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The Poor Widow's Two Coins



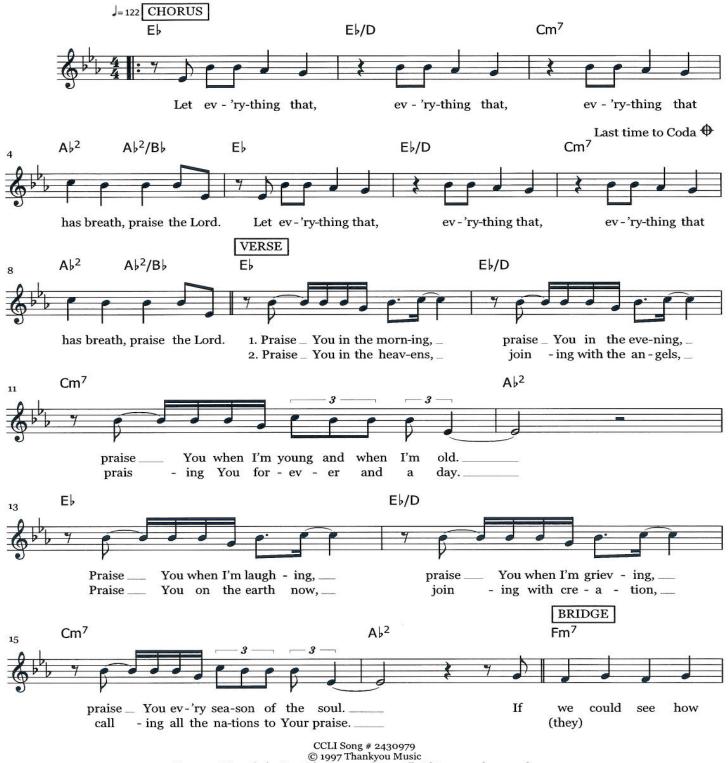
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Gathering Music to Prepare Us For Worship

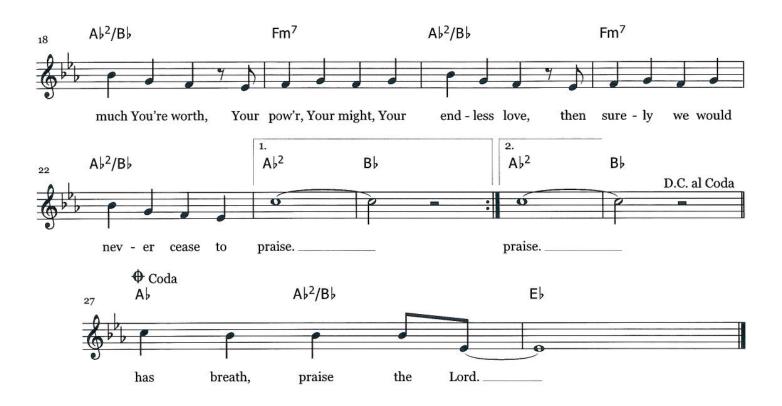
Gathering Song "Let Everything That Has Breath"

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Words and Music by Matt Redman



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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.

Confession and Forgiveness

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ≁ one God, our refuge, our delight, our beginning and our end. C: Amen.

L: Let us come in truth before the one who loves us and has freed us from our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Eternal One, robed in majesty and mercy,

C: we confess that sin has taken hold of us and we are complicit in its power. We are disturbed in spirit and our hearts cannot rest. Unbind us and set us free. Lead us again to the waters of rebirth, that we may live just and generous lives for the good of your world and the care of our neighbors, following in the servant way of Jesus. Amen.

L: These words are trustworthy and true: Christ bore our sins once, for all, on the cross, swallowing up death forever. For his sake, you are & forgiven, and God remembers your sin no more. Let your heart be glad again, and rejoice in your salvation. C: Amen.

Greeting

L: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the community of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

L: Let us pray,

C: O God, you show forth your almighty power chiefly by reaching out to us in mercy. Grant us the fullness of your grace, strengthen our trust in your promises, and bring all the world to share in the treasures that come through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen. Greet Someone New Music to Bring Us Back Together: "Let Everything that Has Breath"

Children's Time

THE STORY

(Reader): Our story and God's story continues today with two readings. The first reading is from Psalm 146.

(Reader): Hallelujah! Praise the Lord, O my soul!

