

Worship Outline

GATHER

Music to Prepare Us for Worship
Gathering Songs
Call to Worship
Welcome 101, Connection Card
No Longer Strangers Prayer
Meet Someone New
Greetings
Confession
Kyrie & This is the Feast

WORD

Scripture Reading
Matthew 28:16-20
Children's Time
Sermon
Song of the Day
Prayers for All People
Ellie 320-455-7635
Emma 320-583-0154
Offering

MEAL

The Great Thanksgiving
The Lord's Prayer
Invitation to the Meal
Communion

SEND

Blessing after the Meal
Prayer after the Meal
Purpose
Blessing to GO...



We go out to transform lives through Jesus Christ.

April 12, 2015

Shake, Rattle and
Roll...and Go

➡ Go Teach
Go Eat
Go See
Go Boldly
Go God
Go Live



We Go Out...

Today we welcome River of Hope and Seminary student and preacher,
Eliza Mayhew

Welcome. We are so glad you are in worship at River of Hope today.

Come as you are. Well, you're already here. We don't care what clothes you wear or what kind of shape your spiritual life is in. God meets you and loves you where you are.

Where everybody knows your name? We all wear name tags each week - not just the visitors. Even when we think we know everyone at River of Hope, it's simply not true. These name tags are our awkwardly friendly way to help us stick out our hand, say, "hello, you're new to me" and practice being the friendly church everyone swears we are. If we practice this awkward move here, we've got a shot at actually doing it in our everyday lives.

We like kids. No kidding. We think kids are leaders in worship and lives of faith. Just look around you.

Nursery care. Weeping and gnashing of teeth? Nursery care is available just outside the worship area.

Communion. You are welcome, without exception. If you are hungry and thirsty for unbounded grace, mercy, and forgiveness through Jesus Christ, you are welcome at Christ's table.

Connection Cards. For visitors and regulars to communicate. We won't use your info to bother you. We promise.

Worship Style. We are an intentional intergenerational community. We sing hymns, we sing songs. We pray ancient words and words that are new to us. We actively practice faith during worship. Sometimes it's beautiful. Sometimes it's awkward. Sometimes it's both. It always "counts" as worship. Then we try it again next week. We are a pro-participation, anti-excellence community.

We Prepare For Worship

April River Guides:

Russ & Jeannine Borgendale and Nancy Jorgenson
(Team Tigris)

April 19th Scripture:

Acts 10:1-17, 34-35

April 19th Singers:

Sara Pollmann, Sara Shorter, Eliza Mayhew, Jill Rensom
& Erika Tillmann

Today's Music:

Gathering Songs: "I Believe In Jesus" and "Lord I Lift Your Name on High"

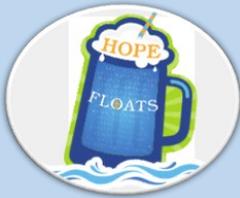
Song of the Day: "Listen, God Is Calling"

Offering Song: "Lord, I Offer My Life To You"

Communion Songs:

"Lamb of God," "Christ Arose" and "Hallelujah! Jesus Lives!"

Sending Song: "Go, Make Disciples"



River Team Schedule

January - Amazon

River guide: Ruth Hamlow
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February - Jordan

River guides:
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March - Nile

River guide: Kris Dobratz
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April - Tigris

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May - Shenandoah

River guides:
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June - Amazon & Jordan

July - Nile & Tigris

August - Shenandoah & All

September - Amazon

October - Jordan

November - Nile

December - Tigris

River Conditions



Dear River of Hope,

Did you know Easter is more than one Sunday each year? It's a celebratory season of 7 weeks as we dive into scripture about what happened after Jesus rose from the dead. And wouldn't you know, it's about how lives are changed, how Jesus becomes part of their daily lives. And it's all about going, which is not news to us, is it.

