

## 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

### WORD

Scripture Reading  
*Romans 1:1-17*  
Sermon  
Children's Sermon  
Holy Baptism  
Prayers for All People  
*Terry Kempfert 320-583-9100*  
*Josiah Nelson 320-552-3851*  
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 3, 2015

Shake, Rattle and  
Roll...and Go

Go Teach  
Go Eat  
Go See

➡ Go Boldly

Go God  
Go Live



**We Go Out...**

How do you share your 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 10th Scripture:

Romans 5:1-11

### May 10th Singers:

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

## Today's Music:

**Gathering Songs:** "Knowing You" and "Blessed Be Your Name"

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

**Communion Songs:** "Lamb of God," "Children of the Heavenly Father" and "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

**Sending Song:** "Trading My Sorrows"



### River Team Schedule

#### January - Amazon

River guide: Ruth Hamlow  
(320) 587-5045  
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  
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#### April - Tigris

River guides:  
Russ & Jeannine Borgendale  
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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



We're in it now, aren't we? We're into the season of Easter and in the heart of the book of Acts as the disciples are discovering what it means to be and form "church." It wasn't easy for them just as it's not easy for us either. Following Jesus in our every day lives can be tricky yet always brings new life.

Summer is just around the corner which means our "We go out" activities increase. Instead of marching out all the things we're "supposed to do" each summer because we did it the summer before, we've decided to try and take the congregation's temperature. We want to do things that bring life out of our community and into the greater community of Hutchinson. It's true that when you're excited to do something, there is a radiating of that excitement to others. So, that means some of the things we've been doing might not happen again because they've run their course. Maybe they'll pop up again in the future. Or maybe something new will be born that people are excited about and that new thing will happen.

We have the best news to share with Hutchinson and beyond: they are loved unconditionally by God through Jesus. These events that get us out participating in community with Hutchinson is just one of a million opportunities to show that love and to share that promise. How will you "go out" this summer with River of Hope? I am excited to see you there.

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

**April 26, 2015**

**Attendance: 85**

**Apr 19-Apr 25 Automatic Deposits: \$1,337.50**

**Regular Offering: \$625.00**

**Children's Offering: \$4.67**

### 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 at [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.

other through River Teams. Reaching out to one another prepares us to reach out to new people in the name of Jesus Christ. Call or email Sara in the ROH office if interested in attending.

### 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.

### Discipleship Groups:

*Disciple means learner. We are life-time 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](mailto:pastor@riverofhopehutchinson.org)

## Send

### Common Cup Ministry 5K Walk/Run

Saturday, May 9 at Masonic West River Park in Hutchinson. All ages are welcome to participate! Walk begins at 10am and run begins at 10:30am.

Registration forms available online ([www.common-cup.org](http://www.common-cup.org)) or at CCM Office 105 2<sup>ND</sup> Ave SW

## Disciple

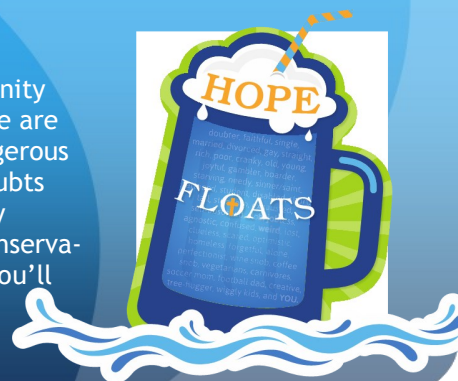
### Discipleship Training

Saturday, May 9 from 10am-12pm at the Hutchinson Event Center. A burst of training and equipping to help River of Hope-ers become even more connected to one an-



# 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
3 10:30 Worship	4	5 7pm Discipleship Leader - Ron Johnson	6 9am Men's Bible Study @Hardee's  6:30pm Confirmation with Mentors @UCC	7	8  Pastor Laura's Day Off	9 10am Discipleship Training @HEC
10 9am Discipleship Leader - Chanda Kropp  10:30 Worship	11	12 7pm Discipleship Leader - Keri Thoreson	13 6pm Discipleship Leader - Sara Pollmann Leader - Jim Nelson Leader - Ruth Hamlow Leader - Jenny Tillmann	14	15  Pastor Laura's Day Off	16

### Worship

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

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