawal or credit card). One of the best things you can do to support your church is to make arrangements to give electronically.



Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, Which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

**Words of Institution** 

**Prayer of Consecration** 

Invitation

Music during Communion (as needed)



# God Is My Shepherd

The refrain is sung first by the cantor and choir.

The congregation repeats the refrain immediately and after each of the cantor's verses.

John Walker, cantor

# Steal Away

Steal away, steal away, steal away to Jesus!
Steal away, steal away home, I don't have long to stay here!

Steal away, steal away, steal away to Jesus!
Steal away, steal away home, I don't have long to stay here!

I hear God calling, God calls me by the thunder; the trumpet sounds within my soul, I don't have long to stay here.

Steal away, steal away, steal away to Jesus!
Steal away, steal away home, I don't have long to stay here!

Green trees are bending, poor sinner stands a-trembling; the trumpet sounds within my soul, I don't have long to stay here.

#### **TEXT TO GIVE**

Simply send a text message to (855) 717-1039 with the amount you would like to contribute. Make sure to include the dollar sign before the amount. Example: \$20. The minimum text-to-give contribution is \$3.

# Steal away, steal away, steal away to Jesus! Steal away, steal away home, I don't have long to stay here!

I hear God calling, God calls me by the lightning: the trumpet sounds within my soul, I don't have long to stay here.

# Steal away, steal away, steal away to Jesus! Steal away, steal away home, I don't have long to stay here!

Tombstones are bursting, poor sinner stands a-trembling; the trumpet sounds within my soul, I don't have long to stay here.

Steal away, steal away, steal away to Jesus!
Steal away, steal away home, I don't have long to stay here!

# **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

# \*\*Recessional For All Your Saints, O God

For all your saints, O God, who strove in you to live, who followed you, obeyed, adored, our grateful hymn receive.

For all your saints, O God, who strove in you to die, who counted you their great reward, accept our thankful cry.

They all in life and death, with you, their God, in view, learned from your Holy Spirit's breath to suffer and to do

For this your name we bless and humbly pray anew that we like them in holiness may live and die in you.

## \*\*Benediction

#### Postlude for Dismissal

# Incense Use in Worship

Christmas Eve (11pm)
Epiphany Sunday (10am)
Good Friday, Easter Sunday (10am)
Pentecost (10am)
and All Saints Sunday (10am)

Incense Use in Worship At Cathedral of Hope, incense is used as part of our worship experience on select holy days, including Christmas Eve (11pm), Epiphany Sunday (10am), Good Friday, Easter Sunday (10am), Pentecost (10am), and All Saints Sunday (10am).

We use a hypoallergenic incense designed to minimize irritation, but we recognize that sensitivities vary from person to person. If you have concerns, we invite you to speak with an usher or clergy member so we can support your worship experience in a way that feels safe and comfortable.



# **COMING UP @ CATHEDRAL**

# Poinsettia Dedications | For Sale Starting Oct. 30th | Last Day December 21, 2025

Each year, Cathedral of Hope's Advent decor is brightened by hundreds of poinsettias dedicated by our members. For \$40, you can honor a special friend or family member. Dedications will be printed in the Christmas Eve worship guide in the format of 'In honor of:" or "In celebration of:" We are unable to accommodate more than 25 characters. Deadline to place your order is Sunday, December 15. You may make your poinsettia dedications anytime at www. cathedralofhope.com/poinsettias, or use a Flower Envelope located in the pews and place it in the offering plate. Questions? Contact: Scott Stout.

# Discover the Labyrinth: An Ancient Pathway of Prayer Sunday, November 2, 2025

Are you looking for new ways to deepen your spiritual practice? The labyrinth is one of the oldest contemplative tools in the Christian tradition and beyond. Unlike a maze, it is not meant to trick or frustrate you. With one way in and one way out, the labyrinth invites you to release distractions about "where to go next" and instead focus on being present with God.

Walking the labyrinth is a moving meditation. It can be walked alone or with others, at a pace that suits you. Most people complete the journey in twenty minutes to an hour. Each step can become a prayer, opening space for reflection, healing, and awareness of God's presence.

Come and experience this sacred pathway. As you walk, you may find yourself drawn closer to God and to the mystery of the Spirit moving within and around you.

# bigBANG! 2025 Hope in Action: Igniting Change, Empowering Communities

November 6, 2025 - November 7, 2025 | 5pm

Hope is more than wishful thinking—it's a force for transformation. When we act on hope, we drive economic growth, advance justice, and strengthen communities.

Throughout history, hope has been both compass and catalyst, reflecting the world we live in while inspiring us to build the world we need. Hope doesn't just help us endure uncertainty—it compels us to act against it.

As philanthropists, civic leaders, and corporate changemakers, we have a unique opportunity. When we align our resources and vision, hope becomes collective action. This conference explores how we transform shared aspirations into measurable impact.

