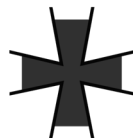


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Memorial Lutheran Church | Nevada, Iowa

Prelude: "Crown Him With Many Crowns" - arr. Burkhardt/Ore
Lois Theesfield, organ

Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
our refuge,
our delight,
our beginning and our end.

Amen.

Let us come in truth before the one who loves us
and has freed us from our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Eternal One, robed in majesty and mercy,
**we confess that sin has taken hold of us
and we are complicit in its power.
We are disturbed in spirit and our hearts cannot rest.
Unbind us and set us free.
Lead us again to the waters of rebirth,
that we may live just and generous lives
for the good of your world
and the care of our neighbors,
following in the servant way of Jesus.
Amen.**

These words are trustworthy and true:
Christ bore our sins once, for all, on the cross,
swallowing up death forever.
For his sake, you are + forgiven
and God remembers your sin no more.
Let your heart be glad again,
and rejoice in your salvation. **Amen.**

Gathering Song: "Crown Him with Many Crowns" - ELW #855

Prayer of the Day

Almighty and ever-living God, you anointed your beloved Son to be priest and sovereign forever. Grant that all the people of the earth, now divided by the power of sin, may be united by the glorious and gentle rule of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

First Reading: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

⁹As I watched,
thrones were set in place,
and an Ancient One took his throne,
his clothing was white as snow,
and the hair of his head like pure wool;
his throne was fiery flames,
and its wheels were burning fire.
¹⁰A stream of fire issued
and flowed out from his presence.
A thousand thousands served him,
and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him.
The court sat in judgment,
and the books were opened.
¹³As I watched in the night visions,
I saw one like a human being
coming with the clouds of heaven.
And he came to the Ancient One
and was presented before him.
¹⁴To him was given dominion
and glory and kingship,
that all peoples, nations, and languages
should serve him.
His dominion is an everlasting dominion
that shall not pass away,
and his kingship is one
that shall never be destroyed.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 93

¹The LORD is king, robed in majesty; the LORD is robed in majesty and armed with strength.

The LORD has made the world so sure that it cannot be moved.

²Ever since the world began, your throne has been established; you are from everlasting.

³The waters have lifted up, O LORD, the waters have lifted up their voice; the waters have lifted up their pounding waves.

⁴Mightier than the sound of many waters, mightier than the breakers of the sea, mightier is the LORD who dwells on high.

⁵Your testimonies are very sure, and holiness befits your house, O LORD, forever and forevermore.

Second Reading: Revelation 1:4b-8

^{4b}Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

⁷Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

So it is to be. Amen.

⁸"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Children at Heart Sermon

Gospel Acclamation

All sing twice through

The musical score is written for two staves, Treble and Bass clef, in a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The melody is simple and repetitive, consisting of eighth and quarter notes. The lyrics are written below the notes.

A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya. A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya. El Se - ñor re - su - ci - tó.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ is ris - en, ris' n in - deed.

Christ the King of All Seasons

Courtesy of Rev. Kristen Corr Rod; Please see insert

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: *"We Will Glorify"* - Twila Paris
Memorial Choir

Offering Prayer

Lord Jesus, our portion and our cup,
you offered yourself in love for the world,
and in this meal you nourish us with your life.
Fill us with your abundance,
that we may feed the hungry and welcome the stranger,
trusting in your name.
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, 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,
for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ;
who, enthroned forever at your right hand,
intercedes for us as our great high priest.
And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection,
with earth and sea and all their creatures,
and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy ACS Setting 11



San-to, san - to, san - to Dios de glo - ria y po - der,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly God of pow - er and might,

cie - los y tie - rra pro - cla - man tu glo - ria.
heav - en and earth . . . are full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na en los cie - los.
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na en los cie - los.
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

Ben - di - to a - quel que vie - ne en el nom - bre de Dios.
Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of our God.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na en los cie - los.
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



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Words of Institution

The 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

Behold, God is making all things new.
Take your place in the new creation.

Hymns during Communion

"Lamb of God" - ACS Setting 11
"Beautiful Savior" - ELW #838

Lamb of God

ACS Setting 11

Cor - de - ro de Dios, tú que qui - tas el pe -
O Lamb . . of God, you . . take a - way the

ca - do del mun - do: ten pie - dad de no - so - tros.
sin of the world; . . . have . . mer - cy up - on us.

