

Worship Outline

GATHERING

Music to Prepare Us for Worship
Gathering Songs
Welcome 101, Connection Card
No Longer Strangers Prayer
Meet Someone New

WORD

Mark 11:1-11, 14:3-9

PROCESSION

Greeting
Prayer of the Day
Sermon

FEAST

Question Mark Prayers
Offering
Offering Music
Setting the Table
Confession & Forgiveness
Thanksgiving at the Table
Blessing the Feast
The Lord's Prayer
Invitation to the Meal
Communion
Communion Songs
Prayer after Communion

SENDING

Purpose
MILESTONE
Benediction
Sending Song
Music to Send You Out

March 20, 2016



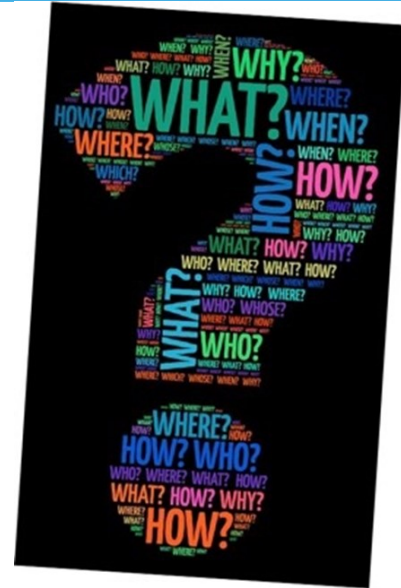
LUTHERAN CHURCH

We go out to transform lives through Jesus Christ.

6th Sunday in the Season of Lent

"What Are You Doing?"

#40questionprayers



Is This the Feast of Victory?

Walk together as a community of faith into this Holy Week:
"This-is-How-You-Love" Thursday 7pm at HEC;
Good Friday 7pm at Vineyard Methodist; Easter Sunday 10:30am.

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

March River Guide:
Jennifer & Brian Tillmann

March 27th Scripture:

Mark 16:1-8

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

March 27th Singers: Abby Thomson, Sara Nelson, Mike Weisenberger, Ruth Hamlow

Today's Music:

Gathering Songs: "Victory Chant" & "Jesus Loves Me"

Processional Song: "The Name Of The Lord"

Communion Songs: "Lamb of God" & "Prepare the Royal Highway"

Sending Song: "Lamb of God"



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,

I don't know what Lent feels like for you. It's the season of the church year that I love the most. I love the 40 days of preparation. I love the 40 days of deep contemplation. I love the 40 days of darkness. I really do.

But, also, I hate it. It's hard. When you plumb the depths, things get moved around. Things get discovered that you didn't know were there. Prayer and scripture reading seem like a chore to me some days. Some days I put it off because I don't want to take the chance at going another new place. But let me tell you about a few things that are giving me hope during these 40 days.

Laundry. It's true. The Methodists have started Laundry Love right here in Hutchinson. Allen Gislason and I went and hung out with them for part of a morning last week. It was awesome. Relationships formed with complete strangers. Laundry paid for, no strings attached. We're being invited into partnership with them as a way to go out. I wonder what we'll do? I can hardly wait to see.

Financial Independence. We have been working at becoming financially independent (from grant dependence) for the past 2 years. It's been incredible to see people give out of their abundance and also make sacrifices to give. It is an act of faith to include money in your spiritual practices. **July 4, 2016 is our independence day. Will you help us get there? (See more details at Connect Table)**

Food. Giving to Common Cup's Backpack Program is an important way that "we go out..." We will gather together on Maundy-Thursday to assemble all this food and ready it to bring to Common Cup.

We are together in the promise of these 40 days. 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

TONIGHT! Lent Evening Prayer

Sunday Mar. 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.

Bread Auction River of Hope will be holding a bread auction Sun. Apr. 10 from 12-2 pm. Bring a loaf to sample and one to auction. Homemade chili/soup will also be served. Funds benefit Hunger Free McLeod and RoH youth summer trips. Contact Sara Nelson or Melissa Schofield for more info.

Voices of Hope is the "instant" Adult Choir for people age 13 - 100. We rehearse before worship (at 9:45) and perform on the same Sunday! You are welcome! **We will be singing again Mar. 27 (Easter) & May 22.**

Crow River Conference W/ELCA Spring Gathering Sat.

Apr. 23. "Lessons from Lefse". Registration at 8 am at Evangelical Lutheran Church, Cokato. In-kind offering will be fleece blankets & LWR kits. Contact Betty Brandt at 320-587-9655 or cookingbetty@gmail.com for more info.

