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

Prelude: "Crown Him with Many Crowns" - John Behnke Lois Theesfield, organ

Welcome

*Gathering Hymn: "Crown Him with Many Crowns" ELW #855



- Crown him with man y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne:
- Crown him the vir - gin's Son, in - car - nate the God born.
- of love-Crown him the Lord be - hold his hands and side.
- Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave
- Crown him the Lord po - ten - tate of years, the of time,



hark, how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but those crim-son tro-phies won which now his brow a - dorn; whose arm rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau-ty glo - ri - fied. vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save. cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fab - ly





as thy match-less king through all e - ter - ni - ty. and hail him the root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, the babe of Beth - le - hem. but down - ward bend their burn - ing eyes at mys-ter-ies so e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die. glo - ry shall not fail through-out e - ter - ni - ty. thy praise and

Text: Matthew Bridges, 1800-1894, sts. 1-3, 5; Godfrey Thring, 1823-1903, st. 4

Music: DIADEMATA, George J. Elvey, 1816-1893

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who redeems us in Christ Jesus, whose steadfast love endures forever. **Amen.**

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

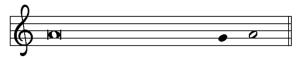
Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you and our neighbors. We have ignored voices that call for your justice. We have neglected actions that witness to your righteousness. We have spoken and acted in ways that disrupt your beloved community. We truly repent of things we have done and left undone. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Restore our troubled spirits. so that we may live in newness, follow the way of the Spirit, and build up the body of Christ. Amen.

Rejoice and be glad!
God hears the prayers of all who cry out,
and restores us to life through the death
and resurrection of Jesus Christ.
Therefore, I declare to you the forgiveness of all your sins,
in the name of the Father,
and of the + Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Kyrie

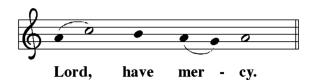


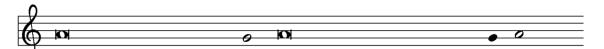
In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



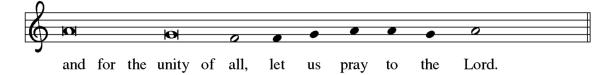


For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal-vation, let us pray to the Lord.

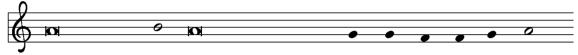




For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,







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





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

Canticle of Praise



*Prayer of the Day

O God, our true life, to serve you is freedom, and to know you is unending joy. We worship you, we glorify you, we give thanks to you for your great glory. Abide with us, reign in us, and make this world into a fit habitation for your divine majesty, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

First Reading: Jeremiah 23:1-6

Lector: Charlie Lloyd

¹Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. ²Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. ³Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord.

⁵The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 46

Memorial Choir sings verses; All sing refrain



¹God is our refuge and strength,

a very present help in trouble.

³though its waters rage and foam,

and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

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²Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;

⁴There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

⁵God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken;

God shall help it at the break of day.

⁶The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake;

God speaks, and the earth melts away.

⁷The Lord of hosts is with us;

the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

⁸Come now, regard the works of the Lord, what desolations God has brought upon the earth;

REFRAIN

⁹behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world;

who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.

¹⁰"Be still, then, and know that I am God;

I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth."

¹¹The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

REFRAIN

Second Reading: Colossians 1:11-20

Lector: Charlie Lloyd

¹¹May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully ¹²giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son. ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

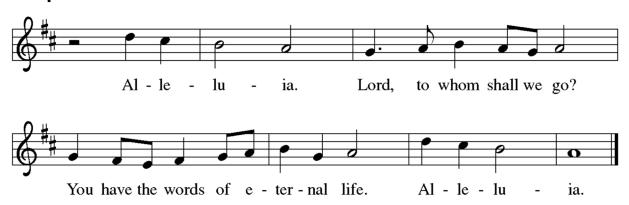
¹⁵He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; ¹⁶for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Children's Message

*Gospel Acclamation



Gospel Reading: Luke 23:33-43

The Gospel according to Luke Glory to You, O Lord

³³When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴[Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing."] And they cast lots to divide his clothing. ³⁵And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" ³⁶The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, ³⁷and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" ³⁸There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

³⁹One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? ⁴¹And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴²Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." ⁴³He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

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

Sermon

*Hymn of the Day: "O Christ, What Can it Mean for Us" ELW #431



Text: Delores Dufner, osB, b. 1939

Music: ALL SAINTS NEW, Henry S. Cutler, 1824–1902
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Council Elections

