



**United Methodist Church  
340 N Newell Ave  
Minden, Nebraska  
8th Sunday after Pentecost  
10:00 a.m.  
July 14, 2024**

**Welcome and Announcements**

1. During July, Pastor Peter will focus on the Caring Ministry. He plans to visit church families who have not been attending and anyone else who needs a visit. If you know anyone who needs a visit, please contact the office or Pastor Peter.
2. Rummage Sale is next month. Please bring clean and gently used items to room 103. If you have furniture, please contact Jodi Boudreau to arrange a time to deliver to the church.
3. Sheets for the volunteers of Scripture Reading, Usher and Greeter, and Refreshment are in the back. If you want to serve our church and ministry, please write your name on the sheet in the back.
4. As a member of NCD in our conference, Pastor Peter will attend the NCD (New Church Development) retreat in Topeka, KS, from this Tuesday until Thursday.
5. We have refreshments in room 300 following worship.
6. Last week we received offerings of \$1,696.

**Call to worship!**

L: Open wide the doorways of our sanctuary!

**P: May the king of glory come into our midst.**

L: Who is this king of glory?

**P: This king of glory is our Savior Jesus Christ.**

L: Open the doors of our hearts to receive Jesus Christ.

**P: May our spirits and our hearts receive his blessing now and forever. AMEN.**

**Opening Prayer**

Lord, thank you for the privilege of coming together to worship and honor You. You have blessed us with so much throughout our lives. Fill this place with Your Holy Spirit and open our hearts to receive Your word. May our songs of praise and prayers be pleasing to You. Strengthen our faith and help us to live out Your love in our daily lives. We commit this time to You, Lord. May everything we do bring glory to Your name. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

**Silent Prayer of Confession**

**Happy Birthday to**

Anna Sinsel  
Bobbie Heitman  
Doug Fellers  
Leslie Lambert

**Happy Anniversary to**

Scott & Delaine  
Maxon—22 years

**Prayer List:**

Larry Anderson  
Merlin Beahm  
Peggy Rasmussen

**July 14-20, 2024**

**Sunday**

**Monday**

**Tuesday**

**Wednesday**

**Thursday**

9:30am Prayer Time

**Friday**

**Saturday**

**Vision for 2024:**

**All things work  
together for good.  
(Romans 8:28)**

**The Apostles' Creed (Ecumenical Version)**

**UMH#882**

**Opening Hymn**

**"Grace Greater than Our Sin"**

**UMH#365**

**Passing the Peace of Christ**

**Children's Time**

**Scripture Reading**

**Sirena Havens**

**Ephesians 1:3-14 (NIV) Praise for Spiritual Blessings in Christ**

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ. For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love he predestined us for adoption to sonship through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will—to the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and understanding, he made known to us the mystery of his will according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ, to be put into effect when the times reach their fulfillment—to bring unity to all things in heaven and on earth under Christ.

In him we were also chosen, having been predestined according to the plan of him who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of his will, in order that we, who were the first to put our hope in Christ, might be for the praise of his glory. And you also were included in Christ when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation. When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession—to the praise of his glory.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**P: Thanks be to God.**

**Message**

**"Every Spiritual Blessing: Understanding Our Heavenly Riches."**

**Pastor Peter Choi**

**Hymn**

**"Blessed Assurance"**

**UMH#369**

**Joys & Concerns—Pastoral Prayer—The Lord's Prayer**

**Offering**

**Doxology "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH#95**

**Offertory Prayer**

Creator of all things, we give back to you in praise of your glory. We do not wish to simply praise you with our song and our words and our hands; We wish to praise you by loving our brothers and sisters in Christ. Take and use our gifts so that they may serve your kingdom. Amen.

**Closing Hymn**

**"Victory in Jesus"**

**UMH#370**

**Sending Forth**

God's love for you is real and alive in your hearts today. Go in peace, knowing that the Lord of Love and Life is with you. Bring God's peace to all you meet, this day, and all your days. AMEN.