7th Sunday After Pentecost July 27, 2025



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Gathering

Music to Prepare Us For Worship

(Andy): Welcome, introduce yourself and explain about Hans's vacation, and invite people to stand for our opening song.

Opening Song "Sing Your Praise to the Lord"

Sing Your Praise To The Lord

Words and Music by Rich Mullins



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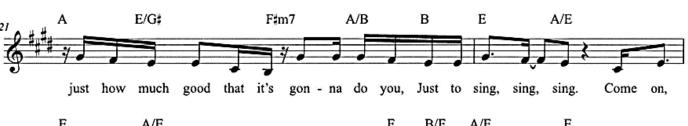








stand up and sing one more hal - le - lu - jah. Give your praise to the Lord. I can nev - er tell you





Welcome * Welcome Pads * Post it Notes *

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

Greeting

(Leader): 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.**

(Leader): Let us confess that God is God and we are not.

Pause for Reflection

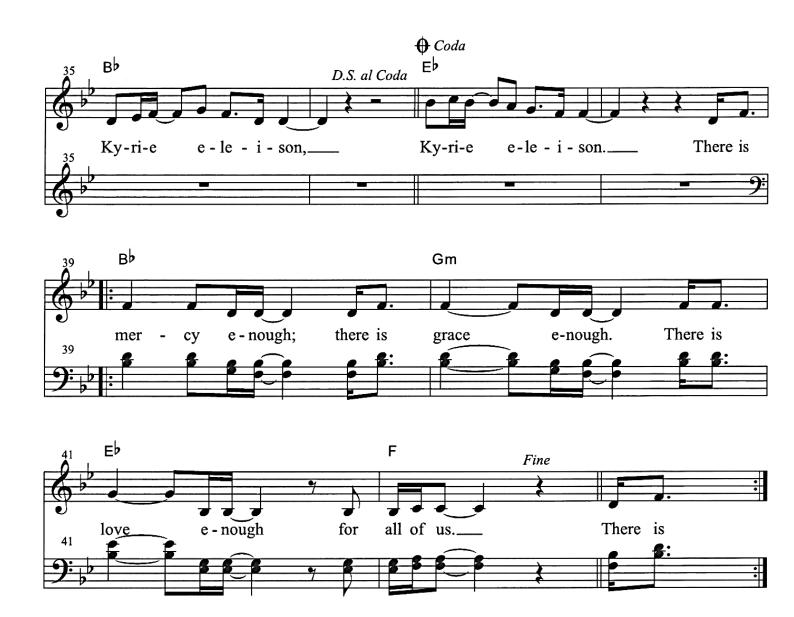
Confession and Forgiveness: "Lovely Needy People"

Lovely Needy People

Music by Gary Rand Lyrics by Lenora Rand







ANNOUNCEMENT OF FORGIVENESS

(Leader): Hear this Good News! God who is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love—loves you as you are. Because Christ commands us to forgive each other, it is through Christ that I declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the Father, + and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray,

Almighty and ever-living God, you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and you gladly give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us your abundant mercy. Forgive us those things that weigh on our conscience, and give us those good things that come only through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Greet Someone New

Music to Bring Us Back Together: "Sing your Praise to the Lord": Chorus 2

Children's Time

The Word

(Reader): Our story and God's story continues today with 2 readings. Our first lesson is from Psalm 138 verses 1-8.

(Reader): 1 will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart; before the gods I will sing your praise.

(Side 1): ²I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because of your steadfast love and faithfulness; for you have glorified your name and your word above all things.

(Reader): ³ When I called, you answered me; you increased my strength within me.

(Side 2): ⁴ All the rulers of the earth will praise you, O LORD, when they have heard the words of your mouth.

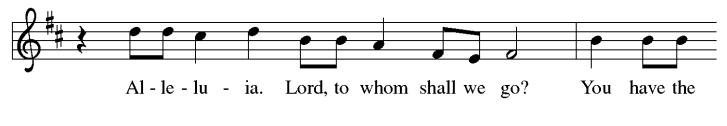
(Reader): ⁵They will sing of the ways of the LORD, that great is the glory of the LORD.

(Side 1): ⁶ The LORD is high, yet cares for the lowly, perceiving the haughty from afar.

(Reader): ⁷Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.

(Side 2): 8 You will make good your purpose for me;
O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the works of your hands.

(Reader): Our second reading comes from the Gospel of Luke chapter 11, verses 1-13. You are invited to stand in body or in spirit as we sing to welcome the Gospel.