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

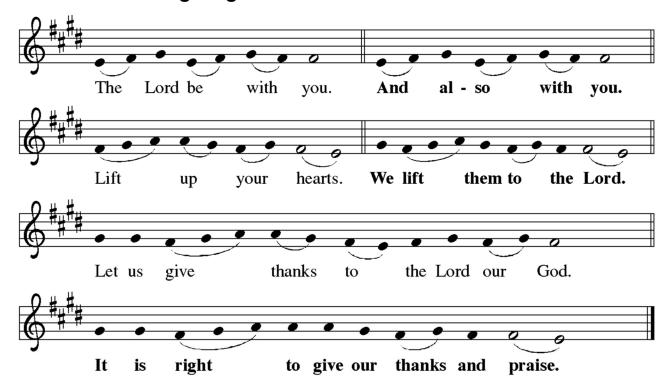
Music Voluntary: "Come Christians Join to Sing" - arr. Benjamin Harlan Memorial Choir

Offering Prayer

Blessed are you, Maker of all things.
As you have entrusted us with all that you have created, now gather our gifts, nourish us with this sacrament, and send us to those who hunger and thirst, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

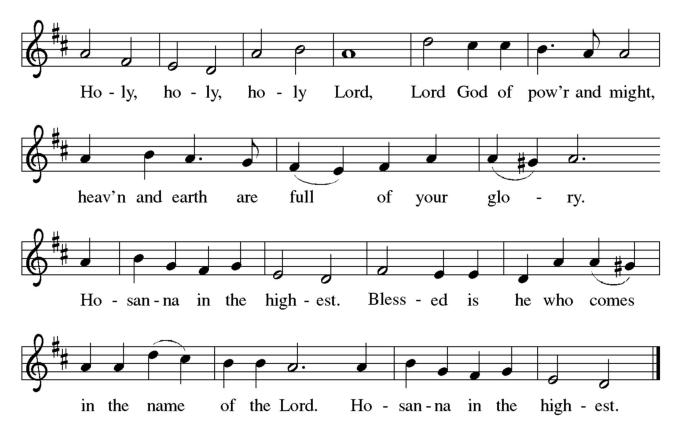
Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving



Eucharistic Prayer and Holy, Holy Holy

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... ... 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.

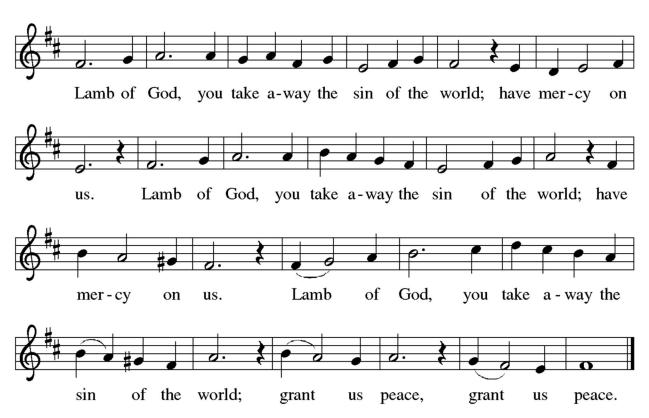
Invitation to Communion

Communion Hymns: "Lamb of God" ACS Setting 4

"Beautiful Savior" ELW #838

"Jesus, Remember Me" ELW #616

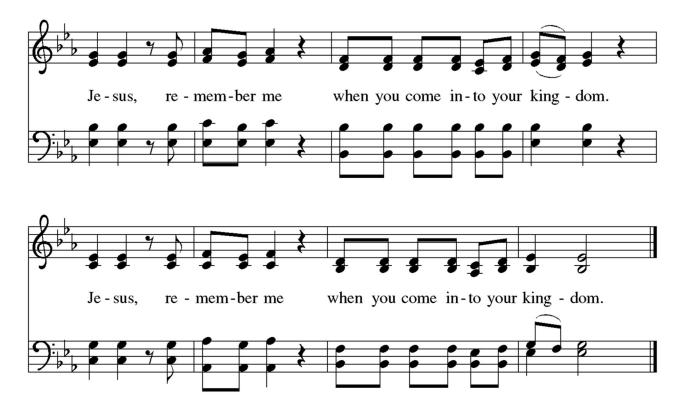
Lamb of God



Beautiful Savior



Jesus, Remember Me



Text: Luke 23:42; Taizé Community Music: REMEMBER ME, Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994

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Prayer After Communion

We give you thanks, most gracious God, that you have fed us with the bread of heaven and given us a foretaste of Paradise. Enliven us to be your body in the world and to serve those who are in need; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Announcements

Blessing

The God of peace, who creates all things and calls them good, who makes us alive in Jesus, and who breathes on us the Spirit of hope, + bless you now and forever. Amen.

