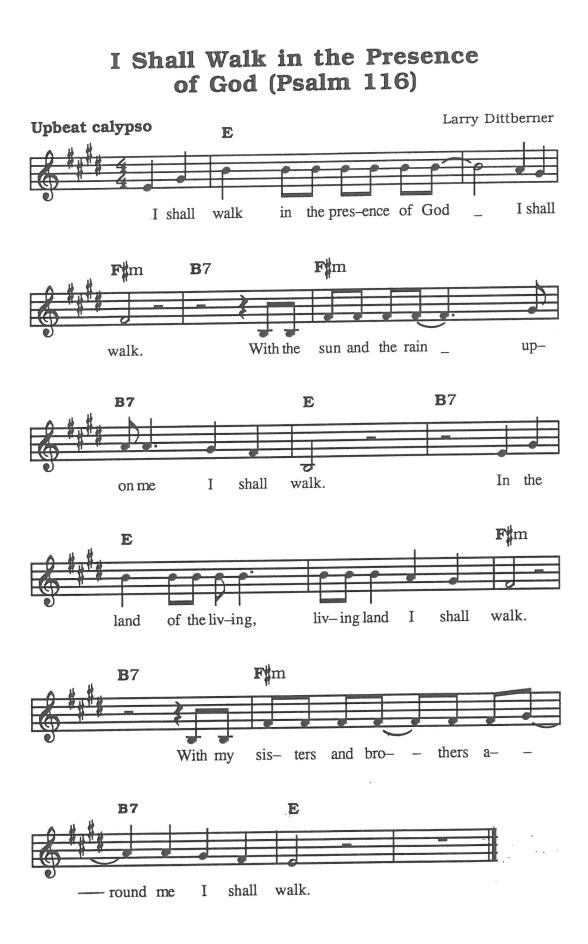
17th Sunday after Pentecost September 15, 2024





www.riverofhopehutchinson.org Worship on Facebook Premiere, Sundays at 10:30am

Gathering Music to Prepare us for Worship Gathering Song "I Shall Walk in the Presence of God"



(Other verses): I shall sing in the presence of God I shall pray..... I shall dance.....

Psalm 116:5-9

5Gracious is the | Lord and righteous; our God is full | of compassion.
6The Lord watches o- | ver the innocent; I was brought low, | and God saved me.
7Turn again to your rest, | O my soul. for the Lord has dealt | well with you.
8For you have rescued my | life from death, my eyes from tears, and my | feet from stumbling;
9I will walk in the presence | of the Lord in the land | of the living. R

Opening Song repeat verse one

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

KYRIE ELEISON

Larry Olson



Prayer of the Day

(Leader): Let us pray,

(ALL): God, angry words explode out of us. We do not think about what we say or how it will hurt people. We only think of our own anger and putting it all into words so everyone will know how angry and hurt we feel. We say things that are not quite true to make ourselves look good to others. We add to the truth, change the story just a little bit, even lie for our own good. Lord, forgive us for the way we hurt others with our tongues. May the words of our mouths then be acceptable in your sight. Amen.

Greet Someone New

Music to Bring Us Back Together: Verse 1 and refrain of "Kyrie Eleison"

Children's Time: Handing out Bibles

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(Leader): Here at River of Hope we believe that everyone grows when we dwell in God's word. In Baptism parents make a promise to place in their children's hand the Holy Scriptures. To support our families in this promise, age-apprpriate Bibles are presented to our youth when they turn 3 years old, when they enter the 3rd grade and when they begin confirmation starting in 6th grade. It is our joy and privilege to present you with a Bible or bless the Bible you already have. When you read it, remember how deeply you are loved by God and all of us.

Distribution of Bibles

(Leader): A reading from Proverbs chapter 3: "My child, do not forget my teaching, but let your heart keep my commandments; for length of days and years of life and abundant welfare they will give you.

(ALL): Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths."

