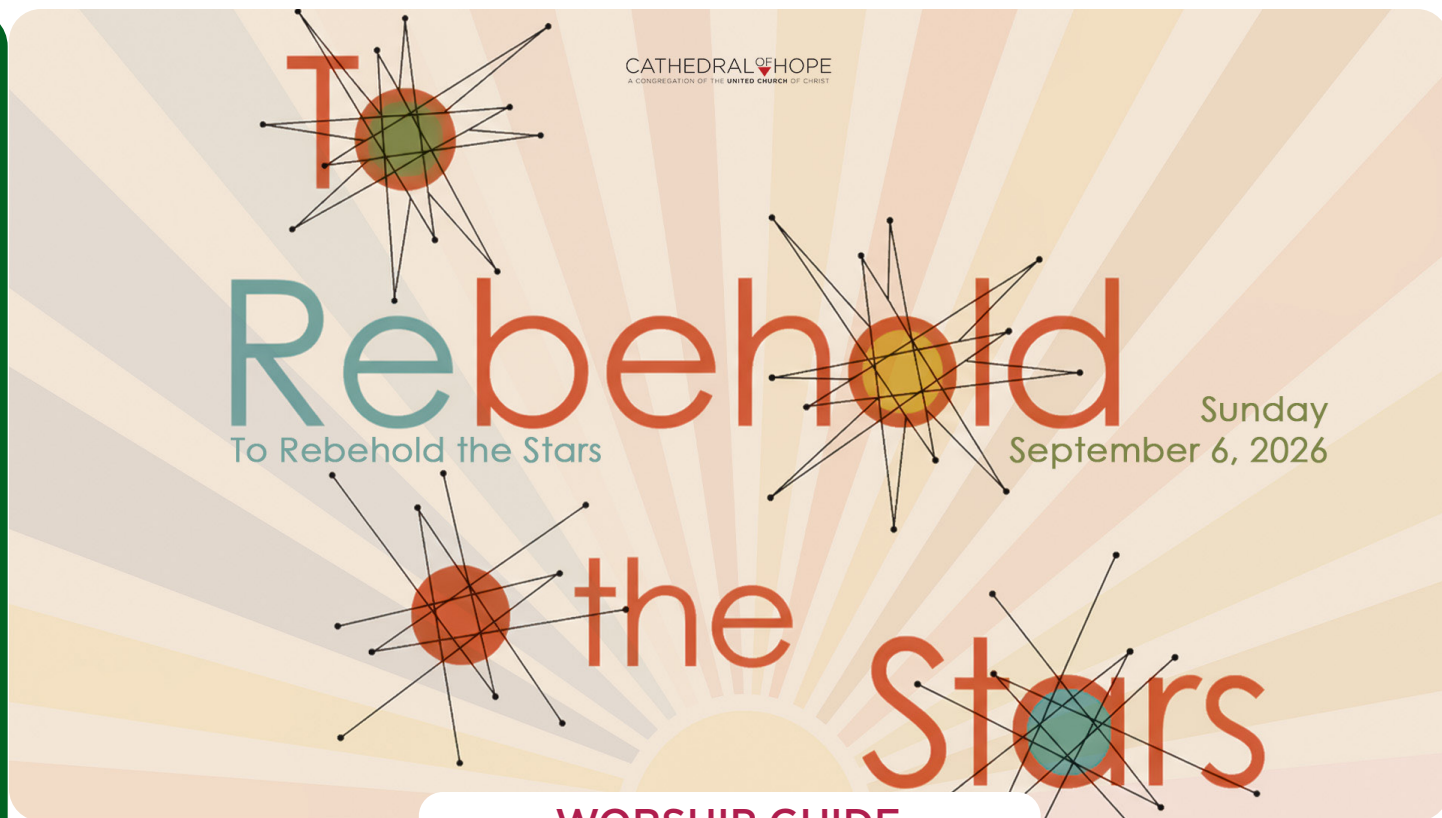




WORSHIP GUIDE

Pre-Service Video

Prelude

For the Beauty of the Earth

Words by Folliot S. Pierpont; Music by Conrad Kocher
Arranged by K.L. Phillips
Katrina Glaze and Danell Winsor, violins
Nathan Ratliff, piano

Call to Worship

Cathedral of Hope, we gather to worship God, the author and giver of life:

The One who fashioned the heaven and earth;

Who made humankind in God's own image and saw that it was very good;

And the One who reminds us that we were created to receive and reflect love.

