ORDER OF WORSHIP

GATHER Music to Prepare Us Gathering Songs Introduce Theme with Kids Welcome, RiverSource & Keyboards No Longer Strangers Prayer Meet Someone New Greeting Confession & Forgiveness Prayer of the Day

WORD

Acts 17:1-9 Sermon Song Prayers of the People Offering + Song Communion

SEND

What is Our Purpose? Purpose Sightings MILESTONES! Final Blessing Sending Song

River of HOPE

UTHERAN CHURCH

Welcome! We are so glad you are here.

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!

Daily Bible Readings

Connecting Your Story with God's Story For the week of May 3 - May 9 2020

> Sunday May 3: Acts 17:1-9 Monday May 4: Thessalonians 1:1-10 Tuesday May 5: Acts: 6:1-7 Wednesday May 6: Acts 6:8-15 Thursday May 7: Acts 7:1-53 Friday May 8: Acts 57:54-8:1a Saturday May 9: Acts 8:1b-3

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
- Bring healing powers to those who seek it: Sara Shorter, Nyssa Johnson, Jami Beffert, Anita Weitzman, Carol Larsen, Teagan, Lee, Jay, Shalon, and all who suffer
- Those who have lost jobs
- Liam as he goes through surgery
- Parents who have suddenly become teachers
- Niece Alison who lives in Italy
- healthcare workers
- Ruth's cousin with Chron's disease
- Family members providing primary healthcare and possible being exposed to COVID-19
- Strength and wisdom that can come from realizing what we can and cant control and that God is always in control
- Healing for Wes
- healing for Kay S and bring her peace
- pregnant women who are scared to deliver in this time. Keep them safe and give them peace.
- our leadership to gain strength and speak truth
- the family and friends of LaDonna
- the frontline ER staff nationwide who face the virus
- semi drivers, store clerks and workers, postal workers
- Friends mom recovering from lung surgery due to cancer
- my elderly parents, keep them safe
- Comfort for Lori whose mother passed away Easter
- Aunt who has been exposed to COVID-19
- those waiting for COVID test results
- Maxine on her 100th birthday

- Mitch's parents and Tracey's dad
- Patience to keep staying home and staying safe
- Patience to see grandchildren
- Landons uncle going through Chemo
- wisdom as parenting is hard currently
- those who are struggling with distance learning and unconditional love
- Students
- daycare families
- Those feeling alone in these times
- Those following guidelines and staying home

Thank you for. . .

- improving health of my friend Peter
- Pastor Janine and her leadership
- this whole River of Hope community and the way they encourage me
- our healthcare professionals
- our wonderful family, keep them well and safe
- the essential workers risking there health and families
- Wes recovering from COVID-19
- those making such big decisions
- my wonderful family who have been there and are so loving and attentive
- those who clean and sanitize hospitals and elsewhere
- those braving the front lines and saving lives
- The beautiful weather
- The lives of Emma Hartman and Emma Kraft as they have birthdays



THE RIVER NEWS ~ May 3, 2020

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 on Facebook Live on the **River of Hope public Facebook page**.

Troubleshooting for Facebook Live:

If you have issues with buffering or the video stream freezes, exit out of the live and go back in to the video, that should fix the issue.

WE GIVE

What you give matters. Will you help River of Hope live out its purpose to see lives changed?Contact Sue Benson at 320-296-4565 with questions or to signup for Simply Giving.

MARCH TOTALS SNAPSHOT

- Regular Offering: \$11,604 (includes dropped at office & annual donation)
- ♦ Laundry Love/Children's: \$61.96
- Auto-deposits March 1 March 31: \$10,885
- Erin's Kids: \$0.00
- ◆ Terebinth Refuge: \$400
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Quarter 1 Financial Report

Treasurer Sue Benson has completed the 1st Quarter financial report. Sue states that "We are starting the year blessed with a positive cash flow which is great news in this time of uncertainty. Thanks to all of you for supporting our mission!" You can find the report here.

http://riverofhopehutchinson.org/wp-content/ uploads/2020/05/ROH-2020-Q1-Financial-Report.pdf

THANK YOU to those who have made facemasks and donated them to River of Hope. They are available for pick up at our office. Please text Jim at (320) 552-9734 or Emily at (218) 251-8785 for when the office will be open **or** if you would like one dropped at your home.

From the office:

PLEASE reach out to Emily via cell phone if you are having technical issues using any multimedia platform. She will do her best to walk you through it. It's a learning curve for everyone and we don't want you to miss out! Seriously.



Temporary Office Hours: Staff will be working from home due to COVID-19 Stay Home order from Governor Walz Phone: 320-587-4414 Mobile: 320-583-8005 Website: riverofhopehutchinson.org Pastor Janine Olson: pastor@riverofhopehutchinson.org Jim Nelson, Worship & Music Curator: music@riverofhopehutchinson.org Emily Heilman, Administrative Assistant: office@riverofhopehutchinson.org

WE GO OUT

FAITH AT HOME

Staying connected in a time of COVID-19

Please go to our webpage and see resources for you and those in your home to practice faith at home.

http://riverofhopehutchinson.org/faith-at-home/

BEER + HYMNS LIVE!

If you missed Beer and Hymns on April 28th, you can watch in on our website below! <u>http://riverofhopehutchinson.org/beer-and-</u> hymns/



THANK YOU Nelson Family for leading and continuing the music and outreach!

Lutheran Social Services (LSS) is looking for volunteers in Hutchinson to deliver meals in town to older adults. Two routes are available which take about an hour and pick up time is 10:00 or 10:30 AM.

If interested or wanting more information on the volunteer opportunities, please contact Chrissy at (866)974-0289 /chrissy.elton@lssmn.org

CONNECTIONS

All connections are currently via Zoom.com, a video conferencing platform OR on Facebook Live. The link to the Zoom meetings will be on the private RoH Facebook page, OR email *pastor@riverofhopehutchinson.org* for the link to a Zoom meeting or any other questions on how to join in.

LUNCHTIME WISDOM WITH PASTOR JANINE

Join us on Monday's at 12:00 Noon via Zoom

COFFEE WITH PASTOR JANINE

Meet Wednesdays 1:00 PM via Zoom

NIGHTLY DEVOTIONS WITH <u>PASTOR JANINE</u>

Bring your prayer requests and gather for a brief devotion at 9:00 pm on Facebook Live on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. If you can't make 9:00 pm, you can watch, or read the text any time on our Facebook page.