21st Sunday after Pentecost October 13, 2024





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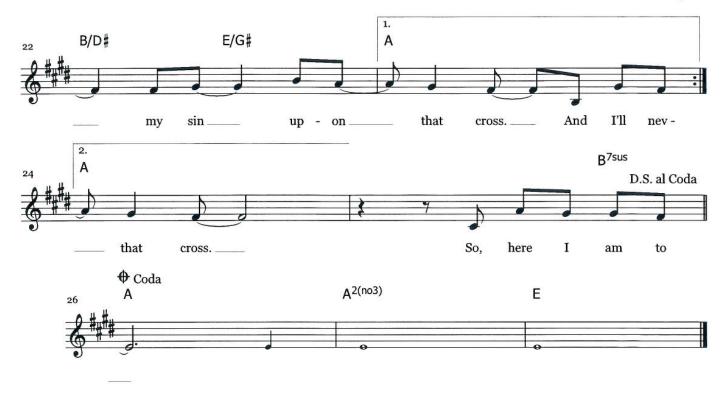
Gathering Music to Prepare us for Worship (Nan): Invite people to stand for Gathering Song Gathering Song "Here I Am to Worship"

Here I Am To Worship

Words and Music by Tim Hughes



Here I Am To Worship - 2



(Nan): Welcome * Welcome Pads * Post it Notes *

Introduce yourself and Pastor Eric Aune.

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

(Pastor Eric): Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. Amen. Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God, have mercy on us. We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues. The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes. In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves. We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

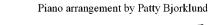
God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven. **Amen.**

(Pastor Eric): 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**.

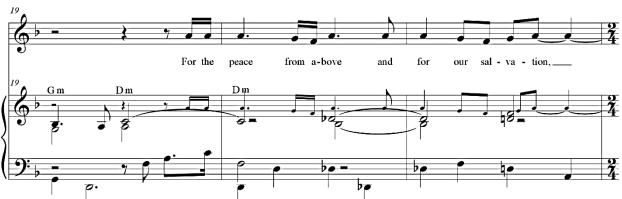
Is this the Feast of Victory? Kyrie

John Hermanson

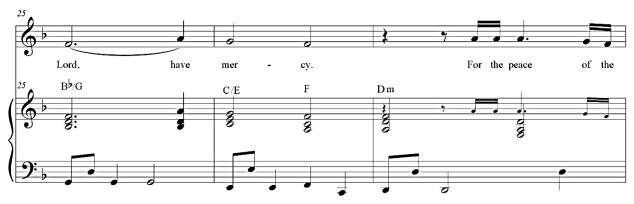


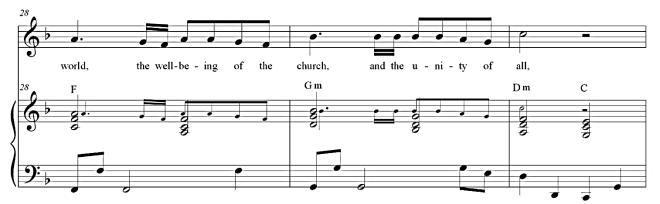


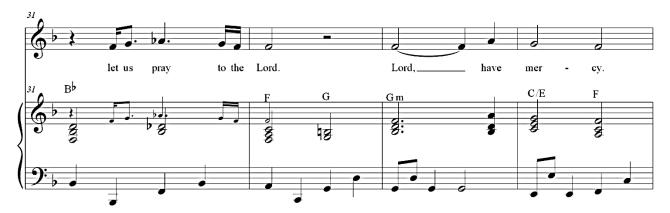




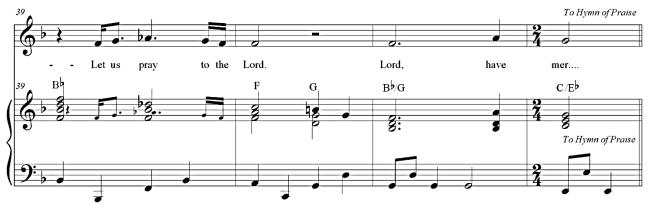






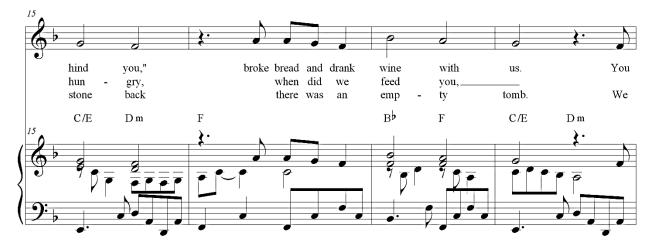


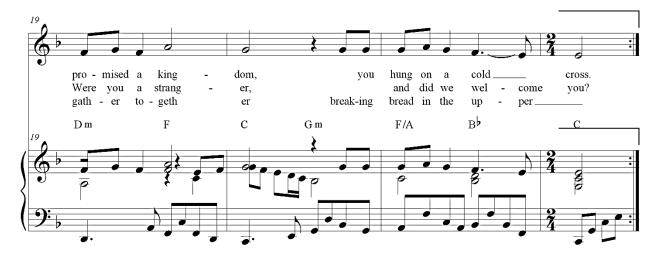














(Nan): Prayer of the Day

Let us pray;

Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

(Nan): Greet Someone New

Music to Bring Us Back Together: "Here I Am to Worship" Bridge and Chorus



The Word

(Reader): Our story and God's story continues today with two readings. Our first reading is from the book of Hebrews chapter 4 verses 12-16.