Thursday, November 6<sup>th</sup> | Paul Quinn College 3837 Simpson Stuart Rd, Dallas, TX 75241

Friday, November 7<sup>th</sup> | The Frances Anne Moody Hall at SMU Airline Rd, Dallas, TX 75205

Visit www.bigbangtx.com to learn more.

# LIFE GROUPS

Don't miss out on the opportunity to be in a life group that follows the sermon series so that we can grow spiritually together! We have groups that meet each day of the week both in person and virtually. Scan the QR code to check out our groups or email, Rev. Jeremy, for more information at irose@cathedralofhope.com!







#### **Sunday English Services**

8:30am Traditional In-Person Worship (Live-streamed)

10am Traditional In-Person Worship (Live-streamed)

#### 11:45am Contemporary

In-Person Worship (Live-streamed)

#### **Sunday Spanish Service**

1:30pm (Spanish) In-Person Worship (Live-streamed)

#### Mid-Week Pick Me Up

Our Hope@11:45 Contemporary Sunday service is broadcast the following Wednesday evening at 7:15pm on Facebook, YouTube, and our Website as your mid-week pick me up.



\*Scan QR code for more info about our upcoming events



# The Bell Wall Society

Since its founding, Cathedral of Hope has stood as a beacon of faith, love, and justice — offering radical inclusion and extravagant grace in a world that too often withholds both. Rooted in the Oak Lawn neighborhood of Dallas and now reaching hearts across the globe, we have become a spiritual home for those once pushed to the margins — and we continue to grow, serve, and inspire.

As a historic and predominantly LGBTQ congregation of the United Church of Christ, Cathedral of Hope is the world's largest inclusive progressive Christian church with a primary outreach to LGBTQ individuals, their families, and allies. What began as a sanctuary for a few has become a lifeline for thousands — both locally and online.

## Honoring Legacy, Inspiring Hope

To ensure this legacy endures for generations to come, we invite you to become a member of the Cathedral of Hope Bell Wall Society — a community of faithful visionaries who have included Cathedral of Hope in their wills or estate plans.

Joining is simple. By naming Cathedral of Hope in your will — in any amount — you create a ripple of hope that will bless lives well into the future. This act of faith ensures that we can continue to proclaim God's inclusive love, minister through times of crisis, feed the hungry, and be a prophetic voice of justice and peace.

#### Why Your Legacy Matters

Through the decades, we've overcome adversity, expanded our campus and ministries, and led with courage. Today, our reach includes weekly worship for over 1,000 people, a thriving food pantry feeding 500+ individuals weekly, a food rescue ministry that collects and distributes over one million pounds of food per year, and online ministries that span the nation.

Legacy gifts helped make this possible. They ensure we can continue to minister boldly and inclusively — from our sanctuary to the screens of those who seek hope far beyond our Dallas home.

#### Your Name. Your Faith. Your Legacy.

When you include Cathedral of Hope in your estate plans, you are not only securing the future of a church that has changed lives — you are becoming part of a story of courage, compassion, and commitment to Christ's love that lives on through every act of kindness, every note of music, and every voice lifted in prayer.

We hope you'll consider joining the Bell Wall Society. Your gift, no matter the size, helps build a future filled with faith, hope, and love.

#### First Time Guests •

If you are joining us for the first time, stop by the Connect Center to meet and greet with volunteers and staff, and to pick up a special gift from us to you.

#### Children and Families -

We offer Children's Church for children between infancy and 5th grade. We meet in person on Sundays during all four services for faith-filled and fun programming. Childcare for the littlest ones is available on Sundays.

#### Youth •

Our youth group is for those between 6th and 12th grades. It is a safe space to share struggles and joys. We meet Sundays at 10am in Rm. 102 for Youth Group.

#### Restrooms -

You're invited to use the restroom that corresponds with your gender identity or the restroom that feels the safest and most comfortable to you. Gendered, multiple occupancy restrooms are located near the double glass doors behind the Sanctuary. All-gender, single occupancy restrooms are available off the hall to the right of the Hall of Heroes area.

## Congregational Care -

If you find yourself experiencing illness, hospitalization, death, grief, or other critical challenges, the Congregational Care Ministry (CCM) at Cathedral of Hope will connect you with the appropriate resources that best correspond to your needs.

The CCM can be reached by:

- Phone (214) 351-1901 Ext. 124
- Email at CCM@cathedralofhope.com

\*Children and youth are always welcome in worship! Children and youth programming is available during all four worship services for infants through 12th grade. Please ask an usher for directions or more information.

# A friendly reminder...

As you may know, we have security presence at all worship services and other major events. We have a security team and a security plan in place in case of need. We ask you to partner with us and ensure that you are aware of your surroundings and the main exits in the building. And, if you see something, say something. Speak to a member of staff or a member of our security team. Thank you for your assistance.

Assisted listening systems are available in the bookstore

Please note that by sitting in the sanctuary, you may be filmed or photographed. If you do not wish to be filmed or photographed, please feel free to worship in the Fellowship Hall