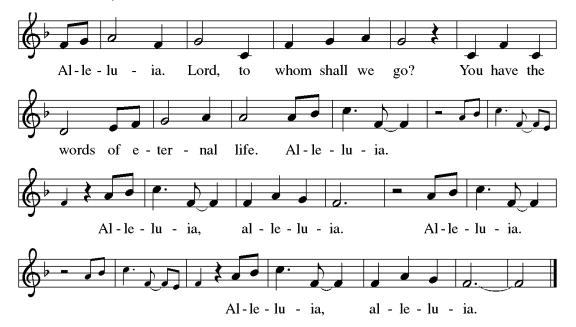
(Leader): Receive the Word of God so that the story of God and God's people may be with you wherever you are. Learn its truth. Here God reveals who we are. Here God leads us, strengthens us, and gives us purpose. Here God grants wisdom far beyond what any human can provide.

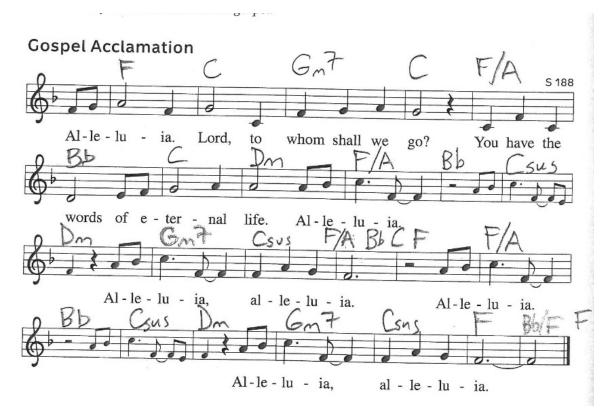
Everyone is invited to hold their Bible to their chest or in the air.

(ALL): Gracious God, thank you for the Word. We accept it and treasure it as a lamp to our feet and a light for our path. Thank you for every person who has loved me, prayed for me, and invested in my spiritual development. Multiply the wisdom, skill, and faith you have shared through them. May it live and grow in me and in every person I influence. For the honor and glory of your Name. Amen.

The Word

(Reader): Our story and God's story continues today with our Bible reading. You are invited to stand in body or in spirit as we sing the "Alleluia" to welcome today's Scripture Reading from the book of James chapter 3 verses 1-12.





(Reader): Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

(Side 1): How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire.

(Reader): The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species,

(Side 2): but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison.

(Reader): With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God.

(ALL): From the same mouth come blessing and cursing.

(Reader): My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

(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 - "Take My Life, That I May Be"

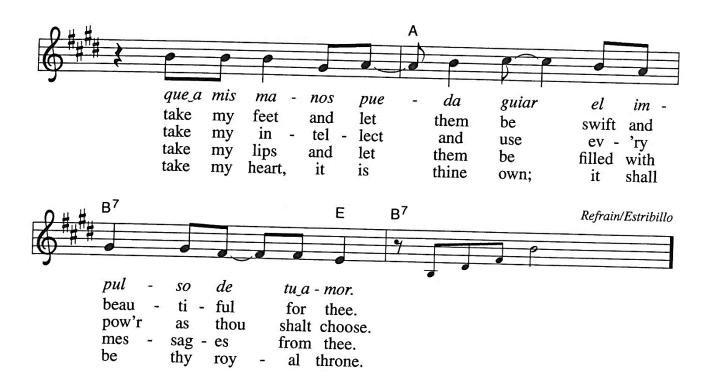


VOCATION, MINISTRY

Take My Life, That I May Be Toma, oh Dios, mi voluntad

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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: God, who is mercy:

Congregational response: "Hear our prayer."

Offering

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 during September is for Laundry Love Any children willing to help are Invited to meet Pastor Hans in the back to bring forth the Communion elements.

Offering Song: "Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ Let us tal - ents and tongues em - ploy, reach-ing out with a shout of joy: 1 2 Christ is a - ble to at the ta - ble he make us sets the tone, one, Je - sus calls us in, bear-ing fruit in a world of doubt, 3 sends us out bread is bro-ken, the wine is poured, Christ is spo-ken and seen and heard. teach-ing peo-ple to live to bless, love in word and in deed ex - press. gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Im-man - u - el) ev - 'ry - where! Refrain Je - sus lives a - gain, earth can breathe a-gain, pass the Word a-round: loaves a - bound!

