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Memorial Lutheran Church | Nevada, Iowa

**An asterisk denotes that the congregation is invited to stand*

Prelude: "Lobe den Herren" arr. Max Drischner

Lois Theesfield, organist

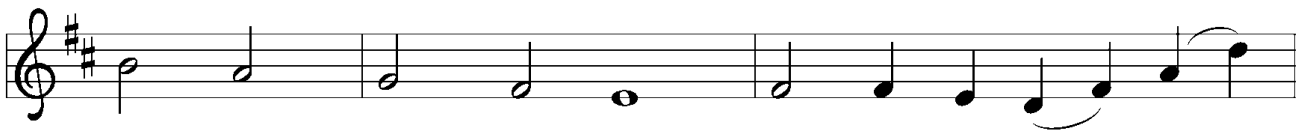
Welcome

***Gathering Hymn:** "Jesus Shall Reign" ELW #434

Jesus Shall Reign



1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun does its suc -
2 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es
3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - 'ry tongue dwell on his
4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns: the pris - 'ners
5 Let ev - 'ry crea - ture rise and bring pe - cu - liar



ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from
throng to crown his head; his name like sweet per -
love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es
leap to lose their chains, the wea - ry find e -
hon - ors to our king; an - gels de - scend with



shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.
fume shall rise with ev - 'ry morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.
ter - nal rest, and all who suf - fer want are blest.
songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt.

Music: DUKE STREET, attr. John Hatton, d. 1793

***Confession and Forgiveness**

In the name of the Father,
and of the + Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Have mercy on us, O God.

**We confess that we have sinned against you
and against our neighbor.**

**We have built walls instead of tables
and have turned away the stranger.**

**We have sought glory for ourselves
and have treasured that which does not satisfy.**

**Help us to love as you love,
to welcome those you send,
and to treasure mercy and justice.**

**Turn us from our ways to your ways,
and free us to serve those in need. Amen.**

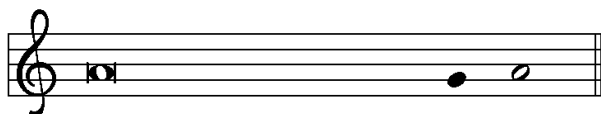
God, who makes all things new,
forgives your sins for + Jesus' sake
and remembers them no more.

Lift up your heads and your hearts.

Yours is the kingdom of God.

Amen.

*Kyrie and Canticle of Praise



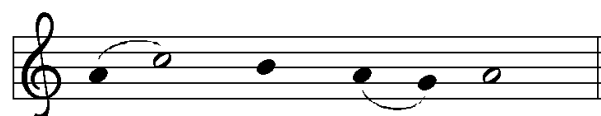
In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,

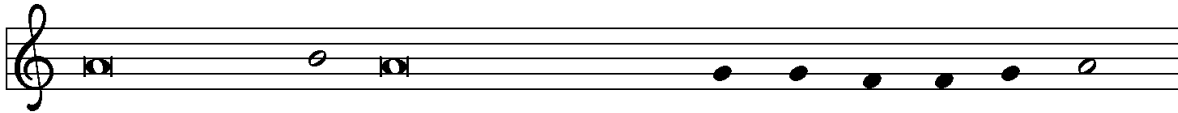


and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.





For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **Lord have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. **A - men.**



Assisting minister

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



All

Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;



and glory and kingship,
that all peoples, nations, and languages
should serve him.
His dominion is an everlasting dominion
that shall not pass away,
and his kingship is one
that shall never be destroyed.

Music Voluntary: "O God, Beyond All Praising" arr. Philip Young
Memorial Handbell Choir

Second Reading: Revelation 1:4b-8

Lector: Larry Parker

^{4b}Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

⁷Look! He is coming with the clouds;
every eye will see him,
even those who pierced him;
and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

So it is to be. Amen.

⁸"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

***Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia!

***Gospel Reading: John 18:33-37**

The Gospel according to John

Glory to You, O Lord

³³Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" ³⁴Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" ³⁵Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" ³⁶Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." ³⁷Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was

born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.”

The Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, O Christ

Sermon

Hymn of the Day “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” ELW #858

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty



1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a - tion!
2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won-drous-ly reign - ing
3 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de - fend you;
4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a - dore him!



O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and sal - va - tion!
and, as on wings of an ea - gle, up - lift - ing, sus - tain - ing.
sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall dai - ly at - tend you.
All that has life and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore him!



Let all who hear now to his tem - ple draw near,
Have you not seen all that is need - ful has been
Pon - der a - new what the Al - might - y can do
Let the a - men sound from his peo - ple a - gain.



join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
sent by his gra - cious or - dain - ing?
if with his love he be - friend you.
Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him!

***Apostles Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.*

On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

***Sharing of the Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

Offering

Music Voluntary: *"Beautiful Savior"* arr. John Behnke
Lois Theesfield, organist

Offering Prayer

Holy God,
the earth is yours and everything in it,
yet you have chosen to dwell among your creatures.
Come among us now in these gifts of bread and wine,
and strengthen us to be your body for the world
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

***The Meal**

The Lord be 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 our thanks and praise.

***Words of Institution**

***Lord's Prayer**

**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;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and 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.**

Invitation to the Table

Music Voluntary: *"Taste and See"* arr. Sandra Eithun
Memorial Handbell Choir

Prayer after Communion

Blessed Jesus,
at this table, you have been for us both host and meal.
Now send us forth to extend our tables
and to share your gifts
until that day when all feast together
at your heavenly banquet.
Amen.

