

2nd Sunday After Pentecost

June 7, 2026



2nd Sunday After Pentecost

June 7, 2026

Memorial Lutheran Church | Nevada, Iowa

Prelude: *“Praise to the Lord the Almighty”* - arr. Shoemaker
Lois Theesfield, organ

Welcome

Gathering Song: *“Morning Has Broken”* - ELW #556

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,
whose compassion endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin to God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Compassionate God,

we confess to you all our sins.

Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves.

In your mercy, call us back to you.

Your yoke is easy and your burden is light.

Restore us to dwell in your peace.

In Christ’s name we pray,

Amen.

Jesus says, “Come to me,
all you who are weary
and are carrying heavy burdens,
and I will give you rest.”


In the name of God,
Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit,
your sins are forgiven.

Rest in God’s love.

Amen.

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 - With One Voice, Setting 5



A Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **G** Lord, have mer - cy.
Lord, have mer - cy:



A Chri - ste e - le - i - son: **G** Christ, have mer - cy.
Christ, have mer - cy:



A Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **G** Lord, have mer - cy.
Lord, have mer - cy:

Hymn of Praise - With One Voice, Setting 5



G Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



II Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the

right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

III Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;

glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

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

¹⁵ I 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.

² After two days he will revive us;

- on the third day he will raise us up,
that we may live before him.
- ³ Let 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.”
- ⁴ 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.
- ⁵ 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.
- ⁶ For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice,
the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

Psalm 50:7-15

- ⁷ “Listen, my people, and I will speak: Israel, I will bear witness against you;
for I am God, your God.
- ⁸ **I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices;
your burnt offerings are always before me.**
- ⁹ I will not accept a calf from your stalls,
nor goats from your pens;
- ¹⁰ **for all the wild animals of the forest are mine,
the cattle on a thousand hills.**
- ¹¹ I know every bird of the mountains,
and the creatures of the fields are mine.
- ¹² **If I were hungry, I would not tell you,
for the whole world is mine and all that is in it.**
- ¹³ Do you think I eat the flesh of bulls,
or drink the blood of goats?
- ¹⁴ **Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving
and make good your vows to the Most High.**
- ¹⁵ Call upon me in the day of trouble;
I will deliver you, and you shall honor me.

Second Reading: Romans 4:13-25

¹³ The 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. ¹⁴ For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵ For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law, neither is there transgression.

¹⁶ For this reason the promise depends on faith, in order that it may rest on grace, so that it may be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (who is the father of all of us, ¹⁷ as 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. ¹⁸ Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So shall your descendants be." ¹⁹ He 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), and the barrenness of Sarah's womb. ²⁰ No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹ being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. ²² Therefore "it was reckoned to him as righteousness." ²³ Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone ²⁴ but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, ²⁵ who was handed over for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Children at Heart Sermon

Gospel Acclamation - *With One Voice, Setting 5*



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

The Gospel according to Matthew
Glory to You, O Lord

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

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

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

The Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, O Christ

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: "Will You Come and Follow Me" - ELW #798

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 the Risen Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

Offering

Music Voluntary: *"We Come to You for Healing Lord"* - arr. Hobby

We come to you for healing Lord, of body, mind, and soul; and pray that by your Spirit's touch we may again be whole. - ELW #617

Offering Prayer

Loving God,
we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts.
Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love,
so that all creation can taste your abundance.
We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever. **Amen.**

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.

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.