(Reader): We cannot hide our thoughts, desires, and actions from God, to whom we are completely accountable. Nevertheless, Jesus understands our human weakness and temptations, because he also experienced them. Therefore we can approach the throne of grace to receive divine mercy from Christ.

(Side 1): Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints

from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

(Reader): And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account. Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin.

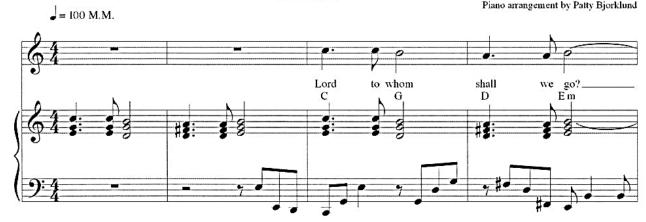
(Side 2): Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

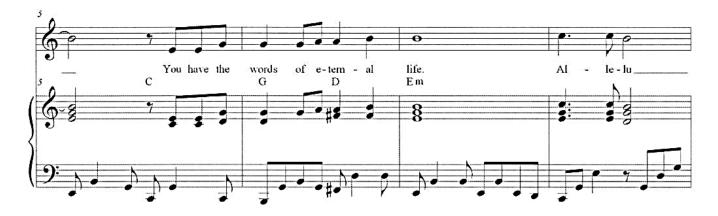
(Reader): Here ends our first reading. You are invited to stand in body or in spirit as we sing the "Alleluia" to welcome our second reading from the Gospel of Mark 10: 17-3

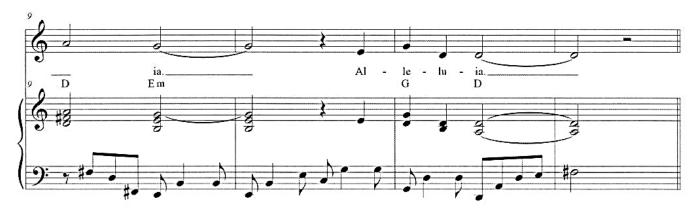
Is this the Feast of Victory Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia

John Hermanson Piano arrangement by Patty Bjorklund







(Reader): As he went out into the street, a man came running up, greeted him with great reverence, and asked,

(Side 1): "Good Teacher, what must I do to get eternal life?"

(Reader): Jesus said, "Why are you calling me good? No one is good, only God. You know the commandments: Don't murder, don't commit adultery, don't steal, don't lie, don't cheat, honor your father and mother." He said,

Side 2: "Teacher, I have—from my youth—kept them all!"

(Reader): Jesus looked him hard in the eye—and loved him! He said, "There's one thing left: Go sell whatever you own and give it to the poor. All your wealth will then be heavenly wealth. And come follow me." The man's face clouded over. This was the last thing he expected to hear, and he walked off with a heavy heart. He was holding on tight to a lot of things, and not about to let go. Looking at his disciples, Jesus said, "Do you have any idea how difficult it is for people who 'have it all' to enter God's kingdom?" The disciples couldn't believe what they were hearing, but Jesus kept on: "You can't imagine how difficult. I'd say it's easier for a camel to go through a needle's eye than for the rich to get into God's kingdom." That set the disciples back on their heels.

(Side 1): "Then who has any chance at all?"

(Reader): they asked. Jesus was blunt: "No chance at all if you think you can pull it off by yourself. Every chance in the world if you let God do it." Peter tried another angle:

(Side 2): "We left everything and followed you."

(Reader): Jesus said, "Mark my words, no one who sacrifices house, brothers, sisters, mother, father, children, land—whatever—because of me and the Message will lose out. They'll get it all back, but multiplied many times in homes, brothers, sisters, mothers, children, and land—but also in troubles. And then the bonus of eternal life!

(ALL): This is once again the Great Reversal: Many who are first will end up last, and the last first."

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

(ALL): Thanks be to God.



(Nan): Invite people to write prayers and get them to the prayer as we sing the Song of the Day.

Song of the Day – "Will You Come and Follow Me"

Will You Come and Follow Me The Summons 0 "Will Ι and fol ÷ low if but call 1 you come me 2 "Will your - self if call you leave be hind Ι but 3 "Will blind if I call let the ed but you see "Will if I call 4 you love the hide but you you 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech 3**-**3 oes true when you but call name? Will where don't your you you go your Will name? for cruel and you care Will name? the pris 'ners your you set name? Will the fear in your you quell Let fol low my name. me turn and know and be the same? nev er kind and the same? nev er be same? free and nev er be the side and nev er be the same? you and nev be the same. er Will you let love be shown, will you let my my should your Will you risk the hos - tile life stare, at -Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as the shape the Will you use faith you've found to re -I'll where your love In your com pa ny go and -0 will life name be known, you let my be Will tract scare? you let me an swer or what this un seen, and ad mit to Ι world through my touch and a round, sight and I'11 foot - steps show. Thus move and live and 0 8 0 . me?" you and grown in you in me?" pray'r in you and you in me?" in mean in you and you me?" in you in sound and you grow in you and you in me.