Announcements

***Blessing**

God, the beginning and the end,
who has written your name in the book of life,
+ bless and keep you in grace and peace
from this time forth and forevermore.
Amen.

***Sending Hymn: "Lead On O King Eternal" ELW #805**

Lead On, O King Eternal!



1 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal! The day of march has come;
2 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, till sin's fierce war shall cease,
3 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal: we fol - low, not with fears,



hence-forth in fields of con - quest your tents will be our home.
and ho - li - ness shall whis - per the sweet a - men of peace;
for glad-ness breaks like morn - ing wher - e'er your face ap - pears.



Through days of prep - a - ra - tion your grace has made us strong;
for not with swords loud clash - ing, nor roll of stir-ring drums,
Your cross is lift - ed o'er us; we jour - ney in its light;



and now, O King e - ter - nal, we lift our bat - tle song.
but deeds of love and mer - cy the heav'n - ly king - dom comes.
the crown a - waits the con - quest; lead on, O God of might!

Text: Ernest W. Shurtleff, 1862-1917

Music: LANCASHIRE, Henry T. Smart, 1813-1879

Dismissal

Led on by the saints before us,
go in peace to

serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude: "Toccata: Lobe den Herren" arr. Hans Micheelsen

Lois Theesfield, organist

Prayers for Healing

If you have a prayer request, please email pastorkathleen@mlcnevada.org or emily@mlcnevada.org, or call the church office at 515-382-6509.

JD Parr
cousin of Kim Stieler
Teresa & Kim Krebs
and family
Michael Neal
Ethyleen Sampson
Gary Kluever
Judy Coverdale
Patricia Barrance
*mother of Vanessa
Borwick*
Carsrud family following
death of De's brother,
Dave Olinger

Family of John and
Tanya Sorem
Jami Tharp
Fred Samuelson
Larry Christian
Jaylee Bartleson
Jeff Sebring
*son-in-law of Ernie and
Marlene Ruhde*
Norma Gandrup
Sheila Collingwood
*mother of Lyndsey
De Vos*

James Stephens
George Forsyth
Janeen Driscoll
Lynn Harris
Julie Sutherland
Cassie Harrell
Jan Cook
John Snitko
*son-in-law of Bob and
Liz Meimann*
Jim Pappas



Announcements

Thanksgiving Eve Service (and pie!)

Mark your calendars and start your ovens: Memorial's Thanksgiving Eve service will be held this Wednesday, November 24th at 7:00 PM, followed by delicious pie! All are welcome to bring pie or other treats to share.

Senior Thanksgiving Luncheon

Nevada Parks and Recreation's annual Senior Thanksgiving Luncheon will be held Tuesday, November 23rd at Gates Memorial Hall at 11:30 AM (a meal donation of \$7 is requested). Curbside pick-up will also be available from 11:45 AM—12:15 PM. Reservations must be made in advance by calling 515-382-4352. A HUGE thank you to everyone who donated green beans!

Advent Decorating Party This Saturday

Help decorate the church for Advent! We'll be meeting in the Sanctuary at 9:00 AM this Saturday, November 27th. All ages are welcome to participate. Apple cider and a few goodies will also be available.

Office Closed Thursday/Friday for Thanksgiving

The church office will be closed Thursday, November 25th through Friday, November 26th in honor of Thanksgiving. We will resume normal business hours on Monday, November 29th.

Community Thanksgiving Day Dinner in Need of Volunteers

The First Christian Church Disciples of Christ will be hosting their 30th annual Thanksgiving Day Dinner this Thursday, November 25th from 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM. They are looking for volunteers to help serve, deliver meals, and clean up. Please contact Laural Beaty at 515-401-7321 if you can help. Thank you!

First Communion Workshop and Celebration

We will be holding a First Communion Workshop from 9:30—10:30 AM Saturday, December 4th at Memorial. A celebration of First Communion will then be held Sunday, December 5th during the 9:00 AM worship service. If you have any questions, please email Pr. Kathleen at pastorkathleen@mlcnevada.org.

Tithe.ly Clarification

Thank you to everyone who has already made the switch over to Tithe.ly, our new online giving platform. Please note that this switch applies to all members who have been using automatic giving. In other words, ***if you have been using automatic giving, you will need to switch to Tithe.ly for that giving to continue.*** Please visit mlcnevada.org or tithe.ly/give to start giving with Tithe.ly. If you need help, please call the church office or stop by during office hours.

Join in a “Snowtastic Day” this December!

ISU Extension and Outreach will be hosting a “Snowtastic Day” December 28th from 8:00 AM—3:00 PM here at Memorial. This indoor event will explore programming robots to move snow, using Legos to create snowblades, learning about snow, and much more! Fees are \$25 per participant; \$15 per 4-H/Clover Kid Member; \$15 per additional sibling. To register, please contact Mary Wilkins at 515-337-1601 or mwilkins@iastate.edu.

Nevada Community Cupboard Looking for New Board Member

The Community Cupboard is on the hunt for a new Board member to represent Memorial, as Mark Larsen will be stepping down from the board beginning in January. Mark has done an outstanding job and his passion for the Cupboard has certainly been evident in his years on the Board. If you or someone you know is interested in helping feed the hungry in our community, please see the following information on serving as a board member:

The Nevada Community Cupboard is governed by a board of directors made up of one from each church in the Nevada community. The board is responsible for setting policy, budget controls, fundraising, and conducting the affairs of the Community Cupboard. The board meets once a month for approximately one hour.



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