

Bummer seat Bulletin: This seat is NOT reserved.

Go ahead – sit here!

You may have a partially blocked seat, so use this bulletin if you can't see the screen. You're welcome. ☺



Creeds Jesus Christ

11th Sunday after Pentecost

August 25, 2019
Sunday Worship at 10:30am



www.riverofhopehutchinson.org

GATHERING

Music to Prepare Us for Worship

Gathering Songs – “I Saw the Light”
“Light of the World”

I Saw The Light

Words and Music by
Hank Williams, Sr.

♩=112

VERSE

E

E/G#



1. I wan-dered so aim - less, — life filled with sin,
2. Just like a blind man I wan-dered a - long,
3. I was a fool to — wan - der and stray,

5

A

E



I would - n't let my dear Sav - ior in; Then Je - sus
Wor - ries and fears I claimed for my own; Then, like the
Straight is the gate and nar - row the way; Now I have

10

A/E E



came like a strang - er in the night — Praise the Lord! —
blind man that God gave back his sight — Praise the Lord! —
trad - ed the wrong for the right — Praise the Lord! —

CHORUS

15

E/B

B⁷

E

E



I saw the light. I saw the light, — I saw the
I saw the light.
I saw the light.

20

A

E



light, — No more in dark - ness, no more in night; — (And)

CCLI Song # 45064
© 1948. Renewed 1975 Sony/ATV Acuff Rose Music
For use solely with the SongSelect Terms of Use. All rights reserved. www.ccli.com
CCLI License # 3277748

A/E

25

now I'm so hap - py, no sor - row in sight— Praise the

Musical staff for measures 25-29. The key signature has three sharps (F#, C#, G#). The melody consists of eighth and quarter notes. A double bar line with repeat dots is at the end of measure 29.

30

Lord! I saw the light.

Musical staff for measures 30-32. Chords E, E/B, and B7 are indicated above measures 30, 31, and 32 respectively. A first ending bracket labeled '1, 2.' spans measures 31 and 32. The melody continues with quarter and eighth notes.

33

light.

Musical staff for measures 33-34. A chord E is indicated above measure 33. A second ending bracket labeled '3.' spans measure 34. The melody concludes with a half note in measure 34.

LIGHT OF THE WORLD

From *"Godspell"*

Words and Music by Stephen Schwartz

You are the light of the world, You are the light of the world,
But if that light's under a bushel, it's lost something kind of crucial;
You got to stay bright to be the light of the world.

You are the salt of the earth, You are the salt of the earth,
But if that salt has lost its flavor, it ain't got much in its favor.
You can't have that fault and be the salt of the earth,

(CHORUS) So let your light so shine before men,
let your light so shine.
Oh that they might know some kindness again;
We all need help to feel fine.
Let's have some wine!

You are the city of God, You are the city of God.
But if that city's on a hill, it's kind of hard to hide it well,
You gotta stay pretty in the city of God. (Chorus)

You are the light of the world, You are the light of the world,
But the tallest candle stick ain't much good without a wick,
You gotta live right to be the light of the world. (Chorus)

