# 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost July 9, 2023



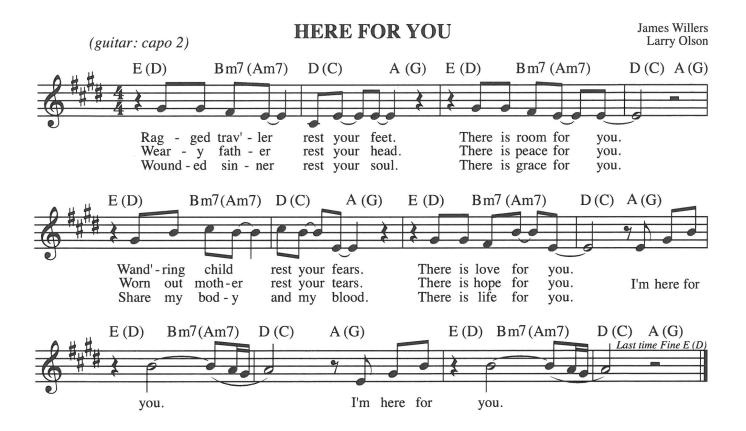


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Worship on Facebook Premiere, Sundays at 10:30am

Gathering

Prelude

Opening Song – "Here For You"



Welcome \* Welcome Pads \* Post it Notes \* 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.** 

Kyrie / Hymn of Praise "This is the Feast"



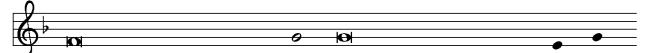
In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



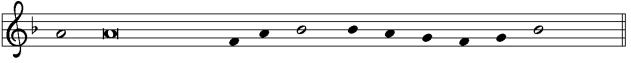


For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal-vation, let us pray to the Lord.



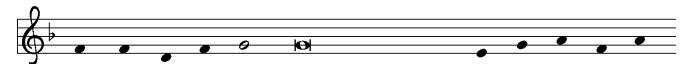


For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of

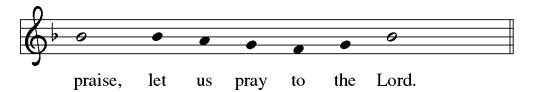


God, and for the uni-ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.

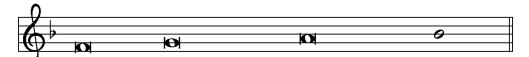




For this ho - ly house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and

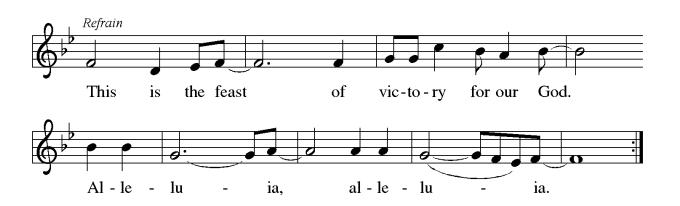






Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gracious Lord.









#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

(Reader): Let us pray,

You are great, O God, and greatly to be praised. You have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Grant that we may believe in you, call upon you, know you, and serve you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

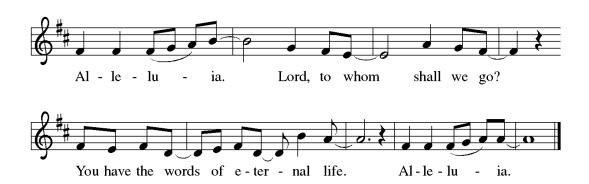
#### Greet Someone New

Music to Bring Us Back Together: Final refrain of "This is the Feast"

Children's Time

#### THE STORY

(Reader): Our story and God's story continues today with a reading from Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30.



(Reader): Jesus spoke to the crowd saying: "To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

# (ALL): 'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.'

(Reader): For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds."

At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

(Side 1): "Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.

(Side 2): Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

(ALL): For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

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

(ALL): Thanks be to God.

