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Everyone at Spirit of Hope is a Minister of the Gospel

In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your acts of kindness, and give glory to your God. *Matthew 5:16*

January 1, 2017

Epiphany Sunday

10:00 a.m.

THE GATHERING

GATHERING MUSIC

In Paradisum

Paul David Stanko

GREETING AND WELCOME

David Hodd

We are glad you are here! If you are a first time guest, welcome! If you have been here before, welcome back! If this is your first time at Spirit of Hope or a return visit, would you provide us with some contact information using the attendance book as it comes by? We would like to get to know you. Please join us for coffee and conversation after worship. We look forward to getting acquainted with you. Once again, welcome!

TIME OF SINGING

Open Our Eyes, Lord

Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus, to reach out and touch Him, and say that we love Him.
Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen, open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.

Open our hearts, Lord, that we might receive You, open our spirits, and teach us to worship.
Open our lips, Lord, and teach us to praise You, open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.

Sanctuary

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true.
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living, sanctuary for You.

Praise Song

Son of God this is our praise (love) song, Jesus my Lord I sing to You
Come now Spirit of God, breathe life into these words of love
Angels join from above as we sing our praise song.

Chorus

We praise You, we praise You, We praise You, we worship You.

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***CALL TO WORSHIP**

*An asterisk * indicates to please stand, as able, to the Glory of God
Light print for the leader and bold print for the congregation*

Lord prepare us,

Prepare us for a new year,

A new beginning,

Full of new joys, struggles, and memories.

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

Go, Tell It on the Mountain

No. 251

***OPENING PRAYER**

Where are the mountains in Minnesota Lord?

Bring them to us,

Or maybe, they are not the kind we climb with our hands and feet, open our eyes to see these mountains

So that we might share the Good News.

THE WORD

SHARING A WORD OF PEACE AND GREETING

(Children will remain in worship today. Nursery is available for children 3-years old and younger)

GIFT OF MUSIC

*In the Bleak Mid-Winter
Quartet*

Gustav Holst

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Corinthians 5:11-21

p. 221

For the word of God in scripture, within, among, and beyond us,

Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE

“New Creation”

David Hodd

KEY VERSE: Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!

(2 Corinthians 5:17)

THE RESPONSE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Eternal God, our actions and words take on deeper meaning when they become part of something larger than our individual lives. So, we offer these gifts as expressions of our desire to contribute to your loving work, dedicating them to your glory, in the hope that, in such dedication, we might find renewed purpose for our own living. May these gifts and our lives become part of a lasting witness to your rich promise, poured out endlessly, in the name and spirit of Jesus our Christ.
Amen.

***OFFERING THANKS AT THE TABLE**

The God of all be with you!

And also with you!

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to God.

Let us give thanks to God,

It is good to give our thanks and praise.

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

Jesus invites and welcomes everyone to his table. So come! Receive a piece of bread, dip it in the cup and eat. The offering plates are in place for any offerings you may have, including prayer cards – the yellow cards in the hymnal racks. On this All Saints Sunday, there are also candles provided should you wish to light one in memory of a saint or two in your life. Relax, enjoy this time communing with all the saints, those immediately present, and those you carry with you, in the spirit of Christ!

CLOSING PRAYER

Loving God, having gathered at your table, let us return to the places and patterns of our everyday lives, empowered to live differently, to give generously, to forgive lovingly, to speak and act graciously, bearing the name and spirit of Christ, every place, every moment, from now on! Amen.

THE SENDING

***CLOSING HYMN**

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Called as Partners in Christ's Service

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Jane Parker Huber, 1981

John 15:12-17; Gal. 6:2; Eph. 2:14-22



1 Called as part-ners in Christ's ser-vice, called to min-is-tries of grace,
 2 Christ's ex-am-ple, Christ's in-spir-ing, Christ's clear call to work and worth,
 3 Thus new pat-terns for Christ's mis-sion, in a small or glob-al sense,
 4 So God grant us for to-mor-row ways to or-der hu-man life



We re-pond with deep com-mit-ment fresh new lines of faith to trace.
 Let us fol-low, nev-er fal-tering, rec-on-cil-ing folk on earth.
 Help us bear each oth-er's bur-dens, break-ing down each wall or fence.
 That sur-round each per-son's sor-row with a calm that con-quests strife.