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.*

"Light of the World" 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.**

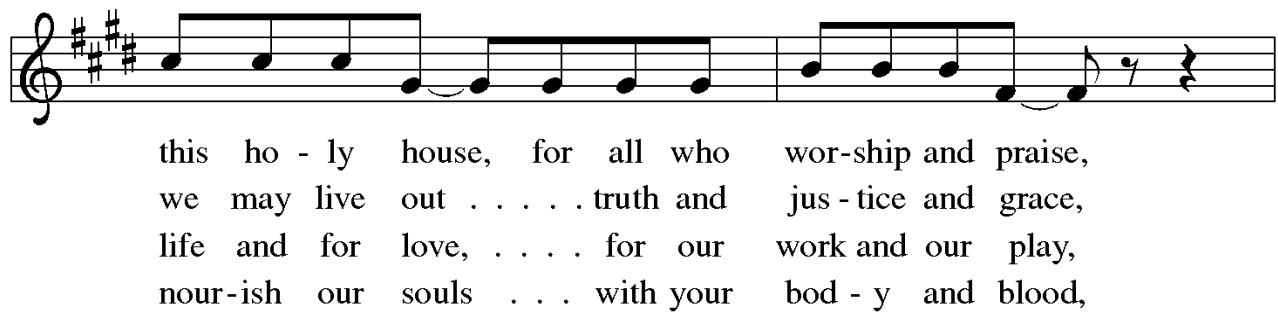
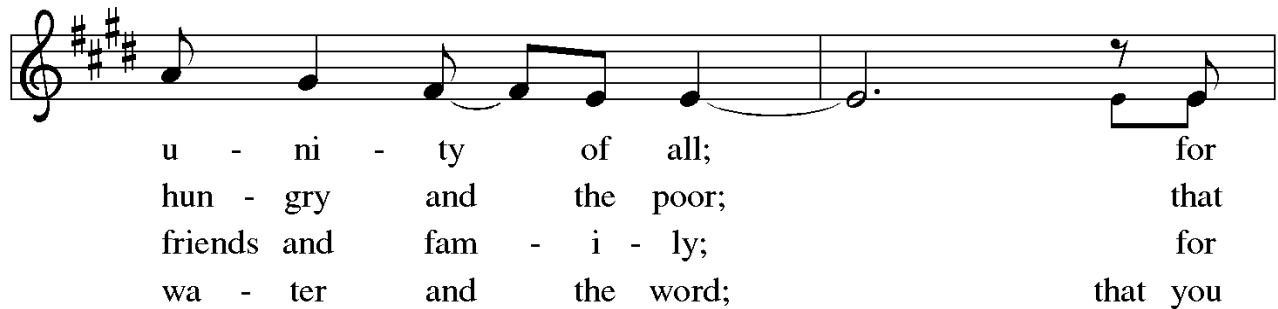
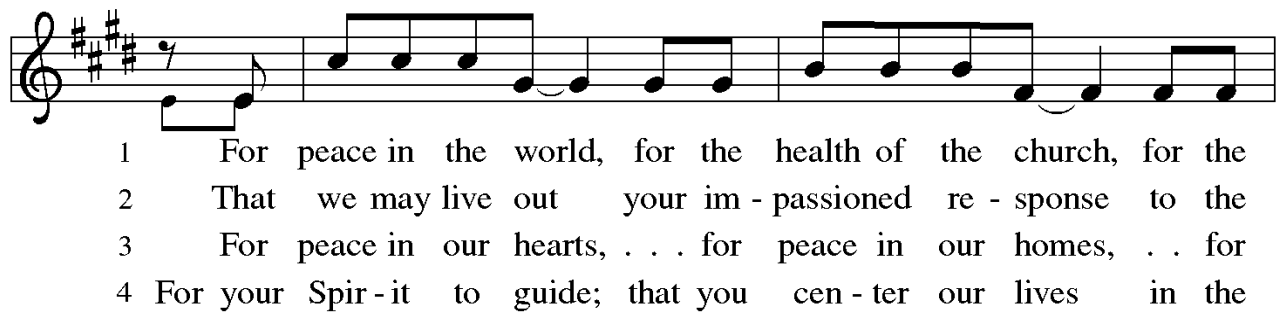
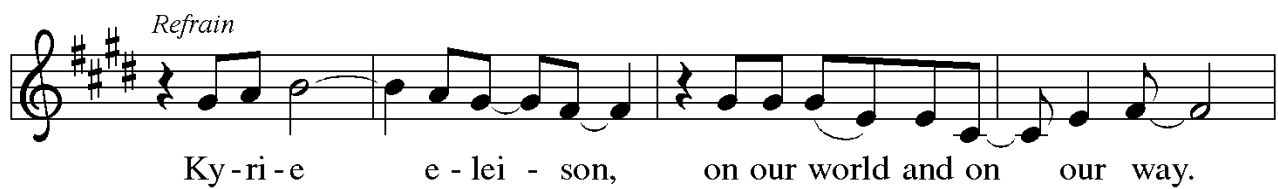
God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Jesus Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins. In the name 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.**

(Still Standing)

Song "Kyrie"



Prayer of the Day

Loving God,

Your care for us knows no bounds; you even went as far as to become one of us. Live through us still as we strive to embody the presence of your love on earth, through the grace of Jesus Christ. Amen.

