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Memorial Lutheran Church | Nevada, Iowa

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

Prelude: "Jesus Lead Thou On" - Paul Manz

Lois Theesfield, organ

Welcome

***Gathering Hymn:** "Day by Day" ELW #790

Day by Day



1 Day by day, your mer - cies, Lord, at - tend me, bring - ing com - fort
2 Day by day, I know you will pro - vide me strength to serve and
3 Oh, what joy to know that you are near me when my bur - dens



to my anx-ious soul. Day by day, the bless-ings, Lord, you send me
wis - dom to o - bey; I will seek your lov - ing will to guide me
grow too great to bear; oh, what joy to know that you will hear me



draw me near - er to my heav'n-ly goal. Love di - vine, be - yond all
o'er the paths I strug - gle day by day. I will fear no e - vil
when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer. Day by day, no mat - ter



mor - tal mea - sure, brings to naught the bur - dens of my quest; Sav - ior,
of the mor - row, I will trust in your en - dur - ing grace. Sav - ior,
what be - tide me, you will hold me ev - er in your hand. Sav - ior,



lead me to the home I trea - sure, where at last I'll find e - ter - nal rest.
help me bear life's pain and sor - row till in glo - ry I be - hold your face.
with your pres - ence here to guide me, I will reach at last the prom - ised land.

Text: Carolina Sandell Berg, 1832–1903; tr. Robert Leaf, 1936–2005

Music: BLOTT EN DAG, Oskar Ahnfelt, 1813–1882

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Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
who is eager to forgive
and who loves us beyond our days.
Amen.

Dear friends, together let us acknowledge
our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of mercy and forgiveness,
we confess that sin still has a hold on us.
We have harmed your good creation.
We have failed to do justice,
love kindness,
and walk humbly with you.
Turn us in a new direction.
Show us the path that leads to life.
Be our refuge and strength on the journey,
through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.
Amen.

Beloved of God:
your sins are forgiven + and you are made whole.
God points the way to new life in Christ,
who meets us on the road.
Journey now in God's abiding love
through the power of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

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

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

Chris - te e - lei - son. Christ, have mer - cy.

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

Glory to You, God

1 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;
2 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;
3 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;

yours is the prom - ise, the bless - ing, the birth.
yours the ho - san - nas, the dy - ing, re - birth.
yours the a - noint - ing, the ra - di - ant worth.

Ours the re - joic - ing for Word giv - en frame;
Ours the re - joic - ing for na - ture re - claimed;
Ours the re - joic - ing for spir - its a - flame;

ours the thanks - giv - ing to your ho - ly name.

Ours be the tell - ing of deeds great - ly done;

yours be the glo - ry, O God, yours a - lone.

*Prayer of the Day

O Lord God, tireless guardian of your people, you are always ready to hear our cries. Teach us to rely day and night on your care. Inspire us to seek your enduring justice for all this suffering world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

First Reading: Genesis 32:22 - 31

Lector:

²²The same night [Jacob] got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. ²⁴Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." ²⁷So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." ²⁹Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. ³⁰So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." ³¹The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Special Music: "Standing in the Need of Prayer"

Memorial Men's Ensemble

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 3:14 - 4:5

Lector:

¹⁴But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, ¹⁵and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

^{4:1}In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: ²proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. ³For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, ⁴and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. ⁵As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Children's Message

*Gospel Acclamation



Gospel Reading: Luke 18:1 - 8

The Gospel according to Luke
Glory to You, O Lord

¹Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. ²He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. ³In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' ⁴For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, ⁵yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.' " ⁶And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? ⁸I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

The Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, O Christ

Sermon

***Hymn of the Day: "Ten Thousand Reasons" ACS #1097**

PRAISE, THANKSGIVING

1097

Ten Thousand Reasons

Bless the Lord, O My Soul

Refrain

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul;
 wor-ship his ho - ly name. Sing like nev - er be-fore,
 O my soul; I'll wor-ship your ho - ly name.

1 The sun comes up, it's a new day dawn-ing;
 2 You're rich in love, and you're slow to an - ger. Your
 3 And on that day when my strength is fail - ing, the

... it's time to sing your song a - gain. What - ev - er may
 name . . is . . . great, and your heart is kind. For all . . your
 end . . draws near, and my time has come; . . . still, my

pass, and what - ev - er lies be - fore me, let me be
 good-ness, I will keep . . on . . sing-ing— ten thou-sand
 soul will sing your praise un - end - ing— ten thou-sand

Refrain

sing - ing when the eve - ning comes.
 rea - sons for my heart to find.
 years and then for - ev - er - more!

