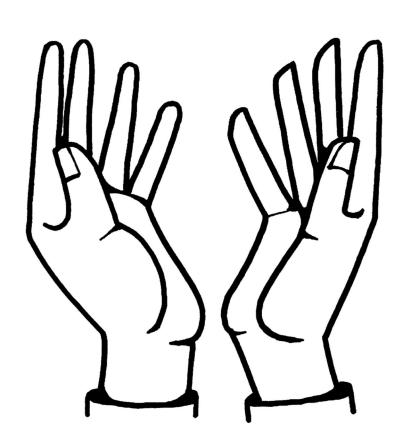
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Memorial Lutheran Church | Nevada, Iowa
\*An asterisk denotes that the congregation is invited to stand

Prelude: "Praise Ye the Father" - arr. Sharon Wilson

Emilia Stage, violin; Charlie Lloyd, cello

#### Welcome

\*Gathering Hymn: "How Firm a Foundation" ELW #796

#### How Firm a Foundation



Text: J. Rippon, *A Selection of Hymns*, 1787, alt. Music: FOUNDATION, Early American

# **Back to School Blessing**

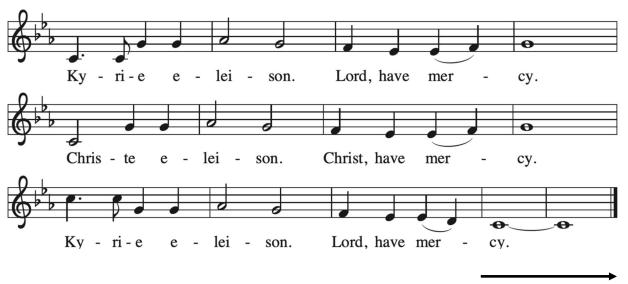
All students and teachers are invited to come forward at this time

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

# **Kyrie**

All sing together



# Glory to You, God

All sing together



# \*Prayer of the Day

O God, mighty and immortal, you know that as fragile creatures surrounded by great dangers, we cannot by ourselves stand upright. Give us strength of mind and body, so that even when we suffer because of human sin, we may rise victorious through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

#### First Reading: Isaiah 58:9b - 14

Lector: Fred Alderson

<sup>9b</sup>If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, <sup>10</sup>if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted. then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. <sup>11</sup>The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. <sup>12</sup>Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach. the restorer of streets to live in.

<sup>13</sup>If you refrain from trampling the sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the sabbath a delight and the holy day of the Lord honorable; if you honor it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs; <sup>14</sup>then you shall take delight in the Lord, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Second Reading: Hebrews 12:18 - 29

Lector: Fred Alderson

<sup>18</sup>You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, <sup>19</sup>and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. <sup>20</sup> (For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." <sup>21</sup>Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") <sup>22</sup>But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, <sup>23</sup>and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, <sup>24</sup>and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

<sup>25</sup>See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we

escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! <sup>26</sup>At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." <sup>27</sup>This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. <sup>28</sup>Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; <sup>29</sup>for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

# \*Gospel Acclamation



Gospel Reading: Luke 13:10 - 17

The Gospel according to Luke Glory to You, O Lord

<sup>10</sup>Now [Jesus] was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. <sup>11</sup>And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. <sup>12</sup>When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." <sup>13</sup>When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. <sup>14</sup>But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." <sup>15</sup>But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? <sup>16</sup>And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" <sup>17</sup>When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

The Gospel of the Lord **Praise to you, O Christ** 

#### Sermon

# **Brief Congregation Meeting**

"A Welcoming Space = A Welcoming Place" Update

Jerome Rewerts, Council President and Larry Parker, Property Team Chairperson

Finance Team Update Kara Nady

Voting on Mission Investment Fund loan resolution

# **Prayers of Intercession**

# **Sharing of the Peace**

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

#### THE MEAL

# Offering

**Music Voluntary:** "It Is Well with My Soul" - arr. Sharon Wilson Emilia Stage, violin; Charlie Lloyd, cello

# Offering Prayer

God of abundance: you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus.

