



Hosea

23rd Sunday after Pentecost

November 17, 2019
Sunday Worship at 10:30am



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GATHERING

Music to Prepare Us for Worship

Gathering Songs – “Find Us Faithful” & “Forever”

Find Us Faithful

Words and Music by
Jon Mohr

VERSE 1

1. We're pil - grims on the jour - ney of the nar - row road, and
those who've gone be-fore us line the way. Cheer-ing on _ the faith-ful, en -
-cour-ag-ing _ the wear-y, their lives a stir-ring test - a - ment _ to God's sus - tain - ing _

3 D²(no3) A/D G/D
6 G² D²/A G²/B C² Em⁷ D²/F# Em⁷/G E⁷/G#

VERSE 2

2. Sur - round - ed by so great a cloud of wit - ness - es. _ Let us
run the race not on - ly for the prize; But as those who've gone _ be-fore us, let us
leave to those _ be-hind us the her - i - tage of faith - ful - ness _ passed on through god - ly _

9 A^{sus} A D² A/D G/D
12 D² G² G Em⁷ D²/F#
15 G² D²/A G²/B C² Em⁷

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CHORUS 1a

18 A^{sus} A A/C# A^{sus}/B A

lives. _____ Oh, may all who come be - hind _ us find us

21 G/D D A/C# Bm⁷ A F#⁷/A# Bm² Bm Bm/A

faith - ful, _ may the fire of our de - vo - tion light their way. May the

24 G² G A/G F#m⁷ F#⁷/A# Bm Bm⁷/E E⁹

foot-prints that we leave lead them to be-lieve, and the lives we live in-spire them to o -

27 A^{7sus} A⁷ G F#m⁷ Em⁷ Em⁷/A Em⁷/D D Bm

-bey. Oh, may _ all who come be-hind us find us faith - ful.

INSTRUMENTAL

VERSE 3

30 Em⁷ G²(no3) G²/B D² A/D G/D D

3. Af - ter all our hopes and dreams have

33 A/D G/D D A²/C# G²/B D/A G² G D/F#

come and gone, _ and our chil-dren sift through all we've left be - hind, may the

Forever

Words and Music by
Chris Tomlin

♩ = 140

VERSE
G



1. Give thanks to _____ the Lord _____ our God and _____ King; _____ His
 2. With a might-y hand _____ and out - stretched _____ arm; _____ His
 3. From _____ the _____ ris - ing to the set - ting _____ sun _____ His

C

3



love en - dures _____ for - ev - er. For He is good, _____ He is a -
 love en - dures _____ for - ev - er. For the life _____ that's
 love en - dures _____ for - ev - er. And by the grace _____ of God _____ we will

G

D

6

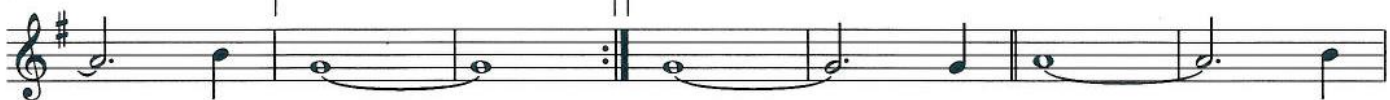


-bove all _____ things; _____ His love en - dures _____ for - ev - er. _____ Sing praise _____
 been re - born; _____ His love en - dures _____ for - ev - er. _____ Sing praise _____
 car - ry _____ on; _____ His love en - dures _____ for - ev - er. _____ Sing praise _____

PRE-CHORUS

D

10



_____ sing praise. _____ praise. _____ Sing praise, _____ sing
 _____ sing
 _____ sing

CHORUS

G

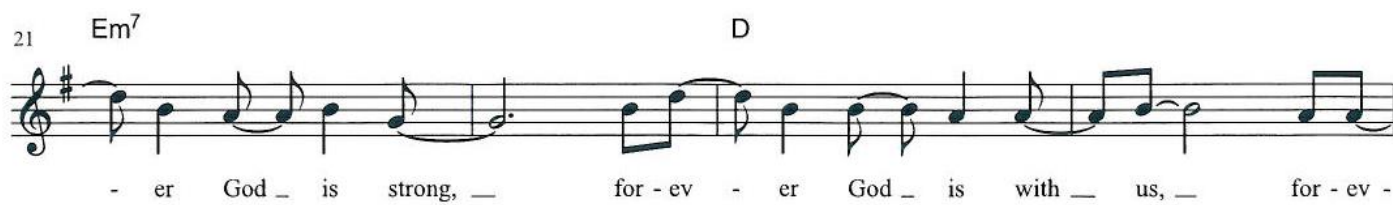
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C²/E



