

**United Methodist Church  
340 N Newell Ave  
Minden, Nebraska  
9th Sunday after Pentecost  
10:00 a.m.**



**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. On July 28<sup>th</sup>, during our Sunday worship service, we will be having a special Old Hymns Service. We plan to sing the hymns that we have cherished since childhood and teach them to our children.

We invite everyone to bring friends and family to share in the love of Jesus through the hymns that have touched our hearts since we were young.

4. 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.

5. We have refreshments in room 300 following worship.

6. Last week we received offerings of \$3,595.

**Call to worship!**

L: Welcome, beloved community. Today, we gather to celebrate our unity in Christ, who is our cornerstone.!

**P: We once were strangers, far from God's promises, but now we are brought near by the blood of Christ.**

L: In Christ, we are no longer foreigners and strangers but fellow citizens with God's people and members of His household.

**P: Together, we are being built into a holy temple, with Christ Jesus Himself as the chief cornerstone.**

L: Come, let us worship the Lord, our cornerstone, who unites us and makes us one.

**All: Amen.**

**Opening Prayer**

Reconciling God, proclaim peace to us once more. Put to death all hostility within us and help us be one with our enemies, that we may all be members of your household. Remove the animosities to which we cling and be our shepherd, even as we are the sheep of your pasture, through Jesus Christ, our guide and guardian. Amen.

**Silent Prayer of Confession**

**Happy Birthday to**

Susan Tunnell  
Alaina Suchsland

**Happy Anniversary to**

Ed & Lonna  
Rowse—30 years  
Rod & Linda  
Duffey—26 years  
Kurt & Jennifer  
Muller—37 years  
Joe & Marjorie  
Hultquist—60 years

**Prayer List:**

Larry Anderson  
Merlin Beahm  
Peggy Rasmussen

**July 21-27, 2024**

**Sunday**

**Monday**

**Tuesday**

**Wednesday**

**Thursday**

9:30am Prayer Time

**Friday**

**Saturday**

**Vision for 2024:  
All things work  
together for good.  
(Romans 8:28)**

**Opening Songs**      **“You Are My All In All” & “Everlasting God”**

**Passing the Peace of Christ**

**Children's Time**

**Scripture Reading**

**Sophie Graham**

**Ephesians 2:11-22 (NIV) Jew and Gentile Reconciled Through Christ**

Therefore, remember that formerly you who are Gentiles by birth and called “uncircumcised” by those who call themselves “the circumcision” (which is done in the body by human hands)—remember that at that time you were separate from Christ, excluded from citizenship in Israel and foreigners to the covenants of the promise, without hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

For he himself is our peace, who has made the two groups one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility, by setting aside in his flesh the law with its commands and regulations. His purpose was to create in himself one new humanity out of the two, thus making peace, and in one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which he put to death their hostility. He came and preached peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near. For through him we both have access to the Father by one Spirit.

Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of his household, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**P: Thanks be to God.**

**Message**      **“Building Together: Christ as Our Cornerstone”**      **Pastor Peter Choi**

**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, as we give, we remember that Christ is our cornerstone, the foundation upon which our lives and this church are built. May these offerings be used to strengthen and expand Your kingdom, to bring hope and healing to those in need, and to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ to all. Lord, bless these gifts and those who give them. Multiply their impact and use them for Your glory. Guide us in the stewardship of all that You have entrusted to us, that we may honor You in all that we do. We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and cornerstone. Amen.

**Closing Song**

**“A Mighty Fortress”**

**Sending Forth**

You are God's beloved people, refreshed, restored, forgiven, and healed. Go now into this world confident in the gifts God has given you. Go to serve God's people, bringing words of peace and hope to all whom you meet. AMEN.