Sermon – Pastor Hans Peterson

Song of the Day – "Come to Me"

#### **COME TO ME**

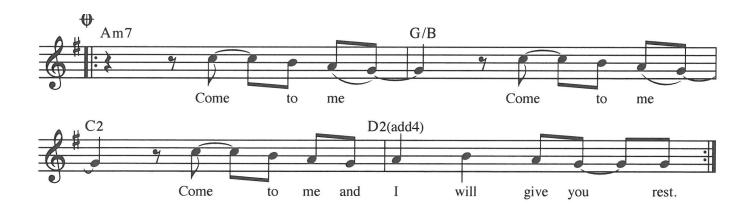
Christopher Grundy



#### 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: God, who is mercy:

Congregational response: Sing:



# 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. The watering can this month is for "Habitat for Humanity"

Offering Song – "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

## Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing



Text: Robert Robinson, 1735–1790, alt. Music: NETTLETON, J. Wyeth, Repository of Sacred Music, Part II, 1813

# The Feast

Setting the Table the children lead us as we speak together:

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

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.

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: "What a Friend We Have in Jesus", "Come to Me, All Pilgrims Thirsty"

#### What a Friend We Have in Jesus



#### Come to Me, All Pilgrims Thirsty



- 5 "Come to me, distressed and needy; I would be your trusted friend. Come and seek the gift I offer, come, your open hands extend." *Refrain*
- 6 "Come to me, abandoned, orphaned; lonely ways no longer roam.

  Come and take the gift I offer, let me make in you my home." *Refrain*

#### Blessing after Communion

Now may the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. **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?

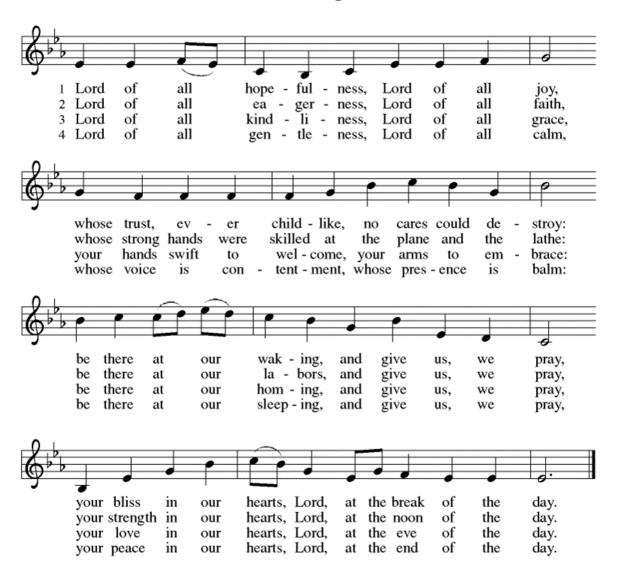
We go out to transform lives through Jesus Christ.

Purpose Sightings:

#### MILESTONES! Sing "Lord of All Hopefulness" vs. 1

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.

## Lord of All Hopefulness



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# Final Blessing – Sung by Hans and Jim

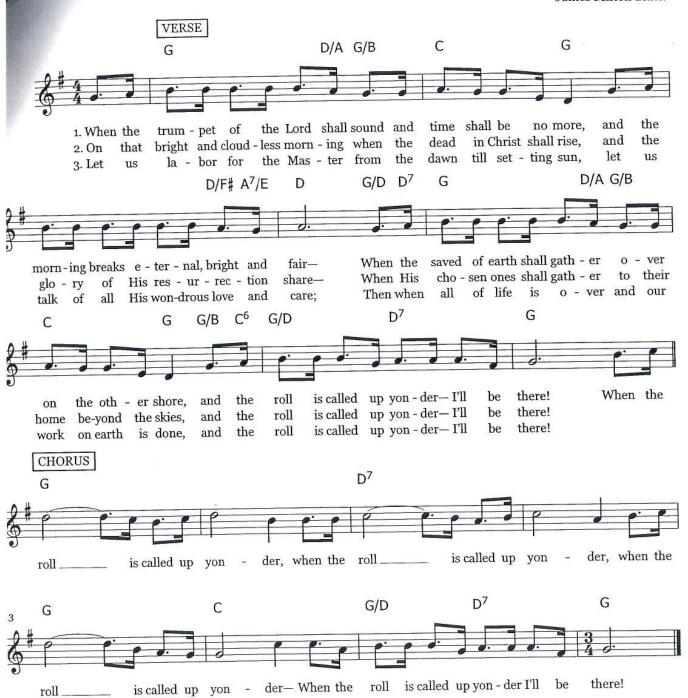
# Closing Benediction

Now may the Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

Sending Song: "When the Roll is Called Up Yonder"

# When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder

Words and Music by James Milton Black



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

# Music to Send You Out

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