Sending Hymn: "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" ELW #634, stanzas 1, 5, 6



- 5 Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe on this terrestrial ball to him all majesty ascribe and crown him Lord of all.
- 6 Oh, that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall!
 We'll join the everlasting song and crown him Lord of all.

Dismissal

Go in peace. Be a blessing in the world.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude: "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven" - Michael Burkhard 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 Susan Radke and family following the death of her husband, Jerry Radke

Prayers for Betty Davis, Dan Bappe, and Shari Dobson following the death of their brother Larry Bappe

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

Maddie Dunham

Judy Johnson

Annette Dalthorp

Ellie Lynch

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

Connie Robinson sister of Shirley Klonglan

Judy Johnson

Jackie Byers daughter of Shellie Black

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

Thanksgiving Eve Service (and pie!)

Memorial's Thanksgiving Eve service will be held this Wednesday, November 23rd at 7:00pm, followed by delicious pie! (All are invited to attend and to bring pie or other treats to share.)

Angel Tree

Visit the Angel Tree in the Narthex to make Christmas extra special for a child in need! Simply choose an angel from the tree, fill in your information on the sheet, have fun shopping!, and return your items to the NCRC by November 28th (please do not wrap your gifts).

Spending Plan Forum November 20th

As the Finance Team finalizes Memorial's General Fund budget for 2023, we will be holding a second Spending Plan Forum this Sunday, November 20th, at 10:30am in Fellowship Hall. This is your chance to hear more about the upcoming spending plan and to ask any questions you may have.

Decorate MLC for Advent / Christmas

All ages are invited to help us decorate the Sanctuary and other areas in the church for the upcoming Advent / Christmas season. Join us Saturday, November 26th at 10:00am if you'd like to help!

Donations Needed for Thanksgiving Family Meals

Nevada Parks and Recreation will once again be providing meals to 250 families during the week of Thanksgiving. They are doing things a little differently this year, as the meal will be chicken and noodles over mashed potatoes along with a dessert. Therefore, they are in need of monetary donations rather than canned goods (no green beans, please).

Lock-in with Lakeside

Join Lutheran Lakeside Camp staff for an exciting night of staying up late with friends from camp! Campers will enjoy games, worship, songs, crafts, food, and a service project! Register at lutheranlakeside.com/events

When: January 27—28, 2023, 7pm—7am

Where: St. John Lutheran Church, 600 6th Ave., Des Moines, IA

Who: 6th—9th graders
Cost: \$25 per person

Stocking Giveaway at St. Patrick's

St. Patricks is gathering items for families in the community that may need a little extra help this Christmas season. They are asking for donations for all ages that may be used to fill stockings (see examples below; the full list is on the Narthex bulletin board).

- Monetary donations (to buy items)
- Snacks
- Soup for families
- Personal care item
- Small toys

Here We Come A-Caroling...

Christmas carolers from area churches are needed for Nevada's "Christmas on Main" event on December 10th. Caroling will take place outdoors along Main St. (weather permitting) from 3:00—6:00pm (feel free to come and go any time during the event). We will meet at the County Administration Building and sing our way up Main St. with a variety of favorite Christmas carols. Contact Steve Lekwa at 4lekwas@midiowa.net or 515-382-3389 if you would like to participate!

Grand View University Presents "Julefest 2022: Follow the Star"

Each year, Grand View University's Choir and Wind Ensemble retells aspects of the Christmas story. This year they invite us to look up from the road of our life's journey to see the great light that has appeared. This annual Christmas celebration will be held on December 3, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. and December 4, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. at St. John's Lutheran Church, 600 6th Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa. Julefest is Grand View's Advent and Christmas gift to the community.

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!



Other ways you can give your offering include:

- Consider asking your financial planner about a qualified charitable distribution from your IRA or 401k.
- Mail your offering to us at 701 11th Street, Nevada, IA 50201
- Drop your offering off at the church office

Save the Date

TODAY: 2023-2025 Council Elections

When: Saturday, November 19th during 5:00pm service through Sunday, November 20th's

9:00am service

TODAY: Spending Plan Forum

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

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Who: All ages

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Where: St. John's Lutheran Church, 600 6th Ave., Des Moines, IA

Caroling During "Christmas on Main"

When: Saturday, December 10th, 3:00-6:00pm (join us at any point during the event)

Where: Nevada's Main Street; we'll meet at the Administration Building at 3:00



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