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sin of the world; . . . have . . mer - cy up -

so - tros, ten pie - dad de no - so - stros.
on us, have . . . mer - cy up - on us.

Da - nos tu paz. A - mén.
Grant us your peace. A - mén.

Prayer after Communion

Faithful God,
you have spread before us a feast of rich food and drink
in the body and blood of your Son.
Now send us out to labor with you,
in service to the world you have made,
and among the people you have made your home,
in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Announcements

Blessing

The Ancient One, enthroned,
the Crucified One, now risen,
the Indwelling One, poured out,
+ bless you now and forever.

Amen.

Sending Hymn: "Lead On, O King Eternal" - ELW #805

Dismissal

Go in peace. Encourage one another in Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude: *"Nun danket alle Gott"* - arr. 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.

Please keep Pastor Anita Nuetzman and family in your prayers following the death of her husband, +Dennis Nuetzman.

Please keep the family of +Darla Bohrer (niece of Sandy Christian) following her death

Please keep Steve Halverson in your prayers following the death of his brother, Craig Halverson, in Dallas, Texas on Thursday, October 24. Craig graduated from Nevada High School in 1969

Please keep Janet Jacques in your prayers following the death of her husband, Marvin, on Saturday, October 26

Diane Eilers	Troy Vincent	Cassie Harrell
Mary-Anne Jungst <i>sister-in-law of Steve Jungst</i>	Kati Stieler <i>sister-in-law of Dan Stieler</i>	Jean Smith
Steve Schrum <i>father of Jill Rhodes</i>	Johann Thiel	Easton Farrington
Jake Jacobson	Mike Neal	Janice Hartz
Evelyn Onstot	Christina King	Jackie Byers <i>daughter of Shellie Black</i>
Marty Schuler	Sherry Kluever	Donna See
Katy Beno <i>sister of Sandy Christian</i>	Kim Elliott	Norma Danna <i>friend of Betty Runge</i>
Kathy Larsen	Marsha Kane	Fred Samuelson
Eric Forsyth	Pr. Marcia Kisner	Jaylee Bartleson
Ardith Forsyth	Marlene Waddell <i>friend of Virginia Palmisano-Goettsch</i>	George Forsyth
Crystal Vines	John Bass <i>son-in-law of Ron & Gloria Jacobson</i>	Janeen Driscoll
Katie Bass <i>niece of Judy Coverdale</i>		Julie Sutherland
Wayne Johnson	Carol Vincent	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.*

Announcements

Generous Gifts Tree

As you walked into the Narthex this morning, you may have noticed the return of our Generous Gifts Tree! You will see a very colorful little tree filled with all kinds of present-shaped ornaments with different monetary values written on them, and you will notice there are some rather substantial gifts hanging on the tree.

Now if you recall recent communications from our treasurer and Stewardship Committee, you will remember that we have been (and are continuing to be) behind with our projected giving for the year. As of October 31, 2024, we are **behind approximately \$33,000** for our General Fund income vs expenses. If we were to **all pray, discern, and work together** to be able to generously give what is on each of these ornaments on top of our regular giving, we would be caught up with our projected giving to the General Fund.

We are asking that you would take a look at the tree, talk with others in your household, and listen if God might be urging you to take one or maybe even more gift ornaments to add to your regular giving. Thanks for your prayerful consideration.

TIME CORRECTION: Thanksgiving Eve Service (and pie!)

Mark your calendars: Memorial's Thanksgiving Eve service will be held Wednesday, November 27 at 6:30 PM, followed by delicious pie! All are invited to attend and to bring pie or other treats to share.

TODAY: Help Decorate the Church for Advent and Christmas

Volunteers needed! We are decorating for Advent and Christmas following service this morning. Help prepare the space as we prepare the way for the coming Christ child. Thank you!

Tributes for Pr. Duane Miller's Retirement

Pastor Duane Miller, Memorial's interim pastor from September 2019 through April 2021, is retiring and his son would like to collect words of tribute from our congregation. If you would like to contribute, please email your congratulations, memories from his time at Memorial, etc. to emily@mlcnevada.org, or place them in the secure box outside Emily's office. Thank you!

