

Third Sunday after Epiphany  
January 22, 2023



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Worship on Facebook Premiere, Sundays at 10:30am

Gathering

Music to Prepare Us For Worship

Opening Song – “Welcome Table”

# WELCOME TABLE

Hans Peterson  
Nelson Morlock



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Bring your bro - ken, life un - sta - ble. Come and feast in God's love.

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Come you emp - ty, here is plen - ty. Come you  
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## Welcome

*Wherever you are on your journey of faith, we believe God meets you right where you are, and you are welcome here.*

## 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.**

## Prayer of the Day

Loving God of power and justice and peace,

In our broken world

We seek a new order

**Where there is courage to speak truth to power**

We seek a new order

**Where there is mutual support in church and community**

We seek a new order

**Where there is abundant time for healing**

We seek a new order

**Where there is peace and freedom for all**

~ from the Monthly Prayers page of the **Christian Aid** website. <http://www.christianaid.org.uk/>

## Greet Someone New

Music to bring us back together:

## Children's Time

# THE STORY

(Reader): Our story and God's story continues today with two readings. First, a reading from Romans chapter 5, verses 1-5.

(Reader): Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our afflictions, knowing that affliction produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

(Reader): Our second reading today is from The Gospel of John chapter 18, verses 33-37.

(Reader): Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him,

**(Side 1): "Are you the King of the Jews?"**

(Reader): Jesus answered,

**(Side 2): "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?"**

(Reader): Pilate replied,

**(Side 1): "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?"**

(Reader): Jesus answered,

**(Side 2): "My kingdom does not belong to this world. If my kingdom belonged to this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from**

**being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here."**

(Reader): Pilate asked him,

**(Side 1): "So you are a king?"**

(Reader): Jesus answered,

**(Side 2): "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."**

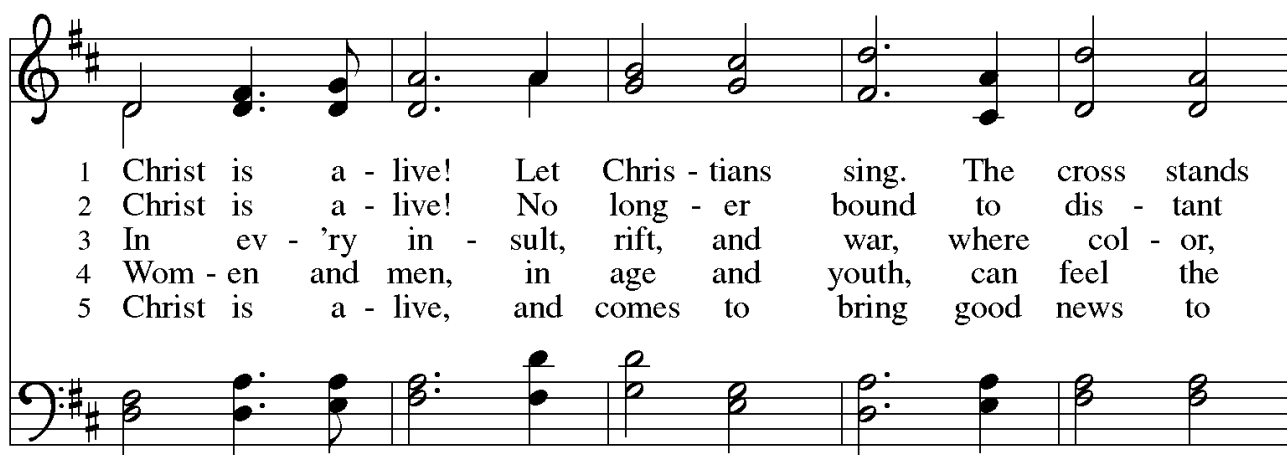
(Reader): Stay tuned for the continuing saga that is our story and God's story.

