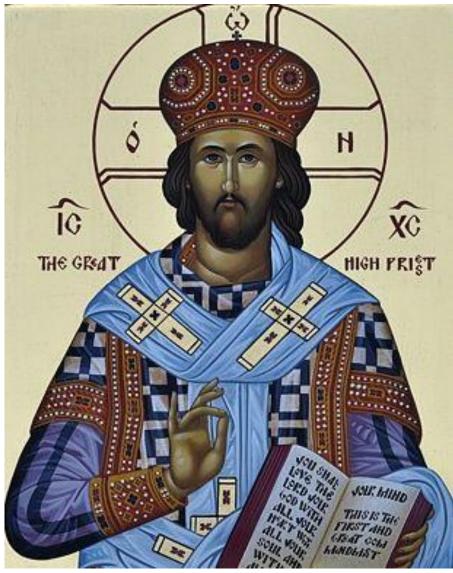
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7th Sunday after Pentecost

July 28, 2019 Sunday Worship at 10:30am



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GATHERING

Music to Prepare Us for Worship

Gathering Songs – "The Power of Your Love" "In The Secret"

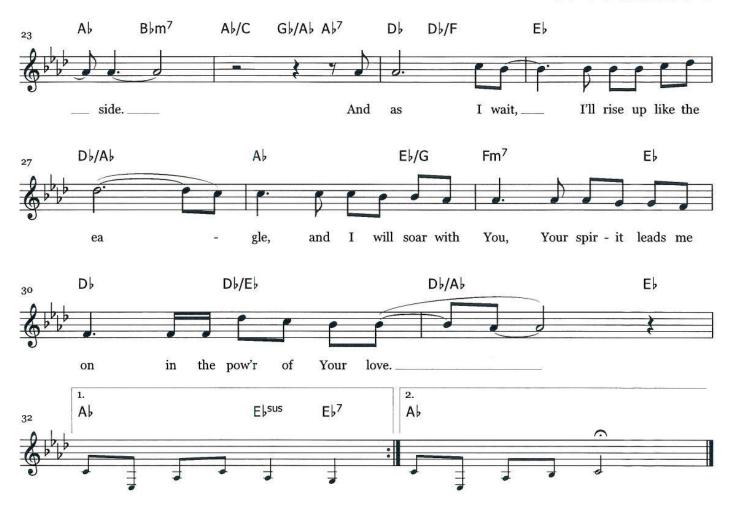
The Power Of Your Love

Words and Music by Geoff Bullock



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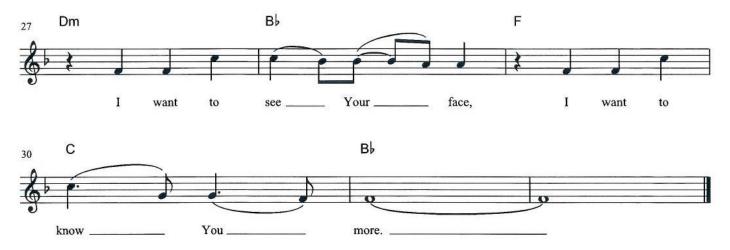


In The Secret

Words and Music by Andy Park



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

Welcome, River Source, Connection Cards

(Please Stand) No Longer Strangers Prayer

Holy Spirit of God,

Your stirring of our hearts and our lives is unsettling and disruptive. Transform our lives through seeing Jesus Christ in the lives of people we do not know and do not like. Change us, Holy Spirit, through the lives of other people. 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.

"In The Secret to bring people back together.

(Still Standing) Confession and Forgiveness

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God. **Amen.**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.** God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess that God is God and we are not.

Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination

Gracious God, have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Jesus Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins. In the name of the Father, the Son + and of the Holy Spirit. May almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **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.

<mark>(Still Standing)</mark>

Song "Kyrie"



Prayer of the Day

Compassionate Lord,

You didn't exalt yourself for your own sake, but sacrificed yourself on our behalf. Make us grateful for your gift and eager to serve the people whom you love. In Jesus' name, Amen.