Amen.

# The Great Thanksgiving

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.

#### **Preface & Holy Holy Holy**

It is indeed right... ...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



#### **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 Communion**

In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy. Come to the banquet.

Communion Hymns: "Lamb of God" ACS Setting 12

"Here is Bread" ELW #483

"We Come to You for Healing, Lord" ELW #617

# Lamb of God

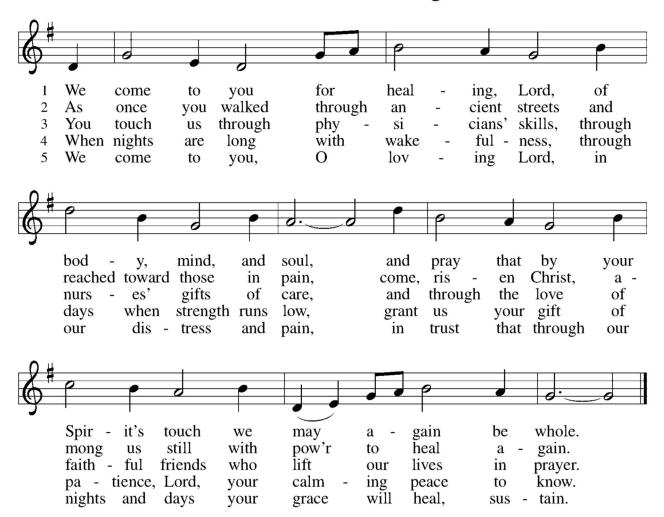


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# Here Is Bread



# We Come to You for Healing, Lord



Text: Herman G. Stuempfle Jr., 1923-2007

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# **Prayer After Communion**

Life-giving God.

through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy.

Now send us forth to live for others,

both friend and stranger,

that all may come to know your love.

This we pray in the name of Jesus.

Amen.

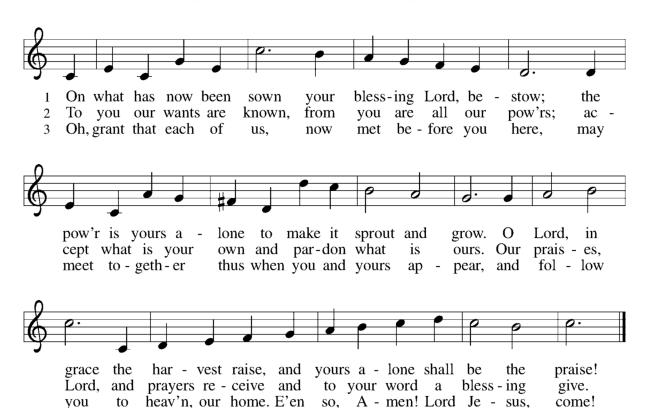
#### **Announcements**

#### **Blessing**

The God of peace, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always. **Amen.** 

Sending Hymn: "On What Has Now Been Sown" ELW #550

#### On What Has Now Been Sown



Text: John Newton, 1725-1807, alt.

Music: DARWALL'S 148TH, John Darwall, 1731-1789

#### **Dismissal**

Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

Thanks be to God.

**Postlude:** "Hymn to Joy" - arr. Albert Travis

Lois Theesfield, organ

# **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.

Prayers for Jenni Robey, daughter of Marlin and Shirley Klonglan, following the death of her husband Marty

Prayers for the family and friends of Sandra Olson following her death
Prayers for the family and friends of Addison Witte following the death of her father
Prayers for the family and friends of George Forsyth following the death of his sister

Richard Moats friend of Diane Eilers

Janet Jacques

**Easton Farrington** 

Janice Hartz

Jim Dalthorp

Mel Craven

Connie Krupp

Randy Matthews friend of Mike Coverdale

Max Carey friend of Mike Coverdale

Jack Aden brother-in-law of Judy Johnson

Connie Robinson sister of Shirley Klonglan Cari Reid Annalissa Brodersen daughter of Jack and Carol Vincent