May we learn the art of shar-ing, side by side and friend with friend,
 Men and wom-en, rich-er, poor-er, all God's peo-ple, young and old,
 Words of com-fort, words of vi-sion, words of chal-lenge, said with care,
 Make us part-ners in our liv-ing, our com-pas-sion to in-crease,



E - qual part - ners in our car - ing to ful - fill God's cho - sen end.
 Blend - ing hu - man skills to - geth - er gra - cious gifts from God un - fold.
 Bring new power and strength for ac - tion, make us col - leagues, free and fair.
 Mes - sen - gers of faith, thus giv - ing hope and con - fi - dence and peace.



One of Jane Parker Huber's most widely sung texts, this hymn was originally written for a women's breakfast at the 1981 Presbyterian General Assembly meeting to celebrate the partnership of women and men in service of the church.

Tune: BEECHER 8.7.8.7.D.
 John Zundel, 1855
 For another key, see 43, 368

New Century Hymnal
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*A BLEST SENDING

May we be as committed to the message of reconciliation as Christ is and was,

So that we may be ambassadors for His Good News

God send you, the Spirit fill you, Christ go with you and you with Christ, always and everywhere! **Amen!**

God bless. Go in peace. **Amen.**

CLOSING MUSIC

Improvisation #2

Paul David Stanko

The hand drum Paul David is playing today is called a RAV VAST 2, also known as a "tongue pan". This instrument was invented in the fall of 2015 by Andrey Remyannikov and is an evolution of the hand pan, or Hang (German pronunciation: [han] which means "hand"). The Hang is a musical instrument in the idiophone class created by Felix Rohner and Sabina Schärer in Bern, Switzerland. The instrument is constructed from two half-shells of deep drawn, nitrided steel sheet glued together at the rim leaving the inside hollow and creating a distinct 'UFO shape'.

The Hang uses some of the same basic physical principles as a steelpan, but modified in such a way as to act as a Helmholtz resonator.^[7] The creation of the Hang was the result of many years of research on the steelpan and other instruments.

The RAV steel tongue drum was the first steel tongue drum to possess a total of four partials per tongue. Multiple different styles of finishes were tested during this time. Varying from paint all the way to nickel, but as time went on it was decided that a raw sounded best for the RAV. Currently Andrey only sells non-coated models of his instruments, although some coated models can be found lurking around the world.

As of today, Paul David's drum is the only RAV VAST 2 in Minnesota.

(In respect for those who wish to remain and enjoy the closing music, please meet and greet your friends, new and old, over coffee in the lobby. Thank you!)

