# Seventh Sunday after Pentecost July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021



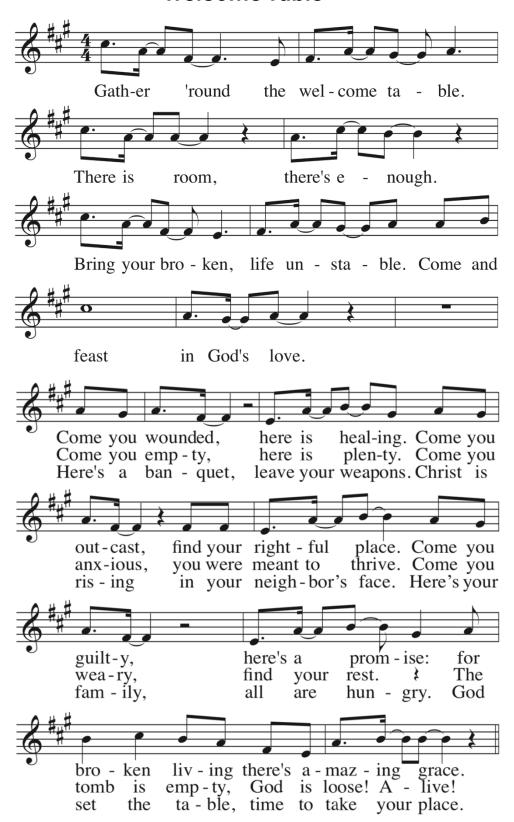


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# **Gathering**

Gathering Songs – Welcome Table & Healing Water

#### **Welcome Table**



## **Healing Water**

Chorus:

Healing water

I don't know if I am steady to the course

But you surround me

You, the living, forever flowing Source

#### Welcome

Wherever you are on your journey of faith, we believe God meets you right where you are, and you are welcome here.

#### No Longer Strangers Prayer

Let us pray: Gracious God, help us to see your image revealed in all of creation, especially in those whom we call stranger. Guide us as we seek to join you in journeying alongside all in need. Amen.

Time with Kids

Confession and Forgiveness
P: Let us confess that God is God and we are not.
Pause for silence and reflection.

P: Risen Lord,

C: We admit that we are slow to believe, and even slower to follow where you lead us. We doubt your promise, divide your people, and fail to proclaim the power of your resurrection. We choose to live small lives when you have given us the biggest gift of all: your eternal life. Forgive us. Raise us up to a place where we can serve you faithfully.

P: Christ is arisen, bringing gifts of life, mercy and pardon for sin! Believe that you are forgiven, and go out and live in the joy of your Lord's resurrection in the power of God's Holy Spirit.

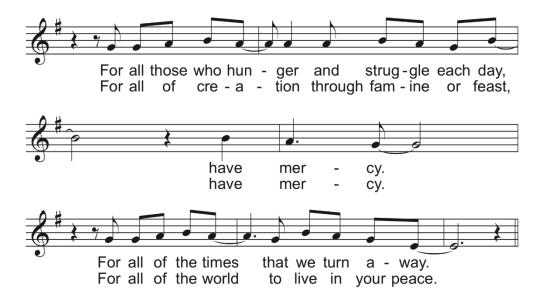
All: Amen.

## 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**.

Kyrie- Mercy on This Fallen World



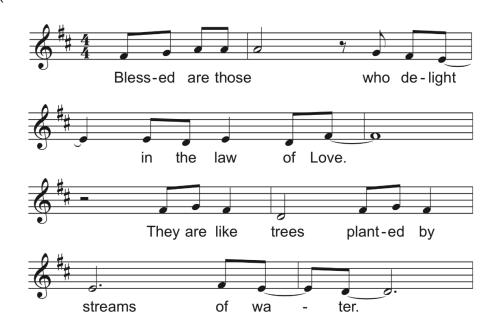


#### Prayer of the Day

Let us pray together. O God, from you come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments; and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

#### Gospel Acclamation – Psalm 1

#### Chorus 2x



Verse – Soloist : Chorus 2x

## The Story

**Narrator:** Our story and God's story continues with a reading from the Gospel of Mark (Mark 6:14-29)

(Narrator): King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying,

(Side 1): "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him."

(Narrator): But others said,

(Side 2): "It is Elijah."

(Narrator): And others said,

(Side 1): "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old."

(Narrator): But when Herod heard of it, he said,

(Side 2): "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised."

(Narrator): For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod,

(Side 1): "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife."

(Narrator): And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl,

(Side 2): "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it."

(Narrator): And he solemnly swore to her,

(Side 1): "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom."

(Narrator): She went out and said to her mother,

(Side 2): "What should I ask for?"

(Narrator): She replied,

(Side 1): "The head of John the baptizer."

(Narrator): Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested,

(Side 2): "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter."

