25th Sunday after Pentecost November 19, 2023



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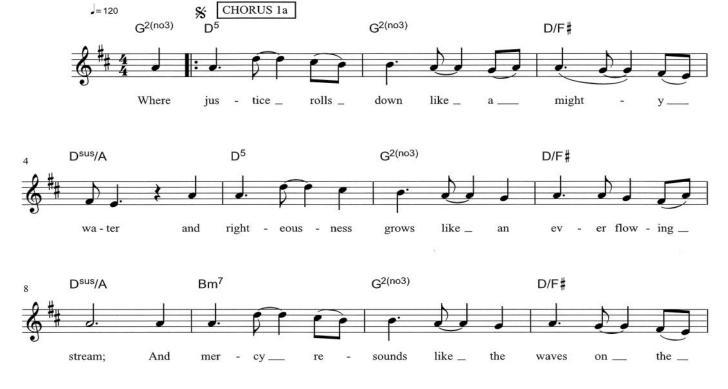
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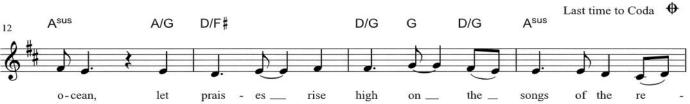
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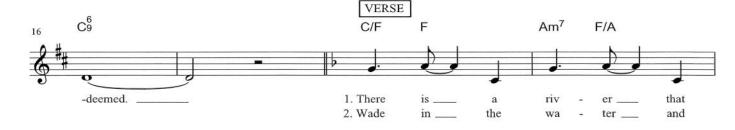
Gathering Song – "Where Justice Rolls Down"

Where Justice Rolls Down

Words and Music by Bob Stromberg, Rick Carlson and Michael Pearce Donley







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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.

Riverpalooza Announcements

Thanks to our outgoing and incoming members of the River Table Ballots for new members

Time and Talent Sheets

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

Be still!

We come to quiet ourselves in this haven of holiness. Be still and know . . .

we come to discern the Word which can set us free. Be still and know that God is our Hope, our Help, our Refuge, and our Redeemer.

~ written by Thom Shuman, and posted on **Lectionary Liturgies**. http://lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.ca/

WAM Table Report - Jim Nelson

Time with Kids - Faith Formation Table Report - Katie Weisenberger

Song "Your River O God" (Verses 1, 3)

YOUR RIVER O GOD



THE STORY

(Reader): Our story and God's story continues today, with two readings. First, a reading from the book of Amos chapter 5, verses 18a, 21-24.

(Reader): Alas for you who desire the day of the LORD! Why do you want the day of the LORD? I hate, I despise your festivals, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies. Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings, I will not accept them; and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals I will not look upon. Take away from me the noise of your songs; I will not listen to the melody of your harps.

(ALL): But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever flowing stream.

(Reader): Our second reading comes from Psalm 46.



(Reader): God is our refuge and our strength, (ALL): an ever-present help in distress.

(Reader): Though the earth trembles, and mountains slide into the sea, we will not fear.

(Side 1): Waters may rise and roar, and mountains shake at their surging;

(Side 2): but the God of hosts is with us-our stronghold, the God of Israel.

(Reader): There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. Even if nations are in chaos, and kingdoms fall, God's voice resounds; the earth melts away.

(Side 1): Yahweh is with us; the God of Israel is our stronghold.

(Reader): Come! See the deeds of the Most High, the marvelous things God has done on earth; all over the world, God has stopped wars--breaking bows, splintering spears, burning the shields with fire.

"Be still! and know that I am God, exalted among the nations, exalted upon the earth."

(Side 2): The Most High is with us; our stronghold is the God of Israel.

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

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Sermon – Pastor Hans Peterson

Sermon Song – "There is a River"

THERE IS A RIVER



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Welcome of New Members

Carol Davis - Introduced by Sandy Tracy

Jay and Leslie Keil - Introduced by Rachel Stearns

Lisa Tschimperle - Introduced by Kay Halstrom

Dan and Susie Watts - Introduced by Allen Gislason

Kellie and Josh Wendland (Collins and Ginny)
Introduced by Andy and Alissa Evenson

Personnel Table Update: Nan Crary

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 Operation Hope.

Financial Stewardship Table Report: Arlyn DeBruyckere

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

We gather as a community, around this table of plenty, trusting in the Spirit to nourish us as we share God's love with our neighbors.

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." Again after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. 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. (Leader): The gifts of God are...

