United Methodist Church 340 N Newell Ave Minden, Nebraska 16th Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 a.m. September 8, 2024

Prelude

Glen Haselbarth

Video

Welcome and Announcements

- 1. United Women in Faith will gather in room 300 at 3:30 pm on September 11.
- 2. The Finance Committee meeting will be in the library at 6:00 pm on September 11.
- 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 get in touch with the church office or the pastor.
- 4. The Annual Charge Conference will be on November 17. Many documents are due October 1. Please submit all documents by October 17.
- 4. Please volunteer for 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 \$2,530.

Call to worship!

L: Come, let us gather with hearts open to God's presence.

P: We come to seek God in the ordinary and the everyday.

L: As we reflect on the simple things in life, may we discover the deeper truths they reveal.

P: May our faith be nurtured, our spirits refreshed, and our hearts drawn closer to God.

L: Let us worship the One who weaves His grace and love into every aspect of our lives.

P: With gratitude and praise, we lift our voices to worship our God, who is present in all things. Amen.

Opening Prayer

Gracious God, as we begin this time of worship, we ask that You help us to see the profound spiritual truths in the simple things around us. Teach us to nurture our faith just as we care for the grass under our feet, to set boundaries that honor You, and to recognize Your hand in the small moments of our lives. May Your Spirit move among us, drawing us closer to You as we worship. We dedicate this time to You and pray that our worship will be pleasing in Your sight. Guide us, inspire us, and transform us by Your Word. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Happy Birthday to

Chloe Choi
Colton Greving
Lori Loseke
Lori Conyers
Bill Hunter
Larry Snavely
Tim Tunnell

Happy Anniversary to

Dudley & Michelle Scharff—30 years

Prayer List:

Family and Friends of Edna Carlson Lee Mills Joe Hultquist Larry Anderson Merlin Beahm Peggy Rasmussen

September 8-14, 2024 Sunday Monday

7:00pm Girl Scouts 7:00pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday Wednesday

- 9:30am United Women in Faith
- 3:30pm Wed. 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)

UMH#882

Opening Hymn

This Is My Father's World"

UMH#144

Passing the Peace of Christ

Children's Message

Scripture Reading Matthew 6:28-33 (NIV)

Sirena Havens

"And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

1 Corinthians 10:31 (NIV)

So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

Message "The Lawn"

Pastor Peter Choi

Hymn

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

UMH#400

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

Offering

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

Offertory Prayer

Gracious God, just as You tend to the lawns and gardens surrounding us, we thank You for the many blessings we receive each day, from the simple beauty of creation to the profound grace of Your love. May these gifts, given with cheerful hearts, be used to further Your work in the world, to nurture faith, and to bring hope and healing to those in need. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Closing Hymn

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

UMH#140

Sending Forth

Go forth with the assurance that God is with you in every step you take, in every task you undertake, and in every relationship you cherish. Let your faith shine through your actions, reflecting the love and presence of God to the world around you. Amen.

Postlude

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