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Memorial Lutheran Church | Nevada, Iowa

**Prelude:** "Goodness of God" - Bethel Music, arr. Marcia Wells *Emily Dalthorp, piano* 

I love You, Lord For Your mercy never fails me All my days, I've been held in Your hands From the moment that I wake up Until I lay my head Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God

'Cause all my life You have been faithful And all my life You have been so, so good With every breath that I am able Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God

## Welcome

## **Confession and Forgiveness**

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. **Amen.** 

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our provider, help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen. Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, + the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **Amen.** 

## Gathering Song: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" - ELW #858

# Prayer of the Day

Almighty and merciful God, we implore you to hear the prayers of your people. Be our strong defense against all harm and danger, that we may live and grow in faith and hope, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** 

# First Reading: Lamentations 3:22-33

<sup>22</sup>The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases,

his mercies never come to an end;

<sup>23</sup>they are new every morning;

great is your faithfulness.

<sup>24</sup> "The LORD is my portion," says my soul,
"therefore I will hope in him."

<sup>25</sup>The LORD is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him.

<sup>26</sup>It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD.

- <sup>27</sup>It is good for one to bear the voke in youth.
- <sup>28</sup>to sit alone in silence when the Lord has imposed it,
- <sup>29</sup>to put one's mouth to the dust (there may yet be hope),
- <sup>30</sup>to give one's cheek to the smiter, and be filled with insults.

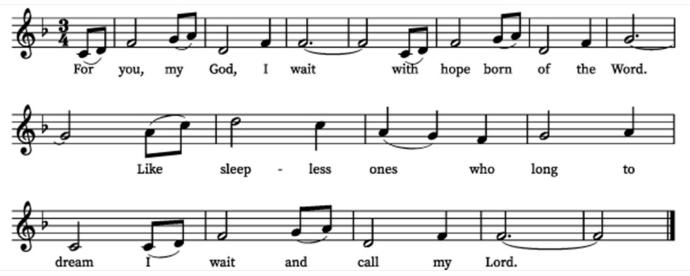
<sup>31</sup>For the Lord will not reject forever.

- <sup>32</sup>Although he causes grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love;
- <sup>33</sup>for he does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

## Psalm 130

**All sing "For You, My God, I Wait"** - "Psalms for All Seasons" 130G REFRAIN



- 1 Out of the depths
- I cry to you, O Lord;
- 2 O LORD, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.
- 3 If you were to keep watch over sins, O LORD, who could stand?
- 4 Yet with you is forgiveness, in order that you may be feared. *REFRAIN*
- 5 I wait for you, O LORD; my soul waits; in your word is my hope.
- 6 My soul waits for the Lord more than those who keep watch for the morning, more than those who keep watch for the morning.
- 7 O Israel, wait for the LORD, for with the LORD there is steadfast love; with the LORD there is plenteous redemption.
- 8 For the LORD shall redeem Israel from all their sins. *REFRAIN*

# Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 8:7-15

<sup>7</sup>Now as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you—so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking.

<sup>8</sup>I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. <sup>9</sup>For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. <sup>10</sup>And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something—<sup>11</sup>now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. <sup>12</sup>For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has—not according to what one does not have. <sup>13</sup>I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on

you, but it is a question of a fair balance between <sup>14</sup>your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. <sup>15</sup>As it is written,

"The one who had much did not have too much,

and the one who had little did not have too little."

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

## **Children at Heart Sermon**

## **Gospel Acclamation**



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# Gospel Reading: Mark 5:21-43

# The Gospel according to Mark Glory to You, O Lord

<sup>21</sup>When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. <sup>22</sup>Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet <sup>23</sup>and begged him repeatedly, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live." <sup>24</sup>So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. <sup>25</sup>Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. <sup>26</sup>She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. <sup>27</sup>She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, <sup>28</sup>for she said, "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well." <sup>29</sup>Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease.

<sup>30</sup>Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my clothes?" <sup>31</sup>And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?'" <sup>32</sup>He looked all around to see who had done it. <sup>33</sup>But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. <sup>34</sup>He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."

