

## Worship Outline

### GATHERING

Music to Prepare Us for Worship  
Gathering Songs  
Welcome 101, Connection Cards  
No Longer Strangers Prayer  
Meet Someone New  
Confession  
Kyrie  
Promise of Forgiveness  
Gloria  
Greeting  
Prayer of the Day  
Alleluia

### WORD

2 Samuel 7:1-17  
Children's Sermon  
Sermon  
Statement of Faith  
Prayers of the People  
Offering  
Offering Song

### FEAST & SENDING

Setting the Table  
Thanksgiving at the Table  
Sanctus  
The Lord's Prayer  
Invitation to the Meal  
Communion  
Communion Songs  
Prayer After Communion  
Purpose  
MILESTONES  
Blessing  
Sending Song

October 23, 2016



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



*Today we welcome Kimberly Buffie, Pastor and Mission Developer from House of Grace in Montrose.*

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

### October River Guide:

Ruth Hamlow

### October 30th Scripture:

1 Kings 17:1-16 [17-24]

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

**October 30th Singers:** Brian Pollmann, Jennifer Hauser, Katie Weisenberger, Rachel Stearns

## Today's Music:

**Gathering Songs:** "White As Snow" & "Hallelujah"

**Offering Song:** "Everybody's Got Something To Offer"

**Communion:** "Lamb of God" & Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

**Closing:** "My Life Is In You"



### River Team Schedule

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## River Conditions

Dear Hopeful People,

There are some important events coming up in our life together that I want to highlight for you. In order of appearance:

**Sunday, October 30: All Saints' Sunday** We will remember loved ones who have died. Bring an item that reminds you of your loved one to be displayed. We'll write notes and prayers that day and light candles and sing as we remember how connected we are as sinner/saints through baptism.

**Saturday, November 5, 10:00am: Living Creed brunch.** Come and hear the 8 sophomores and their mentors talk about their faith - their living creeds and why faith matters to them.

**Sunday, November 6, 10:30am: Confirmation/Affirmation of Baptism followed by potluck.** Come and celebrate with the newly confirmed young adults as they say "yes" to their baptisms. This worship service is joyful, celebratory, and memorable. Come and bring a dish to pass or just come and eat.

**Sunday, November 20, 10:30am: Riverpalooza!** We will welcome Bishop Anderson to our worship as we celebrate the newest among us as well as our life together as River of Hope. You'll hear from leaders of the congregation and the stories they have to tell about work they've been doing. And you'll cast your vote for members of the River Table, a table of faithful leaders to help lead River of Hope into the future.

River of Hope continues to grow in number and, more importantly, in faith. What a gift we have received from God, this thing called faith. I wonder where God is calling us next, out into our community and beyond. Please include our purpose statement in your daily prayers: *We go out to transform lives through Jesus Christ.* And see how this prayer is answered in your own life and in the life of our congregation. So much awaits us! Thank you, God!

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



**THIS TUESDAY OCT. 25!**  
**Beer & Hymns Band**  
**at MSSB from 6-8 pm!**

**Living Creed Brunch** A team of 9th grade parents is needed to organize muffins, juice & coffee on Nov. 5.

**Confirmation** A team of 8th grade parents is needed to organize the potluck on Nov. 6.

Please check your inbox & or talk to Pam Johnson for details.

**Check out all the opportunities** for small groups under the Disciple category & invite a new or old friend to come along!

## Connect

### Financial Giving to River of Hope: 10/16/2016

Worship attendance: 92  
In-Worship Offering: \$596.00  
Children's Offering: \$29.62  
Auto Deposits 10/8-10/15: \$915.00  
Sept. 2016 average attendance 96

**God's Work, Our Hands notes**  
Thanks! For you help in getting the cross-walk painted & the weeds knocked down. Your service to the community is greatly appreciated. John Olson, Public Works Mgr.

We want to thank everyone who come to our house a couple of weeks ago & did yard work. Both my husband & son are in wheel chairs, so help is always welcome. Thanks again to Abby, Josiah, Ellie, Morgan, Olivia, Grant, Chanda & Mike. The yard looks great. Marvin, Sandy & John Haara

**New River of Hope t shirts** are available. If you're new to River of Hope, they're free. If you're adding to your collection, they're \$5. Find them at the office or the Connect Table.

