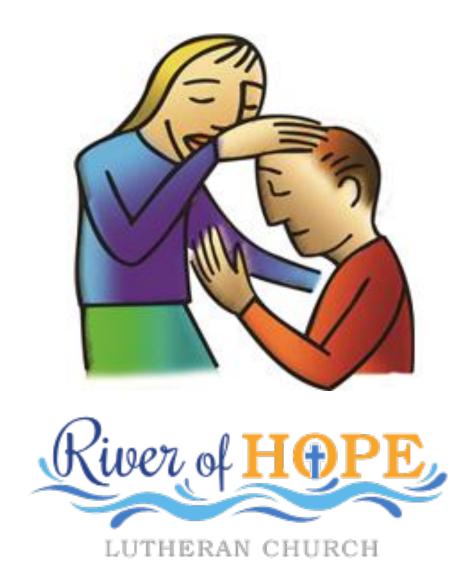
16th Sunday After Pentecost September 17, 2023



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Worship on Facebook Premiere, Sundays at 10:30am

Gathering

Prelude

Opening Song - "Savior's Song"



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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

(Leader): Let us pray,

O Lord God, merciful judge, you are the inexhaustible fountain of forgiveness. Replace our hearts of stone with hearts that love and adore you, that we may delight in doing your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Greet Someone New

Music to Bring Us Back Together: "Savior's Song" Chorus.

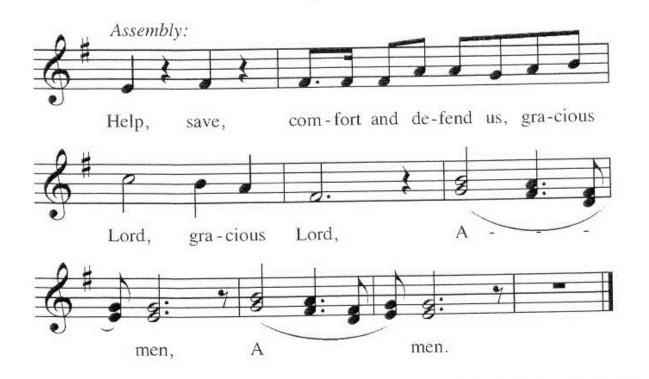
Greeting

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







This is the Feast







Children's Time – Handing out Bibles

THE STORY

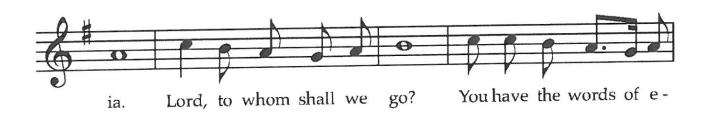
(Reader): Our story and God's story continues today with a reading from Matthew 18: 21-35.

Gospel Acclamation (Alleluia, Lord to whom shall we go)



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(Reader): Peter came and said to Jesus,

(Side 1): "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?"

(Reader): Jesus said to him,

(Side 2): "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times."

(Reader): "For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying,

(Side 1): 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.'

(Reader): And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him,

(Side 2): 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.'

(Reader): But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

(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 – "Jubilee"



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

Offering Song – "Praise and Thanksgiving"

Praise and Thanksgiving



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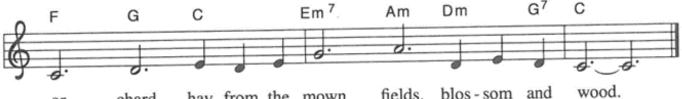
Praise and Thanksgiving



- 1 Praise and thanks-giv ing, God, we would of fer for all things
- 2 God, bless the la bor we bring to serve you, that with our
- 3 Fa ther, pro vid ing food for your chil dren, by Wis-dom's 4 Then will your bless ing reach ev 'ry peo ple, free ly con-



liv - ing, you have made good: neigh-bor we may be fed. guid - ing teach us to share fess - ing your gra-cious hand. har - vest of sown fields, Sow - ing or till - ing, one with an - oth - er, Where you are reign - ing, fruits of the we would work so that, reno one will



or - chard, with you, joic - ing hun - ger; hay from the mown fields, bl har - vest - ing, mill - ing for with us, all oth - ers m your love sus - tain - ing sh

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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

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.

English 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever

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: "Grace Alone" and "Softly and Tenderly"

Grace Alone

Words and Music by Scott Wesley Brown and Jeff Nelson





Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling



Text: Will L. Thompson, 1847–1909 Music: THOMPSON, Will L. Thompson

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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 "Borning Cry" verse 4

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.



4 "I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I'll be there when you are old.



I re-joiced the day you were bap-tized to see your life un - fold."

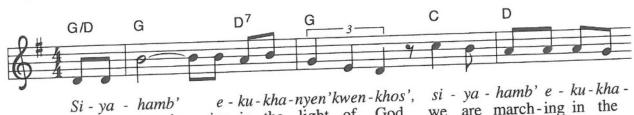
Sung Benediction – Hans and Jim

Sending Song: "We Are Marching in the Light of God""

We Are Marching in the Light

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Si - ya - hamb' e - ku-kha-nyen'kwen-khos', si - ya - hamb' e - ku-kha-We are march - ing in the light of God, we are march-ing in the



We are praying ...

We are singing ...

Go in peace – serve the Lord! Thanks be to God Music to Send You Out

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