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WITNESS

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ



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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. Amen.

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

Our Creator, Our Mother, Our Father who is in heaven, hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now 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.

The gifts of God are...

(ALL): Free

Free indeed. And all are welcome to receive the sacrament.

Communion Songs: "Lord, Speak to Us, That We May Speak" and "Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

WITNESS

Lord, Speak to Us, That We May Speak





Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: CANONBURY, Robert Schumann, 1810–1856

Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing



- 5 Look unto him, your Savior own,O fallen human race!Look and be saved through faith alone,be justified by grace!
- 6 To God all glory, praise, and love be now and ever giv'n by saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heav'n.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt. Music: AZMON, Carl G. Gläser, 1784–1829; arr. Lowell Mason, 1792–1872

886 Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing D^7 G D G D Em D G G thou-sand tongues to sing my great Re-deem-er's praise, Oh, for a 1 my God, as - sist me to pro - claim, My gra - cious Mas - ter and 2 Je - sus charms our fears and bids our sor - rows cease, The name of 3 his voice, new life the dead re - ceive; lis-t'ning to He speaks, and 4 D^7 G G/D С G

his grace! tri-umphs of of my God and king, the glo - ries the your name. spread through all the earth a - broad the of hon - ors to in the sin-ner's ears, brings life and health and peace. sings mu - sic hum-ble poor be - lieve. bro-ken hearts re - joice, the the mourn - ful,

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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

Let us pray: Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to your heart, and nourished us at your table.

By your Holy Spirit, enliven us to be your body in the world, that we may show Christ's love to all people. Amen.

The Sending

Why does our church exist? What is our purpose?

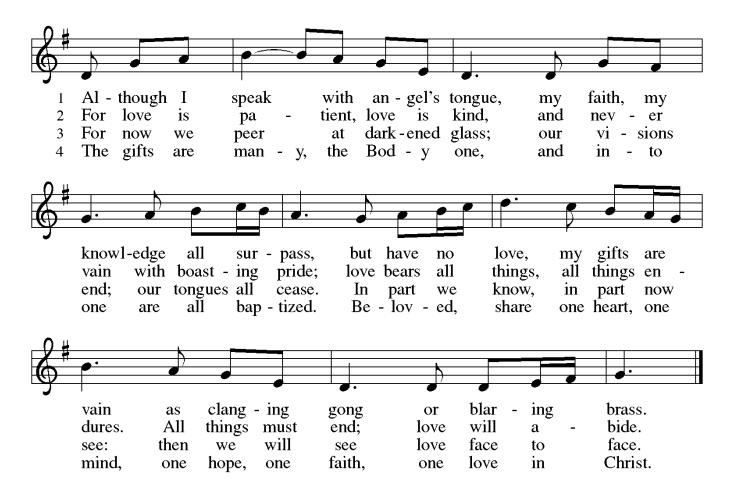
We go out to transform lives through Jesus Christ.

Purpose Sightings

MILESTONES! Sing "Although I Speak..." 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.