## Disciple

### Small Groups

**Men's Bible Study:** Wed. Nov. 2, 9 am @ Dunn Bros. Meets 1st & 3rd Wed. of the month.

**Women of Hope:** Wed. Nov. 2, 9:30 am @ Andy Koening's home, 885 Otter St. SW. Meets 1st Wed. of the month.

**What's the Word?:** Tues. Nov. 8, 7 pm @ Caribou. Meets 2nd Tues. of the month.

**55+ Diners:** Next date TBA

**Trick or Treat for Food Shelf** Oct. 26 for grades 7, 8 & 9. We will join other churches in Hutchinson to pick up food. Meet at the Event Center at 5:30. After collecting, we will bring food to fairgrounds & have pizza. Ron Johnson is the contact person. He & Tim Jeske will drive. Please contact Ron if you can help. We will help more people to be fed right here in Hutchinson!

**Voices of Hope** is our Instant Choir that sings approximately once a month in the winter and spring at River of Hope. Sundays that we will be participating in worship are Nov. 13 & Dec. 18. We will rehearse the music at 9:45 and sing the anthem during worship. All are welcome!!

**Table Updates** [Tables are groups of people meeting around things they have passion to do for the purpose of River of Hope's going out to transform lives through Jesus Christ. Would you like to be part of one? You are invited. We need you.]

**Parish Personnel:** Meets 2nd Mon. of the month at 3 pm at Flagship. Next meeting is Nov. 14.

**Financial Stewardship:** Mets Oct. 18.

**Vision Table:** Meets Oct. 24, 6 pm at HEC.

**River Table:** Met Oct. 17. It's the newest table of leaders who will work in concert with the Vision Table and will be communicators and inviters for the purpose of River of Hope and the part we play in loving and serving God's people. They will begin to ask people to consider being elected to this table. Please pray about your potential part of this table.

Please check our website for Table meeting minutes. There will also be a link in the E-News.

**Parents!** Look for new KID CORNER resources on the name tag tables. They relate directly to worship for the day.

**People of Faith Take Action:** The Domino Dilemma, Nov. 13, 3 pm at the McLeod County History Center. State & local level people will address poverty. Talk to Sandy Tracy for more info at 320-492-6279.

### Common Cup Happenings

- Fare For All: Thur. Oct. 27, 4:30-5:30 pm. More info on the Connect Table.

**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

**Laundry Basket** - collects quarters (or any other kind of money) to support Laundry Love

**Backpack** - pudding cups for Backpack Program

## We Go Out



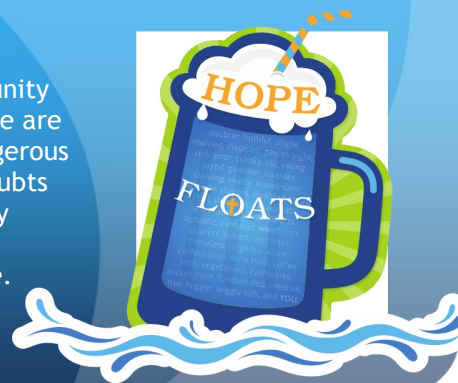
laundry love

**Laundry Love is the perfect "We Go Out!"** opportunity to put on your calendar the 3rd Tues. of every month. The next time is Nov. 15. We're partnering with Vineyard United Methodist Church to help people afford to do their laundry. Introverts & extroverts needed. Quarters needed. 3 people per shift, 9:00-noon; noon-3; 3-6:30. Contact Allen Gislason at 320-403-7004 or alleng747@hotmail.com for more information.

**Jim Nelson will be leading a sing-a-long** at Woodstone on Oct. 25 at 2:30 pm. Might you be able to assist the residents in getting to the place where we are singing, help them find the music in the songbooks or pass out rhythm instruments? Please call Jim at 320-552-9734 with any questions or just show up & help!

# 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.*

~ October/November 2016 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
23 Worship 10:30	24 Staff Meeting noon  Vision Table 6 pm, HEC	25 Sing-a-long 2:30 pm, Woodstone  Beer & Hymns 6 pm, MSSB	26 Trick or Treat for Food Shelf, 5:30 pm  10th grade Youth & Mentor Living Creed Prep, 6 pm, RoH Office Lobby	27	28	29
30 Worship 10:30 All Saints' Sunday  Christmas Eve Planning Meeting 12:30 pm, El Loro	31 Staff Meeting noon	1	2 Men's Bible Study 9 am, Dunn Bros.  Women of Hope 9:30 am, Andy Koenig's  Confirmation 6 pm, HEC	3	4	5 Living Creed Brunch 10 am, RoH Office Lobby

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### Worship

Sundays at 10:30am  
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