Text: Matt Redman, b. 1974, and Jonas Myrin, b. 1982

Music: Matt Redman and Jonas Myrin

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TEN THOUSAND REASONS

Irregular

The language in the refrain may be adapted to correspond with Psalm 103 in *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*: "... worship God's holy name"

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.**

THE MEAL

Offering

Music Voluntary: *"What a Friend We Have in Jesus" - Ruth Artman
Memorial Choir; Emily Dalthorp, handbells; Christine Heintz, flute; Sue Lekwa, accompanist*

Offering Prayer

**Gracious God,
in your great love you richly provide for our needs.
Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing,
and make us ready to share with all in need;
through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all.
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

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

Christ invites you to this table.
Come, taste and see.

Communion Hymns: *"Lamb of God" ACS Setting 12*
"This is Christ's Body" ACS #967
"If You But Trust in God to Guide You" ELW #769

Lamb of God



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on

us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have

mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the

world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

This Is Christ's Body

The musical score is written on three staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are: 'This is Christ's bod - y, bro - ken and blest. Feed us with mer-cy and love. We are Christ's bod - y, bro-ken and blest. Heal us and make us one.' The first staff ends with a double bar line. The second staff has a long note for 'love.' and a long note for 'bod - y,'. The third staff ends with a double bar line.

This is Christ's bod - y, bro - ken and blest. Feed us with

mer-cy and love. We are Christ's bod - y,

bro-ken and blest. Heal us and make us one.

Text: Anne Krentz Organ, b. 1960

Music: BROKEN AND BLESSED, Anne Krentz Organ

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If You But Trust in God to Guide You



1 If you but trust in God to guide you with gen - tle
 2 What gain is there in anx - ious weep - ing, in help - less
 3 The Lord our rest - less hearts is hold - ing, in peace and
 4 Sing, pray, and keep God's ways un - swerv - ing, of - fer your



hand through all your ways, you'll find that God is there be -
 an - ger and dis - tress? If you are in your Sav - ior's
 qui - et - ness con - tent. We rest in God's good will un -
 ser - vice faith - ful - ly. Trust heav - en's word; though un - de -



side you when cross - es come, in try - ing days. Trust then in
 keep - ing, in sor - row will he love you less? For Christ who
 fold - ing, what wis - dom from on high has sent. God, who has
 serv - ing, you'll find God's prom - ise true to be. This is our



God's un - chang - ing love; build on the rock that will not move.
 took for you a cross will bring you safe through ev - 'ry loss.
 cho - sen us by grace, knows ver - y well the fears we face.
 con - fi - dence in - deed: God nev - er fails in time of need.

Text: Georg Neumark, 1621–1681; tr. composite

Music: WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT, Georg Neumark

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Prayer After Communion

God of the abundant table,
you have refreshed our hearts in this meal
with bread for the journey.
Give us your grace on the road
that we might serve our neighbors with joy;
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen.

Announcements

Blessing

God, who gives life to all things
and frees us from despair,
bless you with truth and peace.
And may the holy Trinity, + one God,
guide you always in faith, hope, and love.
Amen.

Sending Hymn: "Jesus Still Lead On" ELW #624

Jesus, Still Lead On



1 Je - sus, still lead on, till our rest be won; and, al - though the
2 If the way be drear, if the foe be near, let no faith - less
3 When we seek re - lief from a long - felt grief, when temp - ta - tions
4 Je - sus, still lead on, till our rest be won; heav'n - ly lead - er,



way be cheer - less, we will fol - low, calm and fear - less;
fears o'er - take us, let not faith and hope for - sake us;
come al - lur - ing make us pa - tient and en - dur - ing;
still di - rect us, still sup - port, con - sole, pro - tect us,



guide us by your hand to the prom - ised land.
safe - ly past the foe to our home we go.
show us that bright shore where we weep no more.
till we safe - ly stand in the prom - ised land.

