

Worship Outline

GATHERING

Music to Prepare Us for Worship
Gathering Songs
Welcome 101, Connection Card
No Longer Strangers Prayer
Meet Someone New
Confession & Forgiveness
Greeting
Prayer of the Day

WORD

Mark 10:17-31
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Children's Sermon
Baptism

FEAST

Question Mark Prayers
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Offering Music
Setting the Table
Thanksgiving at the Table
Blessing the Feast
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Communion
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SENDING

Purpose
MILESTONE
Benediction
Sending Song
Music to Send You Out

February 14, 2016



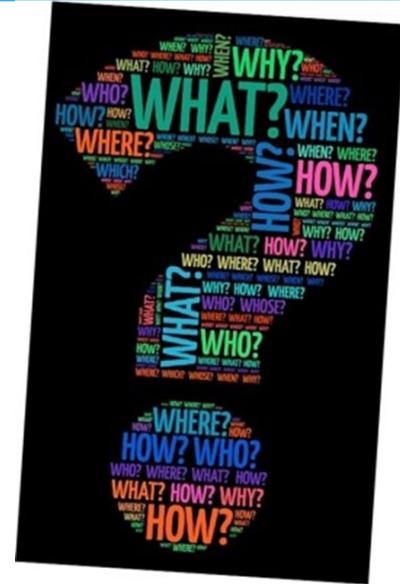
LUTHERAN CHURCH

We go out to transform lives through Jesus Christ.

*1st Sunday in the
Season of Lent*

*“What do I
have to do
to...?”*

#40questionprayers



Is This the Feast of Victory?

Today we welcome Camdyn Elizabeth Thode to the body of Christ through the waters of baptism. Parents: Tim & Courtney Thode. Sponsors: Kristin Pulkrabek, Kelli Fernholz and Erika Ulbjerg.

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? There is a "cry room" available outside the worship area. The "Pray Ground," located in the worship space, is for those younger than kindergarten age.

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. "Sunday School" happens within worship! 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

February River Guide:
Ruth Hamlow

February 21st Scripture:

Mark 10:32-52

To find daily readings go to <http://clergystuff.com/category/daily-devotions/>

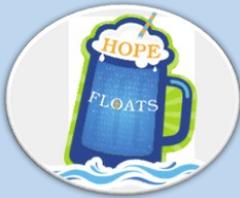
February 21st Singers: Brian Pollmann, Jennifer Hauser, Katie Weisenberger, Rachel Stearns

Today's Music:

Gathering Songs: "Gather Us In", "Lord I Lift Your Name On High"

Communion Songs: "Lamb of God", "O Jesus I Have Promised", "Make Me A Servant"

Sending Song: "My Life Flows On in Endless Song"



River Team Schedule

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July-Jordan/Nile

August-Tigris

September-Shenandoah

October - Amazon

November - Jordan

December - Nile



River Conditions

Dear Hopeful Ones,

A few weeks ago, a group of 25 met after worship to gather in small groups and talk about their experiences of belonging (or not) to faith communities and what matters to them (or not). We are trying to get better at involving people in one another's actual lives in this community of faith. We do well in our welcome of people to worship - but how do we

do at actually intentionally engaging in relationships together? How are we connected? Will you risk a new friendship or just stick with your tried and true friends?

Here is what emerged from those conversations: people want to be known and loved and cared for.

Not exactly rocket science, right? But it seems just as difficult if you believe it is another person's responsibility to reach out or take a risk on a new friendship and not yours. We are actually called into relationship with one another. We are not to be an insider's club but, instead, we go out because we are sent out.

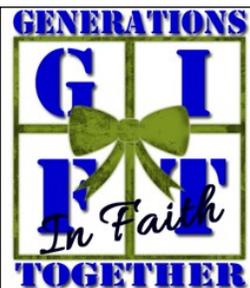
So keep your eyes peeled to be part of something called River Life - an opportunity for "Newcomers" and "Oldcomers" (please, someone, make up a new term for this!) to intentionally walk together into life as part of River of Hope. Allen Gislason will lead the River Life group 6 weeks during Lent. You'll be asked to eat together and what you think about (not what you know) the scripture you will read together. Take a chance. Take a risk. Participate in this life of faith through friendship with one another.

Love,

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

Senior High Youth Gathering Registration deadline today!

March 4 & 5 in Mankato. Cost is \$105 for hotel & registration. If interested, contact Ron Johnson at 320-296-6224.

Laundry Love

We've been invited to partner with Vineyard UMC in this great ministry in outreach. Put Feb. 16 on your calendar. 9 am and/or 4:30 pm. Go with Pastor Laura to experience this ministry in action.

Lent Evening Prayer

Sundays Feb. 21, 28, Mar. 6, 13 & 20 at 7 pm in the office lobby. Time for slow and deep silent prayer using the labyrinth if you choose. A service of healing & anointing with oil. The evening concludes with the celebration of communion.