(Side 1): I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

(Reader): Put not your trust in rulers, in mortals in whom there is no help.

(Side 2): When they breathe their last, they return to earth, and in that day their thoughts perish.

(Reader): Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help, whose hope is in the Lord their God;

(Side 1): who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; who keeps promises forever;

(Reader): who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to those who hunger. The Lord sets the captive free.

(Side 2): The Lord opens the eyes of the blind; the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous.

(Reader): The Lord cares for the stranger; the Lord sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.

(ALL): The Lord shall reign forever, your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!

(Reader): Here ends the first reading. You are invited to stand in body or in spirit for our second reading from the Gospel of Mark chapter 12 verses 38-44.

(Reader): As [Jesus] taught, he said,

(Side 1): "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets!

(Side 2): They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

(Reader): He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them,

(Side 1): "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury.

(Side 2): For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

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

ALL: Thanks be to God.

SERMON - Pastor Andy Evenson

Song of the Day – "O God beyond All Praising"

O God beyond All Praising



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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, And you are invited to respond: **Hear our prayer**

THE OFFERING

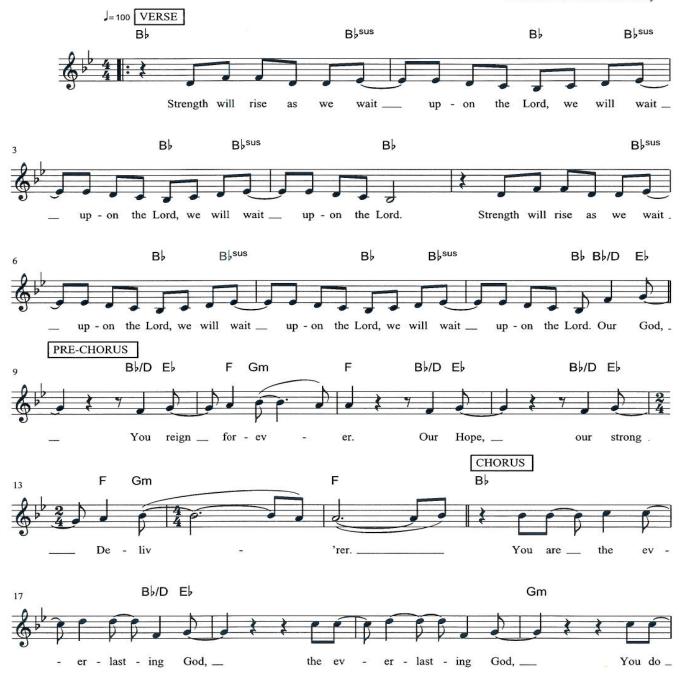
Thank you for your continued generosity and for all the ways you support God's ministry here at River of Hope. You can contact the church office and sign up for simply giving or give online or drop a check off at the church office. The watering can during November is for Global Refuge. Any children willing to help are Invited to meet Pastor Andy in the back to bring forth the Communion elements.

Offering Talk: Jeanette Krommenhoek

Offering Song: "Everlasting God"

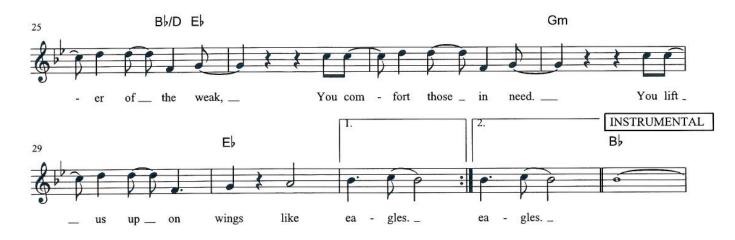
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The Feast

(Pastor Hans): Setting the Table the children lead us as we say together: Gracious God, we thank you for the food before us; the family beside us; the love between us; and your presence among us. 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

(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...