Holy, Holy, Holy - With One Voice, Setting 5

It is indeed right and salutary... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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

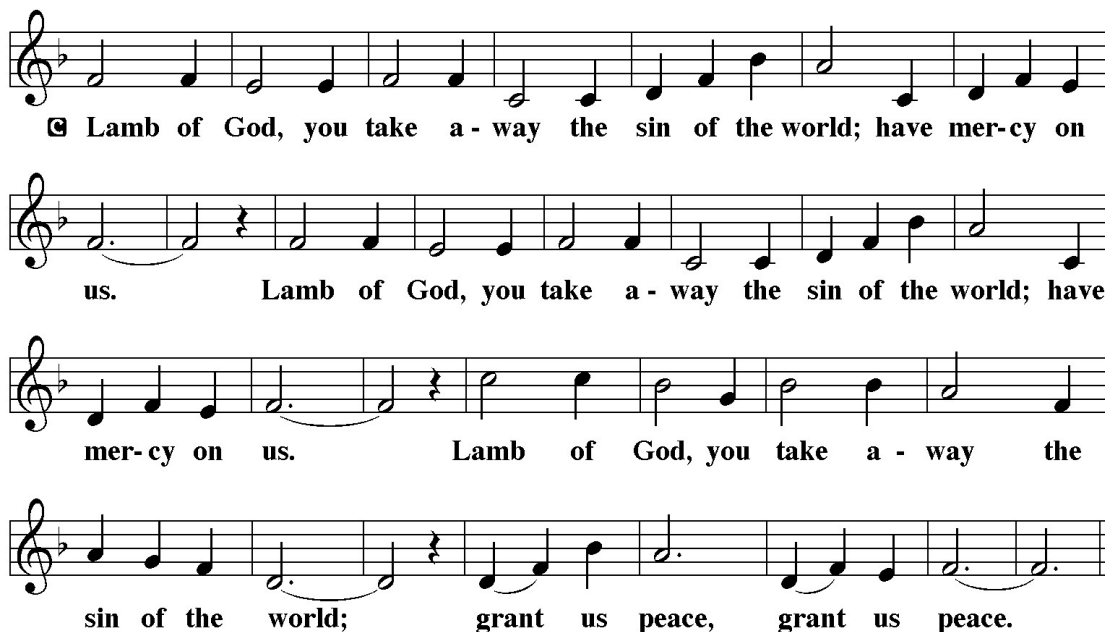
Come to the table of new life.
Receive the risen Lord.

Hymns during Communion

"Lamb of God" - With One Voice, Setting 5

"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" - ELW #588

Lamb of God - With One Voice, Setting 5



☞ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Prayer after Communion

Compassionate God,
through the gifts of bread and wine
our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love.
Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal,
may share your love freely, as you have shared with us.
We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever.
Amen.

Announcements

Blessing

Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer,
+ one God,
bless, heal, and hold you
today and always.
Amen.

Sending Song: *“I’m So Glad Jesus Lifted Me”* - ELW #860

Dismissal

Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude: *“Praise to the Lord the Almighty”* - arr. Micheelsen
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 Almeda Warner and Amy Vinzant following the death of their brother +Ken Tillotson

Please keep Tanya Sorem and family in your prayers following the death of her cousin Kevin Casper

Diane Eilers	Bert Ann Ray	Crystal Vines
Mike Coverdale	Wayne Kinyon	Katie Bass
Mel Craven	Loren Bryant	<i>niece of Judy Coverdale</i>
Beverly Johnson	<i>brother of Arlys Neal</i>	Wayne Johnson
June Rush	Jill Rhodes	Troy Vincent
<i>sister of Joan Ridgway</i>	Connie Robinson	Mike Neal
Nan Jungst	<i>sister of Shirley Klonglan</i>	Christina King
Paul Johnson	Barb McDaniel	Sherry Kluever
Mary Brinkman	Ken Huffaker	Kim Elliott
Ashley and Ming Xu	<i>father of Kendra McCauley</i>	Pr. Marcia Kisner
<i>friends of Aly Sassman</i>	Emma Nelson	Marlene Waddell
Kathy Lynn Johnson	<i>granddaughter of Steve & Nan Jungst</i>	<i>friend of Virginia Palmisano-Goettsch</i>
Teresa Krebs	Ardith Forsyth	Cassie Harrell
Kari Toot	Eileen Miller	Jean Smith
Tanya Sorem	Karen Anderson	Easton Farrington
Julie & Craig Sutherland	Caleb Roof	Janice Hartz
June Copenhaver	Evelyn Onstot	Jackie Byers
<i>mother of Diane Martin</i>	Katy Beno	<i>daughter of Shellie Black</i>
Pastor Andrea Myers	<i>sister of Sandy Christian</i>	Donna See
<i>wife of Pastor Ronald Myers</i>	Eric Forsyth	Norma Dannan
Charlie Lloyd		