(Please Be Seated)

THE STORY

Narrator: Our story and God's story continues today, with a reading from 1 Corinthians 1:18-25.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

(Pastor) For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

**(Women) "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart."**

(Men) Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe.

(ALL) For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

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 John.

(All) Glory to you, O Lord.

(Men) In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people.

(Women) The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light.

(Men) The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God,

(Women) who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. (John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, "He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' ")

(All) From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

Pastor: The Gospel of our Lord.

Response: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Song After Sermon - "You Are the Light of the World"

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.*

You Are the Light of the World

Author Unknown
Arranged by: Mitch Weinzettl

Voice

G C G C

1. & 5. You are the light of the - world.
2. You are a can - dle in the - dark.
3. You are a ci - ty on a - hill.
4. You are a star in the - night.

8 G C 10 D

You are the light of the wor - - - ld.
You are a can - dle in the da - - - rk.
You are a ci - ty on a hi - - - ll.
You are a star in the ni - - - ght.

15 G C G D/F# C

So shine shine shine where you are.

24 G C D G C D C G

You are the light of the - world

Fine

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.*

You may remain seated as the offering is collected. At the end of the offering, kids please meet at the back to help Pastor Janine set the table.

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

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

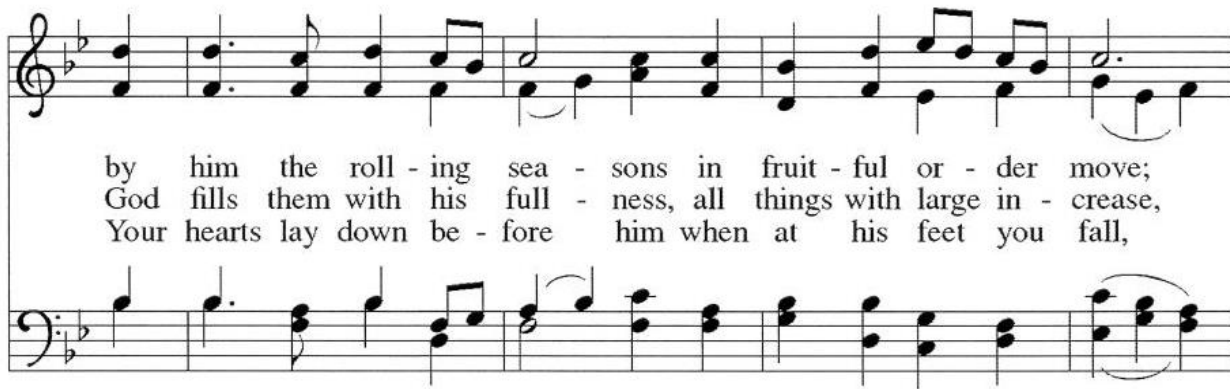
Sing to the Lord of Harvest



1 Sing to the Lord of har - vest your songs of love and praise;
 2 God makes the clouds drop fat - ness, the des - erts bloom and spring,
 3 Bring to this sa - cred al - tar the gifts his good-ness gave,



with joy - ful hearts and voic - es your al - le - lu - ias raise;
 the hills leap up in glad - ness, the val - leys laugh and sing.
 the gold - en sheaves of har - vest, the souls Christ died to save.



by him the roll - ing sea - sons in fruit - ful or - der move;
 God fills them with his full - ness, all things with large in - crease,
 Your hearts lay down be - fore him when at his feet you fall,



sing to the Lord of har - vest a joy - ous song of love.
 and crowns the year with good - ness, with plen - ty and with peace.
 and with your lives a - dore him who gave his life for all.

