

Everything you need to participate in worship is projected on the screen. If you read music, it is available on the usher stand in the hallway. Ask an usher or help yourself.

# Ezekiel 2:1-5

He said to me: O mortal,<sup>[a]</sup> stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you. <sup>2</sup> And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. <sup>3</sup> He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation<sup>[b]</sup> of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. <sup>4</sup> The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, "Thus says the Lord GOD." <sup>5</sup> Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

## Mark 6:1-13

He left that place and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. <sup>2</sup>On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! <sup>3</sup>Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary<sup>[a]</sup> and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense<sup>[b]</sup> at him. <sup>4</sup>Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." <sup>5</sup>And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. <sup>6</sup>And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. <sup>7</sup> He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. <sup>8</sup> He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; <sup>9</sup> but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. <sup>10</sup> He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. <sup>11</sup> If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." <sup>12</sup> So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. <sup>13</sup> They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

Here's what to expect at River of Hope: While Pastor Laura is on sabbatical...

We welcome Pastor Donna Olsen to River of Hope today to bring us the Good News! Pr. Donna is a new Hutchinson resident and is living into retirement. We give thanks to God for you, Pr. Donna. **GIFT - Generations In Faith Together.** Worship is intentionally intergenerational. "Sunday School" happens within worship. You'll speak ancient words in new ways and sing old hymns that never get old. We practice the story together. We are actively engaged in questions, prayers, and singing together. We learn so much from each other when we worship together. It's a gift, isn't it? Remember, this isn't about excellence or perfection, it's about participation.

**Come as you are.** Well, you're already here. It doesn't matter what 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? Name tags are awkward, right? We all wear them - not just the visitors. It's an effort to be open and to show this is a safe place to be called by name. We like kids. No kidding. We think kids are leaders in worship, always teaching us how to live. Parents, please breathe easy. We are with you.

**Pray Ground.** Stay in worship with your kids. Join them on the pray ground. If it all falls apart, take to the halls. We'll pray for you. ©

**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 regulars and visitors to use to communicate and pray. We won't use your info to bother you. **Financial Offering.** Giving generously is part of an active faith life. It looks different for each person. River of Hope depends on your giving and is grateful for how and what you share.

- There is a card reader located at the back of the worship space. There are instructions with it. Go ahead and use it.
- Go online to riverofhopehutchinson.org. Click on "give."
- You can support Laundry Love by putting money in the watering can.

**On the way out**...You'll be handed the Weekly River News that includes prayers to pray and scripture to read for the week, along with a calendar and other goings-on in our life together.

#### ORDER OF WORSHIP GATHER

Music to Prepare Us Gathering Songs \*Introduce Theme of the Day Welcome 101 No Longer Strangers Prayer Practice Saying Hello Confession Promise of Forgiveness Greeting Prayer of the Day

### WORD

Hymn of Praise Ezekiel 2:1-5 Mark 6:1-13 Wade in the Word Sermon Prayers of the People Offering + Singing

## FEAST

\*Setting the Table Thanksgiving at the Table The Lord's Prayer Communion + Singing Prayer after Communion

### SEND

What is Our Purpose? Milestones! Blessing \*Sending Song \*Sending Charge Music to Send You Out to Serve

\*Kids are invited to participate throughout worship, but especially in these spots.