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."

(Nan): 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 October is for **HOMES** (Housing Options in Mcleod for Emergency Shelter). Any children willing to help are Invited to meet Pastor Eric in the back to bring forth the Communion elements.

Offering Song: "Sing to the Lord of Harvest"

Sing to the Lord of Harvest



The Feast

(Pastor Eric): Setting the Table

the children lead us as we say together:

Gracious God, we thank you for the food before us; the family (friends) beside us; the love between us; and your presence among us. Amen.

(Pastor Eric): 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 pra

The Lord's Prayer

(Leader): Our Creator, our Mother,

(ALL): 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 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.

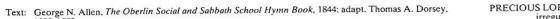
The gifts of God are...

(ALL): Free

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

Communion Songs: "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" and "Be Unto Your Name"





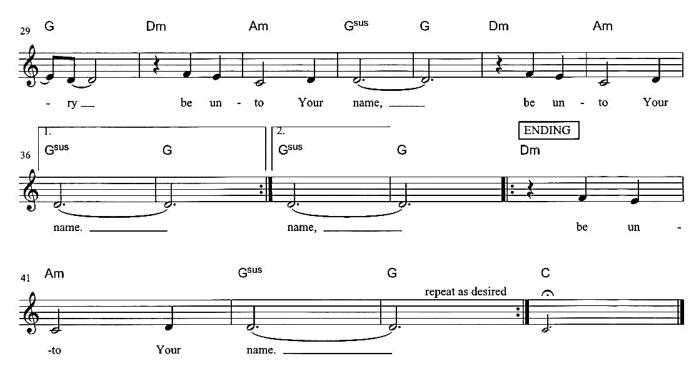
PRECIOUS LORD irregular



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Be Unto Your Name

Be Unto Your Name - 2



(Pastor Eric): Blessing after Communion

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

(Pastor Eric): 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.

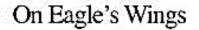
The Sending

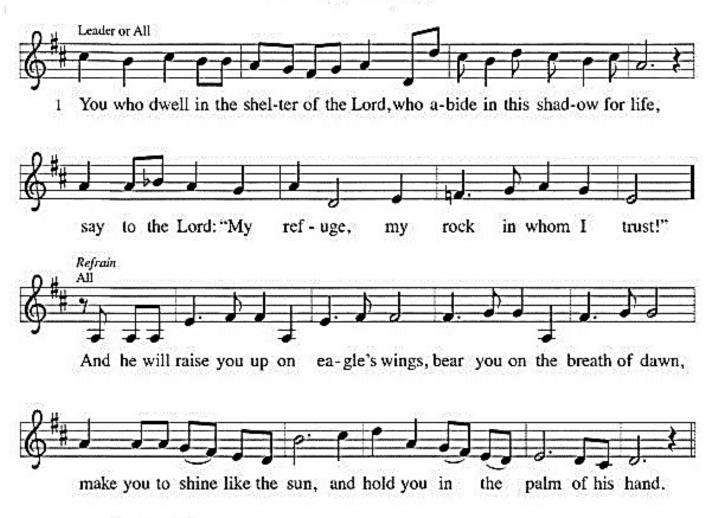
(Nan): Why does our church exist? What is our purpose?

We go out to transform lives through Jesus Christ.

(Nan): Purpose Sightings

(Nan): MILESTONES! Sing "On Eagle's Wings" vs. 1 and Refrain 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.





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

(Pastor Eric): Sending Song: "Shout to the North"

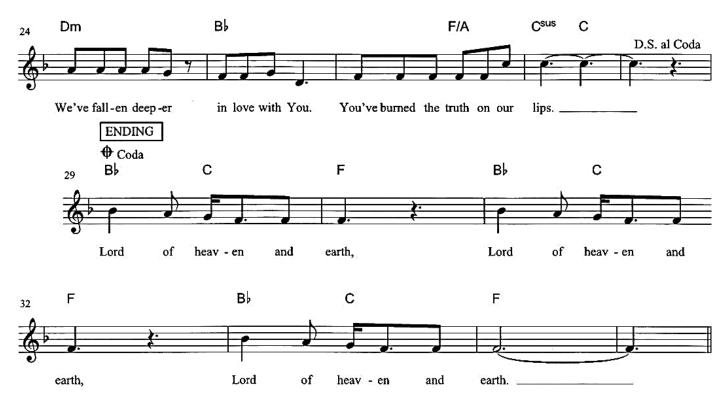
(Invite children of all ages to come forward and play percussion during the Sending Song)

Shout To The North

Words and Music by Martin Smith



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(Pastor Eric): Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

Thanks be to God

Music to Send You Out

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