THE STORY

Narrator: Our story and God's story continues today, with a reading from Hebrews 4:14 – 5:10.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Narrator: Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession.

All: For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin.

Narrator: Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

All: Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins.

Narrator: He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people.

All: And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

Narrator: So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

All: "You are my Son, today I have begotten you";

Narrator: as he says also in another place,

All: "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek."

Narrator: In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission.

All: Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

Narrator: 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 Matthew

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Men: Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I go over there and pray." He took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be grieved and agitated.

Women: Then he said to them, "I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and stay awake with me." And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed, "My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet not what I want but what you want."

All: Then he came to the disciples and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, "So, could you not stay awake with me one hour?"

Pastor: The Gospel of our Lord. **Response: Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Song After Sermon "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

Worship Leader: As we sing, write your prayers on the small purple piece of paper given to you. Paper prayers will be collected during the song. The prayers will then be prayed out loud, anonymously

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling



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: The Lord is my light and my salvation; All: Whom shall I fear?

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

Worship Leader: Gracious and merciful God, we trust you with these prayers just as we trust you with our lives. Hear them and continue speaking to us every day. We are in need of your grace, the grace we only know through Jesus Christ. **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.

<mark>(Please Stand)</mark>

Song "Sing to the Lord of Harvest" (verse 3)

Sing to the Lord of Harvest



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.

<mark>(Stay Standing)</mark>

Words of Institution 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.

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 (Written by Parker J. Palmer)

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.

Heavenly Father, heavenly Mother, Holy and blessed is your true name. We pray for your reign of peace to come, We pray that your good will be done, Let heaven and earth become one. Give us this day the bread we need, Give it to those who have none. Let forgiveness flow like a river between us, From each one to each one. Lead us to holy innocence Beyond the evil of our days — Come swiftly Mother, Father, come. For yours is the power and the glory and the mercy: Forever your name is All in One. Amen. (Please be Seafed) 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 "Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us" "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

Savior, like A Shepherd Lead Us Sav-ior like a shep-herd lead us; 1 much we need your ten - der care. be the guard-ian of our way; We are yours; in love be - friend us, 2 You have prom-ised to re - ceive us, poor and sin - ful though we be; 3 let us seek your fa - vor, let us do your will; Ear - ly 4 ear - ly In your pleas-ant pas-tures feed us, for our use your fold pre-pare. keep your flock, from sin de - fend us, seek us when we go a - stray. grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free. you have mer-cy to re-lieve us, bless - ed Lord and on - ly Sav - ior, with your love our spir - its fill. Bless-ed Je-sus, bless-ed Je-sus, you have bought us; we are yours. Bless-ed Je-sus, bless-ed Je-sus, hear us chil - dren when we pray. Bless-ed Je-sus, bless-ed ear - ly Je - sus. let us turn to you. Bless-ed you have loved us, love us Je-sus, bless-ed Je-sus, still. Bless-ed bless-ed Je-sus, Je - sus, you have bought us; we are yours. hear us chil - dren when we pray. Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je-sus, Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je-sus, ear - ly let us turn to you. you have loved us, love Bless-ed Je-sus, bless-ed Je-sus, us still.

Blest Be the Tie That Binds



Text: John Fawcett, 1740–1817, alt. Music: DENNIS, Johann G. Nägeli, 1773–1836, adapt.

(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: Don't forget to grab your copy of The Current on your way home today. There are lots of opportunities to live into our purpose listed in The Current. *And*, one of the most important things included in these pages are the invitation to pray and to read scripture during the week.



make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand.

