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Memorial Lutheran Church | Nevada, Iowa

Prelude: "Sarabande" - Bach, "Bourree Anglaise" - Bach Christine Heintz, flute

Welcome

Thanksgiving for Baptism

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

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism. we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world. calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Gathering Song: "Praise and Thanksgiving" ELW #689

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.

Prayer of the Day

Glorious God, your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance. Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

First Reading: Isaiah 55:1-5

Lector: Kathy Jo Johnson

¹Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money. come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. ²Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. ³Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. ⁴See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. ⁵See. you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.

The Word of the Lord, **Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading: Romans 9:1-5

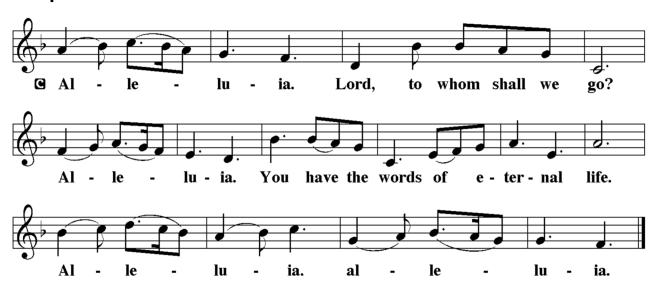
Lector: Kathy Jo Johnson

¹I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit—²I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. ³For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. ⁴They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; ⁵to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord, Thanks be to God.

Children at Heart Sermon

Gospel Acclamation



Gospel Reading: Matthew 14:13-21

The Gospel according to Matthew Glory to You, O Lord

¹³Now when Jesus heard [about the beheading of John the Baptist], he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. ¹⁵When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." ¹⁶Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." ¹⁷They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." ¹⁸And he said, "Bring them here to me." ¹⁹Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. ²¹And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

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

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: "Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service" ELW #712

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: "Allegro Vivo" - Gariboldi Christine Heintz. flute

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.**

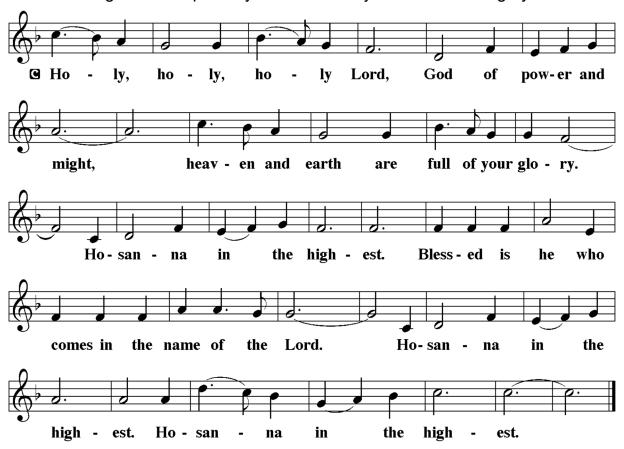
Lift up your hearts.

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.

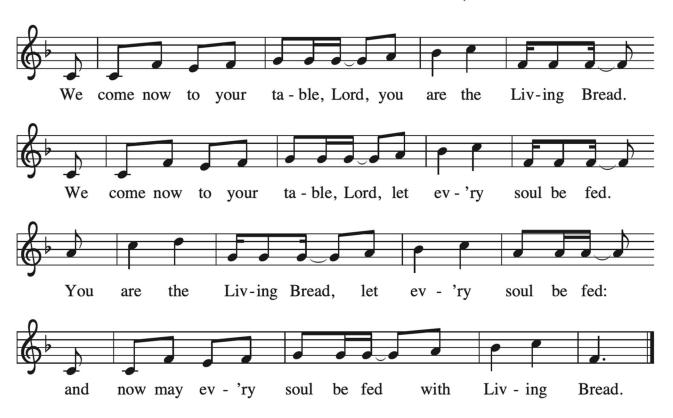
Invitation to Communion

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

Hymns during Communion

"We Come Now to Your Table" ACS #970
"Loaves Were Broken, Words were Spoken" ACS #966

We Come Now to Your Table, Lord



Text: Caribbean Conference of Churches Jamaica workshop

Music: LIVING BREAD, St. Vincent traditional, adapt.; arr. Patrick Prescod, 1932-2013

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Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken



Text: Herman G. Stuempfle Jr., 1923–2007 Music: JOYOUS LIGHT, Marty Haugen, b. 1950

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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: "Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises" ELW #535

Dismissal

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

Postlude: "Russian Dance" - Kohler

Christine Heintz, flute

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.

