## 6th Sunday After Epiphany February 16, 2025





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Gathering

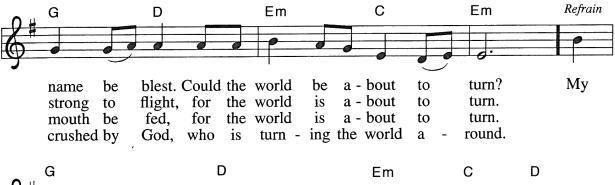
Music to Prepare Us For Worship

Opening Song: "Canticle of the Turning" Vs. 1-3

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# Canticle of the Turning







heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your jus-tice burn.



Wipe a - way all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is a-bout to turn.

### 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.

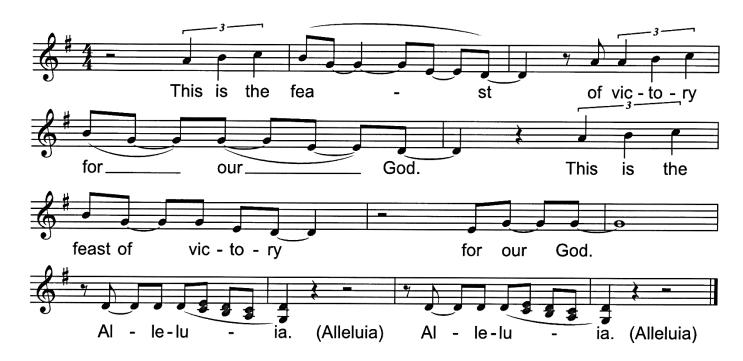
#### Greeting

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.

## This Is the Feast - Refrain

Music: Benjamin Splichal Larson



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Prayer of the Day

(Leader): Let us pray,

(ALL): Living God, in Christ you make all things new. Transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your glory, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Greet Someone New Music to bring us back together "Canticle of the Turning" Vs. 4

Children's Message

Special Music – "Isaiah 61 – The Spirit is Upon Me"

### THE STORY

(Reader): Our story and God's story continues today with two readings. You are invited to follow along in your Bibles for our first reading from Jeremiah 17:5-10

(Reader): <sup>5</sup>Thus says the Lord:
Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals
and make mere flesh their strength,
whose hearts turn away from the Lord.
<sup>6</sup>They shall be like a shrub in the desert,
and shall not see when relief comes.
They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness,
in an uninhabited salt land.

Blessed are those who trust in the Lord,
 whose trust is the Lord.
 They shall be like a tree planted by water,

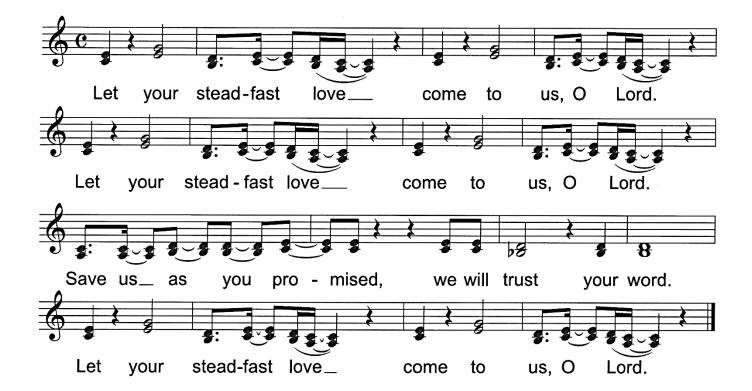
sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit.

The heart is devious above all else; it is perverse—
who can understand it?
I the Lord test the mind and search the heart, to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.

(Reader): Here ends the first reading. You are invited to stand in body or in spirit as we sing to welcome the Gospel Reading from Luke 6:17-26.

## Let Your Steadfast Love

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(Reader): Jesus came down with the twelve and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

(Side 1): "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

(Side 2): "Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.

(ALL): "Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

(Reader): "Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

(Side 1): "But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

(Side 2): "Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry.

(Side 1): "Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.

(Side 2): "Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets."

(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 - "Right By the Water"

#### **RIGHT BY THE WATER**



#### 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** 

#### 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 February is for "Erin's Kids" Any children willing to help are Invited to meet Pastor Hans in the back to bring forth the Communion elements.

Offering Song - "Let Streams of Living Justice"

## Let Streams of Living Justice



Text: William Whitla, b. 1934

Music: THAXTED, Gustav Holst, 1874–1934

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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

# Great Thanksgiving and Holy, Holy, Holy

Benjamin Splichal Larson



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

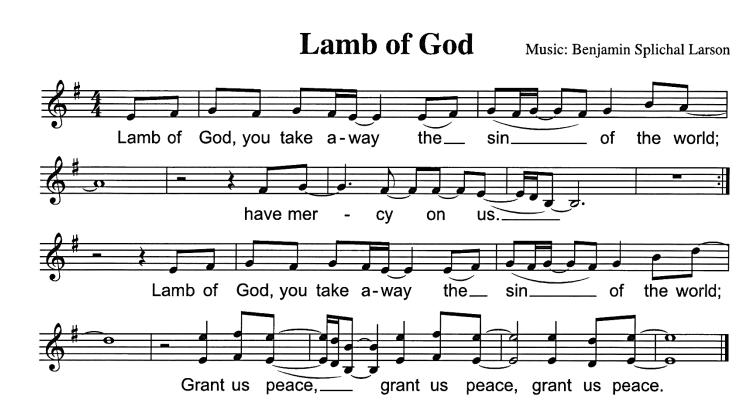
on this meal for your lives, and those of you for whom it is a strange thing.

The gifts of God are...

### (ALL): Free

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

Communion Songs: "Lamb of God", "Where Justice Rolls Down"



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### Where Justice Rolls Down

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



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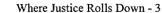
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#### Blessing after Communion

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

Prayer after Communion Nourishing God, at this table you have refreshed us with holy gifts of food and drink. Strengthen us for service, and send us out to embody your good news of liberation and healing for the sake of the world. In the name of Christ we pray,

Amen.

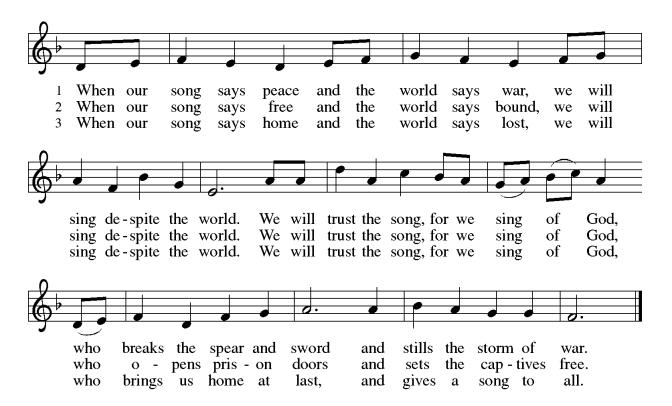
# The Sending

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

**Purpose Sightings** 

MILESTONES! Sing "When Our Song Says Peace" 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.

### When Our Song Says Peace



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Music: JENKINS, Thomas Pavlechko, b. 1962
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### Blessing

The Spirit of the triune God + bless you with joy, anoint you with compassion, and send you in love.

Amen.

Sending Song: "Mourning into Dancing" (Invite children of all ages to come forward and play percussion during the Sending Song)

## Mourning Into Dancing

Words and Music by Tommy Walker





### Dismissal

L: Go in peace, Live in hope.

### Thanks be to God

### Music to Send You Out