MLC Iowa Wolves Outing - Last day to sign up

We are hoping to get a group together again this year to attend an Iowa Wolves game at Wells Fargo Arena on Sunday, February 23 at 3:00 PM. Tickets are \$20 for admission to the game. Food/beverage vouchers are optional and can be added on to any ticket. Sign up on the form in the Narthex office **ASAP**. **Bonus:** if we have at least 25 tickets, we'll get to shoot free throws and take a group photo on the court after the game!

Payments can be brought to the church office during regular office hours or dropped in the secure box outside Emily's office.

Christmas Stocking Meals

Local congregations are working together to prepare 100 meals as part of St. Patrick's Stocking Giveaway on Sunday, December 8. This year the meals given away will be a soup meal, a spaghetti meal, a chicken alfredo meal, and a chicken and rice casserole meal.



Please go here: <https://bit.ly/3CpokHq> or use the QR code to sign up to provide items for Memorial's contribution to this ministry. We will collect items at Memorial **until Thursday, December 5** when we will take items to St. Patrick's Catholic Church for distribution. Thank you!

Council Nominees in Time of Discernment

Please pray for our Council nominees who are discerning their call to Church Council for 2025-2027. A quick reminder for those who have been nominated: **please submit your Response to Nomination form to the office by Sunday, November 24**. We will elect new Council members during worship on Sunday, December 8.

Sing for the Christmas Season!

If you love Christmas Carols and songs and the joy of singing, please consider joining the Memorial Choir for the season. All sections would welcome additional singers. Our rehearsals are on Tuesdays, 7:30-8:45 pm, in the sanctuary. We are preparing not only for Advent and Christmas worship services, but also for CHRISTMAS VESPERS on Thursday December 19, 6:30 pm, where the Choir, Handbells, and Children participate in a program of Word and song. Please contact Lois Theesfield to claim your "spot". Music is waiting for you!

Upcoming Book Study

Names for the Messiah: An Advent Study - by Walter Brueggemann

Join us to explore four royal titles recorded in Isaiah 9:6 and how Christians throughout history have interpreted Jesus in light of these names. Author and theologian Walter Brueggemann is an Old Testament scholar and tackles the questions: "What were these expectations?" and "Did Jesus fulfill them?" Join us Sundays after church in Advent to dig into this book together. We will meet at about 10:30 am on December 1, 8, 15, and 22. There is a suggested donation of \$8 per person to help cover the cost of the book. Sign up in the narthex or by e-mailing Pastor Kathleen at pastorkathleen@mlcnevada.org.

MLC Member Survey

Earlier this year our congregation council set a goal to reach out to Memorial's membership in the hopes of listening well to the needs and hopes of our congregation. A subcommittee was formed to create a survey that would help in identifying what needs are being met, as well as what needs are not currently being met. The council needs everyone's honest feedback in order to identify how we can best serve and love as Memorial Lutheran Church. Thank you in advance for your time and your thoughts. Your participation will help us to grow and abide together in Christ for the sake of the world.



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, Capital Improvement (for upcoming building projects), A Welcoming Space = A Welcoming Place (heating and cooling project), and more!



Save the Date

TODAY: Decorating the Church for Advent & Christmas

When: Sunday, November 24 following worship

Thanksgiving Service and Pie Night

When: Wednesday, November 27, 7:00 PM

Mid-week Advent Worship & Supper

When: Wednesday, December 4, 6:00 PM—Supper; 7:00 PM—Worship

Mid-week Advent Worship & Supper

When: Wednesday, December 11, 6:00 PM—Supper; 7:00 PM—Worship

Mid-week Advent Worship & Supper

When: Wednesday, December 18, 6:00 PM—Supper; 7:00 PM—Worship

Christmas Vespers - “Come: Greet the Child”

