

## Worship Outline

### GATHER

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

### WORD

Scripture Reading  
*Romans 5:1-11*  
Sermon  
Children's Sermon  
Song of the Day  
Prayers for All People  
*Terry Kempfert 320-583-9100*  
*Tim Jeske 320-510-0407*  
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...  
Sending Song



*We go out to transform lives through Jesus Christ.*

**May 10, 2015**

**Shake, Rattle and  
Roll...and Go**

**Go Teach  
Go Eat  
Go See  
Go Boldly  
→ Go God  
Go Live**



**We Go Out...**

**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

### May River Guides:

Chris & Lisa Kraft (Team Shenandoah)

### May 17th Scripture:

Romans 6:1-14

### May 17th Singers:

Mara Pollmann, Sara Nelson, Mike Weisenberger  
and Ruth Hamlow

## Today's Music:

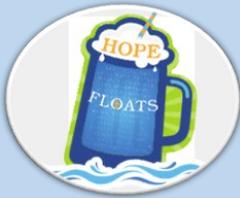
**Gathering Songs:** "Grace Alone" and "My Life Is In You"

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

**Song of the Day:** "Amazing Grace(My Chains Are Gone)"

**Communion Songs:** "Lamb of God," "My Hope is Built  
on Nothing Less" and "My Faith Looks Up To Thee"

**Sending Song:** "Mighty Is Our God"



### River Team Schedule

#### January - Amazon

River guide: Ruth Hamlow  
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rhamlow@hutchtel.net

#### February - Jordan

River guides:  
Jennifer & Brian Tillmann  
(320) 587-1007  
tillmann@hutchtel.net

#### March - Nile

River guide: Kris Dobratz  
(320) 234-5985  
dobykro@hutchtel.net

#### April - Tigris

River guides:  
Russ & Jeannine Borgendale  
(320) 455-0052  
r\_j\_borgendale@hotmail.com  
Nancy Jorgenson  
(320) 587-7788  
njjorgenson@me.com

#### May - Shenandoah

River guides:  
Chris & Lisa Kraft (320) 234-7680  
Clkraft123@hotmail.com

#### June - Amazon & Jordan

#### July - Nile & Tigris

#### August - Shenandoah & All

#### September - Amazon

#### October - Jordan

#### November - Nile

#### December - Tigris

## River Conditions



Dear Hopeful People,

We are deep into life after Jesus death, resurrection, and ascension into heaven. This part of the Bible is just filled with all kinds of amazing stories and letters of encouragement from Paul. Right now we're in Romans and Paul is making a case for following Jesus to those who were forming the earliest "church."

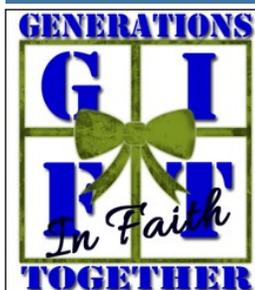
The gift of being a new church is that we're constantly forming and reforming - finding out who we are and what we believe by living, worshiping, and going out into the community together. Wipe away any notions of that early church being idyllic and easy. It was chaotic and violent and dispersed. The central meeting space wasn't realized yet. The Holy Spirit was working over time to inspire and change people.

We're living into some new rhythms as we figure out how to live as River of Hope. We're discovering that our Table system (read: committee) works for a few groups: Vision, Worship and Music, Financial Stewardship. Otherwise, other tables were meeting just to meet, which is fun for no one. And produced no fruit. So, we're discerning. We're in a time of figuring out what might be next. The Vision Table is praying daily over our purpose and guiding principles and we'll see what the Holy Spirit reveals to us. What we do know is this: we want River of Hope to be about people doing things from a place of passion. And then maybe that thing will happen again and become a tradition. And maybe it won't. It's part of the life of being church together. What is your passion? How do you show the love of God through Jesus?

I love you,  
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



### Graduation Celebrations!

- Join the Nelson family in celebrating the graduation of Shakira on May 31st, from 3-6pm at the Hutchinson Center for the Arts.
- Join the Kraft family in celebrating the graduation of Jacob on Saturday June 6th, from 3-7pm at 123 Elks Drive SE, Hutchinson.

### Worship Song/Hymn Requests?

Is there a favorite song or hymn that you'd like to sing during worship this summer? If so, ROH's Music Curator, Jim Nelson, would love to hear from you! Please email him with your requests at [music@riverofhopehutchinson.org](mailto:music@riverofhopehutchinson.org). There will also be a link to a request form in the River of Hope E-News.

### Voices of Hope - May 17

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

### Beer & Hymns

"Last call" for the regular season at MSSB is **Tuesday, May 26** 7-9pm. The summer schedule is a July gig at Library Square (July 27th) and an evening in August at the McLeod County Fair (TBA). We'll be back at MSSB in September.

### 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](mailto:dlpeders@msn.com). We email regular reminders.

## Connect

### Attendance and Offering

May 3, 2015

Attendance: 111

Apr 26-May 2 Auto Deposits:

\$

Regular Offering: \$750.00

Children's Offering: \$17.02

### In need of some River of Hope swag?

Keep your eyes peeled for a new shirt order through Hutch Sport Shop coming soon!



### (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. Questions?*

Contact Treasurer Bev Mueller ([bevm@businesswaresolutions.com](mailto:bevm@businesswaresolutions.com) or 320-420-2494).

### 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



### River of Hope Turns Five This Summer!

Mark July 26th down on your calendar. We will be celebrating that day during worship, followed by a potluck and anniversary stories at the river.

### 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 at [simplymetalmnnesota.com](http://simplymetalmnnesota.com).
- Donate through [YouCaring.com](http://YouCaring.com)
- Continue to pray, send cards (864 Church St. Hutchinson), and hold hope for Kristi, Josh, and their incredible kids.

## Send

### Senior Blessing Sunday - May 17

We will celebrate and bless Jacob Kraft and Shakira Nelson as they celebrate this milestone of graduation.

### June 6 - House Painting Project

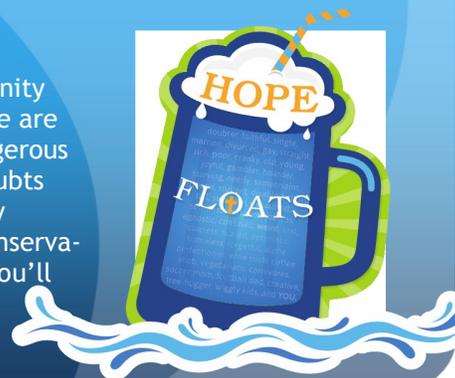
We have been given another opportunity to help out a very nice person here in Hutchinson! Please put **Saturday June 6th** on your calendars. Come paint for a couple of hours or all day - whatever you can manage. In case of bad weather we will move the date to June 13th. More information to come.

### Luce Line Trail Cleanup

Stick around after worship on Sunday, May 17 to cleanup the Luce Line Trail, followed by lunch at Squeaky's.

# 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.**

~ May 2015 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>10</b> 9am Discipleship Leader - Chanda Kropp  10:30 Worship	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 7pm Discipleship Leader - Keri Thoreson	<b>13</b> 6pm Discipleship Leader - Sara Pollmann Leader - Jim Nelson Leader - Ruth Hamlow Leader - Jenny Tillmann	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>   Pastor Laura's Day Off	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b> 9am Discipleship Leader - Beth Gasser  10:30 Worship - Senior Blessing Sunday  Luce Line Trail Clean Up	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>   Pastor Laura's Day Off	<b>23</b>

### Worship

Sundays at 10:30am  
 Hutchinson Event Center  
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 Hutchinson, MN 55350

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