So rise, Church, in body or spirit. Sing to our powerful, loving God!

****Processional Hymn:**

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

I sing the mighty power of God that made the mountains rise,
That spread the flowing seas abroad, and built the lofty skies.

I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day;
The moon shines full at God's command, and all the stars obey.

I sing the goodness of our God that filled the earth with food;
God formed the creatures with a word, and then pronounced them good.

Oh, how you wonders are displayed, where e'er I turn my eye;

If I survey the ground I tread, or gaze upon the sky!

On earth there's not a plant or flow'r but makes your glory known.
The clouds arise and spread their show'rs by order from your throne.
All life is but a gift from you and ever in your care;
Wherever people gather, you, O God, are present there.

Welcome and Life of the Church

Rev. Dr. Neil G. Thomas
Rev. Dr. Dawson B. Taylor

Sacrament of Holy Baptism (10 a.m.)

Emily Lou McCollam
Elwood Jennings McCollam

****Sharing of the Peace**

Modern Lesson: from *To Rebehold the Stars* by Tiffany Yecke Brooks Dusty Darrow

Our Modern Lesson is from our Fall Study book, To Rebehold the Stars, by Tiffany Yecke Brooks. Hear these words:

After descending through nine articles of Hell, Dante and Virgil emerge on the other side of the world at the base of the mountain of Purgatory. In the concluding line of the *Inferno*—in the moment when the two men “rebehold the stars,”—Dante realizes that he has, at last, escaped his journey through the underworld.

Though much has been written in religious and psychological works alike about the profound metaphor of Dante’s midlife reckoning with his own religious ideas and sense of self, this moment of emergence is one that perhaps bears the greatest symbolic significance for people coming out of a period of wrestling with their own faith.

The *Inferno* ultimately ends on a note of hope because it is the sight of those stars once more, after being so long in the darkness, that lets Dante know he has finally left Hell behind for good. It is not forgotten; those scarring memories will shape everything else that is still to come in his quest. But in this moment, Dante realizes that the time for ascension, reconnection, and creating something new has begun. He is rebeholding the stars.

May God bless the hearing of these new words. Amen.

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

CHANCEL FLOWERS

The flowers on the chancel are given to honor the memory of our nephew Andrew Rawson by Jamie and Servando Rawson on the occasion of what would have been his 35th birthday. “You are loved, always.”

Chorus

God of Wonders

*Choir: God of all creation, of water, earth and sky,
The heavens are your tabernacle; glory to our God on high.*

*ALL: God of Wonders beyond our galaxy, you are holy, holy;
The universe declares your majesty. You are holy, holy;
God of heaven and earth, God of heaven and earth.*

***God of Wonders beyond our galaxy, you are holy, holy;
The universe declares your majesty. You are holy, holy;
God of heaven and earth, God of heaven and earth,
God of heaven and earth.*

****Scripture Lesson: Isaiah 40:25-31**

One: Our Scripture Lesson is from the 40th chapter of the book of Isaiah.
Hear these words:

To whom will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One.
Lift up your eyes on high and see: who created these? The One who
brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name;
because this One is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing.
Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, “My way is hidden from the
Most High, and my right is disregarded by my God”? Have you not known?
Have you not heard? The Most High is the everlasting God, the Creator of
the ends of the earth. This God does not faint or grow weary; God’s
understanding is unsearchable. God gives strength to the weary, and
empowers the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the
young may stumble and fall; but those who wait for God will renew their
strength, they will mount up with wings like eagles, they will run and not
be weary, they will walk and not faint.