**(ALL): Thanks be to God.**

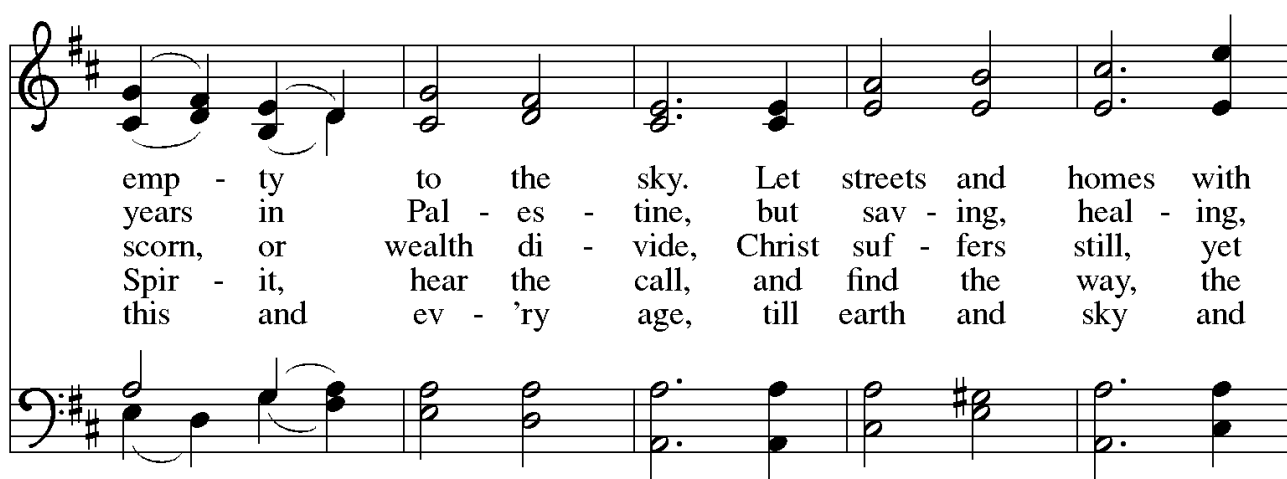
Sermon – Pastor Angela Denker

Song of the Day – "Christ is Alive, Let Christians Sing"

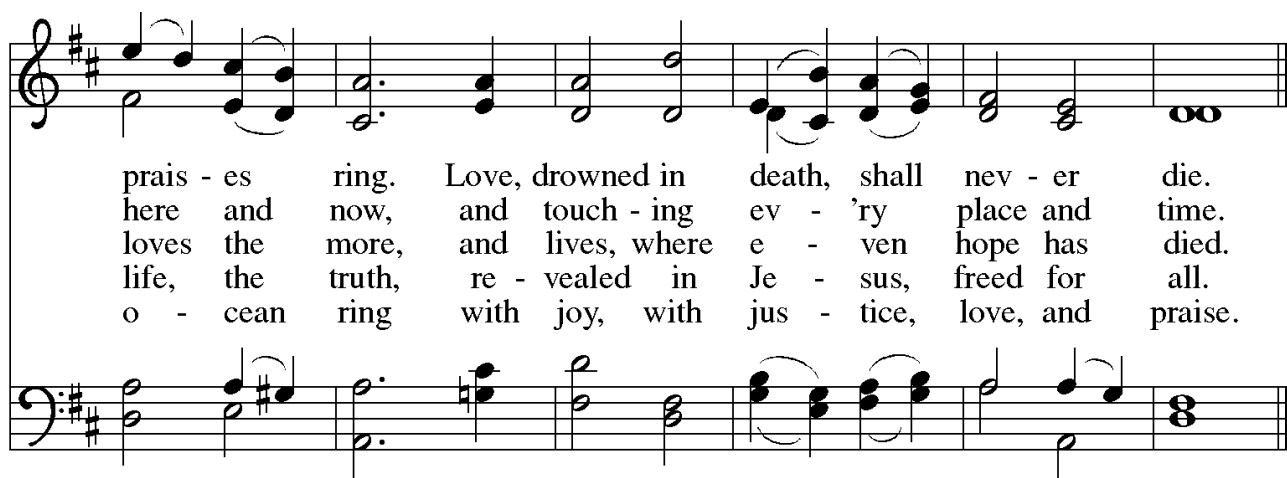
# Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing