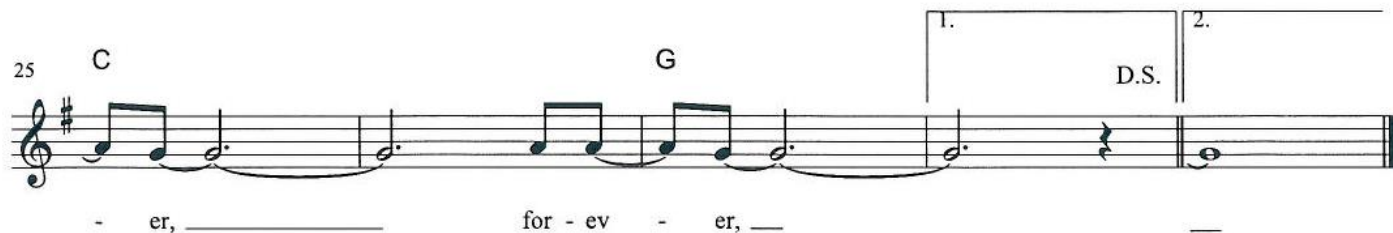
praise. _____ For - ev - er God _____ is faith - ful, _____ for - ev -

21 Em⁷ D



- er God _ is strong, _ for - ev - er God _ is with _ us, _ for - ev -

25 C G



- er, _ for - ev - er, _

Introduce the Theme with Kids **(Give kids the Kid's Bulletin when done)**

Welcome, River Source, Clip Boards

(Please Stand) No Longer Strangers Prayer

God of the Stranger,

Help us to see each other through your eyes. When we see with the eyes of judgement, give us your compassion. When we see with eyes of envy, give us your wisdom. When we see with eyes of indifference, give us your love. When we fail to see the hurting people in our path, give us your vision. Equip us, Holy Spirit, to share your compassion, wisdom and love with everyone we meet – no exceptions. Amen.

Meet Someone New

Worship Leader: *Now is the time to practice this very dangerous prayer we just prayed – there are no strangers because of the love we know in Jesus. We simply can't afford to be afraid of each other, especially in this place of worship of the God who brings us together. Visitors, stay right where you are. It's our job, as River of Hope, to make ourselves a little bit uncomfortable and to come and say hello to you. So, go and say hi to someone you don't know very well or at all.*

"Forever" to bring people back together.

(Still Standing) Confession and Forgiveness

The Holy Spirit has brought us to this place today.

Amen.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the strength of our ancestors, the hope of our children, the one who gives us the ability to "go out".

Amen.

If we have died with Christ, we will also live with Christ. Let us confess to the world, to each other and to ourselves that God is God – and we are not.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God our helper,
we confess the many ways we have failed to live as your disciples. We have not finished what we began. We have feasted with friends but ignored strangers. We have been captivated by our possessions. Lift our burdens, gracious God. Refresh our hearts and forgive our sin. Raise us to the new life you have chosen for us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

There is rejoicing in heaven when sinners repent. Put your trust in these promises: God will never leave you or forsake you. You who were lost have been found. As a called and ordained minister in the church of Jesus Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sin, in the name ✠ of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Rejoice with the angels at this good news.

Amen.

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the community of the Holy Spirit is with you all. **And also with you.**

(Still Standing)

Prayer of the Day

Lord God,

We have not borne the fruit you have desired of us, and yet you show us mercy. Plant the seeds of grace within us, that our lives might show forth your glory, for the sake of Jesus, amen.

(Please Be Seated)

THE STORY

Narrator: Our story and God's story continues today from Hosea 11:1-9

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Narrator: When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son. The more I called them, the more they went from me; they kept sacrificing to the Baals, and offering incense to idols.

Side 1: Yet it was I who taught Ephraim to walk, I took them up in my arms; but they did not know that I healed them. I led them with cords of human kindness, with bands of love.

Side 2: I was to them like those who lift infants to their cheeks. I bent down to them and fed them. They shall return to the land of Egypt, and Assyria shall be their king, because they have refused to return to me.

Narrator: The sword rages in their cities, it consumes their oracle-priests, and devours because of their schemes. My people are bent on turning away from me. To the Most High they call, but he does not raise them up at all.

Side 1 How can I give you up, Ephraim? How can I hand you over, O Israel? How can I make you like Admah? How can I treat you like Zeboiim?