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

All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

**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.

****Response**

God of Wonders

*God of Wonders beyond our galaxy, you are holy, holy;
The universe declares your majesty. You are holy, holy;
God of heaven and earth, God of heaven and earth,
God of heaven and earth.*

Sermon

To Rebehold the Stars

Rev. Dr. Neil G. Thomas

Offering Call and Litany of Welcome

Rev. Dr. Andria Davis

Offertory

Indescribable

Words and Music by Laura Story
Arranged by David T. Clydesdale
Sanctuary Choir and Orchestra

*From the highest of heights to the depths of the sea,
creation's revealing your majesty.*

*From the colors of fall to the fragrance of spring,
every creature unique in the song that it sings.*

All exclaiming:

*"Indescribable, uncontainable;
you placed the stars in the sky, and you know them by name.*

All powerful, untamable!

*Awestruck we fall to our knees as we humbly proclaim,
You are amazing, God! Indescribable."*

*Who has told every lightning bolt where it should go
or seen heavenly storehouses laden with snow?*

*Who imagined the sun and gives source to its light,
yest conceals it to bring us the coolness of night?*

None can fathom!

*Indescribable, uncontainable;
you placed the stars in the sky, and you know them by name.*

All powerful, untamable!

*Awestruck we fall to our knees as we humbly proclaim,
"You are amazing, God! Indescribable."*

SCAN TO GIVE



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

GLUTEN-FREE COMMUNION

For those wishing to receive a gluten-free communion wafer, please proceed down the center aisle or ask an usher for assistance.

Communion

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

Let us pray.

Almighty God, send the power of your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of grape and grain. Make them be for us holy food that nurtures us in body and spirit, that by sharing this feast, we may know the presence of the living Christ. By your Spirit, make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all of the world. Through Jesus Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory be yours, now and forever. Amen.

Invitation

Music during Communion

This Is God's Wondrous World

This is God's wondrous world, and to my listening ears,
All nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.

This is God's wondrous world, I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; God's hand the wonders wrought.

This is God's wondrous world, the birds their carols raise;
The morning light, the lily white declare their maker's praise.

This is God's wondrous world, God shines in all that's fair;
in the rustling grass I hear God pass, God speaks to me everywhere.

This is God's wondrous world, O let me ne'er forget
That though the wrong seems aft so strong, God is the ruler yet.

This is God's wondrous world, the battle is not done;
Jesus who died shall be satisfied, and heaven and earth be one.

I Worship You, Almighty God

I worship you, almighty God, there is none like you.
I worship you, O God of peace, that is what I long to do.

I give you praise for you are my righteousness.
I worship you, almighty God, there is none like you.

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

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.**

How Great Thou Art

O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder
consider all the worlds thy hands have made,
I see the stars; I hear the rolling thunder,
thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed.

***Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee;
How great thou art! How great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee;
How great thou art! How great thou art!*

****Prayer of Thanksgiving**

****Recessional *All Creatures of the Earth and Sky***

All creatures of the earth and sky,
with gladness lift your voices high, Alleluia, Alleluia!
Thou burning sun with golden beam, Thou silver moon with softer gleam:
O sing praises, O sing praises, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!
Thou rushing wind that art so strong,
Ye clouds that sail in heaven along, Alleluia, Alleluia!
Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice, Ye light of evening, find a voice:
O sing praises, O sing praises, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!
All ye of understanding heart,
forgiving others take your part, Alleluia, Alleluia!
Let all things their Creator bless, Worshiping God in humbleness:
O sing praises, O sing praises, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

****Benediction**

Postlude for Dismissal

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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.

The CCM can be reached at
Phone (214) 351-1901 Ext. 124
Email at prayer@cathedralofhope.com

WORSHIP

Services

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.



