

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
Romans 6:1-14
Sermon
Children's Sermon
Song of the Day
Prayers for All People
Rachel Stearns 320-583-3793
Ron Johnson 320-296-6224
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 of Seniors
Sending Song



We go out to transform lives through Jesus Christ.
May 17, 2015

Shake, Rattle and
Roll...and Go

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



We Go Out...

Today we ask God's blessing upon seniors graduating from High School. Gabrielle Hoffman, Jacob Kraft, and Shakira Nelson all embark on new adventures beginning this fall. We are certain that God is with them in this next important step in their lives of faith.

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 24th Scripture:

Acts 2:1-4; Romans 8:18-39

May 24th Singers:

Brian Pollmann, Jennifer Hauser, Katie Weisenberger,
Loraina Tillmann & Rachel Stearns

Today's Music:

Gathering Songs: "Lead Me To The Cross" and "Did You Feel the Mountains Tremble"

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

Song of the Day: "Borning Cry"

Communion Songs: "Lamb of God," "We Are Baptized in Christ Jesus" and "Baptized in Water"

Sending Song: "My Redeemer Lives"



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

River guides:
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Nancy Jorgenson
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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 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.

55+ Diners Club

The 55+ Diners Club will be going out to Squeaky's at 5:30 on Thursday May 21st. Please RSVP to

Nancy Jorgenson by Tuesday May 19th so reservations can be made.

(njorgenson@me.com or 320-587-7788) Hope to see you there!

Come and Listen to a Journey of Faith, Change and Comfort

Local Glencoe dentist Bill Dunbar suffered a serious medical emergency and shares of his experience and what he now knows to be true. **Tonight, 6:30pm at Vineyard United Methodist Church.** Refreshments will be served and a free-will offering will be taken.

SWMN Women of the ELCA Convention - June 19 & 20

Take some time for yourself and be inspired and refreshed at the Synodical Church Women's convention at the University of MN, Morris. Special presenters: Ron Fuglestad, potter, Dennis Herschbach on Human Trafficking, and three Campus Ministers at Closing Worship. Informational packets are located at the Connect Cart.

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. There will also be a link to a request form in the River of Hope E-News.

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. We email regular reminders.

Connect

Attendance and Offering May 10, 2015

Attendance: 82

May 3-9 Auto Deposits: \$6,242.50

Regular Offering: \$856.00

Children's Offering: \$9.00

T's, Sweatshirts & Polos, Oh My!

The ROH Apparel Order link is now live! Visit www.riverofhope.itemorder.com/sale to check out the many stylish options! For those unsure of sizing, the Hutch Sport Shop, located in the Hutch Mall, has samples that can be tried on. No internet access? Visit the Connect Table for ordering assistance.

Riverpalooza - May 31

Confirmation students and families will be providing the after church meal, and all donations made will go to the River of Hope youth account.

(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 or 320-420-2494).

Be a Hospitality Host at the 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

Tailgate Worship - June 21

B.Y.O.C. (Bring your own chairs) on June 21, as we will be worshipping in the parking lot of the Event Center! More details to come.

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.
- Donate through YouCaring.com
- Continue to pray, send cards (864 Church St. Hutchinson), and hold hope for Kristi, Josh, and their incredible kids.

Send

Luce Line Trail Cleanup

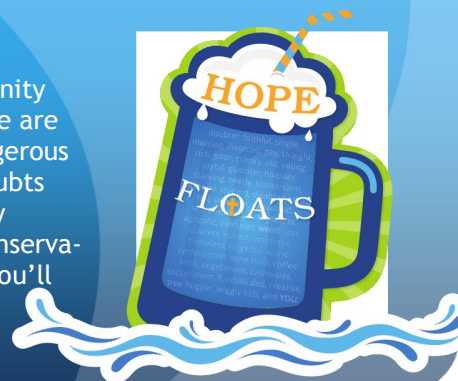
Stick around after worship today to cleanup the Luce Line Trail, followed by lunch at Squeaky's. We will meet near the rock dam and clean up the trail going east from Main Street.

House Painting Project - June 6

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. Sign up at the Connect Cart or look for a Sign Up Genius link in the E-News or on Facebook.

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
17 9am Discipleship Leader - Beth Gasser 10:30 Worship - Senior Blessing Sunday Luce Line Trail Clean Up	18	19	20	21 5:30pm 55+ Diners Club at Squeaky's	22 Pastor Laura's Day Off	23
24 10:30 Worship	25 11:59pm ROH Apparel Order Deadline	26 7pm Beer & Hymns at MSSB	27	28	29 Pastor Laura's Day Off	30

Worship

Sundays at 10:30am
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