Side 2: My heart recoils within me; my compassion grows warm and tender. I will not execute my fierce anger; I will not again destroy Ephraim;

All: for I am God and no mortal, the Holy One in your midst, and I will not come in wrath.

Stay tuned for the continuing drama that is our story and God’s story.

ALL: Praise to you O Christ.

Please stand

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to Mark.

Gospel Acclamation *Celtic Alleluia*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Verses may be sung by a leader. Then the alleluia is repeated.

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Pastor: One day some parents brought their children to Jesus so he could touch and bless them. But the disciples scolded the parents for bothering him.

Side 1: **When Jesus saw what was happening, he was angry with his disciples. He said to them, “Let the children come to me. Don’t stop them! For the Kingdom of God belongs to those who are like these children.**

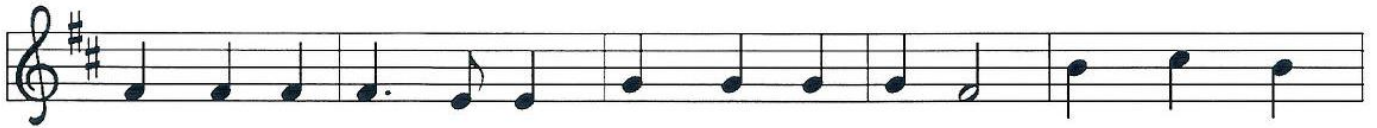
Side 2: **I tell you the truth, anyone who doesn’t receive the Kingdom of God like a child will never enter it.” Then he took the children in his arms and placed his hands on their heads and blessed them.**

Sermon

Song After Sermon “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

Worship Leader: *As we sing, write your prayers on a post-it from the clipboard at the end of the row. Paper prayers will be collected during the song. The prayers will then be prayed out loud, anonymously, and placed on the altar.*

Great Is Thy Faithfulness



1 Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther; there is no
2 Sum - mer and win - ter and spring - time and har - vest, sun, moon, and
3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth, thine own dear



shad - ow of turn - ing with thee; thou chang - est not, thy com -
stars in their cours - es a - bove join with all na - ture in
pres - ence to cheer and to guide; strength for to - day and bright



pas - sions they fail not; as thou hast been, thou for - ev - er wilt be.
man - i - fold wit - ness to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
hope for to - mor - row, bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

Refrain



Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Morn - ing by



morn - ing new mer - cies I see; all I have need - ed thy



hand hath pro - vid - ed; great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord, un - to me.

Text: Thomas O. Chisholm, 1866–1960

Music: FAITHFULNESS, William M. Runyan, 1870–1957

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Prayers of the People

Worship Leader: Gathered together as the people of God, let us pray for the church, the world, and all people and places in need of God's grace and mercy...

Prayers given to the pray-ers will be prayed out loud, anonymously. Every 3-4 petitions will end with:

Leader: Life Giving God,

All: Hear our prayer

When the 2 pray-ers are done with petitions, the worship leader concludes the prayers...

Worship Leader: Assured by your promise to hear us, we lay our prayers before your throne of grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Offering

Worship Leader: *We are grateful for your financial gifts; it's the only way churches are churches. Set up automatic giving by going to our website, riverofhopehutchinson.org click "give" & go from there.*

(Please stand as you are able while the gifts/offering is brought forward.)

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ



1 Let us tal - ents and tongues em - ploy, reach - ing out with a shout of joy:
2 Christ is a - ble to make us one, at the ta - ble he sets the tone,
3 Je - sus calls us in, sends us out bear - ing fruit in a world of doubt,



bread is bro - ken, the wine is poured, Christ is spo - ken and seen and heard.
teach - ing peo - ple to live to bless, love in word and in deed ex - press.
gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Im - man - u - el) ev - 'ry - where!

Refrain



Je - sus lives a - gain, earth can breathe a - gain, pass the Word a - round: loaves a - bound!

Text: Fred Kaan, b. 1929

Music: LINSTEAD, Jamaican folk tune; adapt. Doreen Potter, 1925–1980

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THE FEAST

Setting the Table

As the kids help set the table, make a circle around the table holding hands and lead the congregation in the table prayer written by Martin Luther:

Let's pray: Come, Lord Jesus, be our guest. And let these gifts to us be blest. Blest be God who is our bread, may all the world be clothed and fed. Amen.

(Stay Standing)

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord is with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them to the Risen Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Holy Triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. From the rising of the sun to its setting your name is praised among all peoples.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with your people on earth and all the company of heaven who forever sing this hymn to the glory of your name

Holy, Holy, Holy *Santo, santo, santo*

San - to, san - to, san - to, mi co - ra - zón te a - do - ra.
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you.

