

Offertory Prayer

We bring these gifts to you, O God, in recognition and gratitude for your loving provision. We offer you our very lives and bow before you in tribute to your many blessings. Take us and use us, that your will may be done on earth as it is in heaven. This we pray in the name of the One who came in holy love, that we might have abundant life. Amen

Reception into Minden United Methodist Church

We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of the United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the Church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

Holy Communion

Special Music "Remembrance"

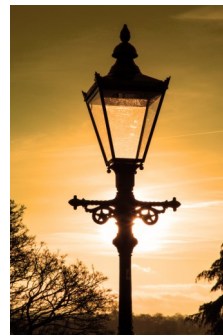
Closing Song

"Sing to the King"

Benediction

The journey has begun. God is with you. Go forth to learn, to teach, to serve. Go and bring peace and hope to all in the name of Jesus Christ. AMEN.

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2022 Vision:
Expand Our Boundaries
Through the Word of God.
"Your word is a lamp for my feet,
a light on my path"
(Psalm 119:105)

Minden United Methodist Church

Order of Worship—March 6, 2022—1st Sunday in Lent

Welcome and Announcements

1. During Lenten season, we offer a special opportunity to participate in the ministry of daily devotion. If you choose a day of 40 days, you read the scripture and prayer in Upper Room. Pastor Peter will record the video. Or you can record yourself and send it to peterchoiminden@gmail.com. Then the pastor will post the video on Facebook and YouTube at 7:00 am every day.
2. No Winter Kids Church School this week it is spring break.
3. Due to continued health concerns caused by the Covid-19 pandemic, the 2022 Lenten Lunches have been canceled. They will be resumed next year.
4. Bible class, Threading the Bible, Tuesday 10 am and 5 pm.
5. Adult Bible Study is at 10:45 am every Sunday.
6. No Choir Practice this week.
7. Please pick up the March Newsletter if you would like one.
8. April 1-2, the Methodist Church in Holdrege is offering a Leadership Seminar—"Anxious Times Call for Non-Anxious Leaders". All leaders are welcome more information on the flier in the back if you are interested.
9. Last week we received offerings of \$977. Monthly expenses based on Budget are \$16,427 and total offerings in February were \$10,795. Thank you for the offerings and prayers.

Call to Worship

L: Long ago, God rescued God's people from slavery.

P: We are enslaved today, in many different ways.

L: God can and will rescue us. Place your trust in God's love.

P: Our hope is in the Lord who is our refuge and our strength.

L: Even though temptations surround us, drawing us away from God,

P: We will continue to follow God and trust in God's ways.

AMEN.

Opening Prayer

Our Father God, we pray earnestly and expectantly that you will fill our hearts and this place with your presence. Teach us the way of the cross. It is a difficult life, but we trust that it is the only true life worthy of your mission. Teach us the words of Jesus and shape our lives by them. Teach us the deeds of Jesus and form us by them. We are eager and ready to hear the gospel and praise your holy name. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

Silent Prayer

Children's Music

“I Have Decided”

Children's Time

Kathi Schutz

Opening Songs “Here I am to Worship” & “When I Survey”

Scriptures

Madeline Kring

Psalm 91:1-2 (NIV)

Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty.

I will say of the Lord, “He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust.”

Psalm 91:9-16 (NIV)

If you say, “The Lord is my refuge,” and you make the Most High your dwelling, no harm will overtake you, no disaster will come near your tent.

For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways;

they will lift you up in their hands,

so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.

You will tread on the lion and the cobra;

you will trample the great lion and the serpent.

“Because he loves me,” says the Lord, “I will rescue him;

I will protect him, for he acknowledges my name.

He will call on me, and I will answer him;

I will be with him in trouble,

I will deliver him and honor him.

With long life I will satisfy him and show him my salvation.”

Luke 23:26-34 (NIV)

As the soldiers led him away, they seized Simon from Cyrene, who was on his way in from the country, and put the cross on him and made him carry it behind Jesus. A large number of people followed him, including women who mourned and wailed for him. Jesus turned and said to them, “Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me; weep for yourselves and for your children. For the time will come when you will say, ‘Blessed are the childless women, the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed!’ Then “they will say to the mountains, “Fall on us!” and to the hills, “Cover us!””

For if people do these things when the tree is green, what will happen when it is dry?”

Two other men, both criminals, were also led out with him to be executed. When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified him there, along with the criminals—one on his right, the other on his left. Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.” And they divided up his clothes by casting lots.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

Message “Father, Forgive Them...” Pastor Peter Choi

Joys and Concerns

Prayer List: Family and Friends of Dolly Grams,

Marjorie Madsen, Orville Scharff, Jan Larsen,

Kurt Muller, Gary Smidt, and Merlin Beahm.

Happy Birthday to Vivian Bungler, Larry Evans, Payden

Havens, Jane Craig, Roxanne Sorensen, LeRoy Smith,

Roma Anderson, Isabelle Martin.

Happy Anniversary to Ed & Roxanne Sorensen—37 years.

Pastoral Prayer

“Doxology

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

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