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Memorial Lutheran Church | Nevada, Iowa

Prelude: Settings of “*Oh, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*” - Bender/
Loemaker/Bouman/Callahan
Lois Theesfield, organ

Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness

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

Amen.

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,
**you free us to love others,
but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way.
You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace,
but we turn away from the abundant life you offer.
You surround us with patience, kindness,
and generosity,
but we grow weary in doing what is right.
In your mercy, forgive us.
Do not give up on us.
Heal us, break our bonds,
and show us the path of life.
Amen.**

You belong to Christ Jesus
and you are God's children through faith.
In the name of + Jesus Christ,
and through the power of the Holy Spirit,
your sins are forgiven.
Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.
Amen.

Gathering Hymn: *"Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"* - ELW #886

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.

“Glory to God” - ACS Setting 11

1 ¡Glo-ria a Dios, glo-ria a Dios, glo-ria en los cie - los!
1 Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry in the high - est!

¡Glo-ria a Dios, glo-ria a Dios, glo-ria en los cie - los!
Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry in the high - est!

¡A Dios la glo-ria por siem-pre! ¡A Dios la glo-ria por siem-pre!
To God be glo-ry for-ev-er! To God be glo-ry for-ev-er!

¡A-le-lu-ya! ¡A-mén! ¡A-le-lu-ya! ¡A-mén! ¡A-le-lu-ya! ¡A-mén!
Al-le-lu-ia! A-men! Al-le-lu-ia! A-men! Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!

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Prayer of the Day

O Lord God, we bring before you the cries of a sorrowing world. In your mercy set us free from the chains that bind us, and defend us from everything that is evil, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

First Reading: Isaiah 65:1-9

1 I was ready to be sought out by those who did not ask,
to be found by those who did not seek me.

I said, "Here I am, here I am,"
to a nation that did not call on my name.

2 I held out my hands all day long
to a rebellious people,
who walk in a way that is not good,
following their own devices;

3 a people who provoke me
to my face continually,
sacrificing in gardens
and offering incense on bricks;

4 who sit inside tombs,
and spend the night in secret places;
who eat swine's flesh,
with broth of abominable things in their vessels;

5 who say, "Keep to yourself,
do not come near me, for I am too holy for you."

These are a smoke in my nostrils,
a fire that burns all day long.

6 See, it is written before me:

I will not keep silent, but I will repay;

I will indeed repay into their laps

7 their iniquities and their ancestors' iniquities together,
says the LORD;

because they offered incense on the mountains
and reviled me on the hills,

I will measure into their laps
full payment for their actions.

8 Thus says the LORD:

As the wine is found in the cluster,
and they say, "Do not destroy it,
for there is a blessing in it,"

so I will do for my servants' sake,
and not destroy them all.

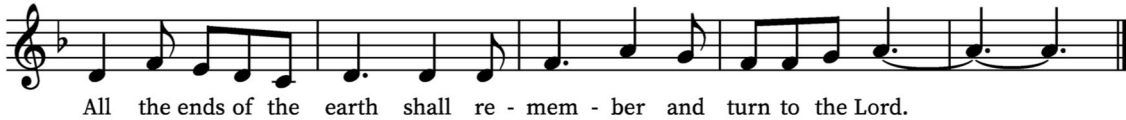
9 I will bring forth descendants from Jacob,
and from Judah inheritors of my mountains;
my chosen shall inherit it,
and my servants shall settle there.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 22:19-28

Refrain



¹⁹ But you, O LORD, be not far away;
O my help, hasten to my aid.
²⁰ Deliver me from the sword,
my life from the power of the dog.
²¹ Save me from the lion's mouth!
From the horns of wild bulls you have rescued me.
²² I will declare your name to my people;
in the midst of the assembly I will praise you. *Refrain*

²³ You who fear the LORD, give praise! All you of Jacob's line, give glory.
Stand in awe of the LORD, all you offspring of Israel.
²⁴ For the LORD does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;
neither is the LORD's face hidden from them;
but when they cry out, the LORD hears them.
²⁵ From you comes my praise in the great assembly;
I will perform my vows in the sight of those who fear the LORD. *Refrain*

²⁶ The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
Let those who seek the LORD give praise! May your hearts live forever!
²⁷ All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD;
all the families of nations shall bow before God.
²⁸ For dominion belongs to the LORD,
who rules over the nations. *Refrain*

Second Reading: Galatians 3:23-29

²³ Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. ²⁴ Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. ²⁵ But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, ²⁶ for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. ²⁷ As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. ²⁸ There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave

or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus.²⁹ And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Children at Heart Sermon

Gospel Acclamation - ACS Setting 11



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.

