

Welcome. We are so glad you are here.

Everything you need to participate in worship is projected on the screen. If you read music, it is available on the usher stand in the hallway. Ask an usher or help yourself.

Here's what to expect at River of Hope:

GIFT – **Generations In Faith Together.** Worship is intentionally intergenerational. "Sunday School" happens within worship. You'll speak ancient words in new ways and sing old hymns that never get old. We practice the story together. We are actively engaged in questions, prayers, and singing together. We learn so much from each other when we worship together. It's a gift, isn't it? Remember, this isn't about excellence or perfection, it's about participation.

Come as you are. Well, you're already here. It doesn't matter what you wear or what kind of shape your spiritual life is in. God meets you and loves you where you are.



Where everybody knows your name? Name tags are awkward, right? We all wear them – not just the visitors. It's an effort to be open and to show this is a safe place to be called by name.

We like kids. No kidding. We think kids are leaders in worship, always teaching us how to live. Parents, please breathe easy. We are with you.

Pray Ground. Stay in worship with your kids. Join them on the pray ground. If it all falls apart, take to the halls. We'll pray for you. ☺

Communion. You are welcome, without exception. If you are hungry and thirsty for unbounded grace, mercy, and forgiveness through Jesus Christ, you are welcome at Christ's table.

Connection Cards. For regulars and visitors to use to communicate and pray. We won't use your info to bother you.

Financial Offering. Giving generously is part of an active faith life. It looks different for each person. River of Hope depends on your giving and is grateful for how and what you share.

- Go online to riverofhopehutchinson.org. Click on "give."
- You can support Laundry Love by putting money in the watering can.
- Use the envelope and put your offering in the globe when it passes by during worship.

On the way out... Take the latest issue of The Current and River News that includes prayers to pray and scripture to read for the week, a calendar and announcements.

10th Sunday after Pentecost Genesis 1:1-5

(Use a pen to mark up this page!)

Narrator: In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth,

All: the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters.

Narrator: Then God said,

All: "Let there be light";

Narrator: and there was light.

All: And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness.

Narrator: God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night.

All: And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew

Women: "But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear?'

Men: For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed, your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

All: "So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today."

ORDER OF WORSHIP

GATHER

Music to Prepare Us Gathering Songs Introduce the Theme with Kids Welcome 101/Intro theme No Longer Strangers Prayer *Practice Saying Hello Confession and Forgiveness Greeting Kyrie (Lord, have mercy) Prayer of the Day

WORD

Hebrews Genesis 1:1-5 Matthew 6:30-34 Sermon Special Music – Mara Pollmann Prayers of the People Offering + Singing

FEAST

*Setting the Table Thanksgiving at the Table The Lord's Prayer Communion + Singing Prayer after Communion

SEND

What is Our Purpose? Purpose Sightings Milestones! *Song Blessing *Sending Song & Charge Music to Send You Out to Serve

*Kids are invited to participate throughout worship, but especially in these spots.