

18th Sunday after Pentecost

September 27th 2020 Sunday Worship at 10:30am



Call to Worship

One: Praise to God,

All: Who knows our every weakness.

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All: Full of love and forgiveness.

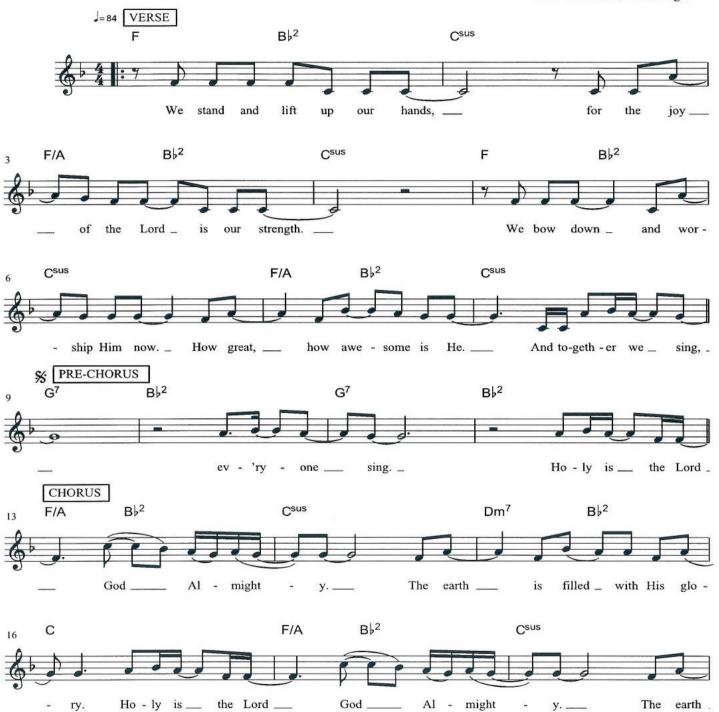
One: What humans mean for harm,

All: God can transform into good.

Gathering Song – Holy Is The Lord & Shout To The North

Holy Is The Lord

Words and Music by Chris Tomlin and Louie Giglio



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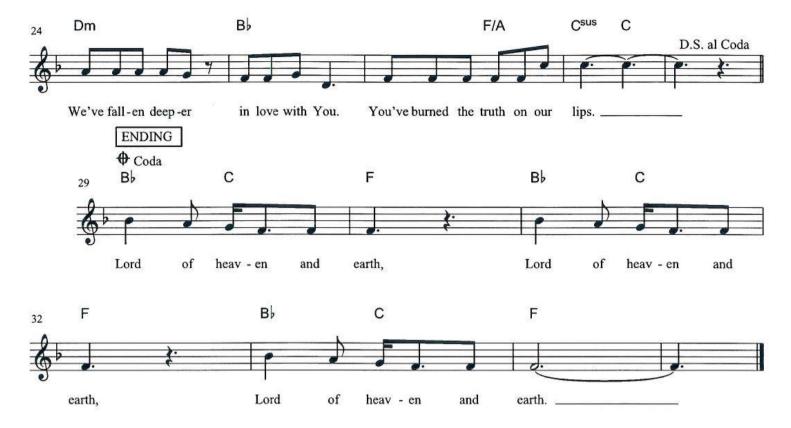
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Shout To The North

Words and Music by Martin Smith





Introduce the Story with the children

Welcome

No Longer Strangers Prayer

Holy Spirit of God,

You blow into our lives and send us in directions we never would have gone on our own. Send us into the lives of people we don't know, people we would call 'stranger' and reveal yourself right there to us. We are no longer strangers to each other – you make us brother and sister. Amen.

Greeting

Wherever you are on your journey of faith, we believe that God meets you here. We gather in the name of God the eternal Creator – Jesus Christ, God's only Son and the Holy Spirit – who is with you always... And also with you.

Confession and Forgiveness

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

Silence for prayer and contemplation.

God of all ages,

You have chosen us as your own, yet we so often live as if it were not so. We succumb to things which are not good for us. We believe we know better than you. We refuse to put our trust in your promises. Sweep away our foolishness and bring us back into a trusting relationship with the one who has lovingly created us and longs to be our strength and life.

Dear people, hear the joyful words that God has forgiven us! Our misdeeds and folly are forgotten; grace and mercy + abound. Let us give thanks that we have a compassionate creator! Amen.

Prayer of the Day

Compassionate God, you have the power to turn our most foolish acts into something of benefit. Use our lives for your highest good, in spite of our own intentions, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE STORY

Pastor: Today's story is the story of Joseph from the book of Genesis.