An evening of handbell, vocal, and instrumental music

When: Thursday, December 19, 6:30 PM

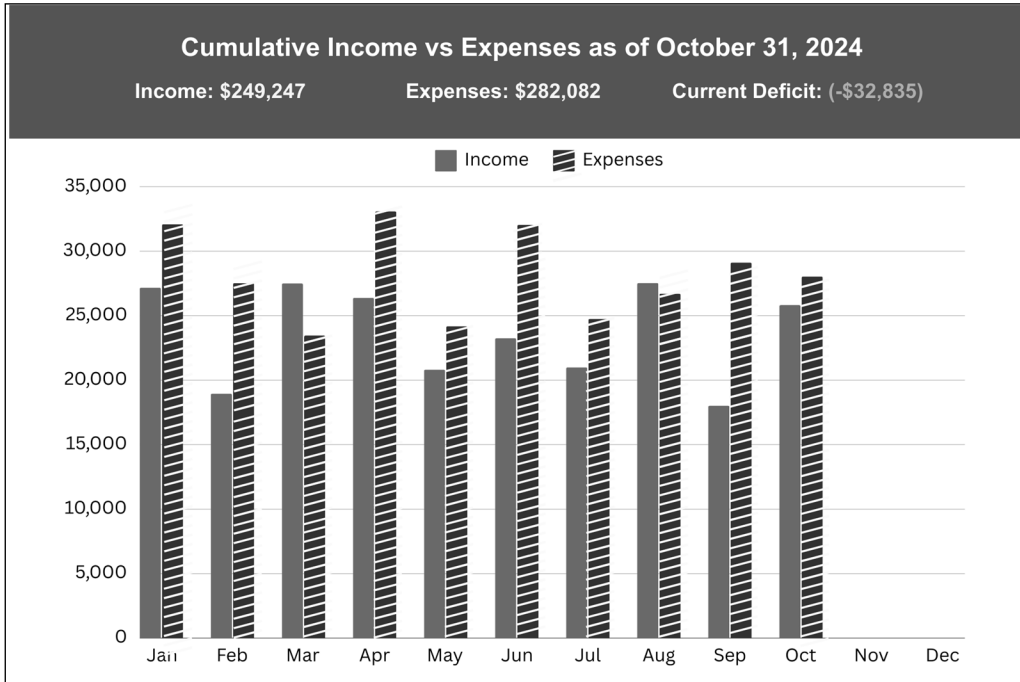
Christmas Eve Worship Services

When: Tuesday, December 24, 5:00 PM and 8:00 PM

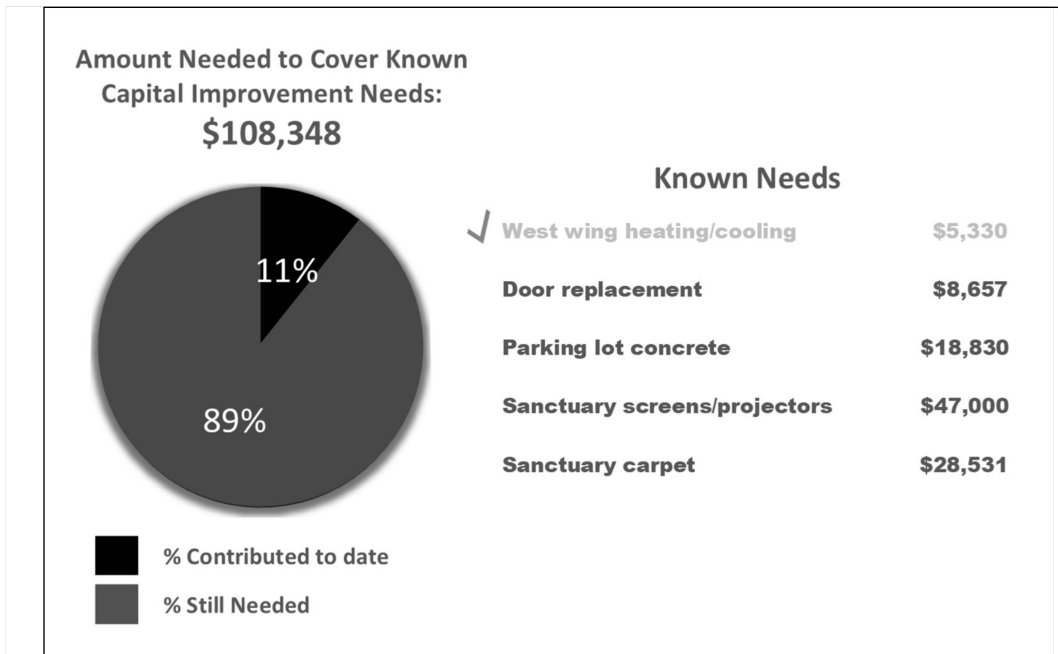
Christmas Day Lessons & Carols Service

When: Wednesday, December 25, 10:00 AM

General Fund Giving—Help us end the year ahead!



Capital Improvement Needs



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