Gospel Reading: Luke 8:26-39

The Gospel according to Luke

Glory to You, O Lord

²⁶ Then [Jesus and his disciples] arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. ²⁷ As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. ²⁸ When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me"—²⁹ for Jesus had commanded

the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.)³⁰ Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him.

³¹They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

³²Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission.

³³Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

³⁴When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. ³⁵Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. ³⁶Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. ³⁷Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. ³⁸The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, ³⁹"Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

The Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, O Christ

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: "*Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness*"
- ELW #843

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

Peace

The peace of the Risen Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

The Meal

This is Christ's table and Christ's meal. All are welcome here. Kids are welcome to commune at the discretion of their parents. If you are unable to come forward please let an usher or the pastor know so that we can bring you Communion at your seat.

Offering

Music Voluntary: *"Holy Spirit, We Welcome You"* - Chris Bowater
Aly Sassman, vocal soloist

Offering Prayer

Creator God,
in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good
and the harvest is plentiful.
Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth
and our labor,
that we may work for the good of all;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
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.

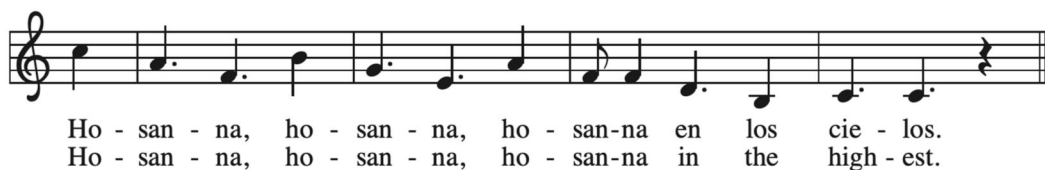
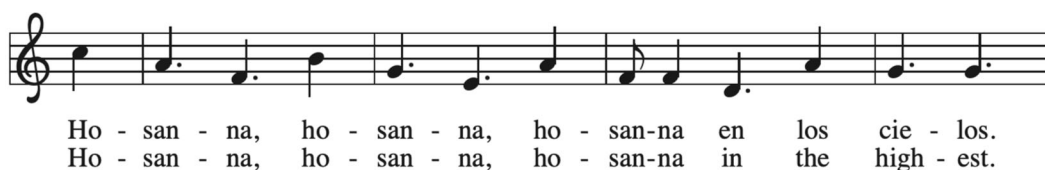
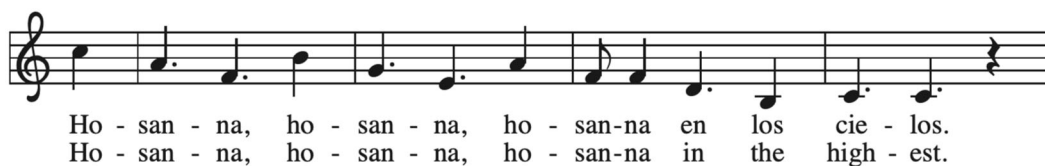
Eucharistic Prayer

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,
through our Savior Jesus Christ.
Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection,
you pour out the fire of your Spirit,
uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue.
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.





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

Come and know Christ,
broken and poured out for you.

Communion Hymns: *"Lamb of God" - ACS Setting 11* *"My Lord of Light" - ELW #832*

Lamb of God

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.

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.

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

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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 - men.

Prayer After Communion

Nurturing God,
you gathered us to your table
and we drank deeply of your grace.
Send us out by your Spirit
to love our neighbors as ourselves
and proclaim your love in Jesus' name.
Amen.

Announcements

Blessing

The love of God abound in you;
the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts;
and the life of the Spirit
+ bless you and give you peace.
Amen.

Sending Hymn: *"On Our Way Rejoicing"* - ELW #537

Dismissal

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude: *"Oh, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"* - arr. Paul Manz
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 the Carsrud family in your prayers following the death of +Donn Carsrud, brother of Kay Rierson, brother-in-law of De Carsrud, uncle of Cathy Carsrud, cousin of Larry & Charlene Carsrud, and cousin of Linda Griffith. Burial will take place later in June in Roland.

