

ORDER OF WORSHIP

GATHER

Music to Prepare Us
Gathering Songs
Introduce the Theme with Kids
Welcome
No Longer Strangers Prayer
*Meet Someone New
Confession & Forgiveness
Carol
Prayer of the Day

WORD

Mark 1:1-20
Carol
Sermon
Carol
Prayers of the People
Offering + Carol

FEAST

*Setting the Table
Great Thanksgiving
The Lord's Prayer
Communion + Carols
Blessing & Prayer after Communion

SEND

What is Our Purpose?
Purpose Sightings
MILESTONES!
Blessing
*Sending Song & Charge

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



Welcome! We are so glad you are here.

Everything you need to participate in worship is projected on the screen.

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!

For prayers, see below....

Daily Bible Readings - Connecting Your Story with God's Story For the week of December 29- January 4, 2020

Sun, Dec 29: Mark 1:1-20 *Beginning of Good News*

Mon, Dec 30: Psalm 91:9-12

Tue, Dec 31: Malachi 3:1-7, *The Coming Messenger*

Wed, Jan 1: Isaiah 40:1-11, *Comfort, Comfort*

Thu, Jan 2: Isaiah 44:1-8, *God's Blessing on Israel*

Fri, Jan 3: Joel 2:28-29, *God's Spirit Poured Out*

Sat, Jan 4: Isaiah 42:1-9, *The Servant, a Light to the Nations*

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
- all who need your healing power: **Sara, Sara, Nyssa, Jami, Anita, Carol, Andy, Jerry, Kay, Justin, Ron, Sarah, Judy, Lexi, Mary Kay, Rebecca, Loren, Teagan, and Lee** for a clear diagnosis & healing. And wisdom for their doctors. And prayers for their families
- healing for those who are in pain, be it physical, mental, or emotional
- those struggling financially this season
- those who have lost jobs or have job insecurity
- be with all those who will be traveling
- those who have lost or will lose their loved ones during this season
- people that can't celebrate Christmas with their families
- Leann who is without a home this holiday season
- harmony with family during Christmas celebrations
- patience and also wisdom to communicate with those I disagree with
- people that are not fond of God, for them to find Jesus this holiday season
- for our nation - make our leaders just

Let your miracles shine over the holiday season

thanks . . .

- for consistent, faithful Laundry Love servants going to the laundromat month after month to meet Jesus
- River Team Tigris as they lead us in Dec worship
- for River of Hope and the family we have found here

Laundry Love Prayers from Dec. . .

- Thanks for all the prayers for a job! I have one now. The only thing left is M.A. to be approved.
- For 6-year old Kaitlyn who needs major surgery
- For my stepfather with prostate cancer and will be starting treatment
- That everything falls in place with moving & we end up having a good Christmas.
- That people pray for our country & this world.
- That everyone has a bless Christmas & New Year.
- For those having a hard time during the holidays.
- I need Holy Organization keeping my spirit grateful & joyous. My books both children and adult Christian, my play, opening of doors & direction for my gift of art.
- Thankful for Laundry Love volunteers. Fill their lives with many blessings.
- Thank you for the blessing you have given me.

THE RIVER NEWS ~ December 29, 2019

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 at the Hutchinson Event Center

River Team for December - Team Tigris

River Guides Tigris: Kris & Chuck Hartman / Scott Gross-Sand

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River Team for January - River Team Jordan

River Guides Jordan: Rob & Jennifer Hauser

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Thank You Everyone

I just want to take this time to thank you for making me feel so welcome at ROH. I have so enjoyed my time here. I will miss being a part of the office team, but am looking forward to working only four days a week. We will call it semi-retirement and long weekends.

I am sure we will see each other at combined worship services or just around town.

Take care and thanks again for making my time at ROH so GREAT! Julie Lofdahl

CONFIRMATION 2019-2020

January 8 - Students w/Pastor Janine - Office

January 15 - Grade Groups & Mentors - Event Center

January 22 - We Go Out - Office

WE GIVE

What you give matters.

Will you help ROH live out its purpose to see lives changed?

Contact Sue Benson at 320-296-4565 or sbenson@hutchtel.net

with questions or to sign up for Simply Giving.

CONNECTIONS

Hang with Pastor Janine Check the calendar below.

If the weather looks questionable for Pastor Janine to travel, check Facebook for schedule changes.

WOMEN OF HOPE

Meets the 1st Wed of the month

Keep watching for details of the January meeting.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY at Caribou Coffee-Cash Wise

Meets 1st & 3rd Thurs of the month **Jan 2nd - 9:00 am**

Contact: Dave Pedersen 763-807-0993

LUNCHTIME WISDOM WITH PASTOR JANINE

Meets Monday's at 11:45 am at Dunn Bros

Join us as we study the Gospel of Mark.

Next Meeting: Dec 30th

55+ DINERS

To be determined. Keep watching.

WE GO OUT

LAUNDRY LOVE - January 21st Always 3rd Tuesday of month
Maytag Laundry, Hwy 7 Two people a shift, 9:00-noon; noon-3:00;
3:00-6:00. Sign up for shift on the SignUp Genius link on Facebook or
Contact Allen Gislason 320-403-7004 alleng747@hotmail.com

BEER + HYMNS at Main Street Sports Bar

January 28th at 6:00 pm

Come join the fun, fellowship, and music!

SING-A-LONG WITH JIM NELSON

Call Jim at 320-552-9734 with questions or just show up to help
gather residents - sing - help find music in book - pass out instruments.

Woodstone: **Jan 2 & 16 @ 10 am**

Harmony River: **Jan 2 & 16 @ 2:30 pm**

December 2019 / January 2020

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| Dec 29 Worship 10:30 am Happy Birthday Pastor Janine | Dec 30 Pastor Janine Out of Office | Dec 31 Out of Office | Jan 1 Happy New Year Office Closed NO Confirmation | Jan 2 9:00 Men's Study - Caribou Cashwise Pastor Janine working from home | Jan 3 Pastor Janine's Day Off Office Closed | Jan 4 |
| Jan 5 Worship 10:30am | Jan 6 Pastor Janine: Office 11:45 Lunchtime Wisdom with Pr. Janine | Jan 7 Pastor Janine: Office AM - 1:00 - 3:00 Caribou- Cashwise | Jan 8 Pastor Janine: Office AM - 1:00 - 3:00 Country Kitchen 6:00 Confirmation-Event Ctr | Jan 9 Pastor Janine working from home | Jan 10 Pastor Janine's Day Off Office Closed | Jan 11 |
| Jan 12 Worship 10:30am | Jan 13 Pastor Janine: Office 11:45 Lunchtime Wisdom with Pr. Janine 6-Financial Stewardship | Jan 14 Pastor Janine: Office AM - 1:00 - 3:00 Zellas | Jan 15 Pastor Janine: Office AM - 1:00 - 3:00 McCormick's 6:00 Confirmation - Office | Jan 16 Pastor Janine working from home | Jan 17 Pastor Janine's Day Off Office Closed | Jan 18 |

Office Hours: MONDAYS and THURSDAYS: 9am-3pm

(other days, call office as Pastor Janine, Jim or a volunteer may be in the office)

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