

6th Sunday of Easter
May 25, 2025



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

Gathering

Music to Prepare Us For Worship

Opening Song: "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!
 2 All thy works with joy sur - round thee, earth and heav'n re - flect thy rays,
 3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,

Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore thee, prais - ing thee, their sun a - bove.
 stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
 well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean - depth of hap - py rest!

Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the gloom of doubt a - way.
 Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, flow - 'ry mead - ow, flash - ing sea,
 Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our broth - er, all who live in love are thine;

Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.
 chant - ing bird, and flow - ing foun - tain call us to re - joice in thee.
 teach us how to love each oth - er, lift us to the joy di - vine!

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.**

Prayer of the Day: Let us pray.

Bountiful God, you gather your people into your realm, and you promise us food from your tree of life. Nourish us with your word, that empowered by your Spirit we may love one another and the world you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Greet Someone New

Music to bring us back together: "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" vs. 1

Children's Time

THE STORY

(Reader): *Our story and God's story continues today with two readings. First, you are invited to follow along in your Bibles for a reading from the book of Revelation chapter 22:1-5.*

(Reader): *Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.*

(Reader): *Here ends the first reading. You are invited to stand in body or in spirit as we sing to welcome our second reading from the Gospel of John, Chapter 14, 23-29.*

HALLELUJAH

Hans Peterson

C Dm7 C/E Am G

Hal - le - lu jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

C Dm7 C/E F G C

Hal - le - lu jah. Hal - le - lu jah.

©2011 Dakota Road Music
All Rights Reserved. Used by Permission.

(Reader): *Jesus answered [Judas (not Iscariot),] "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me. "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you.*

(ALL): Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

(Reader): *You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe." 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 - "Forever Emmanuel"

FOREVER EMMANUEL Larry Olson

(guitar: capo 3)

F (D) C (A) Dm (Bm) B \flat (G) C (A) F (D)

We are not a-lone, we are not a-lone, with
Fill us with your love, fill us with your love, with
Lead us to your peace, lead us to your peace, where

F (D) C (A) Am7 (F \sharp m7) Dm (Bm) B \flat (G) C (A) F (D)

eve-ry breath, through eve-ry storm, we are not a-lone
hearts of grace for eve-ry-one, fill us with your love. Sing
hun-ger and op-pres-sion cease, lead us to your peace.

Am7 (F \sharp m7) Dm7 (Bm7) Gm7 (Em7) C (A)

Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah, for-ev-er Em-man-u-el. Sing

Am7 (F \sharp m7) Dm7 (Bm7) Gm7 (Em7) C (A)

Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah, for-ev-er Em-man-u-

Dm (Bm) C (A) B \flat (G) C (A) Dm (Bm) *last time Fine*

el.

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:

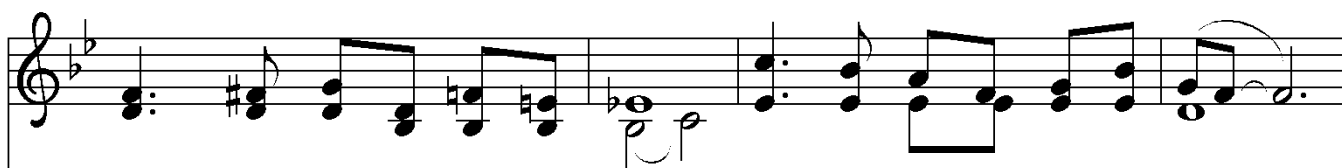
*Congregational response **"Hear our Prayer"***

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 May is for "Reel Hope Project". Any children willing to help are Invited to meet Pastor Hans in the back to bring forth the Communion elements.

Offering Song - "Just a Closer Walk with Thee"

Just a Closer Walk with Thee



Refrain Just a clos - er walk with thee, grant it, Je - sus, is my plea;
1 I am weak but thou art strong: Je - sus, keep me from all wrong;
2 Through this world of toil and snares, if I fal - ter, Lord, who cares?
3 When my fee - ble life is o'er, time for me will be no more;



dai - ly walk-ing close to thee, let it be, dear Lord, let it be.
I'll be sat - is - fied as long as I walk, let me walk close to thee. *Ref.*
Who with me my bur - den shares? None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee. *Ref.*
guide me gent - ly, safe - ly o'er to thy king - dom shore, to thy shore. *Ref.*



Text: North American traditional
Music: CLOSER WALK, North American traditional

The Feast

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."