Please keep Teresa Krebs, Stacie Link, and family in your prayers following the death of their sister-in-law, +Jean Monahan

Bert Ann Ray	Caleb Roof	Marlene Waddell
Wayne Kinyon	Evelyn Onstot	<i>friend of Virginia Palmisano-Goettsch</i>
Loren Bryant <i>brother of Arlys Neal</i>	Marty Schuler	Carol Vincent
Jill Rhodes	Katy Beno <i>sister of Sandy Christian</i>	Cassie Harrell
Judy Johnson	Kathy Larsen	Jean Smith
Gloria Jacobson	Eric Forsyth	Easton Farrington
Connie Robinson <i>sister of Shirley Klonglan</i>	Crystal Vines	Janice Hartz
Baby Paisley	Katie Bass <i>niece of Judy Coverdale</i>	Jackie Byers <i>daughter of Shellie Black</i>
Barb McDaniel	Wayne Johnson	Donna See
Ken Huffaker <i>father of Kendra McCauley</i>	Troy Vincent	Norma Dannan <i>friend of Betty Runge</i>
Emma Nelson <i>granddaughter of Steve & Nan Jungst</i>	Johann Thiel	Fred Samuelson
Ardith Forsyth	Mike Neal	Jaylee Bartleson
Eileen Miller	Christina King	George Forsyth
Karen Anderson	Sherry Kluever	Janeen Driscoll
	Kim Elliott	Julie Sutherland
	Pr. Marcia Kisner	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

New Office Hours Begin July 1

Memorial's new office hours will be Tuesday through Friday, 9 AM - 3:30 PM beginning Tuesday, July 1. Please contact the office if you need to make an appointment outside of these hours. Thank you!

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



We are now accepting applications for 2025 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 8, 2025, by 12 Noon (CDT). For more information and to apply, please use the QR code or contact Jim Stage, Emily Dalthorp, or Pastor Kathleen.

Volunteers Needed: Ushers/Greeters for Sunday Mornings

We're looking for ushers/greeters to be welcoming faces to those worshipping with us on Sunday mornings. If you can help, please see the sign-up sheet on the main door into the Sanctuary, or contact the church office. Thank you!

Volunteer Opportunity: Drivers Wanted

Would you be willing to offer a lift to members of Memorial that need transportation assistance to and from worship? If so, please contact the office so that we can provide you further information. Thank you so much for your willingness to help!

“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
- 24 Pack of Crayola Colored Pencils
- Pencil Pouches
- Plastic (no paper please) Pocket Folders
- College-ruled Spiral Notebooks
- Composition Notebooks
- Box of 10 Broad Line Markers
- 24 Pack of Crayola Crayons
- Dry Erase Markers
- Glue Bottles
- 1-inch Binders
- Plastic School Supply Boxes
- Wide-ruled Spiral Notebooks
- Backpacks (most of the monetary funds donated go towards purchasing backpacks)

Memorial's Tech Crew Needs You!

Memorial's Tech Crew runs our livestream service that appears on YouTube and Facebook each Sunday morning and for some special services. We're a small group (with the occasional special visitors :D) that would love to train interested individuals to assist with running the video and audio on select Sundays throughout the year. (No experience necessary - we'll teach you!) If you're interested, please contact Emily Dalthorp or Bill, Carol, or Danny Golden.

Nevada Community Blood Drive

Wednesday, July 2, 1 - 6 PM

825 15th St., Nevada

Be a life saver! Your donation with LifeServe will help save your neighbor, a friend, family member or a stranger in your own community! Only blood collected by LifeServe Blood Center is provided to your local hospitals.

Save the Date: Vacation Bible School - *"Magnified: Discovering the Bigness of God in the Smallest of Things"*

What: *"Magnified! VBS will encourage kids to look closely at the details of God's amazing world and magnify, or proclaim, the greatness of God. God made us, cares about us, loves us, forgives us, and is faithful to keep all His promises to us. We can praise God together! We were made to magnify God!" - Lifeway VBS*

When: August 3 - 6, 6:00 - 8:00 PM

Where: St. Patrick's Church

Who: Children entering Kindergarten through 5th grade

Price: \$10 per family

Questions?: Contact Jenny Angus at dbq139re@dbqarch.org



Invitation to Support Iglesia Camino de Emaus (Road to Emaus Church)

During the Southeastern Iowa Synod's recent Synod Assembly, Memorial joined our Synod, the Northern Illinois Synod, the ELCA, and many other churches and organizations in offering our

monetary and prayerful support to Iglesia Camino de Emaus (Road to Emaus Church). Iglesia Camino de Emaus is a new Synodically Authorized Worshiping Community in Davenport led by Pr. Jose Pilar Alvarez Cabrera, former bishop of the Lutheran church in Guatemala.

As Iglesia Camino de Emaus continues to form and grow, continued support from churches, organizations, and individuals would be of great help. Please prayerfully consider offering your support and use the QR code if you can help. Thank you!