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)

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 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 “Drawn to the Light”

“I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light”

Drawn to the Light



1 Peo - ple who walk in dark - ness have sought a light in the
 2 How can we tell a heav - en from hell if ev - 'ry - one
 3 Where is the sun? Oh, there will be none! The Lamb is the



heart of the dark - est night. Just when we thought all would be
 dwells in the dark of night? Morn - ing dis - pels, gent - ly com -
 one who is shin - ing bright, bids us to come! Life has be -



lost, we were drawn to the light of God.
 pels, and we're drawn to the light of God.
 gun when we're drawn to the light of God.

Refrain



Dawn is in sight! Gone is the night, drawn to the



light and the morn - ing. Glo - rious and bright, oh, what a



sight to be drawn to the light of God.

Text: John C. Ylvisaker, b. 1937
 Music: LA CROSSE, John C. Ylvisaker
 Text and music © 1990 John C. Ylvisaker.

Duplication in any form prohibited without permission or valid license from copyright administrator.

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to
 2 I want to see . . . the bright-ness of God. I want to
 3 I'm look - ing for . . . the com - ing of Christ. I want to

fol - low Je - sus. God set the stars to give
 look at Je - sus. Clear Sun of righ - teous-ness,
 be with Je - sus. When we have run . . . with

light to the world. The star of my life is Je - sus.
 shine on my path, and show me the way to the Fa - ther.
 pa - tience the race, we shall know the joy of Je - sus.

Refrain

In him there is no dark-ness at all. The night and the

day are both a - like. The Lamb is the light of the

cit - y of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

Text: Kathleen Thomerson, b. 1934
 Music: HOUSTON, Kathleen Thomerson
 Text and music © 1970, 1975 Celebration.

Duplication in any form prohibited without permission or valid license from copyright administrator.

(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.

MILESTONES! "On Eagles Wings"

The congregation will sing before Milestones – (verse 1 & chorus)

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!"

On Eagle's Wings



1 You who dwell in the shel-ter of the Lord, who a-bide in this shad-ow for life,



say to the Lord: "My ref - uge, my rock in whom I trust!"



And he will raise you up on ea- gle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn,



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

(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 "We Are Marching in the Light of God"

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

We Are Marching in the Light of God



Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos', si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha -
We are march - ing in the light of God, we are march - ing in the



nyen' kwen - khos'. *Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos',*
light of God. We are march - ing in the light of God,



si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.
we are march - ing in the light of God.



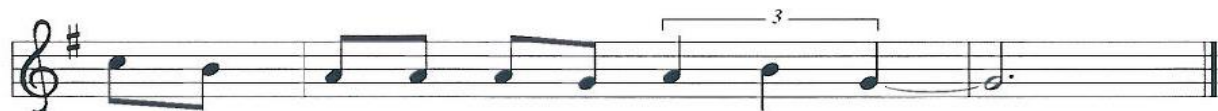
Si - ya - ham - ba (ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba) OO
We are march - ing (march - ing, we are march - ing) OO



si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.
we are march - ing in the light of God.



Si - ya - ham - ba (ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba) OO
We are march - ing (march - ing, we are march - ing) OO



si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.
we are march - ing in the light of God.

Additional stanzas ad lib.:

We are dancing ...

We are praying ...

We are singing ...

Text: South African traditional; tr. Freedom Is Coming, 1984

Music: SIYAHAMBA, South African traditional

Tr. © 1984 Utryck, admin. Walton Music Corp.

Duplication in any form prohibited without permission or valid license from copyright administrator.

Go in peace – serve the Lord!

Thanks be to God

Music to Send You Out

From Sundays and Seasons.com. Copyright 2005 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved. Reprinted by permission under Augsburg Fortress Liturgies Annual License #SAS023086 CCLI License # 3277748