1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. The cross stands  
 2 Christ is a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant  
 3 In ev - 'ry in - sult, rift, and war, where col - or,  
 4 Wom - en and men, in age and youth, can feel the  
 5 Christ is a - live, and comes to bring good news to



emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with  
 years in Pal - es - tine, but sav - ing, heal - ing,  
 scorn, or wealth di - vide, Christ suf - fers still, yet  
 Spir - it, hear the call, and find the way, the  
 this and ev - 'ry age, till earth and sky and



prais - es ring. Love, drowned in death, shall nev - er die.  
 here and now, and touch - ing ev - 'ry place and time.  
 loves the more, and lives, where e - ven hope has died.  
 life, the truth, re - vealed in Je - sus, freed for all.  
 o - cean ring with joy, with jus - tice, love, and praise.

Text: Brian A. Wren, b. 1936

Music: TRURO, T. Williams, *Psalmody Evangelica*, 1789

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## Prayers for the World

*Together we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need. Each petition will close with the words: Lord, who is mercy:*

*And you are invited to respond: **Hear our prayer.***

## Offering

**Worship Leader:** *Thank you for your continued generosity and for all the ways you support God's ministry here at River of Hope. You can contact the church office and sign up for simply giving or give online or drop a check off at the church office.*

Offering Song – "The King of Love My Shepherd is"



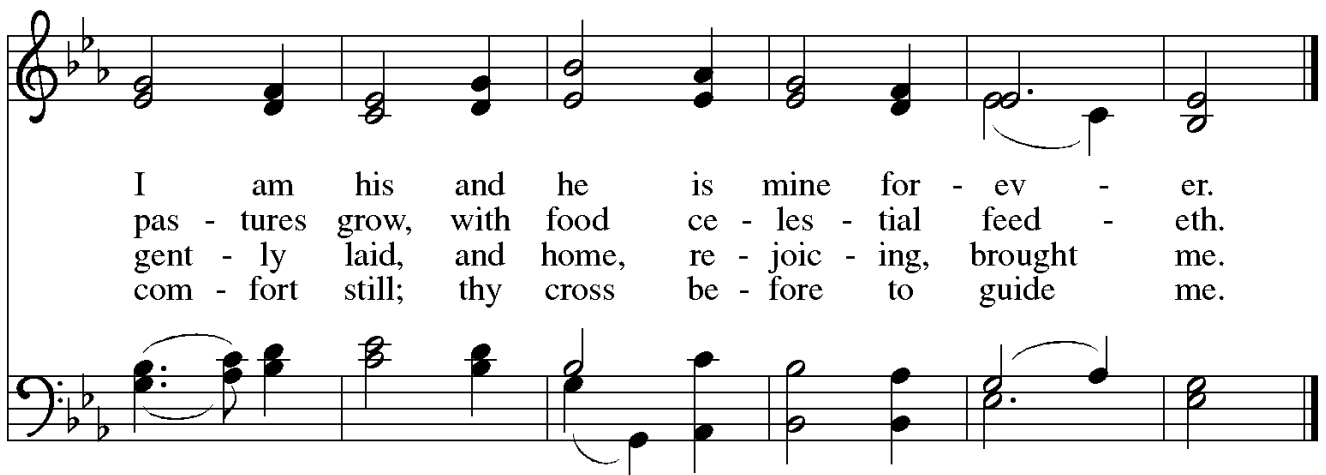
# The King of Love My Shepherd Is



1 The King of love my shep - herd is, whose good - ness  
 2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, my ran - somed  
 3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, but yet in  
 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with thee, dear



fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if  
 soul he lead - eth and, where the ver - dant  
 love he sought me, and on his shoul - der  
 Lord, be - side me, thy rod and staff my



I am his and he is mine for - ev - er.  
 pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.  
 gent - ly laid, and home, re - joic - ing, brought me.  
 com - fort still; thy cross be - fore to guide me.

5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight;  
 thine unction grace bestoweth;  
 and, oh, what transport of delight  
 from thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so, through all the length of days,  
 thy goodness faileth never.  
 Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise  
 within thy house forever.

