

# River Source

Your Guide to Worship

Fourth Sunday in Lent — Mar 31, 2019



## Here's what to expect at River of Hope:

**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.

- Go online to [riverofhopehutchinson.org](http://riverofhopehutchinson.org). Click on “give.”
- You can support Laundry Love by putting money in the watering can.
- Use the envelope and put your offering in the globe when it passes by during worship.

**On the way out...** Take the latest issue of The Current and River News that includes prayers to pray and scripture to read for the week, a calendar and announcements.

## Welcome.

### We are so glad you are here.

*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.*

**BACK STORY**  
Fear + Hope + Love

Where does your story and God's story meet? Are you afraid your back story won't hold up to God's? You are invited to explore God's story and how it is connected to yours, no matter the plot line. River of Hope worships at the Hutchinson Event Center at 10:30am on Sunday mornings. [riverofhopehutchinson.org](http://riverofhopehutchinson.org)

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**Our theme for Lent - what's your backstory?**

Matthew 25:1-13 (Use the River of Hope pen to mark up this page!)

“Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. <sup>2</sup>Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. <sup>3</sup>When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; <sup>4</sup>but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. <sup>5</sup>As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. <sup>6</sup>But at midnight there was a shout, ‘Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.’ <sup>7</sup>Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. <sup>8</sup>The foolish said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’ <sup>9</sup>But the wise replied, ‘No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.’ <sup>10</sup>And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. <sup>11</sup>Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, ‘Lord, lord, open to us.’ <sup>12</sup>But he replied, ‘Truly I tell you, I do not know you.’ <sup>13</sup>Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.”

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### GATHER

Music to Prepare Us  
Gathering Songs  
Welcome 101/Intro theme  
No Longer Strangers Prayer  
\*Practice Saying Hello  
Kyrie (Lord, have mercy)  
This is the Feast!  
Greeting  
Prayer of the Day

### WORD

Rapid River Players:  
Matthew 25:1-13  
\*Wade in the Word  
Sermon  
Statement of Belief  
\*Graffiti Prayers of the  
People (*Ask your children to  
draw or write or tell you what  
they want to pray.*)  
Offering + Singing

### FEAST

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

### SEND

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

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