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Memorial Lutheran Church | Nevada, Iowa

Prelude: "Morning Has Broken" - John Behnke

Lois Theesfield, organ

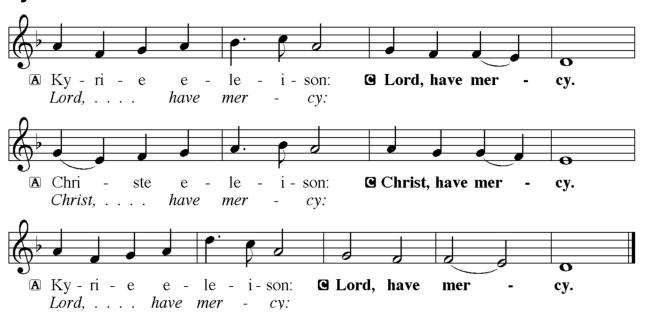
Welcome

Gathering Song: "Morning Has Broken" ELW #556

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



Hymn of Praise

Congregation sings all





Prayer of the Day

O God, you are the source of life and the ground of our being. By the power of your Spirit bring healing to this wounded world, and raise us to the new life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

First Reading: Hosea 5:15—6:6

Lector: Fred Alderson

¹⁵I will return again to my place until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face. In their distress they will beg my favor:

6:1"Come, let us return to the LORD; for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us; he has struck down, and he will bind us up.
²After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him.
³Let us know, let us press on to know the LORD; his appearing is as sure as the dawn; he will come to us like the showers, like the spring rains that water the earth."

What shall I do with you, O Ephraim?
What shall I do with you, O Judah?
Your love is like a morning cloud,
like the dew that goes away early.
Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets,
I have killed them by the words of my mouth,
and my judgment goes forth as the light.
For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice,
the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

The Word of the Lord, Thanks be to God.

Second Reading: Romans 4:13-25

Lector: Fred Alderson

¹³The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

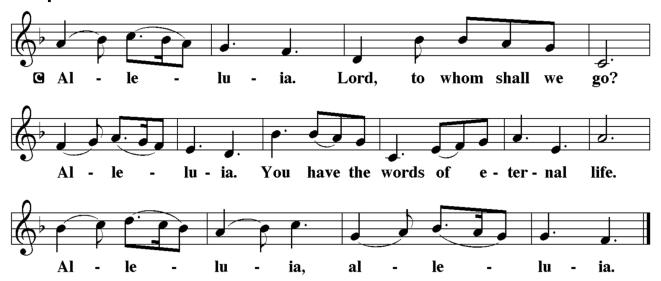
¹⁶For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, ¹⁷as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations")—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. ¹⁸Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." ¹⁹He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. ²⁰No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. ²²Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." ²³Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone. ²⁴but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him

who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, ²⁵who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

The Word of the Lord, Thanks be to God.

Children at heart sermon

Gospel Acclamation



Gospel Reading: Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

The Gospel according to Matthew Glory to You, O Lord

⁹As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him.

¹⁰And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. ¹¹When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" ¹²But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."

¹⁸While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." ¹⁹And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. ²⁰Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, ²¹for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." ²²Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. ²³When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, ²⁴he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. ²⁵But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. ²⁶And the report of this spread throughout that district.

The Gospel of the Lord

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" ELW #588

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 power of 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: Ornamented Chorale on "Hymn to Joy" - Charles Callahan Lois Theesfield, organ

Offering Prayer

God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

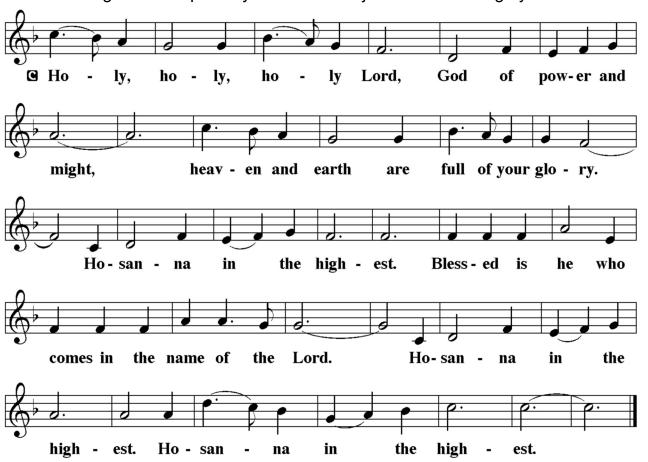
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Eucharistic Prayer

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.

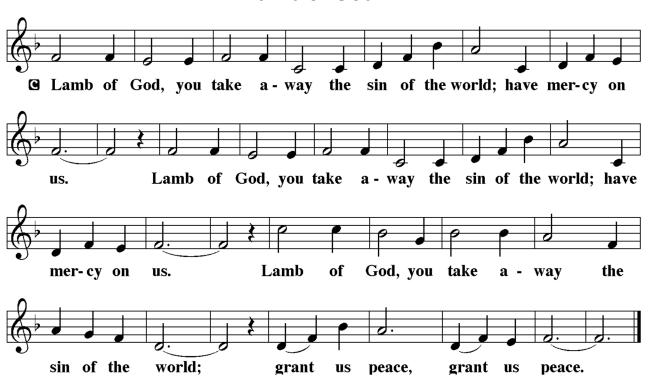
Invitation to Communion

All people are called to Christ's table. Come, eat what is good.