Bible Project 4th Sunday

Lunch February 28 after worship. Are you reading the Bible this year? Have lunch with Pastor Laura to talk about how it's going, what you're discovering, how hard/easy it is. We'll go to Tokyo Grill this time.

Bread Auction

River of Hope will be holding a bread auction Sun. Apr. 10. Mark your calendar and stay tuned for more info.



Elks Breakfast Fundraiser for RoH Youth

Sun. Mar. 13, 8 am - 1 pm. Includes pancakes, eggs, sausage, ham, muffins, juice & coffee. Tickets are \$7 & available from any Confirmation youth or by emailing Beth Gasser at beth@vimm.com.

Connect

Can River of Hope feed 300 students?

Take a bag & a list of foods for the Backpack Program, fill it and drop off at worship or the RoH office. Food will be assembled at the Maundy-Thursday worship and delivered to Common Cup after Easter.

Voices of Hope

is River of Hope's Adult Choir for people age 13 - 100. We are an "instant" choir, in that we rehearse and perform on the same Sunday! We will meet at 9:45 AM on the following Sundays and participate in Worship during the service. All are welcome! We will be singing again Feb. 21, Mar. 27 (Easter) & May 22.

riverKIDS is a choir for kids

grades 1-6. They will rehearse the first Wednesday of the month from 7-7:30pm. at the Hutchinson Event Center. Singing in worship will occur the following Sunday. Please see the schedule below:

Wed Practice	Sun Performance
<u>7:00-7:30</u>	<u>Meet at 10:10</u>
March 2	March 6
April 6	April 10
May 4	May 8

Disciple

Financial Giving: 2/7/2016

Worship attendance:	88
In-Worship Offering:	\$1026.00
Children's Offering:	\$5.87
AutoDeposits 1/-2/5:	\$6321.50

Women of Hope

is a group of fellow church friends who meet once a month and share a short bible study and great conversation over a cup of coffee or tea. We are meeting the first Wed. of each month. The next time will be Mar. 2 at Andy Koenig's home, 885 Otter St. SW at 9:30 am. If you are interested, talk to Andy at church or message her on Facebook.

What's the Word? Bible Study with Pastor Laura

NOTE! This is a change! We'll meet the 2nd Tuesday of each month from 7-8 pm at the office. No experience necessary. Come and read the scripture for the upcoming Sunday. Help Pastor Laura connect it with your actual lives. RSVP on Facebook or email. Next time is Mar. 8.

Men's Bible Study

meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month at 9 am at Dunn Bros. You are welcome and newcomers will get a free Master's Builders Bible for Men. Call or email Dave Pedersen at 302-328-9911 or dlpeders@msn.com.

Send

WANTED: Healthy snacks for hungry kids. The Hutchinson High School REACH program has identified a need for healthy, quick breakfast/snack items for their students. If you would like to make a donation, bring the items up during offering and put them in the picnic basket. If you have any questions, contact Chanda Kropp at chandakropp@hotmail.com

Meals on Wheels

This is a simple way to go out into the community to transform lives through Jesus. Contact Sandy Tracy at 320-492-6279 or sandytracy1947@gmail.com to sign up. Drivers needed for Mar. 24, 25 & Apr. 28.

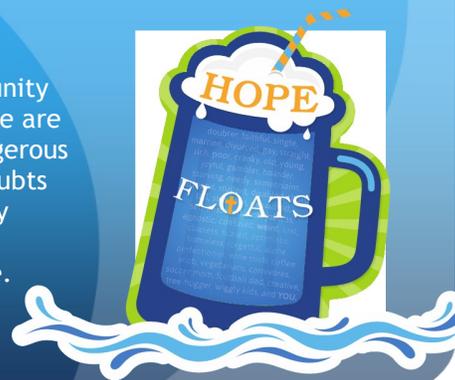
Today is the last day to register for the 2016 Equipping Congregations Day

"Spirit-led Innovation in an Uncertain Age" Saturday Feb. 20, 8:30 am - 3:30 pm, Willmar. Pastor Laura and Jim Nelson are leading workshops. Registration closes Feb. 15 or sooner if full. Email or call the office to sign up. See the poster after worship for more information.

Happy Valentine's Day

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.



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.

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.

~ February 2016 ~

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
14 10:30 Worship Camdyn Thode Baptism	15 Staff Meeting 12:00 Vision Table 6 pm Squeaky's	16 Laundry Love 9 am/4:30 pm	17 Men's Bible Study 9 am Dunn Bros.	18 Financial Stewardship 6 pm BusinessWare Day on the Hill 5:30 pm	19 Pastor Laura's Sabbath	20 Equipping Congregations Day 8:30-3:30 Willmar
21 10:30 Worship Voice of Hope Lent Evening Prayer 7 pm, RoH Lobby	22 Staff Meeting 12:00	23 Beer & Hymns 6 pm MSSB	24	25	26 Pastor Laura's Sabbath	27

Worship

Sundays at 10:30am
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