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LUTHERAN CHURCH

Welcome! We are so glad you are here.

As followers of Jesus we have two very important resources that equip us to do *"God's work with our hands"* ; reading God's word and prayer.

Reading the stories in the Bible gives us a glimpse of what it means to be in relationship with God. Your story and God's story are connected. There is a flow of forgiveness, love and life between God and all of creation—including you.

Don't worry about the "right" understanding—God is with you as you read. Listen!

Don't worry about having the "right" questions—there are no WRONG questions. Simply read—ask— listen and draw closer to the God who loves you beyond your imagination!

Daily Bible Readings

Connecting Your Story with God's Story
For the week of April 19 - April 25 2020

Sunday April 19: Acts 1:1-14

Monday April 20: Acts 1:15-26-26

Tuesday April 21: Acts 2:14-36

Wednesday April 22: Acts 2: 14-36

Thursday April 23: Acts 2:37-42

Friday April 24: Acts 2:43-47

Saturday April 25: Acts 3:11-26

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE - Your prayers matter.

Prayers for . . .

- all those who struggle with faith or the institution of church
- Bishop Jon Anderson & all synod staff
- visitors to River of Hope & all people being stirred up by the Holy Spirit to be part of a faith community
- Bring healing powers to those who seek it: **Sara Shorter, Nyssa Johnson, Jami Beffert, Anita Weitzman, Carol Larsen, Teagan, Lee, Jay, Shalon**, and all who suffer
- Those who have lost jobs
- Liam as he goes through surgery
- Parents who have suddenly become teachers
- Niece Alison who lives in Italy
- healthcare workers
- school personnel and students during this pandemic
- Ruth's cousin with Chron's disease
- Family members providing primary healthcare and possible being exposed to COVID-19
- Medical staff dealing with all those who are sick or will be sick
- Keeping our most vulnerable safe
- People with anxiety, this is a challenging time for them and their families
- Students studying in other countries
- The elder members of RoH to stay healthy
- People financially stressed, struggling with challenges
- Health care workers and world leaders
- Those who are struggling to provide food for their children during interruption of school where food is supplied to students
- All that we may turn chaos into calm
- Those working on grocery stores and other large stores who are facing difficult situations and fearful people

- Strength and wisdom that can come from realizing what we can and cant control and that God is always in control
- Healing for Wes
- For healing for Kay S and bring her peace
- For pregnant women who are scared to deliver in this time. Keep them safe and give them peace.
- For our leadership to gain strength and speak truth
- For the family and friends of LaDonna
- For the frontline ER staff nationwide who face the virus
- For semi drivers, store clerks and workers, postal workers
- Friends mom recovering from lung surgery due to cancer
- For my elderly parents, keep them safe

I struggle to love . . .

- my brother

Thanks . . .

- for Bishop Chillstrom
- for improving health of my friend Peter
- for Pastor Janine and her leadership
- for this whole River of Hope community and the way they encourage me
- Our healthcare professionals
- For our wonderful family, keep them well and safe
- For the essential workers risking there health and families
- For Wes recovering from COVID-19

THE RIVER NEWS ~ April 19, 2020

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

WORSHIP

Sundays at 10:30 am on Facebook Live on the River of Hope public Facebook page.

➡ Troubleshooting for Facebook Live:

If you have issues with buffering or the video stream freezes, exit out of the live and go back in to the video, that should fix the issue.

If you have problems working Facebook, please call Emily at (218) 251-8785 and she will do her best to walk you through it.

WE GIVE

What you give matters. Will you help River of Hope live out its purpose to see lives changed?

Contact Sue Benson at 320-296-4565 with questions or to signup for Simply Giving.

