

WORSHIP GUIDE

Noises

THAT SPEAK TRUTH

CATHEDRAL OF HOPE
A CONFEDERATION OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

SUNDAY MAY 31, 2026 | PROPHETIC IMAGINATION

Introit:

Imagine

Words and Music by John Lennon
Autumn Van Volkinburg, soloist
Cathedral of Hope Strings and Rhythm

Call to Worship

People of Hope, we come today to worship our God:
The God who guides us on the journey of life,
Who calls us to walk a path of humility, justice, and peace,
and who dares us to dream of a better world.
So let us rise in body and spirit as we sing to our welcoming God!

**Processional Hymn:

All Are Welcome

Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live,
A place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions,
Rock of faith and vault of grace;
Here the love of Christ shall end divisions:
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong and true,
Where all God's children dare to seek to dream God's reign anew.
Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's grace;
Here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard
And loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace;
Let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

****Sharing of the Peace**

Litany of Blessing for Graduates

One: Today we gather with gratitude and joy, to celebrate those who graduate into new beginnings.

All: We give thanks for every lesson learned, every obstacle overcome, and every dream awakened.

One: We bless the graduates among us—those completing school, certifications, training, and degrees.

All: May wisdom guide them, courage sustain them, and love surround them.

One: But today we remember that graduation is not only marked by diplomas and ceremonies.

All: For all of us are graduating from something.

One: Some are graduating from fear into courage.

All: God, walk beside them.

One: Some are graduating from grief into healing.

All: God, hold them tenderly.

One: Some are graduating from addiction into recovery.

All: God, strengthen them daily.

One: Some are graduating from shame into dignity.

All: God, remind them they are beloved.

One: Some are graduating from isolation into community.

All: God, open our hearts to one another.

One: Some are graduating from survival into hope.

All: God, help them flourish.

One: Some are graduating from old understandings into deeper truth.

All: God, keep us teachable and compassionate.

One: Some are graduating into retirement, into parenthood, into new vocations, new cities, and new callings.

All: God, bless every transition with purpose and peace.

One: And some are graduating through struggles no one else can fully see.

All: God, grant them strength for the journey ahead.

One: We celebrate every person who dares to keep going.

All: We honor perseverance, resilience, and faith.

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

CHANCEL FLOWERS

The flowers on the chancel this week are given by Mark Wages and Scott Stout in honor of the 8th anniversary of being legally married and 10 years being together.

One: As a community of hope, we promise to encourage one another in every season of becoming.

All: We will celebrate one another's victories and carry one another through life's challenges.

One: Graduates, and all who stand on the threshold of something new: remember this truth—

All: You are created in love, called with purpose, and never alone.

One: May the Spirit of God go before you, beside you, and within you.

All: And may we all continue growing into the people God created us to be. Amen.

Gradual

Holy Spirit

Holy Spirit, living Breath of God,
breathe new life into my willing soul;
Bring the presence of the risen Lord,
to renew my heart and make me whole.
Cause your word to come alive in me,
give me faith for what I cannot see.
Give me passion for your purity;
Holy Spirit, breathe new life in me.

******Let the fragrance of our prayers arise;
lead us on the road of sacrifice,
That in unity the face of Christ
will be clear for all the world to see.

****Scripture Lesson: Isaiah 65:17-25**

Pastor Rich Dudley

*Our Scripture Lesson is from the 65th chapter of the book of Isaiah.
Hear these words:*

“See, I will create new heavens and a new earth. The former things will not be remembered, nor will they come to mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in what I will create, for I will create Jerusalem to be a delight and its people a joy. I will rejoice over Jerusalem and take delight in my people; the sound of weeping and of crying will be heard in it no more. Never again will there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, or an old man who does not live out his years; the one who dies at a hundred will be thought a mere child; the one who fails to reach a hundred will be considered accursed. They will build houses and dwell in them; they will plant vineyards and eat their fruit. No longer will they build houses and

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others live in them, or plant and others eat. For as the days of a tree, so will be the days of my people; my chosen ones will long enjoy the work of their hands. They will not labor in vain, nor will they bear children doomed to misfortune; for they will be a people blessed by God, they and their descendants with them. Before they call I will answer; while they are still speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb will feed together, and the lion will eat straw like the ox, and dust will be the serpent's food. They will neither harm nor destroy on all my holy mountain," says our God.

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

All: **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

****Gloria**

Glory to God

Glory to God in the highest; glory.
Glory to God in the highest; glory. Glory be to God.
Sovereign God and Creator; glory.
Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit; We will worship you!
Peace, we pray for peace; peace to all nations you have created.
Oh, Lamb of God, have mercy upon us.
We are your children. All are your children. You are the God of all!
Glory to God in the highest; glory.
Glory to God in the highest; glory. Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Amen!

Sermon

Prophetic Imagination

Rev. Dr. Neil G. Thomas

Offering Call

Offertory

How Can I Keep from Singing?

Quaker Hymn (c. 1800)
Arranged by Gwyneth Walker
Sanctuary Choir and Orchestra

*My life flows on in endless song above earth's lamentation.
I hear the real though distant song that hails a new creation.
Through all the tumult and the strife I hear the music ringing.
It sounds an echo in my soul, how can I keep from singing?*

*What though the tempest loudly roars, I hear the truth, it's living!
What though the darkness round me close, songs in the night it's giving!
No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that rock I'm clinging.
Since I believe that love abides, how can I keep from singing?*

*When tyrants tremble when they hear the bells of freedom ringing.
When friends rejoice both far and near, how can I keep from singing?*

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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.**

*In prison cell, in dungeon dark, our thoughts to them are winging.
When friends hold courage in their heart, how can I keep from singing?
No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that rock I'm clinging.
Since I believe that love abides, how can I keep from singing?*

Communion

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

Let us pray.

