

# United Methodist Church 340 N Newell Ave Minden, Nebraska 14th Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 a.m. August 25, 2024

**Prelude** 

Glen Haselbarth

# Video

## **Welcome and Announcements**

- 1. This Wednesday, August 28th, Education meeting at 5:00pm.
- 2. Wednesday School will resume September 4th. We will meet after school until 5 PM. If you're interested in serving the children, please contact the church office or Pastor Peter.
- 3. We are looking for teachers to join our team in serving the youth and guiding them in faith alongside the pastor. If you're interested, please contact the church office or the pastor.
- 4. Please volunteer to be a scripture reader, usher and/or greeter, or refreshment host. 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 \$978.

# Call to worship!

L: Come, give thanks to the Lord with all your heart and soul!

P: We come, rejoicing over God's many blessings poured out on us!

L: God's works are great!

P: We delight in learning about them.

L: Respect for God and all that God offers to us is the beginning of wisdom.

P: With gratefulness, we shall praise and honor God all our lives. AMEN.

# Opening Prayer

In the beauty of this place, we have come to pray, worship, and receive healing and hope. We come from the struggles and triumphs of the week, needing to feel the soothing presence of God. Lord, be with us this day. Calm and soothe our souls. Cause us to rejoice that You have provided a special place where we may gather to speak of Your presence and love, to sing Your praises, and to be empowered to go forth and serve You. Amen.

# **Happy Birthday** to

Levi Loseke Marsha Granger Gary Smidt

# Happy Anniversary to

Mark & Lori Loseke—23 years

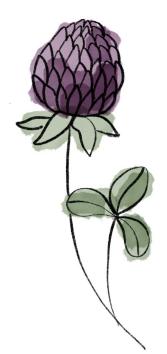
# **Prayer List:**

Lee Mills Joe Hultquist Larry Anderson Merlin Beahm Peggy Rasmussen

# August 25-31, 2024

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday 5pm Education Mtg Thursday 9:30am Prayer Time Friday Saturday

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



Silent Prayer of Confession

The Apostles' Creed (Ecumenical Version) **UMH#882** 

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" Opening Hymn

**UMH#110** 

Passing the Peace of Christ

Children's Time

Scripture Reading Leanna Warner

Ephesians 6:10-20 (NIV) - The Armor of God

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the hel-

met of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people. Pray also for me, that whenever I speak, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it fearlessly, as I should.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

Message "Spiritual Resilience: Putting on the Armor of God" **Pastor Peter Choi** 

"Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus" Hymn **UMH#462** 

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

Offering

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

### Offertory Prayer

Gracious God, we bring these offerings as a sign of Your faithfulness and provision. Accept them and use them to advance Your kingdom and spread Your love. May these gifts reflect our gratitude and help meet the needs of others. Bless these offerings and those who give, making them instruments of Your will. In Jesus' name, Amen.

**Closing Hymn** "Stand Up, Stand up for Jesus" **UMH#514** 

# Sending Forth

As we leave this place, may God's armor strengthen us, His truth guide us, and His peace fill us. Empowered by the Spirit, let us stand firm, reflecting Christ's love and strength. Go in peace to serve and make a difference in the world, knowing that God's presence goes with you. Amen.

**Postlude** Glen Haselbarth