# The Feast

Setting the Table *the children lead us as we sing together:*

O Come Lord Jesus be our Guest and let these gifts to us be blest. All praise to God who is our bread, may all the world be clothed and fed.

## Thanksgiving at the Table

The Lord is with you

**And also with you**

Lift up your hearts!

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

As we gather in this place, 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." Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

## The Lord's Prayer

*We pray our common prayer that Christ taught us.*

**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;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

This is Christ's table. It's a table of love and welcome. It's a table of fellowship with the poor and communion with the earth.

So, come, those of you with great faith and those of you who wish you had more. Come, those of you who have tried to follow Jesus and those of you who have failed. Come, those of you who depend on this meal for your lives, and those of you for whom it is a strange thing. These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

Communion Song: "My God, How Wonderful Thou Art"

# My God, How Wonderful Thou Art

1 My God, how won - der - ful thou art, thy maj - es - ty how bright!  
2 How won - der - ful, how beau - ti - ful the sight of thee must be—  
3 No earth - ly fa - ther loves like thee; no moth - er, e'er so mild,  
4 Yet I may love thee too, O Lord, al - might - y as thou art,  
5 My God, how won - der - ful thou art, thou ev - er - last - ing friend!

How beau - ti - ful thy mer - cy seat in depths of burn - ing light!  
thine end - less wis - dom, bound - less pow'r, and awe - some pu - ri - ty!  
bears and for - bears as thou hast done with me, thy sin - ful child.  
for thou hast stooped to ask of me the love of my poor heart.  
On thee I stay my trust - ing heart till faith in vi - sion end.

Text: Frederick W. Faber, 1814–1863  
Music: DUNDEE, *Psalter*, Edinburgh, 1615

## Blessing after Communion

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

## Prayer after Communion

God of the abundant table,  
you have refreshed our hearts in this meal  
with bread for the journey.  
Give us your grace on the road  
that we might serve our neighbors with joy;  
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

# The Sending


Why does our church exist? What is our purpose?

**We go out to transform lives through Jesus Christ.**


Purpose Sightings:

MILESTONES! – “You have come down to the Lakeshore”  
*It's time for sharing milestones - a time where we join together as a community to share the big, small, good, and hard milestones in our life.*


*Refrain / Estribillo*



Se - ñor, mehas mi - ra - doa los o - jos; son - ri - en - do,  
Sweet Lord, you have looked in - to my eyes; kind-ly smil - ing,



has di - cho mi nom-bre. En laa - re - na he de - ja - do mi  
you've called out my name. . . . On the sand I have a-ban-doned my



bar - ca; jun - toa ti bus - ca - ré o - tro mar.  
small boat; now with you, I will seek oth - er seas.

Final Blessing

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys  
with us ✠ be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

Sending Song: “All of my Life”

# ALL OF MY LIFE

Larry Olson

My heart is hop-in' and my eyes are op - en. There is a hun-ger in-  
 Some say I've got to have all of the an - swers. Some say I need all this  
 Help out my neigh-bor, wel-come a strang - er. Of - fer my shirt to an

side me. I want to do right, just walk in the ho - ly light,  
 mon - ey. I hear in the world is just mine for the tak - ing,  
 en - e - my. Dance in the moon - light, cry by the fire - light,

to live my days a - bun-dant - ly All of my  
 oh how I long to be re - leased.  
 to live my days a - bun-dant- ly.

life, I want to lose my - self and be faith-  
 ful. All of my life, I want to

live for - giv - en and grate - ful, all of my life.

Oh God you know me, my ev - 'ry heart - beat is a  
 word of grace from you. All of my life,

B $\flat$  C F Gm7 B $\flat$  C

I want to lose my - self and be faith - ful. All of my

F Gm7 B $\flat$  C F Gm7

life, I want to live for - giv - en and grate-

B $\flat$  C F Gm7 B $\flat$  C F

ful, all of my life.

Go in peace – serve the Lord! **Thanks be to God**

## Music to Send You Out

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