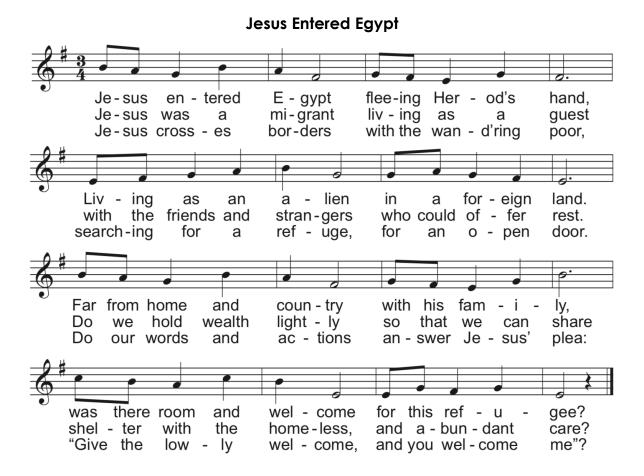
(Narrator): The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's[f] head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

Stay tuned for the continuing saga that is our story and God's story.

Thanks be to God.

#### Sermon

## Hymn: Jesus Entered Egypt



## Prayers for the World

Together we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

Each petition will close with the words: God of Life And you are invited to respond: **Hear our prayer** 

## Offering

Thank you for your continued generosity and for all the ways you support God's ministry here at River of Hope.

Offering Music: Special Music – Nelson Mordock

## The Feast

#### Setting the Table

As we prepare our tables with gifts of bread, wine/juice, the children lead us as we pray together: 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.

Thanksgiving at the Table

The Lord is with you

And also with you

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

On the night in which he was betrayed...

#### The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.

Lead us not into temptation and deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

#### Invitation to the Meal

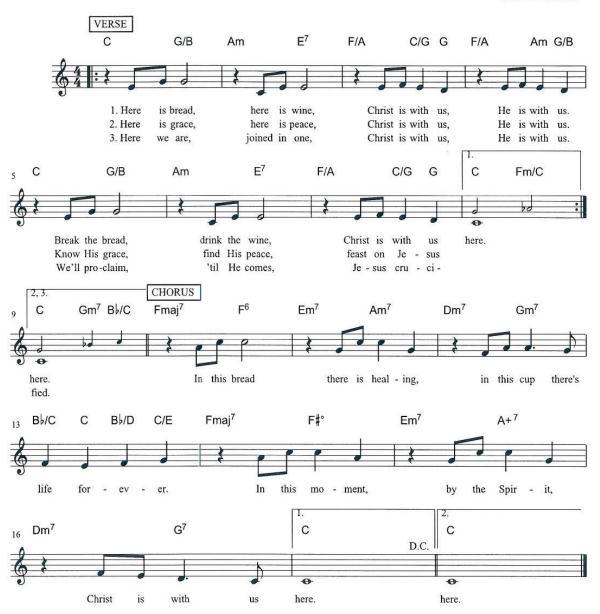
This is not my table or River of Hope's table, but rather this is Christ's table and all are welcome. If you hunger and thirst for grace and mercy that comes through Jesus Christ, then Christ has set this table just for you. Bring all that you are and all that you have to the table. You will be fed. You are forgiven. There is enough.

"This is the body of Christ given for you and the blood of Christ shed for you."

Communion Song: Here Is Bread Here Is Wine

## Here Is Bread Here Is Wine

Words and Music by Graham Kendrick



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Blessing and Prayer After Communion

Let us pray. Wellspring of joy, through this meal you have put gladness in our hearts. Satisfy the hunger still around us, and send us as joyful witnesses, that your love may bring joy to the hearts of all people, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# The Sending

Why does our church exist? What is our purpose? We go out to transform lives through Jesus Christ.

**Purpose Sightings** 

MILESTONES! – Day By Day (vs. 1)

It's time for sharing milestones - a time where we join together as a community to share the big, small, good, and hard milestones in our life.

## Day by Day

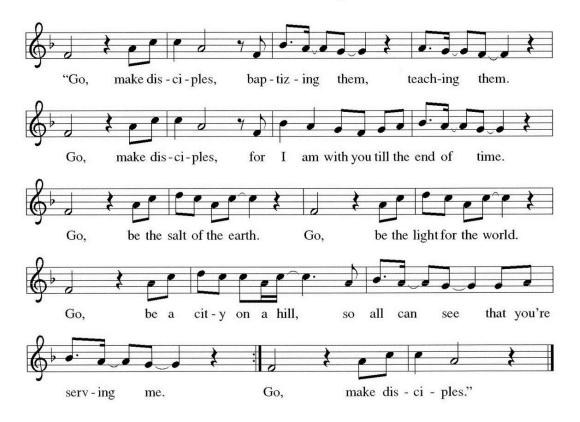


## Blessing

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, 4 be upon you now and forever. **Amen.** 

Sending Song: Go Make Disciples

## Go, Make Disciples



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#### Dismissal

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

#### Thanks be to God.

#### Music to Send You Out

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