

KOUNTZE MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

A CITY-WIDE CHURCH WITH A WORLD-WIDE MINISTRY

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9:00 & 11:00 AM

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY after PENTECOST



In today's gospel reading, Jesus tells a parable of the vineyard, an image of Israel, the prophets' mission, and Christ's death. For Christians, the vineyard also speaks of God's love poured out in the blood of Christ, given to us for the forgiveness of sin. Grafted onto Christ the vine at baptism, we are nourished with wine and bread, that we may share Christ's sufferings and know the power of his resurrection.

GATHERING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

(stand)

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the ☩ holy Trinity, the one who fashions us, the one who heals us, the one who reforms us again and again.

G Amen.

P Let us confess our sin, calling for God's transforming power.

Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination.

P Source of all life,

G **We confess that we have not allowed your grace to set us free.**

We fear that we are not good enough.

**We hear your word of love freely given to us,
yet we expect others to earn it.**

**We turn the church inward,
rather than moving it outward.**

Forgive us. Stir us.

**Reform us to be a church powered by love,
willing to speak for what is right,
act for what is just,
and seek the healing of your whole creation. Amen.**

P God hears our cry and sends the Spirit to change us and to empower our lives in the world. Our sins are forgiven, ☩ God's love is unconditional, and we are raised up as God's people who will always be made new, in the name of Jesus Christ.

G Amen.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“Jesus Loves Me!”

ELW 595

APOSTOLIC GREETING

☐ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

☑ And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Refrain



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le -



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo - ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and



strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le -



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and join in the

hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and
 might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain
 This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God,
 for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- ☐ Beloved God,
 ☑ from you come all things that are good. Lead us by the inspiration of your Spirit to know those things that are right, and by your merciful guidance, help us to do them, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WORD

(sit)

FIRST READING

Isaiah 5:1–7

The prophet sings a sad, parable-like love song about the relationship between God and Israel. In this song Israel is compared to a promising vineyard. Despite God's loving care, the vineyard that is Israel has brought forth "wild grapes" of injustice and distress, when fine grapes of justice and righteousness were expected.

Let me sing for my beloved my love-song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. ²He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; he expected it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes. ³And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. ⁴What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it? When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes? ⁵And now I will tell

you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. ⁶I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it. ⁷For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are his pleasant planting; he expected justice, but saw bloodshed; righteousness, but heard a cry!

A The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 80:7–15




Psalm 25:6

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⁷Restore us, O God of hosts;
let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved.

⁸You have brought a vine out of Egypt;
you cast out the nations and planted it.

⁹You cleared the ground for it;
it took root and filled the land.


¹⁰The mountains were covered by its shadow
and the towering cedar trees by its boughs. 

¹¹You stretched out its tendrils to the sea and its branches to the river.

¹²Why have you broken down its wall,
so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes?

¹³The wild boar of the forest has ravaged it,
and the beasts of the field have grazed upon it.

¹⁴Turn now, O God of hosts,
look down from heaven;

¹⁵behold and tend this vine;
preserve what your right hand has planted. 

SECOND READING

Philippians 3:4b–14

Paul reviews some of his supposed credentials, which no longer have any bearing in comparison to the right relationship he has been given through the death of Christ. The power of Christ's resurrection motivates him to press on toward the ultimate goal, eternal life with Christ.

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: ⁵circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

⁷Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. ⁸More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. ¹⁰I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, ¹¹if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

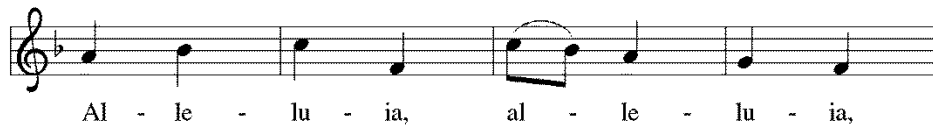
¹²Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

A The word of the Lord.