<sup>35</sup>While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?" <sup>36</sup>But overhearing what they said,

Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." <sup>37</sup>He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. <sup>38</sup>When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. <sup>39</sup>When he had entered, he said to them, "Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping." <sup>40</sup>And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. <sup>41</sup>He took her by the hand and said to her, "Talitha cum," which means, "Little girl, get up!" <sup>42</sup>And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. <sup>43</sup>He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

The Gospel of the Lord Praise to you, O Christ

#### Sermon

Hymn of the Day: "If You but Trust in God to Guide You" ELW #769

#### **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:** *"In Christ Alone" -* arr. Lloyd Larson *Emily Dalthorp, piano* 

# **Offering Prayer**

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. **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.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, 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 has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

## **Communion Hymns**

*"Lamb of God" - ELW #195 "Healer of Our Every III" - ELW #612* 

#### **Prayer After Communion**

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. **Amen.** 

## Announcements

## Blessing

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, be upon you now and forever. **Amen.** 

#### Sending Hymn: "Abide, O Dearest Jesus" ELW #539

## Dismissal

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. **Thanks be to God.** 

**Postlude:** *"My Soul Cries Out (Canticle of the Turning)"* - Rory Cooney, arr. Mark Hayes *Emily Dalthorp, piano* 

# **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 Jo Rod and family in your prayers following the death of her husband, +Bob Rod

Please keep all those impacted by recent severe weather including Memorial families and other community members

Please keep Julie and Brad Samson and their family in prayer following the death of Brad's father

Please keep the family of +Brett Anderson in your prayers following his death

Prayers for Bonnie Storey and her daughters Mindy Farmer, Amanda DeMoss, and Tina Skei following the death of her brother, +Doug Harrison

Please keep Linda Mjelde and family in your prayers following the death of her husband, +Gregg Mjelde

Kathy Larsen	Christina King	Janet Jacques
Eric Forsyth	Sherry Kluever	Easton Farrington
Ardith Forsyth	Kim Elliott	Janice Hartz
Crystal Vines	Marsha Kane	Jackie Byers
Chuck Ray	Pr. Marcia Kisner	daughter of Shellie Black
Katie Bass	Marlene Waddell	Donna See
niece of Judy Coverdale	friend of Virginia Palmisano-	Norma Dannan
Wayne Johnson	Goettsch	friend of Betty Runge
Steve Halverson	John Bass son-in-law of Ron & Gloria	Fred Samuelson
Troy Vincent	Jacobson	Jaylee Bartleson
Kati Stieler	Carol Vincent	George Forsyth
sister-in-law of Dan Stieler	Cassie Harrell	Janeen Driscoll
Johann Thiel	Jean Smith	Julie Sutherland
Mike Neal		Jan Cook

**Hospitalizations:** If you are in the hospital or are going to be in the hospital and want us to be aware of it, please call the church office or have someone call on your behalf. Unless directed otherwise, your name will be placed on the prayer list and included in electronic notifications.

# Flood Relief for Western Iowa Synod

We pray for the Western Iowa Synod's communities affected by rising flood waters. Help is needed through financial support at wisynod.org/give (click "Lutheran Disaster") and through the donation of Flood Buckets. Instructions on assembling these much-needed buckets of cleaning supplies can be found on the bulletin board on your way to Fellowship Hall. Thank you for your help!

# **Stay Connected with Memorial**

Keep up-to-date with Memorial and community events, prayer requests, volunteer opportunities, and more; sign up to receive emails and/or periodic texts at bit.ly/memorialconnect or by using the QR code.



# Save the Date!

Make sure you're in worship on Sunday, July 14 to hear important updates on ongoing and upcoming projects from our Council and Property Team. See you there!

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

We are now accepting applications for 2024 grants from our Ministry 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 9, 2023, by 12 Noon (CDT).** For more information and to apply, see the details and application here: https://bit.ly/MLCEndowmentGrants2024 There are also applications available in the Narthex.