53 CHRISTOPHER

COUNSELING & PSYCHOTHERAPY

The therapists at 53 Christopher Counseling & Psychotherapy are offering free drop-in mental and emotional support on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month.

Appointments are available at 10am, 11am, 12pm, and 1pm. You can scan the QR code to set up time with us. No commitment required! Just a caring, confidential space to talk and be heard.



*Scan QR code for more info about our upcoming events

COMING UP @ CATHEDRAL

Sequins & Soul: Cathedral of Hope's 56th Anniversary Friday September 18, 2026 | 6pm-9pm

Join us as we celebrate 56 incredible years of faith, hope, love, and community at Cathedral of Hope with an unforgettable evening of Sequins & Soul!

On Friday, September 18, Cathedral of Hope will come alive with dazzling style, joyful laughter, great music, delicious food, and the vibrant spirit that has defined our community for more than five decades. Whether you arrive decked out in sparkling sequins, your favorite retro glam, or simply as your authentic self, you'll find a place where everyone belongs. Come reconnect with friends, make new memories, dance the night away, and celebrate the soul of a church that continues to shine brightly for all.



Trunk or Treat Trunk Registration Saturday, October 24, 2026 | 11am - 3pm

Help create a fun, welcoming, and unforgettable Trunk or Treat experience by hosting a decorated trunk!

Whether you go all out with an elaborate theme or keep it simple and festive, your creativity, candy, and smiling face will help make this one of our favorite community events. This is a wonderful opportunity to connect with families, share a little joy, and be part of an evening filled with costumes, laughter, and fun. Invite your friends, family, small group, or ministry team to decorate a trunk together and make it a memorable experience!

If you'd also like to serve in another capacity, such as setup, games, hospitality, traffic, or cleanup, please complete the separate Trunk or Treat Volunteer Registration, as this registration is for trunk hosts only.



Discover Your Spiritual Gifts

Everyone has unique strengths to offer! Take a few minutes to complete our Spiritual Gifts Assessment and discover how your talents, passions, and interests can make a difference at Cathedral of Hope. Whether you're already serving or looking for a place to get involved, we'd love to help you find a ministry that's a great fit. cathedralofhope.com/spiritual-gifts

Children Volunteers

Our children and youth ministries are growing, and we would love for you to be part of it. If you have a heart for kids or a passion for teaching, this is a great opportunity to make a meaningful impact. To get involved, reach out to Amani Murphy at amurphy@cathedralofhope.com

Are You Staying Up To Date With CoH Events and Announcements

Cathedral of Hope sends congregational emails through Realm, our church management system, and Constant Contact.

If you are not receiving emails you expect from the church, there may be a typo in the email address we have on file, or your email provider may be blocking or filtering our messages. Please contact Rev. Dr. Andria Davis at adavis@cathedralofhope.com so we can help.

If you would like to begin receiving our Thursday email and other important church announcements, scan the QR code or visit CathedralofHope.com/sunday. Select "Register Your Attendance," then click the "Sign Me Up" button.

IMPORTANT

Information



WHO DO YOU KNOW?

Have a realtor you trust?
A contractor who did great work?
An attorney you would recommend?
A favorite therapist, accountant, salon, or local business?

We want to know who you know.

Partners of Hope is building a network of businesses and professionals recommended by people in our community. You don't have to own a business to help us build it. If you trust a business, professional, or organization and would gladly recommend it to a friend, refer it to Partners of Hope.



Your recommendation could help us make a connection.

WHO DO YOU KNOW?

Recommend a Business
Email us at Partners@Cathedralofhope.com

Love a joyful noise... but maybe not that joyful?



Good news! Ear plugs are now available for anyone who needs a little volume control during worship! Just ask one of our friendly ushers, and they'll be happy to help you find your perfect level of praise.

Incense Use in Worship

Christmas Eve (9pm) | 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 (9pm, 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.

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.

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**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