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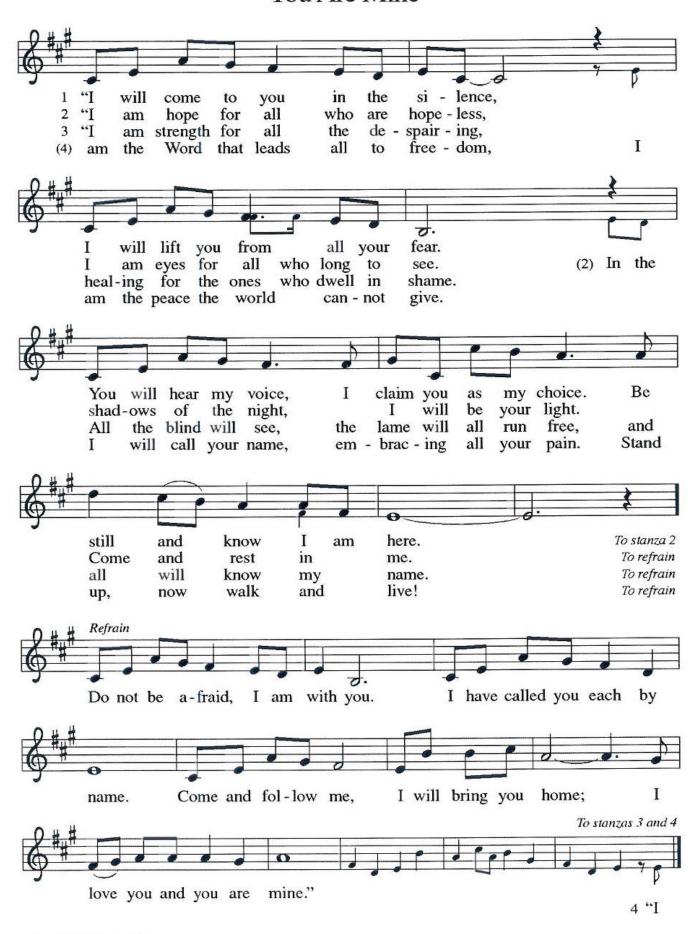
Pastor: Stay tuned for the continuing saga that is our story and God's story.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Hymn - You Are Mine

You Are Mine



Text: David Haas, b. 1957

Music: YOU ARE MINE, David Haas

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Prayers of the People

Each petition will end with the words: Lord in your mercy.

You will respond: Hear our prayers.

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, <u>riverofhopehutchinson.org</u> and follow the directions to "give online".

THE FEAST

Setting the Table

Children will lead us 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.

Invitation to Communion

You give us every good thing for food, O Lord, including yourself in the bread and cup which we share in this meal. Feed us on your goodness and mercy, that we might be living compassion to all whom we encounter.

As we gather we remember, that 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

Our Father who art in heaven hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and forever. Amen.

From you, through you and in you, are all things, now and always; to you be all honor and praise. Amen.

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 – Just As I Am

Just As I Am, without One Plea



Text: Charlotte Elliott, 1789–1871 Music: WOODWORTH, William B. Bradbury, 1816–1868

Blessing after Communion

May the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his peace. **Amen.**

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray, Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to your heart, and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Now send us forth to be your people in the world, and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

THE SENDING

Why does our church exist? What is our purpose? We go out to transform lives through Jesus Christ.

Purpose Sightings

There are many opportunities to serve God and our neighbor – this is the time to lift those up!

MILESTONES!

Just A Closer Walk With Me – Chorus Only

Just a Closer Walk with Thee



Text: North American traditional Music: CLOSER WALK, North American traditional

Final Blessing

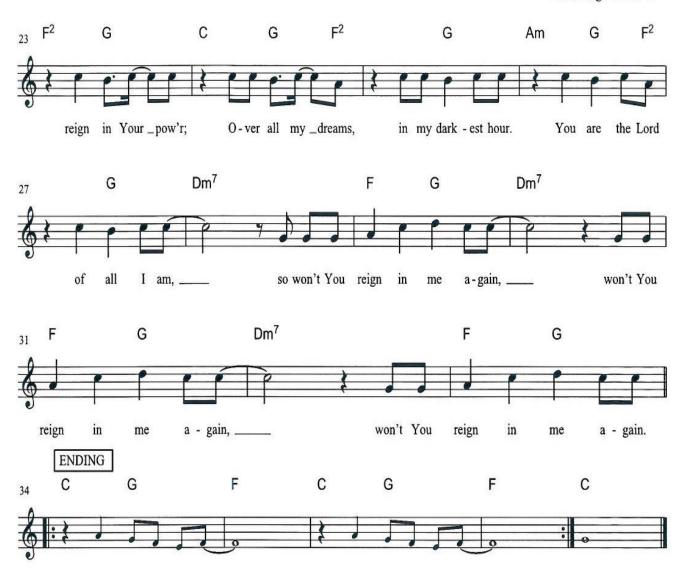
May the LORD bless you and protect you. May the LORD smile on you and be gracious to you. May the LORD show you his favor and give you peace.

Sending Song – Lord Reign in Me

Lord Reign In Me

Words and Music by Brenton Brown





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

Music to send you out

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