Please keep Nancy Christian and family in your prayers following the death of her husband, +Larry Christian

Please keep Norma Jean Smith and family in your prayers following the death of her son, +Darrel Smith

Prayers for the family and friends of +Tina Palmisano following her death (sister-in-law of Virginia Palmisano-Goettsch)

Prayers for the family and friends of +Georgiann Grant following her death

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

Wayne Kinyon

Kathy Lynn Johnson

Christina King

Sherry Kluever

Dick Settle

Kim Elliott

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

Jami Tharp

Fred Samuelson

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

"Dive in to Fall" Pool Party

The Faith Formation team is inviting all Memorial family and friends to dive in to Fall with a pool party at Chris Nady's house (1207 H Ave., Nevada, IA 50201) the evening of Wednesday, August 16th. Come on out any time after 5:30pm and beat the heat as we welcome in another school year. Food will be provided. Hope to see you there!

Golf Outing at Indian Creek Country Club

We have reserved some Tee Times between 2pm and 3pm on Sunday, September 17th, 2023 at Indian Creek Country Club. The format will be 9 hole best shot so it doesn't matter if you are a golfer or not. We just want folks to come out for the fellowship and enjoy a nice fall day outside. The cost is \$25 per person to golf 9 holes with a cart, and we will also be accepting donations for Memorial's driveway project. Please contact Emily at the church office at 515-382-6509 to sign up or just show up Sunday, September 17th at 2pm and we will put you with a group if you don't have one.

"Blast Back to School"—School Supplies Needed!

Did you know that on average, families spend over \$100 per child to purchase necessary school supplies? For many families this is just not possible on limited budgets. Story County's Blast Back to School Event aims to relieve the burden of back to school expenses for local families of K–12 students through the donation of supplies and backpacks. You can help by bringing supplies (see the list below) to Memorial this summer, which will then be distributed to schools. Please leave the supplies outside the front office—thank you for your help!

Supplies most needed are:

- Headphones
- Earbuds
- #2 Pencils
- Pens (Black, Blue, and Red)
- Highlighters
- Pink Erasers
- Pencil Pouches
- Box of 10 Broad Line Markers
- 24-pack Colored Pencils
- 24-pack Crayola Crayons

- Dry Erase Markers
- Glue Bottles
- Glue Sticks
- Plastic (no paper please) Pocket Folders
- 1-inch Binders
- Plastic School Supply Boxes
- Wide-ruled Spiral Notebooks
- College-ruled Spiral Notebooks
- Composition Notebooks
- Backpacks

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.



Did you know? In Tithe.ly, you can select to give to the General Fund, A Welcoming Space = A Welcoming Place (heating and cooling project), or the Capital Improvement Fund for the concrete project!

Save the Date

Thursday Morning Bible Study

When: Thursday, August 10th, 8:30—9:30 am

Where: MLC Chapel

"Dive in to Fall" Pool Party

When: Wednesday, August 16, 5:30pm

Where: Chris Nady's house: 1207 H Ave., Nevada, IA 50201

Beer & Theology (first Thursday of every month)

When: Thursday, September 7th, 6:30 pm

Where: Old Chicago (Ames)

Golf Outing

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

When: Sunday, September 17th (tee times between 2:00 and 3:00)

Where: Indian Creek Country Club

Cost: \$25/person for 9 holes with a cart; we will also be accepting donations for the

driveway project.

Camping with Memorial

Please note that if you intend to spend the night, you must reserve your own campsite by contacting the campground.

When: September 23rd - 24th

Where: Hickory Grove

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