MARCH TOTALS SNAPSHOT

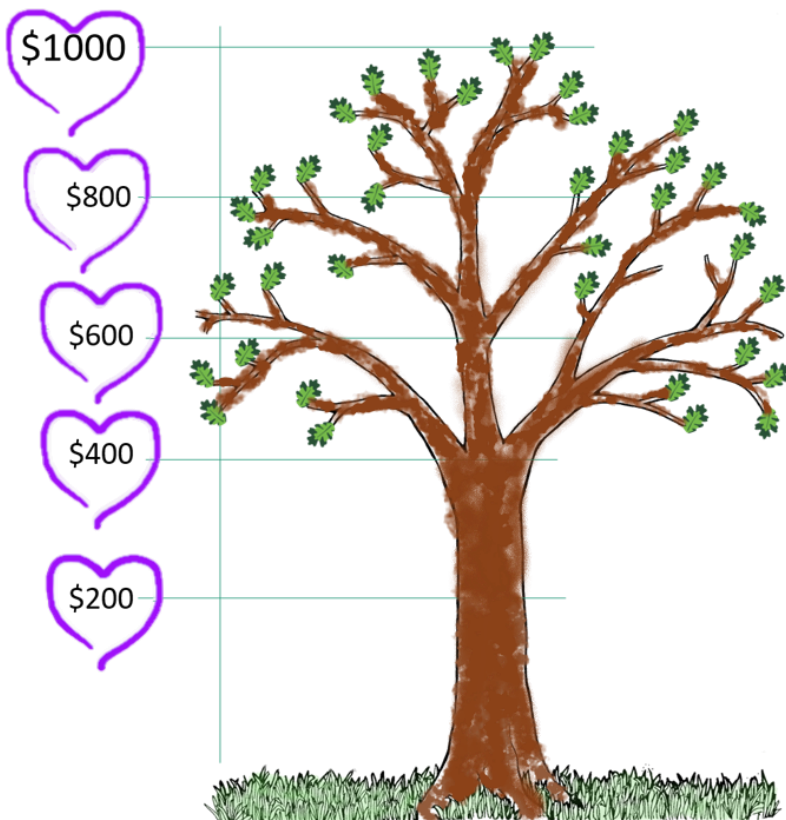
- ◆ Regular Offering: \$11,604 (includes dropped at office & annual donation)
- ◆ Laundry Love/Children's: \$61.96
- ◆ Auto-deposits March 1 - March 31: \$10,885
- ◆ Erin's Kids: \$0.00
- ◆ Terebinth Refuge: \$400

We have surpassed our goal for Terebinth Refuge for the Lenten Season of Giving! THANK YOU!

You can still donate.

Checks can be made directly to

Terebinth Refuge and mailed to the River of Hope Office
16 Washington Ave W, Suite 100, Hutchinson, MN
Go to www.terebinthrefuge.org for other ways of support.



CONNECTIONS / WE GO OUT

All in person group gatherings are cancelled/postponed for now.

Stay healthy, stay safe!

BEER + HYMNS LIVE!

Please tune in to Facebook for Beer & Hymns on Tuesday April 28th from 7:00 - 8:00 pm We will be using Book 1.1 which you can find on our website.

If you missed the Live on March 31st, find it is on the public Facebook page under Videos or by clicking the link to our website

<http://riverofhopehutchinson.org/beer-and-hymns/>

THANK YOU Nelson Family for leading and continuing the music and outreach!



FAITH AT HOME

Staying connected in a time of COVID-19

Please go to our webpage and see resources for you and those in your home to practice faith at home.

<http://riverofhopehutchinson.org/faith-at-home/>

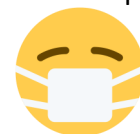
LUNCHTIME WISDOM WITH PASTOR JANINE

Join us on Monday's at 12:00 Noon on Zoom conference calls. The link is on the private group Facebook page. If you would like an emailed link, reach out to Pastor Janine at Pastor@riverofhopehutchinson.org

NIGHTLY DEVOTIONS WITH PASTOR JANINE

Bring your prayer requests and gather for a brief devotion at 9:00 pm on Facebook Live. If you can't make 9:00 pm, you can watch, or read the text any time on our Facebook page.

THANK YOU to those who have made facemasks and donated them to River of Hope. They are available for pick up at our office. Please text Jim at (320) 552-9734 or Emily at (218) 251-8785 for when the office will be open or if you would like one dropped at your home.



Temporary Office Hours:

Staff will be working from home due to COVID-19 Stay Home order from Governor Walz

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