



LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Monthly River News

*Our purpose as a church (it's why we exist):
We go out to transform lives through Jesus Christ.*

April 2019						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Mar 31 Worship 10:30am 4th Sunday of Lent I'm Still Here Study 8:45-10:15	1 Men's Bible Study 9:30 am	2	3 Women of Hope 9:30am Confirmation with Fleece Tied Blankets 6:00 pm	4 Sing-A-Long w/Jim Woodstone 10am Harmony River 2:30pm	5	6
7 Worship 10:30am 5th Sunday of Lent Baptism of Clara Kay Huseby I'm Still Here Study 8:45-10:15	8 Staff Meeting Noon Parish Personnel 3pm River Table 6pm	9	10 I'm Still Here Study 7-8:30 pm	11	12	13
14 Worship 10:30am Palm Sunday I'm Still Here Study 8:45-10:15	15 Men's Bible Study 9:30 am Staff Meeting Noon Vision Table 6:30 pm	16 Laundry Love	17 I'm Still Here Study 7-8:30 pm	18 Maundy Thursday Service 7:00 pm	19 Good Friday 7:00pm	20
21 Worship 10:30am Easter Sunday	22 Jim & Pr. Laura out of the office	23	24 55+ Diners 5:30pm at Squeaky' s I'm Still Here Study 7-8:30 pm	25 Sing-A-Long w/Jim Woodstone 10am Harmony River 2:30pm	26	27
28 Worship 10:30am	29 Financial Stewardship 6pm	30 55+ Diners 5:30pm Beer & Hymns 6pm	May 1 Women of Hope 9:30am	May 2	May 3	May 4

River Team Schedule

April 2019 - Team Nile

River Guides: Mike & Katie Weisenberger
320-234-7229 weisenberger@mcsi.com

May 2019 - Team Shenandoah

River Guides: Lisa & Chris Kraft
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Staff

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Both Laura and Jim are in and out of the office Monday-Friday. Volunteers will be at the desk Tues-Wed-Fri AM.

Office Information

Pastor Laura is in Hutchinson Saturday evenings through Thursdays until about 4pm. She is in Fairmont Thrs PM - Sat. afternoon unless an emergency calls her to Hutchinson. Please call or email if you'd like to see her. Her time is flexible.



WORSHIP LIFE

Our theme for Lent -
what's your back story?

River of Hope's Lent Giving Project 2019: Fleece Tied Blankets for Lutheran World Relief

Fleece blankets bring comfort to those in crisis - either in the hospital or on the ground. Help bring comfort to someone's story that has taken a sudden turn by giving money to purchase fleece. Thank you to everyone who helped in this project. Watch for pictures.

GROUP LIFE

WOMEN OF HOPE

Meets the 1st Wed of the month • Andy Koenig's home
885 Otter St SW 320-587-9052

Next Meeting: May 1st @ 9:30 am

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Meets monthly • 1st & 3rd Mon • Cashwise Caribou Coffee

Next Meetings: May 6th & 20th @ 9:30 am

Contact: Dave Pedersen 763-807-0993.

55+ DINERS

55 or older? Come on out and share a meal and get to know people.

Next dinner: **Apr 24th at 5:30pm at Squeaky's**

Contact: Aloise Hauge 320.587.0369 ahaugae@hutchtel.net

I'M STILL HERE BOOK STUDY - A discussion about race

Last time: Wed Evening @downtown office

April 24 7:00 - 8:30pm led by Pastor Laura

Spring Suppers

Get to know other River of Hope-ers around a meal together this spring. Sign-up at Connect Table or email the office at: office@riverofhopehutchinson.org.

YOUTH LIFE

Do you want to help gather youth together from River of Hope? Want to help grow the youth of our congregation? To participate contact Katie Weisenberger 701-460-0076 or Kris Hartman 320-296-5151.

HAY Ministries Presents

You Are Not Alone

A night to have real conversations about depression, anxiety, and the stress that we face in life. **Wednesday, May 1st at 6:30 pm.**

Open to students in 6th - 12th grades and their parents.



WHAT MAKES YOUR HOPE FLOAT?

WE GO OUT LIFE

BEER + HYMNS - April 30th - 6-8pm

at Main Street Sports Bar

Last Tuesday of the month, EXCEPT in December



LAUNDRY LOVE - May 21st -Maytag Laundry, Hwy 7

Always the 3rd Tuesday of the month.

Two people a shift, 9:00-noon; noon-3:30; 3:30-6:30.

Sign up for a shift on the SignUp Genius link on Facebook or Contact Allen Gislason 320-403-7004 alleng747@hotmail.com



SING-A-LONG WITH JIM NELSON

Assist residents in gathering to sing and help them find the music in the songbooks or pass out rhythm instruments.

Please call Jim at 320-552-9734 with questions or just show up & help!

Harmony River: April 25th @ 2:30 pm

Woodstone: April 25th @ 10 am

FINANCIAL LIFE

What you give matters. Will you help River of Hope live out its purpose to see lives changed? Contact Sue Benson, Treasurer, to sign up for Simply Giving or to ask questions 320-296-4565 or sbenson@hutchtel.net

MARCH TOTALS SNAPSHOT

In-Worship Offering: \$5496.00

Annual Giving from a RoH Household: \$12,000.00

Laundry Love/Children's: \$104.31

Auto Deposits: \$11,435.00

Erin's Kids: \$0

Lent Fleece: 1,301.00 (includes \$51 from 55+ Diners)

Average Attendance: 74

TABLE LIFE

Tables gather the leaders of River of Hope to do the ministry that answers the "why" of why we exist. All River of Hope-ers are invited and welcome to join a table or attend meetings. The River Table is our only elected table.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION ON OUR TABLES,
STOP BY THE CONNECT TABLE.**



GRATEFUL LIFE

WOW! Thank God for the people who stepped forward to make this Lenten Season and Worship Services so meaningful.

Easter is God's Great Story for our Lives