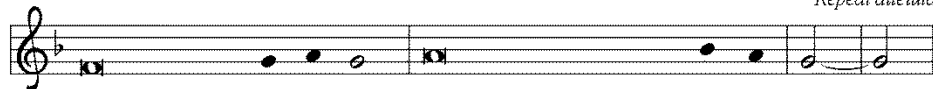
C Thanks be to God.

(stand)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Repeat alleluia



☐ The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.

☑ **Glory to you, O Lord.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 21:33–46

Jesus tells a parable to the religious leaders who are plotting his death, revealing that their plans will, ironically, bring about the fulfillment of scripture.

Jesus says, “³³Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. ³⁴When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. ³⁵But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. ³⁶Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. ³⁷Finally he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ ³⁸But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.’ ³⁹So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. ⁴⁰Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?’ ⁴¹They said to him, ‘He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.’”

⁴²Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the scriptures: ‘The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord’s doing, and it is amazing in our eyes?’ ⁴³Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. ⁴⁴The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.”

⁴⁵When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. ⁴⁶They wanted to arrest Jesus, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

☐ The Gospel of our Lord

☑ **Praise to you, O Christ.**

(sit)

CHILDREN’S BLESSING (9:00 AM)

Children (aged 3 years through 5th grade) are invited to come forward for a blessing. Then, they may either follow the teacher upstairs for an extended children’s sermon (joining us again later in time for Communion) or they may return to their seat and use the Spark Bible and/or activity bags during the regular sermon.

SERMON

Pastor Roynesdal

(stand)

HYMN OF THE DAY

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

ELW 803

THE APOSTLES' CREED

☩ I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Response: Ⓟ Lord, in your mercy,
 ☩ hear our prayer.

(In our prayers today, during a time of silence, pray for those listed below and for others according to their needs)

Illness: Jr Green (husband of Marvel Green), Eunice Grunberg, Susie Henry, Dee Hiatt, Virginia Jensen

Sympathy: To the family and friends of Marilyn Baker, to the family and friends of Bob Jones (father of Allison Albright)

Other Prayers: *Those serving in the military* – Amy Dyer, Brennan Hron, Michael McNeill, Daniel Milstead, Sheldon Skovgaard, Michael Vutov, and Joel Woosley

Other Prayers: *Those serving in mission* – Rev. Chandran Paul Martin, India; Dr. Stephen & Jodi Swanson, Tanzania; Krystle Moraska & Ignacio Madrussan, Argentina; Lindsay Mack, Mexico; Our sister congregation, the American Church in Berlin

THE PEACE IS SHARED

Ⓟ The peace of Christ be with you always.
☩ And also with you.

MEAL

(sit)

THE OFFERING IS RECEIVED

We glorify God in our giving. Our offering is an act of worship that makes the ministries of this church possible. We encourage everyone to give. If you are visiting with us today, please do not feel obligated to participate in this portion of worship. If you would like, use the QR code scanner on your smart phone to give online or use the giving kiosk in the Fellowship Hall.



THE TABLE IS PREPARED

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“Christ is the Vine”

James Biery

(stand)

OFFERTORY HYMN

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

- C** Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637-1711

OFFERING PRAYER

- P** God of life,
C you give us these gifts of the earth, these resources of our life and our labor. Take them, offered in great thanksgiving, and use them to set a table that will heal the whole creation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Light. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