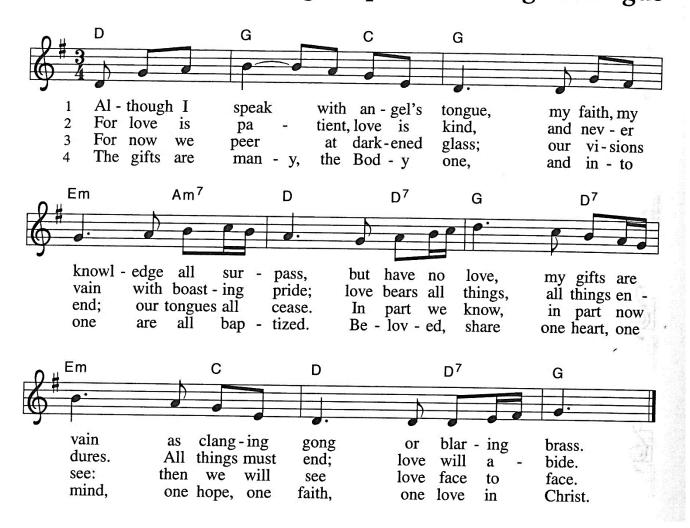
Although I Speak with Angel's Tongue



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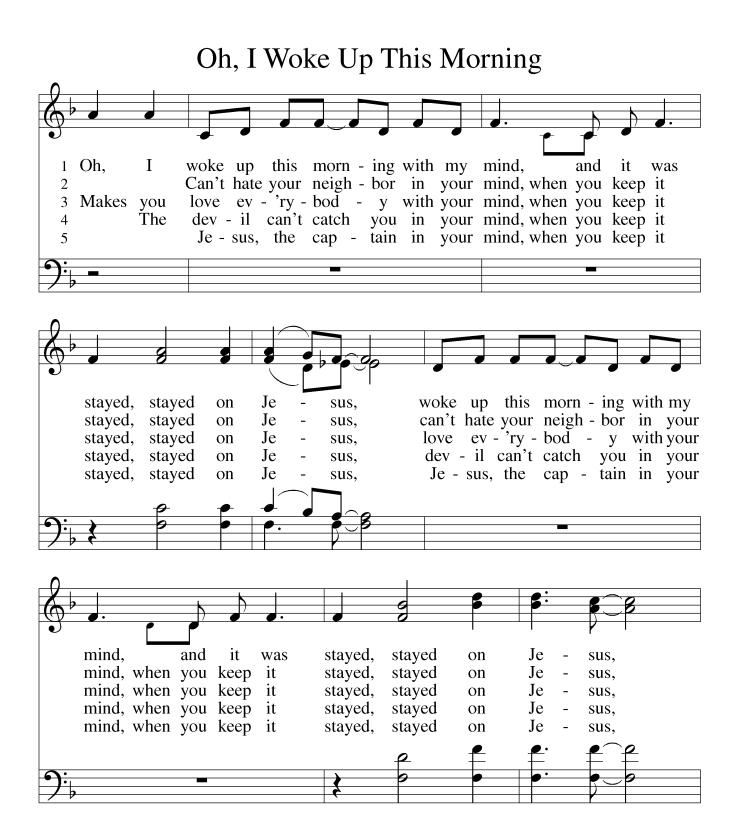
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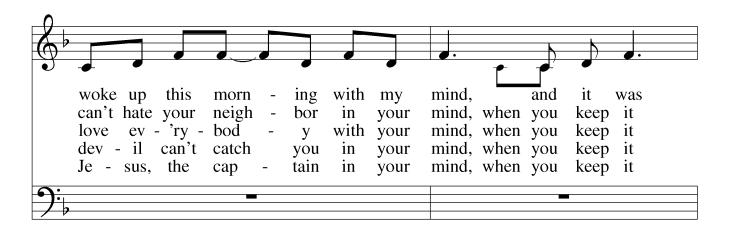
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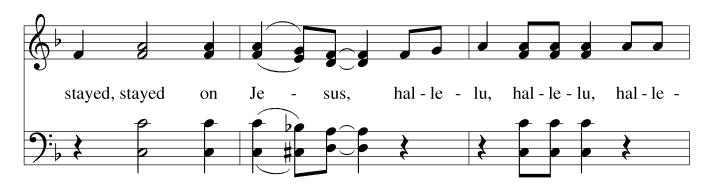


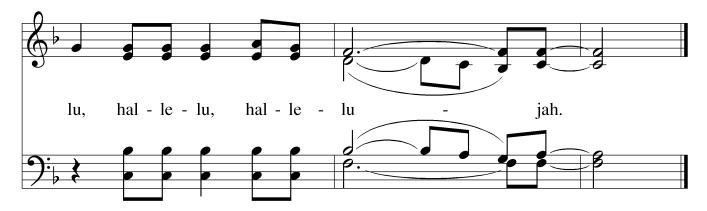
Blessing The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, + be upon you now and forever. Amen.

Sending Song: "Oh, I Woke Up this Morning









Text: African American spiritual Music: WOKE UP THIS MORNING, African American spiritual

(Leader): Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

Thanks be to God

Music to Send You Out

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