Online Giving with Tithe.ly—New Funds Available for Designated Gifts



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 set up one-time or recurring gifts to the General Fund, Capital Improvement Fund, Drive for the Drive Pavement Project, Sanctuary Screens Fund, Sanctuary Carpet Fund, and more!***

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

CROP Walk Meeting

When: Tuesday, June 24, 10:00 AM in Lounge

Weekly Bible Study

When: Thursday, June 26, 8:30 AM in Chapel

Weekly Bible Study

When: Thursday, July 3, 8:30 AM in Chapel

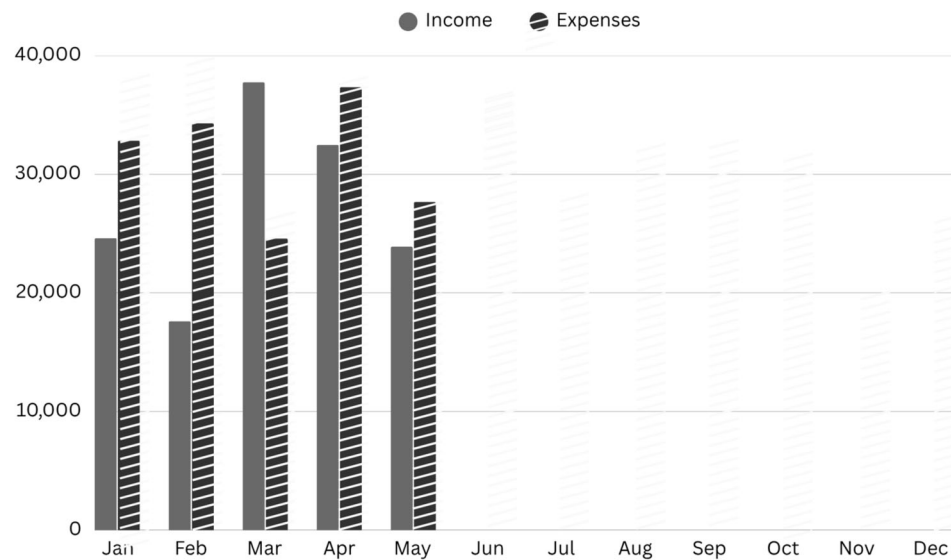
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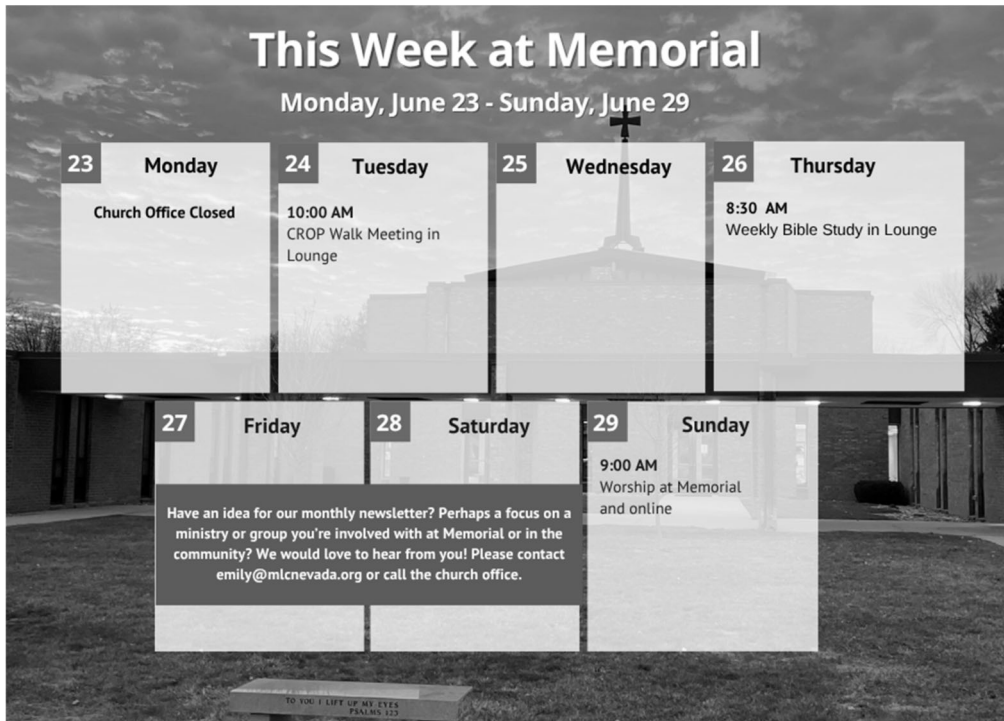
Cumulative Income vs Expenses as of May 31, 2025

Income: \$136,364

Expenses: (\$156,723)

Current Deficit: (\$20,359)





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