(Reader): [Jesus] was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him,

(ALL): "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples."

(Reader): He said to them,

"When you pray, say:

Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

Give us each day our daily bread.

And forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.

And do not bring us to the time of trial."

And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him,

(Side 1): 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.'

(Reader): And he answers from within,

(Side 2): 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.'

(Reader): I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

(Side 1): "So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find;

(Side 2): knock, and the door will be opened for you.

(ALL): For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened.

(Reader): Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If

you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

(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 - "Lord Listen to your Children"

Lord Listen To Your Children

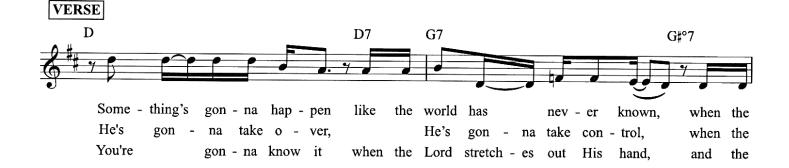
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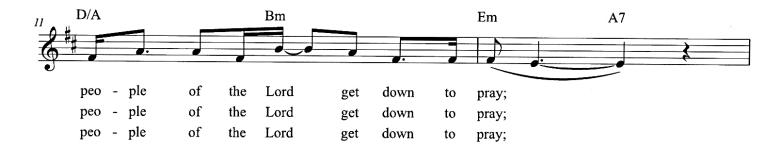


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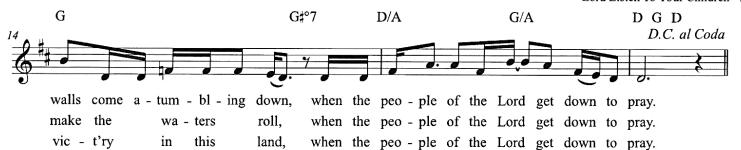


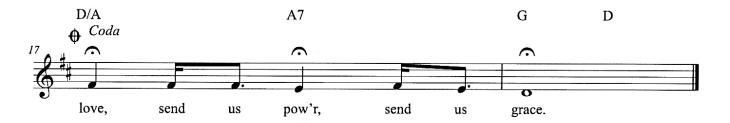
Lord, lis - ten to Your chil - dren pray - ing; Send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.











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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

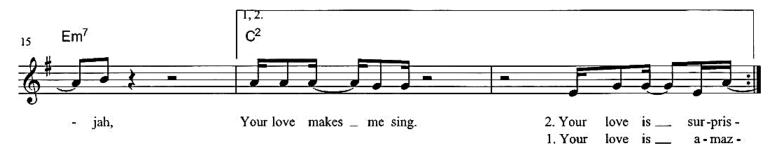
Thank you for your continued generosity and for all the ways you support God's ministry here at River of Hope. You can contact the church office and sign up for "simply giving" or give online or drop a check off at the church office. The watering can during July is for "2BContinued". Any children willing to help are Invited to meet Pastor Hans in the back to bring forth the Communion elements.

Offering Song "Hallelujah"

Hallelujah

Words and Music by Brenton Brown and Brian Doerksen





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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.

(Leader): 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...

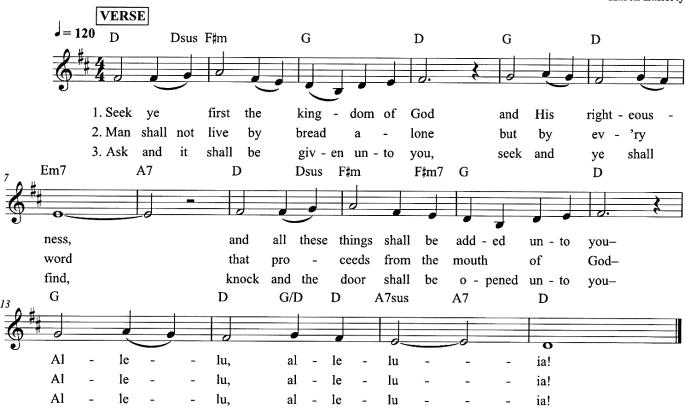
(ALL): Free

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

Communion Songs: "Seek Ye First" and "Love Lifted Me"