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)

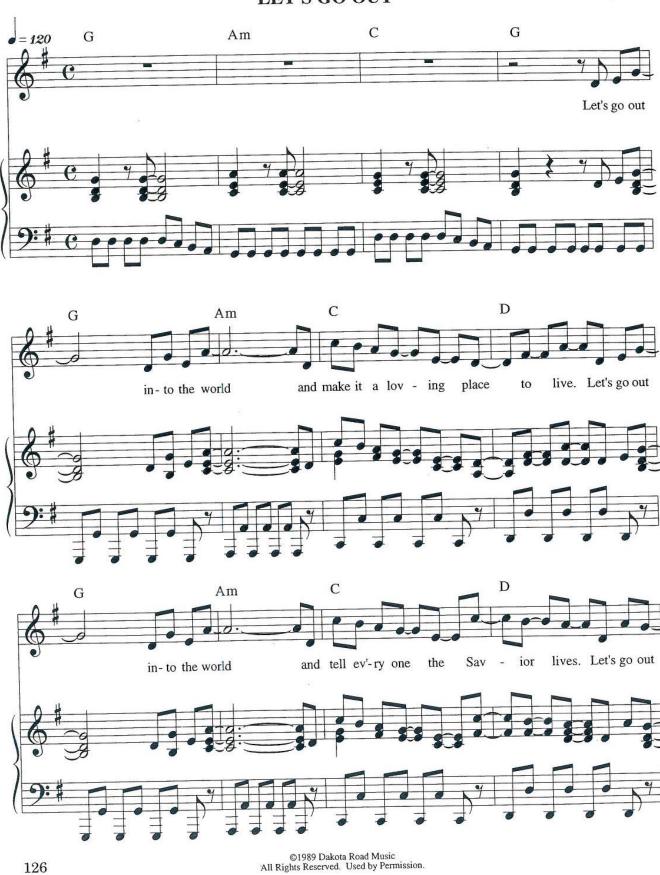
Blessing

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.

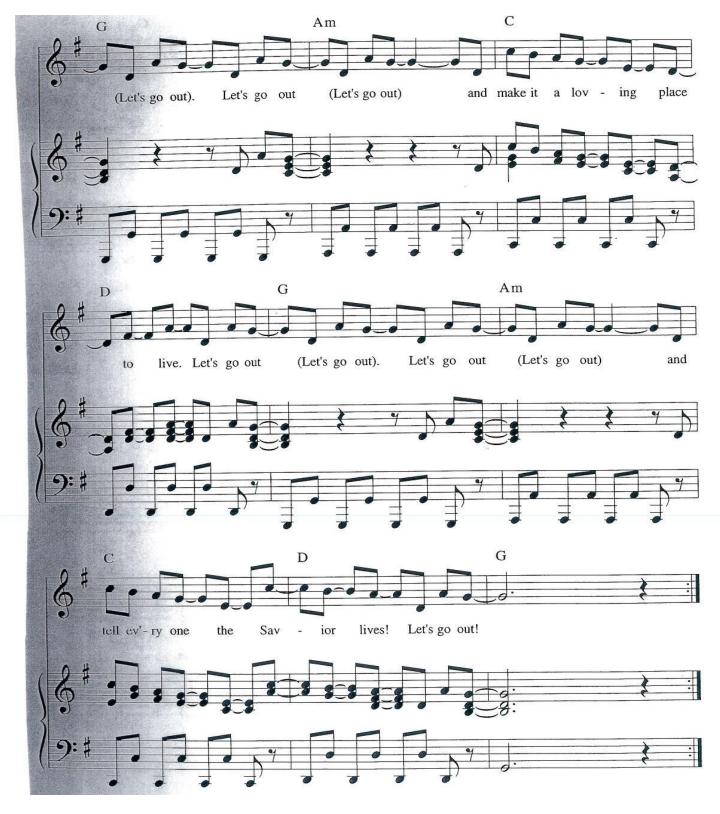
All: Amen

Sending Song "Let's Go Out" (Kids are welcome to come up and play an instrument) LET'S GO OUT

Larry Olson



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Go in peace – serve the Lord! Thanks be to God

Music to Send You Out

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