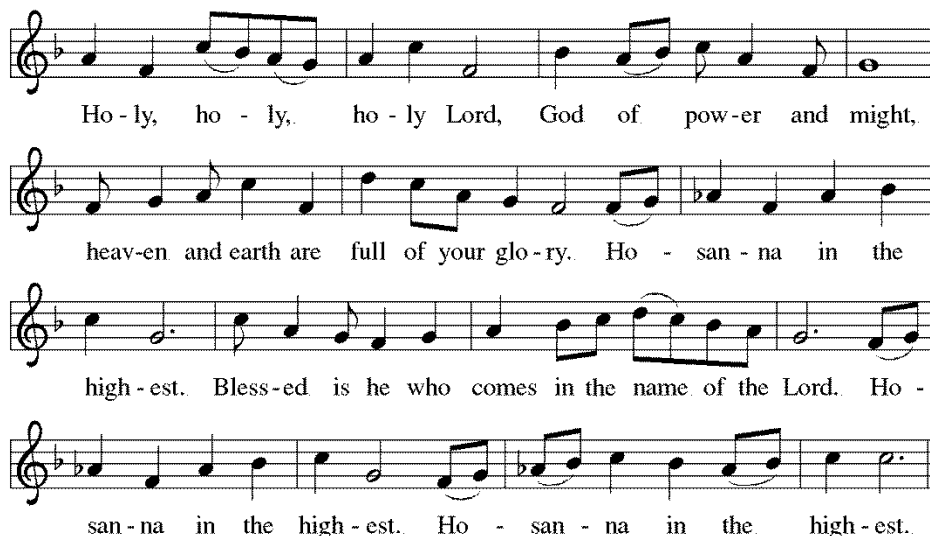
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

(The Thanksgiving continues)

- ☐ It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...
...and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

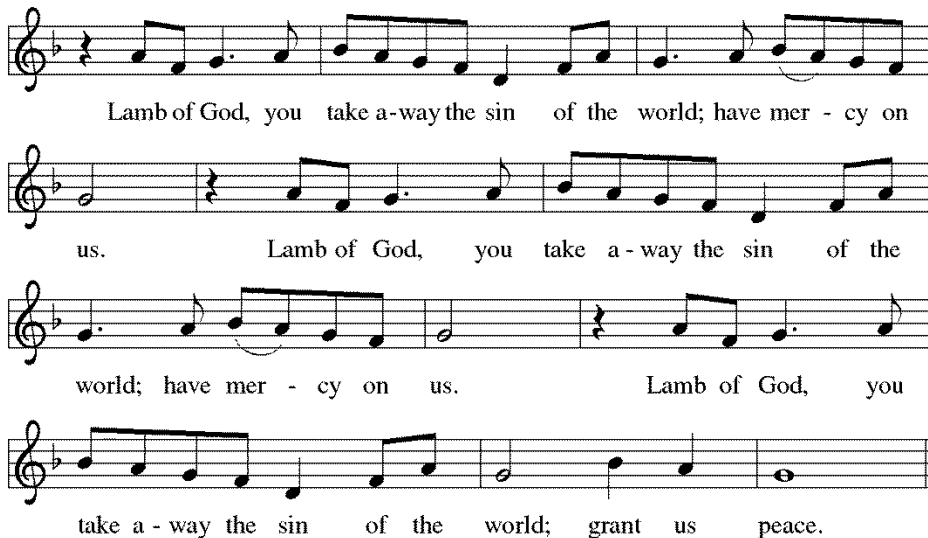
- ☑ **Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

- ☐ Speak to us, O Lord, in the breaking of the bread,
☑ and make us one with you.

(sit)

HYMNS DURING COMMUNION “Lamb of God”



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

“Now We Join in Celebration”

ELW 462

“What Feast of Love”

ELW 487

(stand)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- P** Holy and compassionate God,
- C** in bread and wine you give us gifts that form us to be humble and courageous. May your words come to life in our serving and in our witness, that we might speak a living voice of healing and justice to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our rock and our redeemer. Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

☐ Almighty God, creator of all things, speaking reformation into being; Jesus Christ, savior of the world, raising the dead; Holy Spirit, living voice, calling and enlightening the church: Almighty God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

☑ Amen.

HYMN

“The Church of Christ, in Every Age”

ELW 729

DISMISSAL

☐ Go in peace. Sound the good news.

☑ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

“Paeon”

Dale Wood

☩ ☩ ☩

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Kountze Memorial Lutheran Church is a vibrant, historic faith community that welcomes all and provides ministries for all ages and walks of life. We are a “City-wide Church with a World-wide Ministry” and have been worshiping, growing, and serving in downtown Omaha for nearly 160 years. If you are new to Kountze Memorial, we invite you to visit the Welcome Desk in Fellowship Hall for more information about who we are and what we do.