Jackie Byers daughter of Shellie Black

Gloria (Jack) Aden sister of Judy Johnson

Julie Kowalczyck aunt of Tanya Sorem

Jerry Radke

Cassie Harrell

Donna See

Katie Brockmeier granddaughter-in-law of Ruth Brockmeier

Norma Dannan friend of Betty Runge

Teresa & Kim Krebs and family

Michael Neal

Patricia Barrance mother of Vanessa Borwick

Jami Tharp

Fred Samuelson

Larry Christian

Jaylee Bartleson

Norma Gandrup

Sheila Collingwood mother of Lyndsey De Vos

Judy Coverdale

James Stephens

George Forsyth

Janeen Driscoll

Lynn Harris

Julie Sutherland

Jan Cook

#### **Announcements**

# Memorial Handbells and Choir Rehearsals Resume August 31st

Memorial's bell choir and vocal choir rehearsals are set to resume next Wednesday, August 31st. Bells meet from 6:00—7:15 PM, followed by choir from 7:30—8:45 PM. New members from all vocal sections are welcome to come sing with the choir! One ringer is also needed for a temporary vacant position in bells—this would be a great opportunity to give handbells a try! For more information, please contact Lois Theesfield, Minister of Music at loistfield@gmail.com.

# **CROP Walk at Lincoln Highway Days Parade**

Watch for the CROP Walk float on Saturday, August 27th at 10am. Want to walk with us? Contact Pr. Kathleen at pastorkathleen@mlcnevada.org or call the office at 515-382-6509.

# **Adopt a Plant**

We are searching for loving homes for Memorial's potted plant population in the hallway south of the Sanctuary. See a plant you like? Please feel free to take it home!

# **Nevada Food at First Seeking "Produce Handlers"**

The Food at First crew is looking for an on-call group of volunteers willing to help wash and prep freshly-picked fruits and vegetables from the community garden. These "Produce Handlers" would receive a day/time notification when new produce is ready to be prepped and would then be able to simply check their schedule and reply if they are available. All ages are welcome! Please email or call Barb Mittman at <a href="mailto:bk mittman@yahoo.com">bk mittman@yahoo.com</a> or 515-203-9946.

# Do you get our newsletters and other email notices?

Make sure you email emily@mlcnevada.org to sign up to receive communications online. If you believe you are already on our list and are not receiving emails, please check your spam or "promotions" inboxes.

# Online Giving with Tithe.ly

Thank you for joining us for worship today! If you would like to support our ministries, online gifts can be made using http://tithe.ly/give or by scanning the QR code. You can now begin giving to MLC's "A Welcoming Space = A Welcoming Place" project!



#### Save the Date

#### **Fellowship & Outreach Team Meeting**

Contact Tanya Sorem with any questions

When: Wednesday, August 25th, 7:30—8:30 PM

Who: Anyone interested in planning fun activities and events

#### Memorial Handbells and Choir Rehearsals Resume

When: Wednesday, August 31st

Handbells: 6:00—7:15 PM Choir: 7:30—8:45 PM

Who: Anyone interested in planning fun activities and events

#### **Confirmation Students & Parents Meeting**

When: Wednesday, August 31st. 6:30—7:30 PM

Where: Fellowship Hall

Who: All 7th, 8th, and 9th graders and their parents

#### **God's Work Our Hands Sunday**

When: Sunday, September 4th

Who: All ages

# **Sunday School Begins**

When: Sunday, September 11th

Who: All ages

# **MLC Golf Outing**

Call the church office for more details and to sign up for a tee time

When: Sunday, September 18th

Tee times: 2:00, 2:10, 2:20, 2:30, 2:40, 2:50

Where: Indian Creek Country Club

Who: All ages

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