Hymns during Communion

"Lamb of God" WOV Setting 5
"Have No Fear Little Flock" ELW #764

Lamb of God



Prayer after Communion

We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Announcements

Blessing

The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed + bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age. **Amen.**

Sending Hymn: "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" ELW #836

Dismissal

Go in peace. Share the harvest. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude: "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" - 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 the family and friends of +Georgiann Grant following her death

Prayers for the family and friends of +David Blumer following his death

Prayers for Sandy Golden and Bev Sorem and their families following the death of their mother, Evelyn Winterboer

Prayers for Donna See and family following the death of her husband, Bill See.

Prayers for Betty Runge and family following the death of her husband, Leo Runge
Prayers for Judy and Kip Farthing following the death of their son, Wade Farthing
Prayers for Susan Radke and family following the death of her husband, Jerry Radke

Kim Elliott

Tina Palmisano Sister-in-law of Virginia Palmisano-Goettsch

Jenny Adelmund

Jan Seibel

Jeanie & Jerry Gibson

Marsha Kane

Pr. Marcia Kisner

Marlene Waddell friend of Virginia Palmisano-Goettsch

Sandy Muesburger friend of Virginia Palmisano-Goettsch

John Bass son-in-law of Ron & Gloria Jacobson

Carol Vincent

Cassie Harrell

Jean Smith

Annette Dalthorp

Ellie Lynch

Ernie Ruhde

Sierra Parr cousin of Kim Stieler

Janet Jacques

Easton Farrington

Janice Hartz

Connie Krupp

Randy Matthews friend of Mike Coverdale

Jackie Byers daughter of Shellie Black

Donna See

Katie Brockmeier granddaughter-in-law of Ruth Brockmeier

Norma Dannan friend of Betty Runge

Michael Neal

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

An Invitation to Learn About Mental Health Services and Supports in Story County—Today Following Worship

Did you know that 1 in 4 adults will have a diagnosable mental illness in their lifetime? This year so far in Story County, 13% of adults surveyed reported 14 or more days a month where they rated their mental health as poor. In the 2021 lowa Youth Survey, 40% of 11th graders in Story County said "yes" to the question of feeling sad or hopeless for 2 weeks or more in a row and 32% said they had thought about killing themselves. We are experiencing very difficult times for adults and children and reports of depression and anxiety are commonplace. We all need to know what to do when we or those we care about are struggling with feelings that are overwhelming and we have many supports and services in Story County that can assist.

Join us in the Fellowship Hall after service today when Kathy Johnson and Nikki Sprecher, Service Coordinators in the Central Iowa Community Services (CICS) Story County office, talk to us about what specific crisis services and ongoing treatments are available and how to navigate what can be a very confusing system.

We want your project to succeed! Apply today for a grant from the Ministry Endowment Fund.

We are now accepting applications for 2023 grants from our Mission Endowment Fund! We are interested in supporting creative and innovative projects to serve the community and world. Following the example of Jesus of Nazareth, we have a bias for projects that serve the overlooked and the neglected. We also value:

- small projects, (because they are often seeds of change);
- · projects that are built on collaboration with others;
- projects that draw diverse people together;
- and projects that evoke simplicity and self-giving generosity.

Applications are due Friday, August 4, 2023, at 12 Noon (CDT). For more information and to apply, see the details and application here: <u>bit.ly/3Cm6v8M</u> There are also applications available in the Narthex.

"Monumental: Celebrating God's Greatness" Vacation Bible School

Kids ages 5 through 5th grade, get ready for a monumental adventure at vacation Bible school this summer at St. Patrick's! We'll have creative games, super-fun snacks, incredible music, amazing experiments, and of course, surprising adventures! Registration forms will be available in Memorial's Narthex, or you may call our church office.

This is also a great volunteer opportunity for older kids and adults! Please let the office know if you would like to help out.

What: "Monumental: Celebrating God's Greatness" Vacation Bible School

Who: Ages 5 - 5th grade

When: July 9th - 12th, 6:00 - 8:00pm Where: St. Patrick's Catholic Church

You're Invited: Thursday Morning Bible Study in Chapel

You're invited to join Pr. Kathleen in reading the upcoming weekend texts together every Thursday morning from 8:30-9:30am in the Chapel. All are welcome to stop in!

Camping with Memorial September 23rd - 24th

Planning for our annual camping outing at Hickory Grove is in the works! It's not too early to reserve your spot for the weekend of September 23/24: please note that if you intend to stay the night, you must secure your own campsite by contacting the campground. Stay tuned for more details for this fun weekend!

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.



Save the Date

CICS Mental Health Forum

When: Sunday, June 11th, 10:15 am

Where: Fellowship Hall

Thursday Morning Bible Study

When: Thursday, June 15th, 8:30—9:30 am

Where: MLC Chapel

Beer & Theology (first Thursday of every month)

When: Thursday, July 6th, 6:30 pm

Where: Old Chicago (Ames)

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