United Methodist Church 340 N Newell Ave, Minden, Nebraska 19th Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 a.m., September 29, 2024

Prelude

Lena Choi

Welcome and Announcements

1. Starting a new week, for three weeks, Pastor Peter will be preaching a series titled "Vision of Life: Living Out God's Plan." During this time, we will not only explore the vision for our own lives but also seek to understand the vision God has given us as a church. Especially as we are preparing for our church's vision for next year, we will take this opportunity to explore God's vision for our church in depth.

2. Nominations Committee Meeting Monday, September 30, at 5pm.

3. Finance Meeting Wednesday, October 2, at 6:00pm.

4. We are holding a fundraiser during October for Youth Group and Children's Ministry.

5. The Annual Charge Conference will be on November 17. Please submit all documents by October 17.

6. Please volunteer to be a scripture reader, greeter, communion server, or refreshment host. If you want to serve our church and ministry, write your name on the sheet in the back.

7. We have refreshments in room 300 following worship.

8. Last week we received offerings of \$1,505.

Call to worship!

L: Welcome to this sacred time of worship, where we gather as one body in Christ.

P: We come with open hearts, ready to encounter God's presence among us.

L: As we put on our clothes each day, may we also clothe ourselves with the love of Christ.

P: We seek to reflect His grace and truth in our lives.

L: Together, let us worship the God who transforms us, renewing our spirits and renewing our identities.

P: We lift our voices in praise and surrender, ready to embrace the journey of faith.

L: Come, let us worship together!

P: Amen!

Opening Prayer

Gracious God, we gather today in Your presence, grateful for the gift of this community and the opportunity to worship You. As we enter this sacred space, help us to open our hearts and minds to Your Word. May Your Spirit fill us, transforming our identities and renewing our spirits. Help us to put off our old selves and embrace the new life You offer, reflecting Your love and grace in all we do. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

<u>Happy Birthday</u> to Brodie Kring Kurt Muller Dylan Janda Kaleigh Melroy Drew Rome

Happy Anniversary to

Todd & Kelli Suchsland—28 years

Prayer List:

Lee Mills Joe Hultquist Larry Anderson Peggy Rasmussen

Sept 29-Oct 5, 2024

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday 3:30pm Wednesday School 6:00pm Finance 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)

Opening Songs

"Shout to the Lord: "You Are My King"

Passing the Peace of Christ

Children's Message

Scripture Reading

Romans 13:14 (NIV)

Rather, clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not think about how to gratify the desires of the flesh.

Ephesians 4:22-24 (NIV)

You were taught, with regard to your former way of life, to put off your old self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires; to be made new in the attitude of your minds; and to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and ho-liness.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

Message

"Clothe Yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ" Pastor Peter Choi

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

Offering

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

Offertory Prayer

Gracious God, we thank You for the blessings in our lives and for the opportunity to share with others. May our offerings be a reflection of our love for You and our commitment to Your mission in the world. May we also offer our hearts and lives to You, clothing ourselves with Christ and embodying His love in all we do. We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.

Closing Song

"Because He Lives"

Sending Forth

As we leave this place, may we go clothed in the love and grace of Christ. Let us put off the old self and embrace the new life God offers, reflecting His light in all we do. May the world see Christ in us as we live out our faith in our everyday lives. Go in peace, knowing that you are deeply loved by God and called to share that love with others. Amen.

Postlude

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