Text: Nicolaus L. von Zinzendorf, 1700–1760; tr. Jane L. Borthwick, 1813–1897, alt.
Music: SEELENBRÄUTIGAM, Adam Drese, 1620–1701

Dismissal

Go in peace, with Christ beside you.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude: "Guide Me Ever Great Redeemer" - Paul Manz

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 the family of Rev. Don Rothweiler following his death

*Prayers for Teresa Krebs and family and friends following the death of Teresa's husband,
Kim Krebs*

*Prayers for Dustin, Jackson, and Vanessa Reid following the death of Dustin's wife,
Cari Bauman*

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

Ernie Ruhde
Sierra Parr
cousin of Kim Stieler
Catherine Barrance-Fritsehe
sister of Vanessa Borwick
Janet Jacques
Easton Farrington
Janice Hartz
Jim Dalthorp
Connie Krupp
Randy Matthews
friend of Mike Coverdale
Family and friends of
+Max Carey
friend of Mike Coverdale
Jack Aden
*brother-in-law of
Judy Johnson*

Connie Robinson
sister of Shirley Klonglan
Jackie Byers
daughter of Shellie Black
Jerry Radke
Cassie Harrell
Donna See
Katie Brockmeier
*granddaughter-in-law of Ruth
Brockmeier*
Norma Dannan
friend of Betty Runge
Michael Neal
Patricia Barrance
mother of Vanessa Borwick
Jami Tharp

Fred Samuelson
Larry Christian
Jaylee Bartleson
Sheila Collingwood
*mother of Lyndsey
De Vos*
Judy Coverdale
Family and friends of
+James Stephens
George Forsyth
Janeen Driscoll
Lynn Harris
Julie Sutherland
Jan Cook

Announcements

MLC Trunk-or-Treat

Trunk-or-Treat returns! Come to Memorial's parking lot Saturday, October 29th between 5:00 and 7:00pm for trick-or-treating around decorated vehicles. Walking tacos will be available with free-will donations benefitting Nevada's Good Samaritan Fund. There will also be a "Best Decorated Trunk" contest with a prize for the winner! Want to bring your decorated vehicle and hand out candy? Sign up here: <https://bit.ly/MLCTrunkOrTreat>, scan the QR code, or contact the church office.



No Saturday Service Oct. 29th

We will not be holding Saturday evening service on October 29th. Please join us on Sunday, October 30th to support our Confirmation students who will be affirming their baptism.

All Saints Sunday November 6th

We have records of the names of Memorial members who have joined the Church Triumphant in the last year. Their names will be read during a special time of prayer on All Saints Sunday. We are mindful that many of you may have lost others who are dear to you in this past year. If you would like for their name to be read, please email the church office at emily@mlcnevada.org.

Volunteer Opportunity: Raising Readers in Story County

Raising Readers in Story County would like to invite you to participate in their fall programming that promotes the literacy development of children. The Reading Buddies after-school tutoring program gives first through third grade students an extra boost in literacy by pairing them with a trained volunteer tutor.

Tutors and students meet two times per week for 45-minute sessions that begin the week of September 26th and ends the week of November 14th. Tutoring will take place at Memorial Lutheran Church in collaboration with the Boys and Girls Club on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:30 - 5:15 (2 sessions back to back). For details and to register for the Reading Buddies program.

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.

Update: “A Welcoming Space = A Welcoming Place” Heating/Cooling Project

Thank you to the nearly 50 households who have pledged and/or given to our “A Welcoming Space = A Welcoming Place” heating/cooling project! So far, \$57,934 has been given out of a total pledge amount of \$127,388. This pledge amount equals 60% of our \$210,000 goal.

Thank you for your continued generosity!

CROP Walk: Thank you for your participation!

Thank you to all those who donated money and/or walked to fight hunger globally and locally back on October 2nd! We are looking forward to sharing totals from your efforts in the next week or so!

Finance Forums - Sunday, November 6th and 20th

As the Finance Team finalizes Memorial’s General Fund budget for 2023, we will be holding two finance forums on Nov. 6th and 20th at 10:30am in Fellowship Hall. This is your chance to hear more about the upcoming budget and to ask any questions you may have.

Ministry Endowment Reception - Thursday, November 10th

Come out and learn more about some of the ministries and projects that will be benefitting from Memorial’s 2022 Endowment Grant awards! Beverages and treats will be provided.

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

Faith Time Service Night

When: Wednesday, October 26th, 5:45pm

Who: All ages

MLC Trunk-or-Treat

Vehicle sign-up: <https://bit.ly/MLCTrunkOrTreat>

When: Saturday, October 29th, 5:00pm

Where: MLC parking lot

Who: All ages

Confirmation Sunday

Come support our confirmands and celebrate with cake afterwards!

When: Sunday, October 30th during 9:00am worship

All Saints Sunday

When: Sunday, November 6th during 9:00am worship

Finance Forum

Learn more about the 2023 budget and have an opportunity to ask questions

When: Sunday, November 6th, 10:30am

Where: Fellowship Hall

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