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
7:00-7:30	Meet at 10:10
April 6	April 10
May 4	May 8

Connect

Financial Giving: 3/13/2016
Worship attendance: 84
In-Worship Offering: \$301.00
Children's Offering: \$7.62
AutoDeposits 3/6-3/12: \$4,617.50

THANK YOU! To everyone who came to MSSB for the last Beer & Hymns & to the Elks Pancake Breakfast! We raised \$500 at Beer & Hymns & just over \$1000 at the pancake breakfast to help send our kids to summer camp! The Elks have never seen anything like it before!

NEW! FundingFactory! We are recycling toner & ink jet cartridges to raise money for youth summer camps. Drop off your cartridges at the office or in the box at worship. Check out the website for qualifying cartridges and more info: www.fundingfactory.com/goal/riverofhope.

Foster Parent Orientation Learn about becoming a foster parent Sat. Apr. 2, 9 am - 3 pm at McLeod Cty HHW/Solid Waste Mgmt. Bldg., 1065 5th Ave. SE in Hutchinson. Call Brenda Sandquist at 320-864-3144 for more info & to register.

Tim Orth Memorial Foundation Basketball Jamboree Sat. Apr. 2, 5:30 pm, GSL Gym. Doors open at 4 pm. Admission \$8 adults/\$6 students.

"Uplifting Celebration" St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Gaylord is featuring vocalist Rachel Kurtz on Sun. Apr. 3 with worship at 9 am, dinner from 10 am-1pm and concert at 1 pm. For tickets call 507-237-5148 or stpaulsandtrinitylutheran.org.

Pancake Breakfast Sun. Apr. 17, 9 am-1 pm at the Hutchinson Elks Lodge. Sponsored by the Masonic Temple Lodge. All proceeds & matching funds going to the McLeod Alliance for Victims of Domestic Violence.

Marriage Encounter Give your marriage a spring tune-up at the next Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekend, April 29-May 1 at Chase on the Lake Resort in Walker. Learn communication skills & keep your marriage a priority. Cost is \$100 plus free-will offering. Sign up at godlovesmarriage.org. Contact Dave or Linda Pedersen at 320-328-9911 for more info.

Disciple

Diaper Drive March is River of Hope's month to donate diapers. Larger sizes are most needed. 60 packages are needed and cash donations are welcome to purchase what is not donated. Deadline is Sun. Mar. 27. Drop off at worship or at Common Cup.

Food & Financial Offering In addition to your Simply Giving or putting money in the plate (thank you!) consider these other ways to give back during worship:
Offering can - \$ for House of Grace
Picnic Basket - HHS Reach Program, breakfast foods
Paper Bags - Backpack Program (Common Cup)



BACK PACK PROGRAM

Our Lenten challenge: Can River of Hope feed 300 students? Take a bag & a list of foods, 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.

GET INTO THE BIBLE!

(No experience necessary)

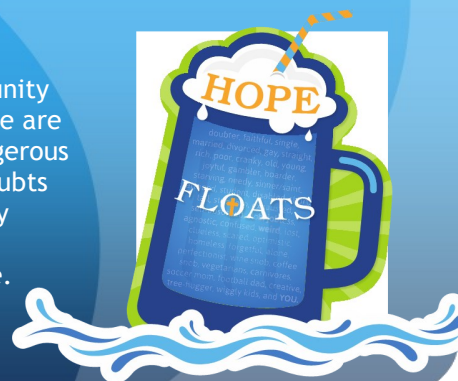
- ◆ **What's the Word?** w/ Pastor Laura. 2nd Tuesday of each month from 7-8 pm at the office.
- ◆ **Men's Bible Study** 1st & 3rd Wednesday at 9 am at Dunn Bros. Get a free Bible if you don't have one. Call or email Dave Pedersen at 302-328-9911 dlpeders@msn.com.
- ◆ **Women of Hope** 1st Wednesday at 9:30 am at Andy Koenig's: 885 Otter St. SW.

Send

Common Cup Open House Thur. Mar. 31 from 4-6 pm. Have treats & cider while visiting their expanded facility to understand how they accomplish their mission.

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.

~ March 2016 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
20 Discipleship Groups 10:30 Worship Lent Evening Prayer	21 Staff Meeting 12:00	22	23 Discipleship Groups	24 Maundy Thursday Worship 7 pm HEC	25 Pastor Laura's Sabbath Good Friday Worship 7 pm Vineyard	26
27 Easter Worship 10:30 Voices of Hope	28 Staff Meeting 12:00	29 Beer & Hymns 6 pm MSSB	30 Discipleship Groups	31	1 Pastor Laura's Sabbath	2

Worship

Sundays at 10:30am
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