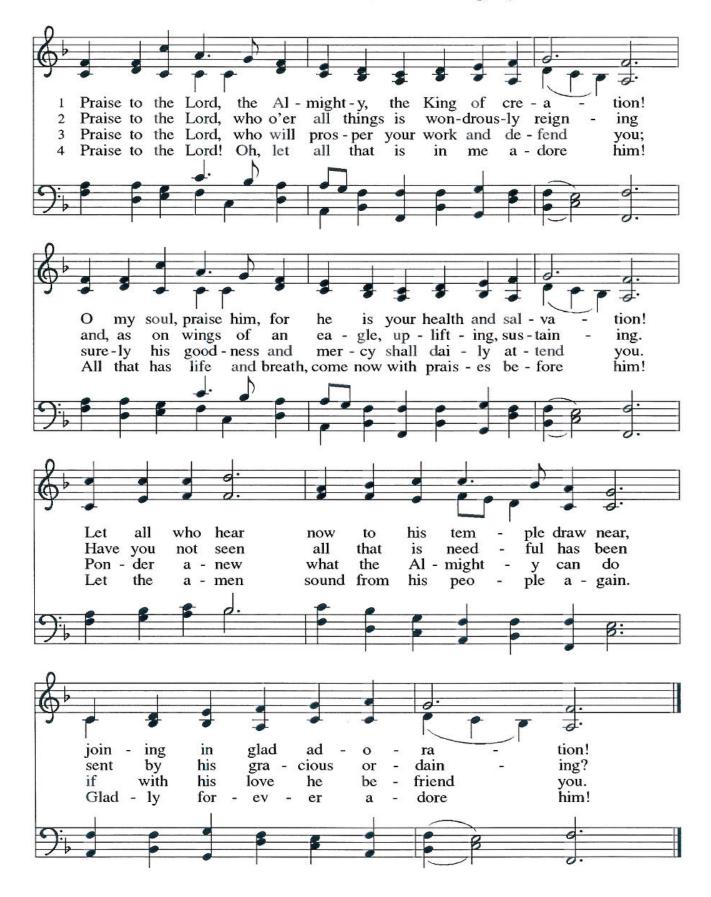
(ALL): Free

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

Communion Songs: "When the Poor Ones" and "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"



Praise to the Lord, the Almighty



Text: Joachim Neander, 1650–1680; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt. Music: LOBE DEN HERREN, Ernewerten Gesangbuch, Part II, Stralsund, 1665

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.

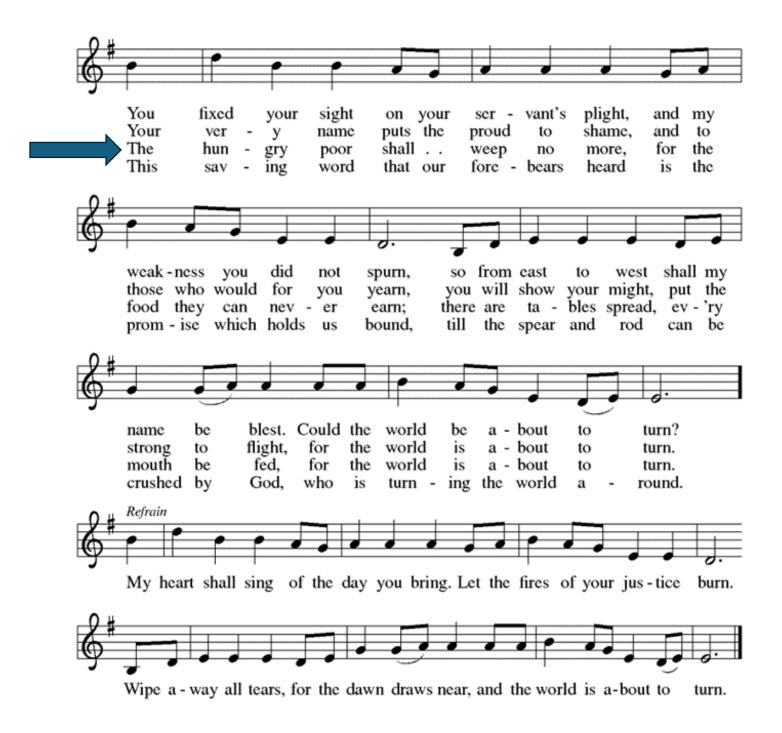
By your Holy Spirit, enliven us to be your body in the world, that we may show Christ's love to all people. Amen.

The Sending

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

Purpose Sightings

MILESTONES! Sing "Canticle of the Turning" vs. 3(b) 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.



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BLESSING

The Ancient One, enthroned, the Crucified One, now risen, the Indwelling One, poured out, 4 bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

Sending Song: "Take My Life That I May Be" (Invite children of all ages to come forward and play percussion during the Sending Song)



Go in peace. Serve the Lord. Thanks be to God

Music to Send You Out

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