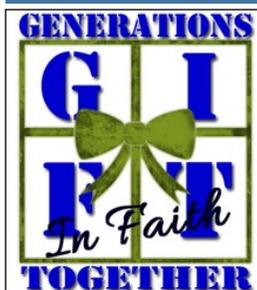
The journey with you through Holy Week was holy indeed. How incredible to break the fast from the communion table at a celebratory party on Maundy Thursday. To wash your feet. To have my feet washed by you. And Johnny Cash was even there. Then to huddle with you in an upper room on Good Friday and to hear accounts of what was seen and heard around the crucifixion of Jesus. The waiting of Holy Saturday is always difficult and long. And then, nearly 200 of us gathered to celebrate Christ's victory over death on Sunday morning, Resurrection Sunday, along with Taylor Swift, an earth quake, a disco ball, Great Balls of Fire along with the triumphant hymns of faith. The mural of the Last Supper, created by images of confession by you through ripped magazine pictures, fell into place that morning as we celebrated our new life in Christ.

It is so good to be in this life of faith with you. Thank you to Terry Kempfert & Tanya Shorter for piecing together the mural with breath-taking results. For trouble-shooting and dreaming and most of all for your faith in seeing how the Holy Spirit works through so many moving parts. Thanks also to Carol Krage & Tiffany Haag for visual art and delicious wine. Let us GO out, following Jesus.

Pastor Laura

G.I.F.T. Worship

GENERATIONS IN FAITH TOGETHER.



River of Hope practices worship together with all generations, believing that faith and life are connected in a meaningful way when we worship together.

G.I.F.T. Worship is River of Hope's version of Sunday School for all ages. And it prepares us to go out into our lives, knowing Jesus Christ is transforming us and the world.

Invite

Crow River W/ELCA Spring Gathering

Join the Women of the ELCA for its spring gathering, featuring humorist Marge Lundeen, on Saturday, April 25 at Zion Lutheran Church, Litchfield, MN. Gather at 7:30am at the Event Center parking lot to carpool. Registration begins at 8:00am. Registration fee \$10. Call Betty Brandt (320)587-9655 or Nan Crary (320)234-6399 for information.

Instant Choir!

We will meet at 9:45 on the dates below for ONE PRACTICE to learn the music that will be performed that day. Come when you can and be part of the choir!

April 26 - riverKIDS (gr 1 through 6)
May 17 - Voices of Hope

Beer & Hymns

April 28, 2015, come to **Main Street Sports Bar** and experience community singing like you've never experienced it. Discover that we are called into all places, even bars, and we find God there, already at work. We start at 7pm.

55+ DINERS CLUB - April 23

What: A monthly or bimonthly opportunity for those 55 and over to get to know one another while exploring area dining.

Who: Anyone 55 and over - male, female, singles, couples, ROH member, non-member - **ALL are welcome.** Come when you can.

When & Where: Our next outing will take place on Thursday, April 23, at 5:30 at The Lamplighter. Please RSVP on the sign up sheet at the Connect Table. Ron and Susan Johnson are this month's hosts.

Men's Bible Study

The River of Hope men's bible study meets from 9-10 a.m. the first and third Wednesday of each month at the Hardee's meeting room in Hutchinson. Join us at any time and we will give you a Master Builders Bible for Men. Information: Dave Pedersen at 320-328-9911 or dlpeders@msn.com. We email regular reminders.

Connect

Attendance and Offering

April 5, 2015

Attendance: 190

Mar 29-Apr 4 Automatic Deposits: \$2,075.00

Regular Offering: \$1,519.76

Children's Offering: \$55.63

(Simply) Giving Challenge

So what's this challenge?

A gift of \$2000.00 has been put on the table along with a challenge for the River of Hope community to increase our giving and start giving consistently.

SO. By June 2, 2015, this sweet gift is ours if...

- people signed up for Simply Giving grows from 56 to 70
- we close the remaining \$2000/ month gap

How will you help River of Hope live into its purpose? No gift is too small.

Be a Hospitality Host at ROH Office!

Greet people, maybe even make 'em a cup of coffee. Answer the phone, read a good book. Come for an hour or the whole time. Sign up for your shift at the Connect Cart.

Disciple

Ways to help the Hoffman family walk through cancer with Kristi

- Buy a "Team Kristi" necklace from Simply Metal, (Jamie Beffert and her mom Deb Calavera)320-587-0968 or simplymetalmnnesota.com.
- Donate through YouCaring.com
- Eat Out! April 18th. Have breakfast or lunch at McCormick's between 9am-1pm and dinner at Main Street Sports Bar between 5-8pm. 20% from the sales in those hours will go to Team Hoffman.
- Continue to pray, send cards (864 Church St. Hutchinson), and hold hope for Kristi, Josh, and their incredible kids.