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: "Everyone is a Child of God" and "Shall We Gather at the River"

EVERYONE IS A CHILD OF GOD

Larry Olson
Hans Peterson

G D/F# Em Cadd9 G

We are wait - ing, we are
You are good - ness, you are

D/F# Em Cadd9

watch - ing, we are hop - ing to see in the
mer - cy, you are deep mys - ter - y. In the

G D/F# Em

dis - tance, in the dark - ness a light that sets us free.
si - lence, you have spo - ken a love that sets us free.

Cadd9 G D/F# Cadd9

To see ev'-ry-one, ev'-ry-one is a child of God.

D G D/F# Cadd9 3rd time to Coda

See ev' - ry - one, ev' - ry - one, is a child, a

D G 2. D/F# Em Cadd9 G

beau - ti - ful child of God. Set us free.

Em Cadd9 D D.S. al Coda

Set us free to see ev' - ry - one,

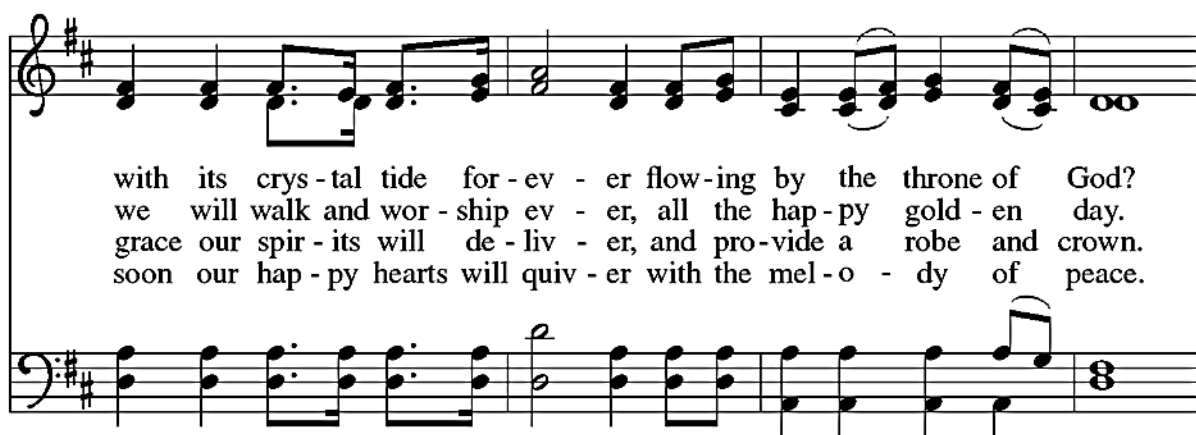
D G D/F# Em Cadd9 G

beau-ti-ful child of God.
opt. vocal tag: We are wait - ing. We are watch - ing.

Shall We Gather at the River

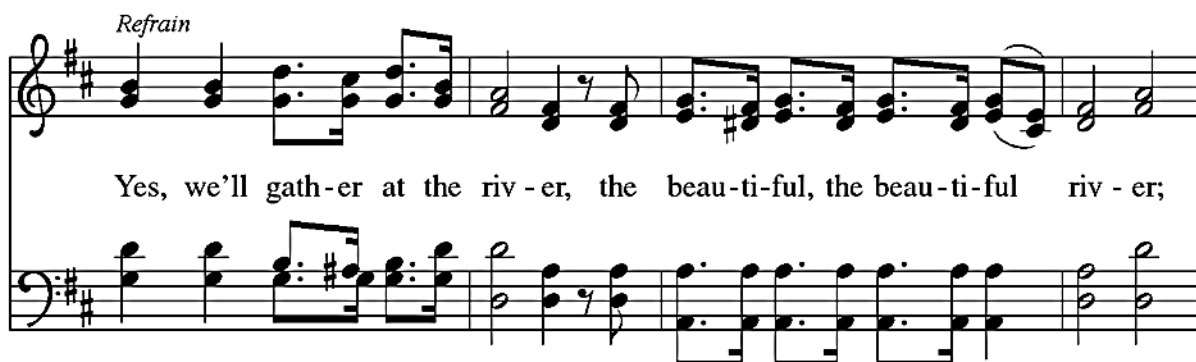


1 Shall we gath - er at the riv - er, where bright an - gel feet have trod,
 2 On the mar - gin of the riv - er, wash - ing up its sil - ver spray,
 3 Ere we reach the shin - ing riv - er, lay we ev - 'ry bur - den down;
 4 Soon we'll reach the shin - ing riv - er, soon our pil - grim - age will cease;