WORSHIP + GROW + SERVE

KOUNTZE STAFF

- Pr. Olaf Roynesdal Senior Pastor
- Pr. Paul Moessner Associate Pastor
- Pr. Ashley Hall Associate Pastor
- Pr. Inba Inbarasu Visitation Pastor
- Kristin Boe Interim Christian Education Coordinator
- Debbie Bogue Office Manager
- Amanda Zasada Administrative Assistant
- Lauri Askew Staff Treasurer
- Sheri Rose Financial Secretary
- Tim Walker Chef
- Søren Johnson Assist. Bldg. Superintendent
- Barbara Carlsen Dir. of Music & Fine Arts
- Donna Moessner Director of Children’s Music
- Danny Bos Handbell Director/Assist. to the Bldg. Superintendent
- Mark Jones Organist
- David Gerard Saturday Accompanist
- Sheri Lynn Tipton Night Security Manager
- Norma Pafford Nursery Superintendent
- Joyce Palmer Urban Ministries Coordinator

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

SUNDAY, 9:00 AM

- Comm. Asst. Steve Jacobson
- Pam Johnson
- Lowell Harms
- Lector Pamela Johnson
- Ushers John Georgeson
- Jim Comfort
- Joe Councill
- David Forrest
- Jeff Perkins
- Jeff Senn
- Fred Wachal
- Janice Falk
- Greeters Lennea Davis
- Lori Senn
- Darlene Anderson
- Crucifer Angie Arispe
- Acolytes Anna Kidder
- Anthony Bonacci

SUNDAY, 11:00 AM

- Comm. Asst. Ashley Sum
- June Anderson
- Lector Ashley Sum
- Ushers Ken Johnson
- Linda Johnson
- Lee Johnson
- Julie O’Doherty
- Norm Sack
- Greeters Peggy Johnson
- Myrna Carter
- Crucifer Lily O’Kane
- Acolytes Rachel Stouffer
- Anna Kotula

HOLY COMMUNION All who

are baptized and trust in Christ’s presence in Holy Communion are invited to commune at the Lord’s Table . Children not yet communing will receive a blessing. Instructions will be provided during worship. It is the understanding of the universal Church that those who wish to commune with bread only (especially for health reasons) have communed fully.

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP We believe that all are welcome in worship and encourage families to worship together. Quiet activity bags, children’s bibles, and bulletins are available, as well as a Quiet Room, just off the west side of the main sanctuary, that includes a TV and a variety of toys, games, and books for young children.

NURSERY is available from 9 AM—noon for children 0—2 years. Please ask an usher if you are unsure as to where our nursery is and would like to use it.

ATTENDANCE CARDS All those attending worship are encouraged to fill out the card included in your bulletin and place in the offering plate.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS AND LISTENING DEVICES Please speak to an usher if you would like a large print bulletin or an assisted listening device.

NEW MEMBER CLASS If you are interested in joining our congregation, the next class will be held January 14 & 21 from 12—2 PM. Please plan to attend both sessions. Lunch will be served and childcare is provided. Please indicate your attendance plans on your attendance card or call the church office and let us know if you will need childcare.

E-NEWS & SOCIAL MEDIA If you would like to receive our weekly e-news and monthly e-newsletter, add your e-mail address to the card in your bulletin or text your e-mail address to 22828.

TODAY AT KOUNTZE

KOUNTZE CAFÉ Join us on Sundays for a hot breakfast buffet served from 8-11 AM prepared by Chef Tim and his volunteers. The suggested donation for breakfast is, \$5 adults, \$2.50 children 12 and younger.

ADULT FORUM Join us Sunday mornings in the Fellowship Hall from 10:10-10:50 AM.

THIS WEEK: Preview of upcoming events **NEXT WEEK:** Young Adults Global Mission with Justin Perkins

INSTALLATION OF PASTOR ROYNESDAL will be held this Sunday, 10/8 at 3 PM.