Bishop Nominee Forum

April 26 2-4pm at Zion Lutheran Church, Litchfield
Synod bishop nominees will be intro-

duced, give a prepared opening statement, and answer questions submitted by audience members.

Visit www.swmnelca.org for more details.

ELCA Good Gifts Piggy Banks

Join Ellie Hauser and Emma Kraft in celebrating their birthdays by taking part in an ELCA Good Gifts service project. This Sunday they will be distributing piggy banks during the Children's Sermon in order to collect money that will eventually purchase farm animals for families in need.

Discipleship Groups:

Disciple means learner. We are lifetime learners when it comes to living a life of faith. Be part of an intentional small group, a Discipleship Group, where you'll commit to monthly meetings, weekly readings, and to reflect on scripture as our story and God's story, intersecting. Email Pastor Laura your interest and we'll get another group going! Pastor Laura's email is: pastor@riverofhopehutchinson.org

Senior Recognition

Will you help celebrate the graduating seniors from River of Hope? We need a team of people to plan how we will recognize and support Shakira Nelson and Jacob Kraft. Contact Pastor Laura.

Send

Personal Care Kit Final Count

River of Hope Easter lilies came in the shape and form of towels wrapped around a comb, 2 bars of soap, a tooth brush, and a nail clipper. Just one visible, tangible way that Christ works in our lives to bring transformation to the world.

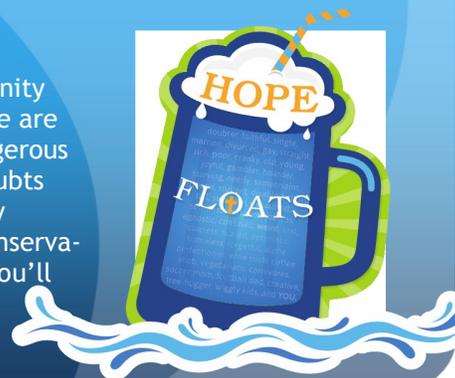
236 Personal Care Kits were collected and assembled during Lent. They were a sweet reminder of how the Holy Spirit works!

Maundy Thursday Donations

Coins collected at River of Hope's Maundy Thursday Service totaled \$178.95 and have been donated to McLeod Alliance.

River of Hope Lutheran Church

We are the ELCA church in town. We are a purposely intergenerational community who is following Jesus out of the building and into the world where we live. We are learners (disciples) and practice-ers. Worship is a safe place to practice a dangerous gospel. And, believe us, it takes practice. Your questions, critical thinking, doubts and imperfect lives are welcome here. In fact, no matter your status in society (divorced, never-been-to-church, gay, straight, old, young, cranky, liberal, conservative, questioning, allergic-to-church, snarky) you'll be welcomed here. Then you'll be sent out, to live your life, transformed by Jesus Christ. And we believe, through the love of Jesus, you'll help to transform other lives.



Our purpose as a church:

We go out to transform lives through Jesus Christ.

Our Guiding Principles:

(Disciple = learner)

God is God and we are not.

We are called to grow together as disciples: to forgive, to teach, to love.

Disciples are inspired by the Holy Spirit to take risks.

Disciples seek God's justice.

Disciples serve with no strings attached.

Disciples invite and welcome through loving acceptance.

We meet you where you are.



**IF YOU KEEP UP WITH BRANDS,
THEN YOU SHOULD KNOW WE
ARE PART OF THE
EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN
CHURCH IN AMERICA (ELCA).
WE'RE PRETTY PLEASED ABOUT
THIS.**

~ April 2015 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
12 9am Discipleship Chanda Kropp - Leader 10:30 Worship	13 6:30pm Vision Table meeting @Tokyo Grill	14 7pm Discipleship Keri Thoreson- Leader	15 9am Men's Bible Study @Hardees	16	17 Pastor Laura's Day Off	18
19 9am Discipleship Beth Gasser - Leader 10:30 Worship	20	21	22	23 5:30 pm 55+ Diners Club @Lamplighter	24 Pastor Laura's Day Off	25 8am W/ELCA Spring Gathering @Zion Lutheran Litchfield

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Sundays at 10:30am
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