Seek Ye First

Words and Music by Karen Lafferty



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Love Lifted Me



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

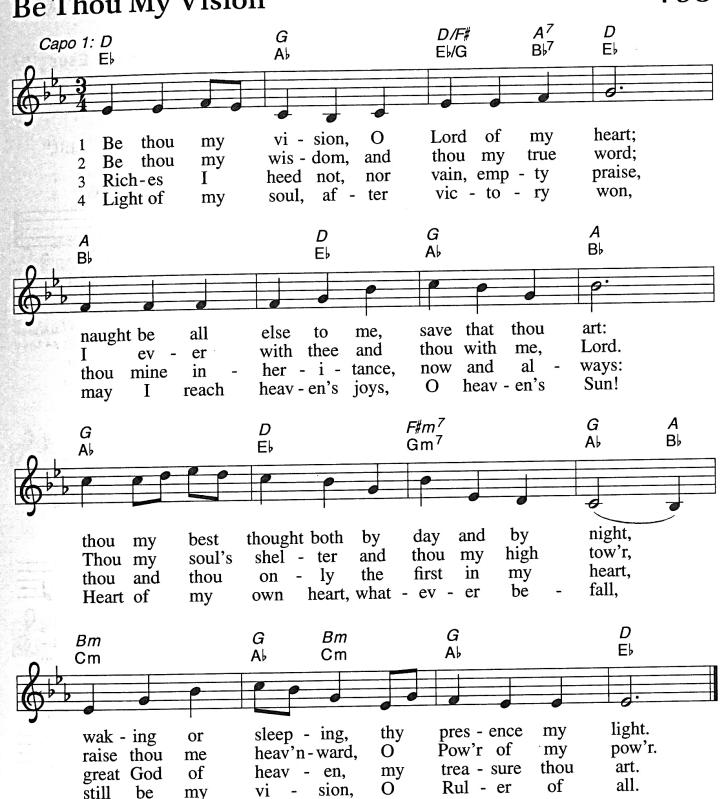
Why does our church exist? What is our purpose? We go out to transform lives through Jesus Christ.

Purpose Sightings

MILESTONES! Sing "Be Thou My Vision" 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.





Blessing

(Leader): Receive these words of blessing from God found in Isaiah 41:10 So do not fear, for I am with you.

Do not be dismayed for I am your God.

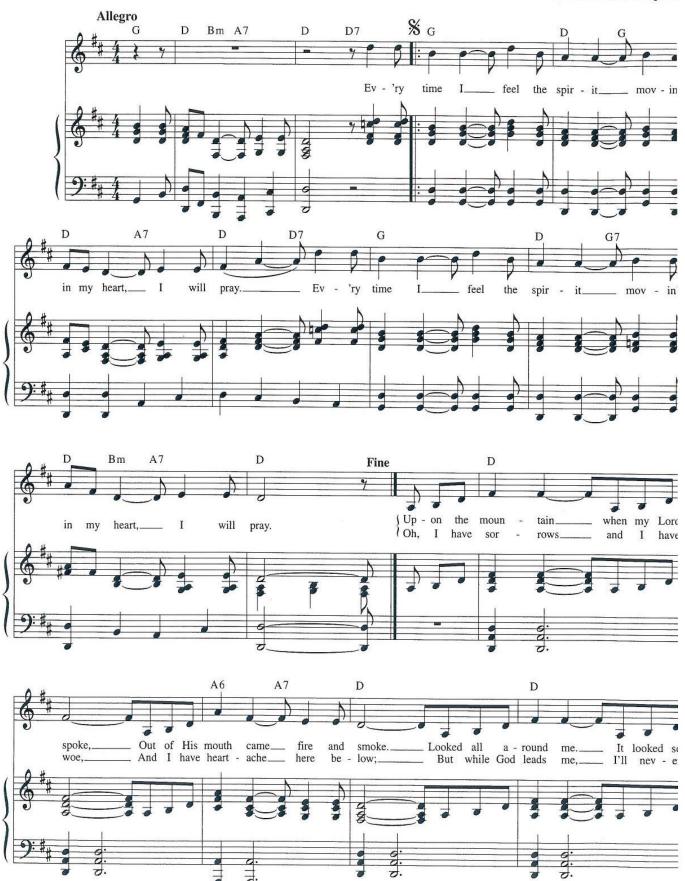
I will strengthen you and help you,

I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. Amen.

Sending Song: "Every Time I Feel the Spirit" (Invite children of all ages to come forward and play percussion during the closing song)

Every Time I Feel The Spirit

African-American Spirit





Go in peace, serve the Lord.. Thanks be to God.

Music to Send You Out

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