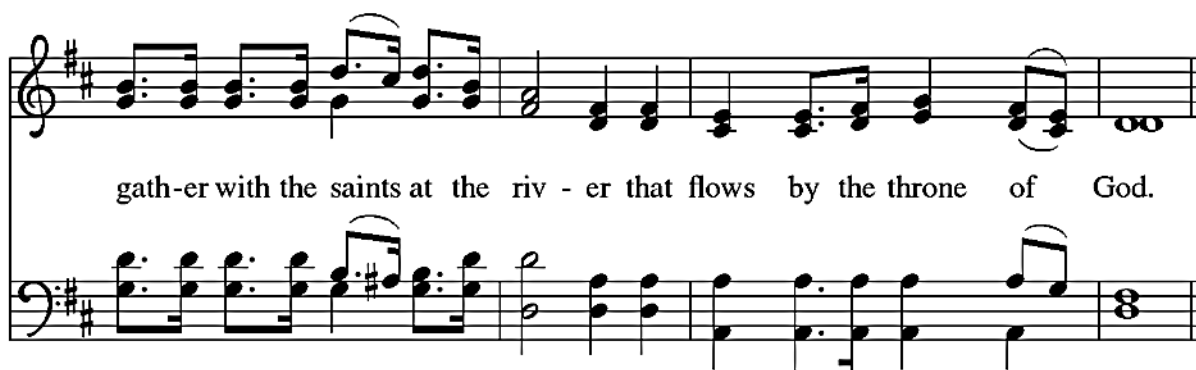


with its crys - tal tide for - ev - er flow - ing by the throne of God?
 we will walk and wor - ship ev - er, all the hap - py gold - en day.
 grace our spir - its will de - liv - er, and pro - vide a robe and crown.
 soon our hap - py hearts will quiv - er with the mel - o - dy of peace.

Refrain



Yes, we'll gath - er at the riv - er, the beau - ti - ful, the beau - ti - ful riv - er;



gath - er with the saints at the riv - er that flows by the throne of God.

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

Living One,
in this feast you have made yourself known to us.
Send us now to tell of your wonders,
sing of your glory,
and proclaim your risen life
to a wounded and weary world.
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 We Are Living" vs. 1b

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 We Are Living

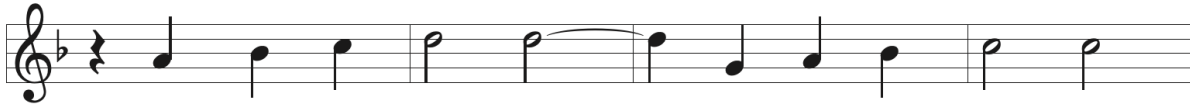
Pues si vivimos



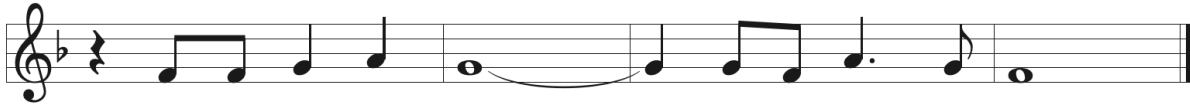
<i>Pues si vi - vi - mos,</i>	<i>pa - ra él vi - vi - mos,</i>
1 When we are liv - ing,	it is in Christ Je - sus,
2 'Mid times of sor - row	and in times of pain,
3 A - cross this wide world,	we shall al - ways find



<i>y si mo - ri - mos</i>	<i>pa - ra él mo - ri - mos.</i>
and when we're dy - ing,	it is in the Lord. . . .
when sens - ing beau - ty	or in love's em - brace, . . .
those who are cry - ing	with no peace of mind; . . .



<i>Sea que vi - va - mos</i>	<i>o que mu - ra - mos,</i>
Both in our liv - ing	and in our dy - ing,
wheth - er we suf - fer,	or sing re - joic - ing,
and when we help them,	or when we feed them,



<i>so - mos del Se - ñor,</i>	<i>so - mos del Se - ñor.</i>
we be - long to God,	we be - long to God.
we be - long to God,	we be - long to God.
we be - long to God,	we be - long to God.

Blessing

God bless you and keep you,
God smile on you and gift you,
God look you full in the face
and make you prosper.

Amen! Alleluia! Amen!