**Please stand, as able, to the Glory of God*

TIME OF FELLOWSHIP

Spirit of Hope News

- **Guests** – Thank you for joining us in worship today. Please join us after worship for coffee and conversation.
- **Offices Closed - Monday, January 2.**
- **Confirmation/Youth Group** – Meets on **Wednesday, January 4, at 6:15 p.m.**
- **Orchestra Rehearsal** – Meets on **Wednesday, January 4, at 7 p.m.** in the Sanctuary.
- **Outreach/Connect** – Will meet **Thursday, January 5, at 6:30 p.m.** in the Footitt conference room.
- **Women's Breakfast** – Meets on **Saturday, January 7, at 8:30 a.m.** at the Country Kitchen, located at Winnetka and 42nd Ave.
- **Creative Spirits** – Meets on **Saturday, January 7, at 9:30 a.m.** in the lower lobby.
- **Book Study** – The Monday Night Book Study group will discuss "*The Confession*," by John Grisham on **Monday, January 9, at 6:30 p.m.** This book is a novel, but its portrayal of issues surrounding capital punishment is gripping and relevant. All are invited to join the discussion.
- **Bible Study** – Resumes on **January 10, at 9:30 a.m.** for coffee and treats and **10:00 a.m.** for the bible study.
- **All-Church Meal** – Everyone is invited including the visitors! It will be on **Sunday, January 8** after the 10:00 a.m. worship service. We will be serving pizza, carrots, chips, cookies and a drink.
- **Spirit A`Peal** – Meets on **Wednesday, January 11, at 6:00 p.m.** in the Sanctuary.
- **Spirit Singers** – Meets on **Wednesday, January 11, at 6:30 p.m.** in the Chapel.
- **Staff Parish Relations** – Meets on **Thursday, January 12, at 6:30 p.m.** in the Footitt Conference Room.
- **Men's Breakfast** - All men are invited to come to breakfast and fellowship at the New Hope Country Kitchen on **Saturday, January 14, at 8:00 a.m.**

- **Altar Flowers** – If you would like to sign up for altar flowers in **January**, there is a signup sheet in the upper lobby. The cost is \$25.00 and you are welcome to take the flowers home after the service.
- **Liturgists Needed** – If you would like to help lead worship on a Sunday in **January**, please sign-up on the bulletin board on the upper lobby, outside of the sanctuary.
- **Please limit your use of perfume/cologne usage in respect of those who have allergies around you.**

Our Community

- **Blood Drive** – Start the New Year by doing ‘good’. KARE 11 invites members of Spirit of Hope to donate blood on **Friday, January 6**. The drive runs **1:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. at KARE 11**. Appointments are not necessary. Bring a friend and double your fun. Questions? Contact drive coordinator Craig Hotvedt, chotvedt@kare11.com. Special incentives await donors, including: coupons for pints of Culver’s frozen custard, \$5 coupons for Famous Daves, sweet treats from Eileen’s Colossal Cookies, and long-sleeve T-shirt from the Red Cross. Additionally, all presenting donors will be entered into a drawing for 4K Ultra flat panel TV.
- **PRISM** – is our local food shelf and has asked the church partners to contribute food items throughout the year for the food shelf. **January food items needed:** PRISM has indicated that they are in great need for **food, cleaning supplies, containers, clothes, scarves, mittens, etc.** January: **Household and Hygiene:** feminine hygiene supplies, household cleaning products, laundry detergent, lotion, shampoo, soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste. **Babies & Infants:** baby food, diapers, formula, wipes. **Breakfast Foods:** dried and canned fruit, granola, grits, oatmeal, peanut butter. **Pantry Staples:** baking soda, beans, flour, cooking oil, spice, sugar. **Special Diet:** high-fiber, low-sodium, low-sugar. You may also make a money donation. Be sure to clearly mark PRISM on your offering envelope or on the memo line of your check. If you would like a **PRISM envelope**, see an usher or get one from the Kiosk

Statement of Call: We are called by God to be radically inclusive, caring community of faith offering personal and social transformation through Jesus Christ.

Reconciling Statement: We are a reconciling congregation welcoming people of all sexual orientations.

Attendance Report for December 25, 2016	
10:00 a.m. Worship	53
Total	53

Ministers: *Congregation*
Pastor: *Jeff Hansen*
Director of Youth Ministry: *David Hodd*
Director of Children & Family Ministry & Music:
Penny Bonsell
Minister of Music: *Jerry Rubino*
Finance/Office Administrator: *Janine Hall*
Administrative Assistant: *Sharon Seiter*
Nursery Attendant: *Colette Gorra*

Ushers: Eric Forsberg* and Gloria Peck, Harmony Bennett *Head Usher
Greeters: Doug and Leann Cozad
Liturgist: Claire Alber
Hospitality: Rob Alber
Communion: Bernie and Lowell Mogck, Ann Rest

Ask an usher if you would like **large print bulletins** or **Williams sound system** for persons with hearing loss.