# Help Wanted!

Do you have musical gifts to share? Our Faith Formation Team is looking for a flexible volunteer or a team of flexible volunteers to teach and lead simple Christian songs and music activities with students in preschool - 6th grade during Wednesday Night Live. Wednesday Night Live meets on Wednesday evenings during the school year from 6:30 - 7:30 pm with some exceptions. If you would be willing to either help or lead in any way

please contact Pastor Kathleen at Pastorkathleen@mlcnevada.org. Thank you for considering!

# "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 needed:

- Headphones
- #2 Pencils
- Pink Erasers
- Black Pens
- Blue Pens
- Red Pens
- Highlighters
- Pencil Pouches
- Box of 10 Broad Line Markers
- 24 Pack of Crayola Colored Pencils

- 24 Pack of Crayola Crayons
- Dry Erase Markers
- Glue Bottles
- Plastic (no paper please) Pocket Folders
- 1-inch Binders
- Plastic School Supply Boxes
- Wide-ruled Spiral Notebooks
- College-ruled Spiral Notebooks
- Composition Notebooks
- Backpacks (most of the monetary funds donated go towards purchasing backpacks)

# Save the Date: Vacation Bible School - "Stellar: Shine Jesus' Light" June 30—July 3, 6-8 PM at St. Patrick's

Nevada's Central Presbyterian, Memorial Lutheran, and St. Patrick's invite all kids who have completed preschool through 5th grade to join us in Vacation Bible School at St. Patrick's this summer! Cost is \$10 per family.

## Help Needed for Iowa Storm Victims

We continue to pray for all those affected by the recent storms. If you would like to help, donations can be given through the Lutheran Disaster Response websitr, as well as through the Red Cross, Salvation Army, and food and water drop-offs near Greenfield. Links with details can be found in the KCCI article here: https://bit.ly/3wLeRb9

# Share Your Favorite Hymns

We all have a favorite hymn or two (or three or four...). Be sure to add your favorite(s) to the Music Notes bulletin board on your way to coffee and donuts. We hope to use this list in future worship hymn sings.

## **Donations Needed for Crisis in Middle East**

A word from our wider church body: "Due to escalating conflict in Gaza and Israel, a severe humanitarian crisis is rapidly unfolding in the Holy Land. The ELCA has a longstanding relationship with partners in the region, including the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land and Augusta Victoria Hospital. Lutheran Disaster Response has a history of providing support for our partners and will be prepared to answer calls for assistance when the time comes.

Gifts to Lutheran Disaster Response equip us to respond to this and other disasters, whenever and wherever they strike. Gifts designated for "Middle East Crisis" will be restricted to and used in full (100%) for those affected by disasters in the region." **Please go here to donate: https://community.elca.org/middle-east-crisis** 

## A Special Note Regarding Tithe.ly Fees

We so appreciate all that give using the online/mobile giving platform Tithe.ly! If you haven't already, please consider including Tithe.ly processing fees as part of your one-time and recurring gifts. To do this, simply check the "Cover Fees" box when setting up your gift. If you have already set up a recurring gift and would like to start including the fees, you'll need to delete this gift and set it up again with "Cover Fees" checked.

## **Important Reminder Regarding Giving to Special Projects**

We so appreciate gifts received for special projects such as "A Welcoming Space = A Welcoming Place" (heating and cooling) and "Drive for the Drive" (pavement). If you would like to support these projects, please make sure to specify the project name with your gift. This ensures that your gift goes directly to the project and helps us keep an accurate record of funds received / still needed. Thank you for your support!

# **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 Drive for the Drive pavement project!



Save the Date

Vacation Bible School - "Stellar: Shine Jesus' Light" When: June 30—July 3, 6-8 PM Where: St. Patrick's

Important updates on projects from our Council and Property Team When: July 14 during 9:00 AM worship service

**Homemade Ice Cream Social** *Free will donations benefit mission projects of the St. Paul Women of the ELCA* When: July 14, 4—7 PM Where: St. Paul Lutheran Church in State Center

"Christmas in July" When: July 28 during 9:00 AM worship service

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