

Worship Outline

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No Longer Strangers Prayer
Meet Someone New
Confession
Song of Mercy
Promise of Forgiveness
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WORD

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Sermon
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October 2, 2016



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



Today we welcome Eliza Mayhew as the preacher and Paul Otte as music leader. Thank you for sharing the Good News through word and song.

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 9th Scripture:

Exodus 32:1-14

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

October 9th Singers: Brian Pollmann, Jennifer Hauser, Katie Weisenberger, Rachel Stearns

Today's Music:

Gathering Songs: "We Praise You, O God" & "Shout To The Lord"

Song of Mercy: "Kyrie Eleison"

Song of Reason: "We Are Called"

Song of Praise: "To Be Alive"

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

Communion: "Let Us Break Bread Together" & "O Living Bread From Heaven"

Closing: "Lord I Lift Your Name On High"



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River Conditions

Did you know River of Hope is partnering with Vineyard United Methodist Church in a little venture called Laundry Love? It's true.

Wait. What is Laundry Love? You ask such good questions.

But first, let me tell you what Laundry Love is not. Laundry Love is not something we do to "get more members" or to "get more people to help pay our bills." Laundry Love is not about talking Jesus at people, or only putting quarters in the machine if they love Jesus. (Gross.) Laundry Love is about giving people money to do their laundry. One quarter at a time. One load of laundry at a time. No matter their religious beliefs or station in life. We plug the machines, they go home with clean clothes and towels and bedding.

What would you do at Laundry Love? I held a container of quarters for a few families. I introduced myself to them, even got to know the families throughout the time I was there. I'd get their washers going with the quarters. I'd keep the dryers going by plugging in more quarters. Sometimes I was hanging out with them, other times they would come and get me to add more quarters. Some keep track of the quarters and get them put into the containers. Others keep track of the names of folks so we know if someone is brand new or returning. Some hand out prayer cards and ask if there is anything our churches can pray for in their lives. Others can't show up to help but instead contribute financially in quarters, checks and cash. Dirty laundry, soap, quarters and lives all collide at the laundromat. *Now, a few numbers:* **200...**that's dollars we contribute monthly toward Laundry Love. It takes about \$500 to make it go 'round. **3...**that's the 3rd Tuesday of each month. Put it on your calendar. **9...**that's hours that Laundry Love needs people to show that love. It is clearly meeting a need in Hutchinson so the 2 shifts have gone to 3 to encompass the whole day. Can you come for one shift? (stay tuned for what those will look like.) **12...**that's the number of new families who were served by Laundry Love September. **30...**that's the number of total families served by Laundry Love in September. **1...**That's you. How will you help show love through Laundry Love?

This couldn't be a clearer connection to our purpose as a congregation *We go out to transform lives through Jesus Christ.* And it fits so well with our "no strings attached" guiding principle. And all through dirty laundry. Sounds just like Jesus, doesn't it?

Contact Allen Gislason for more information. awg747@gmail.com or 320-403-7004.

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



**Beer & Hymns Band
at MSSB on Oct. 25
from 6-8 pm!**

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: 9/25/2016

Worship attendance: 101
In-Worship Offering: \$848.00
Children's Offering: \$5.86
Auto Deposits 8/27-9/2: \$2,644.66
Sept. 2016 average attendance 96

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.

Rev. Thomas Heyd, former pastor of River of Hope, will celebrate 50 years of ordained ministry on Oct. 15 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Annandale. Send him a card. Find more info on the Connect Table.

Disciple

Small Groups

Men's Bible Study: Wed. Oct. 5, 9 am @ Dunn Bros. Meets 1st & 3rd Wed. of the month.

Women of Hope: Wed. Oct. 5, 9:30 am @ Andy Koenig's home, 885 Otter St. SW. Meets 1st Wed. of the month.

What's the Word?: Tues. Oct. 11, 7 pm @ Caribou. Meets 2nd Tues. of the month.

55+ Diners: Thur. Oct. 13, 5:30 pm @ Zellars.

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 Oct. 9, 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 Oct. 10.

Financial Stewardship: Met Sept. 21 @ 6 pm @ BusinessWare.

Vision Table: Meets Oct. 24 @ 6 pm at HEC.

River Table: Met Sept. 19, 6 pm. 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.

Women of the ELCA 2017 Gathering is July 13-16 in Minneapolis. Registration starts Sept. 6. Please talk to Betty Brandt for more info. 320-587-9655.

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

Foster Parent Orientation hosted by McLeod County Social Services for families interested in becoming foster parents. Sat. Oct. 15, 9 am-3pm at McLeod County HHW/Solid Waste Mgmt. Bldg. Find more info on Connect Table.

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.

Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekend Oct. 21-23 in Albert Lea. Pastor Linda & Dave Pedersen are a presenting couple. Call them for more info at 320-328-9911. Sign up at godlovesmarriage.com. Pre-registration is required.

Seeds of Hope Sponsors There are only two weeks left to RSVP to our "Celebracion" on November 6. If you have questions about the invitation, email Chanda Kropp chandakropp@hotmail.com. If you have questions about the event, email Cher Sulerud at cher.sulerud@gmail.com.

Common Cup Happenings

- Free winter coats: Thur. Oct. 20, 9 am-noon, McLeod County Fairgrounds.
- Fare For All: Thur. Oct. 27, 4:30-5:30 pm. More info on the Connect Table.

Funding Factory Don't forget to drop your used ink cartridges off at the office or in the box at worship. Funds benefit youth summer camps.

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

We Go Out

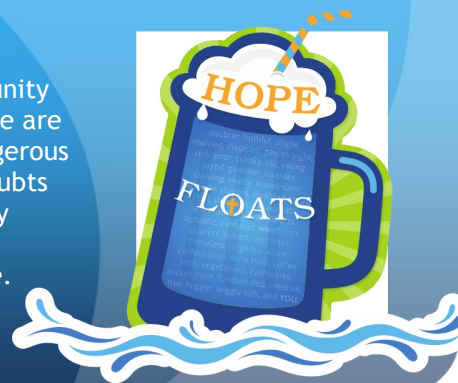


laundry love

Laundry Love is the perfect "We Go Out!" opportunity to put on your calendar the **3rd Tues. of every month.** The next time is Oct. 18. 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, 8:30-noon; noon-3; 3-7. Contact Allen Gislason at 320-403-7004 or alleng747@hotmail.com for more information.

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 2016 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2 Worship 10:30	3 Staff Meeting noon Christmas Eve Planning Meeting 7 pm RoH Office Lobby	4	5 Men's Bible Study 9 am, Dunn Bros. Women of Hope 9:30 am, Andy Koenig's home Confirmation 6-8 pm, HEC	6	7	8
9 Worship 10:30 Voices of Hope	10 Parish Personnel 3 pm, Flagship	11 What's the Word? 7 pm, Caribou	12 Confirmation Summer Trip Meeting 7 pm RoH Office Lobby	13 55+ Diners 5:30 pm, Zellas	14	15

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Sundays at 10:30am
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