(ALL): Free

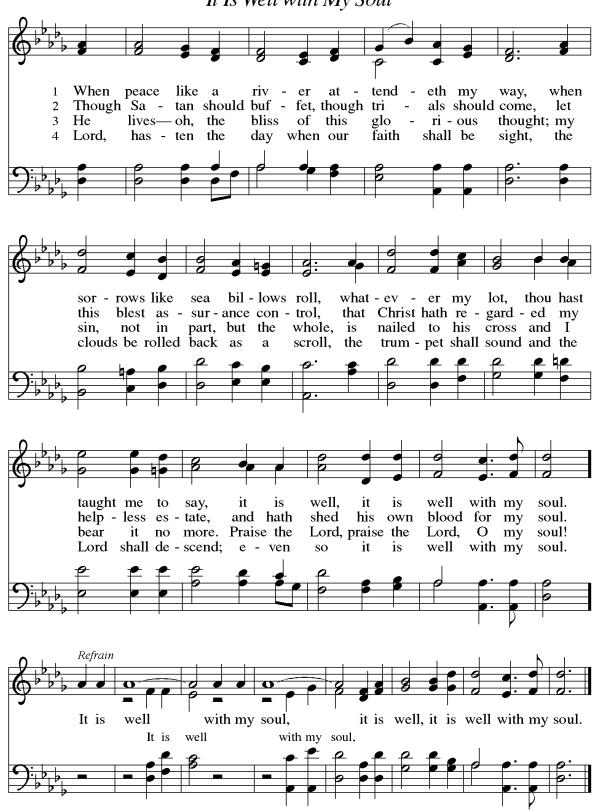
(Leader): Free indeed. And all are welcome to receive the sacrament.

Communion Songs - "Down to the River to Pray" and "When Peace Like a River"

Down To The River To Pray



When Peace, like a River It Is Well with My Soul



Text: Horatio G. Spafford, 1828–1888 Music: VILLE DU HAVRE, Philip P. Bliss, 1838–1876

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 Blessed be your name, O God, for we have feasted on your Word, Christ Jesus, the joy and delight of our hearts. Strengthened by this food, send us to gather the world to your banquet, where none are left out and all are satisfied. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

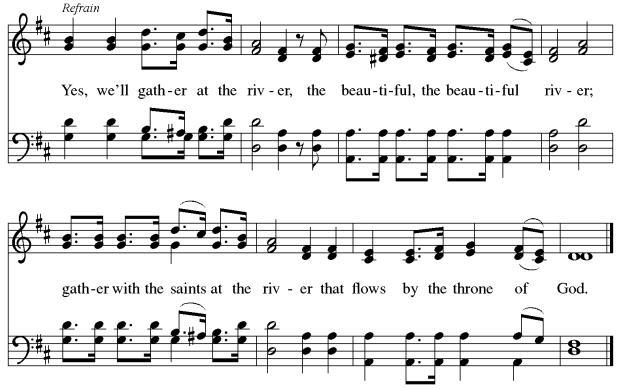
The Sending

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

We Go Out Table Update: Kay Halstrom

Purpose Sightings (Read slides so people online can hear)

MILESTONES! – "Shall We Gather at the River" 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.

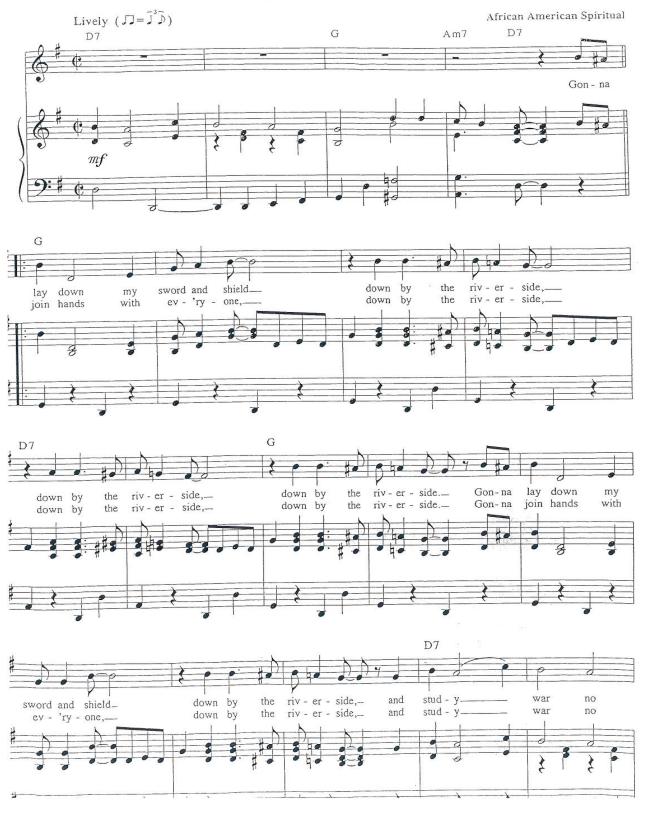


Final Blessing

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

Sending Song: "Down By The Riverside"

Down by the Riverside





Rachel: Go in peace - serve the Lord! Thanks be to God

Music to Send You Out

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