Holy God, we thank you for these gifts of grape and grain, and pray that you would pour out your Holy Spirit on these elements and on us gathered here. Strengthen us through this feast of grace, and, by sharing this feast, may each of us 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 the world. Amen.

Invitation

Music during Communion

Come Just as You Are

*Solo: Come just as you are; Hear the Spirit call.
Come just as you are: Come and see, come, receive;
Come and live forevermore.*

ALL: Life everlasting, and strength for today;
Taste the Living Water and never thirst again.

Come just as you are; hear the Spirit call.
Come just as you are; Come and see, come, receive;
Come and live forevermore.

Spirit of the Living God

Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me!
Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me!
Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me!

*Ven, Espíritu de Dios, cae sobre mí.
Ven, Espíritu de Dios, cae sobre mí.
Tómame, cámbiame, lléname, úsame.
Ven, Espíritu de Dios, cae sobre mí.*

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God Is Moving by the Spirit

God is moving by the Spirit, moving in all the earth.
Signs and wonders when God moveth, move, O God, in me.

Holy Ground

We are standing on holy ground,
And I know that there are angels all around.
Let us praise Jesus now,
We are standing in God's presence on holy ground.

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****Prayer of Thanksgiving**

****Recessional**

This Is a Day of New Beginnings

This is a day of new beginnings,
time to remember and move on,
time to believe what love is bringing,
laying to rest the pain that's gone.

For by the life and death of Jesus,
love's mighty Spirit, now as then,
can make for us a world of difference,
as faith and hope are born again.

Then let us, with the Spirit's daring,
step from the past and leave behind
our disappointment, guilt and grieving,
seeking new paths, and sure to find.

Christ is alive, and goes before us
to show and share what love can do.

This is a day of new beginnings,
our God is making all things new.

****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**
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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

Sexuality, the Bible, and Modern Christianity

Thursday June 4 - July 23 | 7-8:30pm | Fellowship Hall

Are you frustrated with how some people use the bible as a tool against LGBTQIA+ and sexuality in general? What does the bible really say about sexuality in general and specifically about same-sex relationships? How does a book written thousands of years in the past within a different societal and religious context apply to us today?

This introductory foundational offering is for all who seek to reconcile modern sexuality with the text found in the bible. We will investigate the overall thematic structure of the bible, its biases, its historical context, its societal context, and specifically examine scripture that has been used to condemn issues of sexuality and especially LGBTQIA+ issues.

William Stell Book Talk and Reading

Thursday, June 4, 2026 | 7-9pm | IPC

Join us for a powerful and thought-provoking evening with author William Stell at the Interfaith Peace Chapel on Thursday, June 4, 2026. Hosted in partnership with Sources of Hope, this special Book Talk and Book Signing will center around Stell's acclaimed book, *Born Again Queer*.

Through personal storytelling, spiritual reflection, and honest conversation, *Born Again Queer* explores the intersection of faith, identity, and the journey toward authenticity and belonging. William Stell brings a compassionate and engaging voice to conversations around spirituality, justice, and LGBTQ+ inclusion, inviting readers into deeper reflection on healing, hope, and liberation.

During the evening, guests will hear directly from the author as he shares insights from *Born Again Queer*, followed by conversation, audience engagement, and an opportunity for attendees to have books personally signed. Whether you are exploring your own spiritual journey, seeking affirming faith perspectives, or simply looking for a meaningful evening of dialogue and community, this event offers an inspiring space for connection.

Dallas Pride | Saturday, June 6, 2026 | Downtown Dallas

On Saturday, June 6, 2026, the Dallas Pride Festival and Parade will move to the heart of Downtown Dallas, taking over four major parks and introducing the event's first-ever sunset parade. Dallas Pride, in coordination with Downtown Dallas, Inc., has worked closely with the City of Dallas and all concerned city departments to navigate upcoming FIFA activities. This collaborative effort ensures the best possible experience for an event of this size.

The Festival of Rainbows will kick off at 11am, spanning Main Street Garden Park, Pacific Plaza, Harwood Park, and Pegasus Plaza.

In a historic first, the Dallas Pride Sunset Parade on Main will take place at sunset, marching down Main Street from 7-9pm. This free-to-attend parade will feature over 120 entries, including inventive floats, bands, and marching groups.

Cathedral Cabaret Auditions | Sunday June 28, 2026 | IPC

Join us for an unforgettable evening of talent and entertainment as the COH Music Ministry presents a spectacular Cabaret show on August 1, 2026!

We invite you to audition for the Cabaret show. Auditions will take place on June 28th in the Interfaith Peace Chapel, from 1pm to 5pm in 10 minute increments. Whether you have a gift for singing, dancing, acting, or any other extraordinary talent, we want to see what you've got!

If you need music for your audition performance, please bring sheet music for the pianist and track, please bring a track of the accompaniment.

Scan QR Code to register for auditions =>

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IMPORTANT

Information

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.

LIFE GROUPS

Sign Up

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 jrose@cathedralofhope.com

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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

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

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