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.*

Save the Date

TODAY: Retirement Celebration for Deacon Barb Mittman

When: Sunday, June 7, 2:00 - 4:00 PM

Where: Nevada First United Methodist Church

Executive Committee Meeting

When: Tuesday, June 9, 5:00 PM

Where: Lounge

Lutheran World Relief Work Day

When: Wednesday, June 10, 1:00 PM

Where: Mission Room

Fellowship & Outreach Team Meeting

When: Wednesday, June 10, 5:00 PM

Where: Lounge

Bible Study

When: Thursday, June 11, 8:30 AM

Where: Chapel

Finance Team Meeting

When: Thursday, June 11, 5:00 PM

Where: Lounge

Good Samaritan Cookout Fundraiser

When: Wednesday, June 17, 5:00 - 7:00 PM

Where: St. Patrick Catholic Church

Bible Study

When: Thursday, June 18, 8:30 AM

Where: Chapel

Memorial Volunteers at Food at First (volunteers needed!)

See sign-up sheet in Narthex

When: Thursday, June 18, 2:00 and 4:30 PM shifts available

Where: Nevada First United Methodist Church

Council Meeting

When: Thursday, June 18, 7:00 PM

Where: Fellowship Hall

4th of July Root Beer Floats

When: Saturday, July 4, 8:30 PM

Where: MLC courtyard

Christmas in July Open House

When: Sunday, July 26 following worship

Where: Fellowship Hall

Vacation Bible School

Open for Preschool through 5th grade; cost \$10 per family

When: August 2 - 5, evenings

Where: St. Patrick Catholic Church

This Week at Memorial

Monday, June 8 - Sunday, June 14

<p>8 Monday</p> <p>Church Office Closed</p>	<p>9 Tuesday</p> <p>5:00 PM Executive Committee Meeting <i>Lounge</i></p>	<p>10 Wednesday</p> <p>1:00 PM Lutheran World Relief Work Day <i>Mission Room</i></p> <p>5:00 PM Fellowship & Outreach Team Meeting <i>Lounge</i></p>	<p>11 Thursday</p> <p>8:30 AM Bible Study <i>Chapel</i></p> <p>5:00 PM Finance Team Meeting <i>Staff Work Room</i></p>
<p>12 Friday</p>	<p>13 Saturday</p>	<p>14 Sunday</p> <p>9:00 AM Worship at Memorial and online via YouTube and Facebook</p>	<p>Have an idea for our monthly newsletter? Perhaps a focus on a ministry or group you're involved with at Memorial or in the community? We would love to hear from you! Please contact emily@mlcnevada.org or call the church office.</p>

Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday 9:00 AM - 3:30 PM*

**Call 515-382-6509 for appointments outside of office hours*

Memorial Lutheran Church
 701 11th Street, Nevada, IA 50201
 Phone 515-382-6509
pastorkathleen@mlcnevada.org
emily@mlcnevada.org
www.mlcnevada.org

@memluthnevada Memorial Lutheran Memorial Lutheran ELCA

Kathleen Lotz, Pastor | Lois Theesfield, Director of Music Ministry
 Emily Dalthorp, Parish Administrator for Outreach & Engagement
 Mike Coverdale, Custodian

Texts and graphics from From Sundays and Seasons.com. Copyright 2026 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved. Reprinted by permission under Augsburg Fortress Liturgies Annual License #20739. New Revised Standard Version Bible, copyright 1989, Division of Christian Education of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America. Used by permission. All rights reserved.