Sending Song: "This Little Light of Mine" / "My Lighthouse"

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

THIS LITTLE LIGHT

Traditional

Music notation for "This Little Light" in G major, 4/4 time. The score consists of four staves of music with lyrics underneath. Chords G, C, B7, Em, G/D, D, and C are indicated above the notes.

Staff 1: G
This lit - tle light of mine I'm gon - na let it shine.

Staff 2: C G
This lit - tle light of mine I'm gon - na let it shine.

Staff 3: B7 Em
This lit - tle light of mine I'm gon - na let it shine. Let it shine.

Staff 4: G/D D C
Let it shine. Let it shine.

Won't let no one blow it out...
Shine it here in Hutchinson...
Shine it all around the world...

public domain

My Lighthouse

Words and Music by
Gareth Gilkeson and Chris Llewellyn

INTRO

♩ = 110 B♭



VERSE

♩ B♭

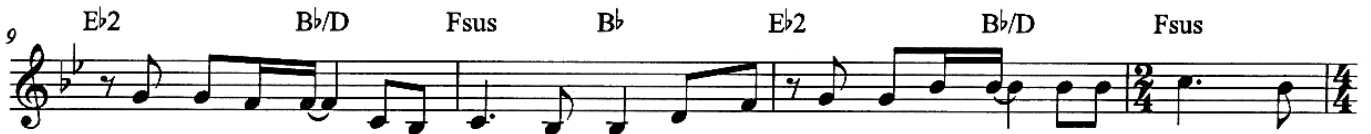
E♭2

B♭

1. In my wres - tling, and in my doubts,
2. In the si - lence, You won't let go.
3. I won't fear what to - mor - row brings.



in my fail - ures, You won't walk out. Your great love will lead me through;
In the ques - tions, Your truth will hold. Your great love will lead me through;
With each morn - ing, I'll rise and sing. My God's love will lead me through;



You are the peace in my trou - bled sea, whoa oh, You are the peace in my trou - bled
You are the peace in my trou - bled sea, whoa oh, You are the peace in my trou - bled
You are the peace in my trou - bled sea, whoa oh, You are the peace in my trou - bled

CHORUS

1 2, 3



sea. My Light - house, my Light - house
sea.
sea.



shin - ing in the dark - ness, I will fol - low You! Oh, my Light - house,



my Light - house, I will trust the prom - ise: You will car - ry me safe to shore,



safe to shore,

safe to shore,

safe to



shore.

Fire be - fore us,

You're the bright - est.



You will lead us through the storms. through the storms. Hey! through the storms.



Fire be - fore us,

You're the bright - est.

You will lead us through the storms.

CHORUS



My Light - house,

my Light - house

shin - ing in the dark - ness,



I will fol - low You! Oh,

my Light - house,

my Light - house,



I will trust the prom - ise:

You will car - ry me safe to shore,

52 F Eb2 Bb F Eb2 Bb F

safe to shore, safe to shore, safe to

57 Bb

shore.

My Lighthouse

Gareth Gilkeson | Chris Llewellyn

Key - G | Tempo - 110 | Time - 4/4

INTRO

| G | G |

VERSE 1

G C² G
In my wrestling and in my doubts
C² G D^{sus}
In my failures You won't walk out
G C² G
Your great love will lead me through
C² G/B D^{sus} G
You are the peace in my troubled sea whoa oh
C² G/B D^{sus} G
You are the peace in my troubled sea

VERSE 2

G C² G
In the silence You won't let go
C² G D^{sus}
In the questions Your truth will hold
G C² G
Your great love will lead me through
C² G/B D^{sus} G
You are the peace in my troubled sea whoa oh
C² G/B D^{sus} G
You are the peace in my troubled sea

CHORUS

C² G Em⁷ D^{sus}
My Light - house my Light - house
C² G Em⁷ D^{sus}
Shining in the darkness I will follow You oh
C² G Em⁷ D^{sus}
My Light - house my Light - house
C² G Em⁷ D^{sus}
I will trust the promise You will carry me
C² G D C² G D
Safe to shore safe to shore
C² G D G
Safe to shore safe to shore

Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Music to Send You Out

From Sundays and Seasons.com. Copyright 2005 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved. Reprinted by permission under Augsburg Fortress Liturgies Annual License #SAS023086 CCLI License # 3277748 OneLicense.net license #A-726070 Augsburg Fortress Liturgies Annual License #SAS023086. CCLI License # 3277748. OneLicense.net license # A-726070