



United Methodist Church
340 N Newell Ave
Minden, Nebraska
11th Sunday after Pentecost
10:00 a.m.
August 4, 2024

Prelude

Video

Welcome and Announcements

1. Our new District Superintendent, Rev. Ron Harris, will visit our church Thursday, August 8, at 9:30 am. Everyone is invited to this gathering.
2. Rummage Sale is next week. Please keep bringing clean and gently used items to room 103 in boxes or bags.
August 11- Set up after church everyone can Help.
August 12- Set up and pricing
August 13 & 14 Sale 9am-7pm, August 15 Sale 9am-1pm \$3 sack sale.
3. On August 11, during regular worship, there will be a blessing of the backpack and the school year. Please bring backpacks to worship.
4. Movie Night: August 21 at 6:30pm. "Beyond Utopia": a documentary following the journey of North Korean defectors as they risk everything to escape their harsh homeland.
5. Please volunteer for Scripture Reading, Usher and Greeter, and Refreshment. If you want to serve our church and ministry, please write your name on the sheet in the back.
6. Last week we received offerings of \$1,890.

Call to worship!

L: The Bread of Life has come among us.

P: What is this Bread of Life?

L: It is none other than Jesus Christ, God's beloved Son!

P: We hunger for the true bread that will nourish our souls.

L: Come, then, to Christ who feeds us with his very life!

P: We come, needing sustenance and nurturing. AMEN

Opening Prayer

Along life's pathways, we search continually for signs to point us in positive directions. Christ has given us a sign which points us to healing and hope: that is the sign of the Bread of Life. No more shall we hunger and thirst after the things which cannot sustain us. Now, we have been fed and nourished by Christ! Open our hearts in gratitude, Lord, for all the wondrous things you have done for us. Open our Spirits to hear your words of hope for us today. AMEN.

Lena Choi

Happy Birthday to

Mikaela Froid
Justiss Hinkle
Orlan Grams
Melissa Klabunde
Jerzee Smidt
Marcia Fries
Brooke Greving
Nathan Martin
Jan Marlatt
Kevin Smith
Keven Schutz
Braylee Kring

Happy Anniversary to

Dan & Ginger
Frizane—58 years
Colton & Brooke
Greving—2 years

Prayer List:

Larry Anderson
Merlin Beahm
Peggy Rasmussen

August 4-10, 2024

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

9:30am Visit from

District Superintendent,
Rev. Ron Harris.

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

Opening Songs "What A Beautiful Name" & "Now That You're Near"

Passing the Peace of Christ

Children's Time

Scripture Reading

Marilyn Rasmussen

John 6:24-35 (NIV)

Once the crowd realized that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they got into the boats and went to Capernaum in search of Jesus.

When they found him on the other side of the lake, they asked him, "Rabbi, when did you get here?"

Jesus answered, "Very truly I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw the signs I performed but because you ate the loaves and had your fill. Do not work for food that spoils, but for food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For on him God the Father has placed his seal of approval."

Then they asked him, "What must we do to do the works God requires?"

Jesus answered, "The work of God is this: to believe in the one he has sent."

So they asked him, "What sign then will you give that we may see it and believe you? What will you do? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written: 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'"

Jesus said to them, "Very truly I tell you, it is not Moses who has given you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is the bread that comes down from heaven and gives life to the world."

"Sir," they said, "always give us this bread."

Then Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

Message "Jesus, the Bread of Life: Beyond Physical Hunger"

Pastor Peter Choi

Joys & Concerns—Pastoral Prayer

Offering

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

Offertory Prayer

God of miraculous grace, transform our gifts into the work of ministry. Transform our lives into your presence in the world. Through these gifts, may we grow in the knowledge of Christ and be strengthened in the unity of faith. Transform these gifts into the bread of life so that in our giving, others may be fed. Make these gifts the waters that spring up into eternal life, so that in our giving, others may be nurtured and strengthened as children of God. In your loving and nurturing name, we pray. Amen.

Holy Communion

Special Music "In Christ Alone"

Closing Song "You Never Let Go"

Sending Forth

The Bread of Life has called and fed you. Now go forth into God's world to nourish others and bring God's love, hope and peace. AMEN.

Postlude

Lena Choi