Mi co - ra - zón te sa - be de - cir: San - to e - res Se - ñor.
My heart is glad to say the words: You are ho - ly, God.

Text: Argentine traditional
Music: ARGENTINE SANTO, Argentine traditional

In the night when Jesus was betrayed by his best friends, he took bread. He blessed it and broke it and gave it to these same friends saying, "Take and eat. This is my body given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup, blessed it and gave it for all to drink saying, "This is the new covenant, the new promise, for the forgiveness of sins. Do this for the remembrance of me."

The Lord's Prayer

Worship Leader: *You are invited to join hands with those around you in prayer. If you are not the hand-holding type, then simply fold your hands in front of you or hang onto this bulletin as you pray.*

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

(Please be Seated)

Invitation to the Meal

You are welcome to this meal. It is free, and it is for you. If you hunger and thirst for grace and mercy that comes through Jesus Christ, then Christ has set this table just for you.

Communion Songs/Hymns "Faith of Our Fathers"

"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

Faith of Our Fathers

1 Faith of our fa - thers, liv - ing still in spite of dun - geon,
 2 Faith of our moth - ers, dar - ing faith, your work for Christ is
 3 Faith of our sis - ters, broth - ers too, who still must bear op -
 4 Faith born of God, oh, call us yet, bind us with all who

fire, and sword. Oh, how our hearts beat high with joy
 love re - vealed, spread - ing God's word from pole to pole,
 pres - sion's might, rais - ing on high, in pris - ons dark,
 fol - low you, shar - ing the strug - gle of your cross

Refrain

when-e'er we hear that glo - rious word. Faith of our fa - thers,
 mak - ing love known and free - dom real. Faith of our moth - ers,
 the cross of Christ still burn - ing bright. Faith for to - day, O
 un - til the world is made a - new. Faith born of God, O

ho - ly faith, we will be true to you till death.
 ho - ly faith, we will be true to you till death.
 liv - ing faith, we will be true to you till death.
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Text: Frederick W. Faber, 1814-1863, st. 1, alt; Joseph R. Alfred, b. 1947, sts. 2-4
 Music: ST. CATHERINE, Henri F. Hemy, 1818-1888; James G. Walton, 1821-1905, refrain
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My Faith Looks Up to Thee

1 My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,
2 May thy rich grace im - part strength to my faint - ing heart,
3 While life's dark maze I tread and griefs a - round me spread,
4 When ends life's tran - sient dream, when death's cold, sul - len stream

Sav - ior di - vine! Now hear me while I pray, take all my
my zeal in - spire; as thou hast died for me, oh, may my
be thou my guide; bid dark - ness turn to day, wipe sor - row's
shall o'er me roll; blest Sav - ior, then, in love fear and dis -

guilt a - way, oh, let me from this day be whol - ly thine!
love to thee pure, warm, and change - less be, a liv - ing fire!
tears a - way, nor let me ev - er stray from thee a - side.
trust re - move; oh, bear me safe a - bove, a ran - somed soul!

Text: Ray Palmer, 1808-1887
Music: OLIVET, Lowell Mason, 1792-1872

(Please Stand)

BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

May the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his peace. **Amen.**

THE SENDING

Why does our church exist? What is our purpose?

We go out to transform lives through Jesus Christ.

(Please Be Seated)

PURPOSE SIGHTINGS

Worship Leader: There are many opportunities to serve God and our neighbor – this is the time to lift those up!

MILESTONES! “Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”

It's time for milestones, a time of sharing milestones in our community. If you have a big, small, good, or hard milestone in your life and can share it in a few sentences, meet me at the baptismal font and throw a water drop in as you share your milestone. After each person shares their milestone, the congregation responds by saying “MILESTONE!”

(Please Stand)

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying". It consists of two systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, Lord, send your Spir-it in this place;" and "Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace."

Text: Ken Medema, b. 1943
Music: CHILDREN PRAYING: Ken Medema

Blessing

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

All: Amen

Sending Song "I Walk By Faith"

(Kids are welcome to come up and play an instrument)

I Walk By Faith

Words and Music by
Chris Falson

♩ = 128

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A G²

I walk by faith, each step by

4 D

faith; To live by faith, I put my

7 A

trust in ____ You. I

VERSE

10 Bm A/C# D

Ev - ry step - I take _____ is a step - of faith; .

13 E Bm A/C# D

____ No wea - pon formed a - gainst ____ me shall pros - per.

17 E Bm A/C#

And ev - ry prayer - I make _____

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