KOUNTZE COMMONS The dedication of Kountze Commons will be held this Sunday, 10/8, at 3 PM in partnership with Methodist Community Health Clinic and Lutheran Family Services, our two major community partners and tenants of the building.

CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRIES TODAY

SUNDAY SCHOOL on the 2nd floor for children 2 years—8th grade. Preschool 1 (2-4 yrs) meets from 9—10 AM (child care for those too old for the nursery). Sunday School (2 yrs—8th grade) is held from 10:10—10:50 AM.

HIGH SCHOOL FORUM Join us each Sunday in the Youth Center for Forum at 10:10 AM.

MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH CHOIR rehearsal in the Adult Choir room each Sunday from 11—11:40 AM. Come and sing!

PASTOR CARLOS SCHNEIDER and wife Jan were in an auto accident recently and will not be able to attend the Kountze Commons dedication this Sunday (10/8). They were parked and the other party hit the gas rather than brakes which resulted in some internal bleeding which became apparent days after the accident leaving Carlos weak and he is still building back strength. Low energy is the main problem. Also, there is some arm and back pain resulting from the impact. He just is not up to the trip at this point. Carlos also has been doctoring for a persistent problem with one of his eyes in which he has lost some sight. Pastor Carlos is doing much better now and time will be the best healing agent.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY ON BIBLICAL IMAGERY continues. We will look at some of the rich images that pervade the Bible and what they mean. A six-week session. Come Mondays at 6 PM or Wednesdays at 10:30 AM. Instructor: Dr. Sieling

FIRST COMMUNION CLASS Sunday, 10/15, 12 PM. We encourage children and youth to attend a First Communion Class prior to receiving the sacrament. Often children in

second grade participate in these classes, but a good rule of thumb to determine if the “time is right” is to consider whether your child is curious about participating in the Sacrament. In either case, please contact the pastors and church staff if you have any questions or would like more information. Those participating will receive their First Communion on Reformation Sunday, 10/29. Please register by calling the church office (402-341-7761).

PUMPKIN PATCH Save the date! On 10/15, between 4—6 PM, Kountze members and their families are invited to Wenninghoff’s Pumpkin Patch for fun and fellowship. Bring your lawn chairs and circle up around the fire pit to roast hot dogs and marshmallows. Then, enjoy the petting zoo, bean bag toss, stuff a scarecrow, and more. Hayrack rides provided. Admission is \$7 per person. KMLC will provide hot dogs, chips, beverages, and s’mores. Please RSVP to the church office (402-341-7761) by 10/13. Wenninghoff’s Pumpkin Patch is located at 6707 Wenninghoff Rd, in Omaha. We can’t wait to see you there!

METRO-OMAHA COMMEMORATION OF 500th ANNIVERSARY OF THE REFORMATION The Nebraska Synod and Western Iowa Synod will co-host a Lutheran Commemoration of the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation with a Festive Eucharist at St. John’s Roman Catholic parish

God desires to have a relationship with us.



DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday	Matthew 21:33-46	Parable of the vineyard tenants
Monday	Isaiah 5:1-7	A song of the vineyard
Tuesday	Philippians 3:4b-14	To know Christ
Wednesday	Hosea 2:10-16	God pursues Israel
Thursday	Colossians 2:16-23	Christ brings new life
Friday	Luke 13:6-9	Parable of the fig tree
Saturday	Psalms 80	Prayer for Israel's deliverance
Sunday	Matthew 22:1-14	Parable of the wedding feast

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

All I want is Christ and to know that I belong to him. I could not make my-self acceptable to God by obeying the Law of Moses. God accepted me simply because of my faith in Christ. **Philippians 3:8b-9 (CEV)**

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Dear God, you who care for us like a bridegroom for the bride, forgive us when we stray and lead us back to you. For the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Mealttime Prayer:

Lord Jesus, thank you for the food before us, the friends around us, the love between us, and your presence with us. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the Lord smile on you, bless you to know Christ and to know the power of his resurrection.

CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home or small group:

- Who do you know that you trust? Explain.
- What makes a relationship more valuable than fame or possessions?
- In Isaiah 5 the prophet speaks of a "love-song" for God who is "my beloved." What are words you use to describe your relationship to God?

DEVOTIONS

Read: Philippians 3:4b-14.

When Paul says, "I run toward the goal, so that I can win the prize. . ." (v.14), it is easy to turn that into a moralistic challenge to do better. But that would miss Paul's whole understanding of a relationship to Christ through faith that is itself a gift. Paul is describing a passionate pursuit of the love of Christ that has already claimed him. Imagine the love of a couple for one another or a parent for a new baby. These loving relationships give us images of wanting to know the other person more and to grow more deeply in love. The prize is the relationship we have with Christ that is only perfected in the resurrection. Sing or pray the words of the hymn, *I Love You, Lord*.

SERVICE

Isaiah 5 begins as a love-song but moves to words of judgment because God's people did not offer justice but bloodshed (v. 7). A fundamental calling of God is to offer justice and mercy to others, especially to the poor sometimes described in the Bible as the orphan and the widow (James 1:27). Consider how to support justice and mercy in your community through your vote, your volunteering, your voice, and your resources.

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

In Psalm 80, Isaiah 5, and Matthew 21, the image of a vineyard and vines are used to describe God's people planted by God to produce the fruit of faith and justice. Use a potted plant or draw a picture of a plant with vines. Make a sign that reads, "God's vineyard is full of faith, justice, love, and mercy."

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(Creighton University) at 2 PM, Sunday, 10/29. Reception to follow. Invite a friend!

Registration for the event opened on 9/15 and can be found on the Nebraska Synod website. A link will be available in the Wednesday e-news.

FAMILY & FRIENDS LUNCH We are hosting a luncheon followed by Holy Communion for all homebound members and friends of Kountze Memorial Lutheran Church on Sunday, 10/22 at 12:30 PM. You will receive a call soon. If you need a ride, please let them know at that time or contact the church office (402-341-7761 or info@kmlchurch.org). Our Eucharistic Ministers will be attending as well.

GRIEF SEMINAR Sunday, 11/5, 12– 2 PM. Grief is difficult and especially during the holidays. If you have lost a relative or close friend, this would be an opportunity to share that grief with others and share how we can move through that grief. A light lunch will be served. Please contact the church office (402-341-7761 or info@kmlchurch.org) to make a reservation.

KOUNTZE PANTRY If you have questions about the pantry or are available to help, please contact JP (joyce@kmlchurch.org) or call the church office (402-341-7761). As always, the pantry is in need of Pork 'n Beans, Pasta/Noodles, Pasta Sauce, Oatmeal, Corn, Pancake Syrup, Chicken, Tuna. Your time and monetary offerings are always welcome as well.

THIS WEEK AT KOUNTZE

October 8 Sunday

- 7:45 AM & 10:00 AM Adult Choir Rehearsal
- 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM Breakfast
- 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM Worship
- 9:00 AM Nursery (0-2 yrs)
- 10:10 AM Adult Forum
- 10:10 AM Youth Forum (gr 9-12)
- 10:10 AM Sunday School (2yr-8th gr)
- 11:00 AM MS/HS Choir Rehearsal
- 12:00 PM Book Group
- 3:00 PM Installation of Pr. Olaf
- 4:00 PM Dedication of Kountze Commons
- 8:30 PM LCM Worship @ CU (Halley Chapel)

October 9 Monday

- 10:00 AM Pantry
- 6:00 PM Bible Study on Biblical Imagery

October 10 Tuesday

- 9:00 AM Staff Meeting

October 11 Wednesday

- 9:00 AM Sewing Group
- 10:30 AM Bible Study on Biblical Imagery
- 12:15 PM Worship
- 6:00 PM Handbell Choir Rehearsal
- 6:00 PM Confirmation Dinner
- 6:30 PM Confirmation
- 7:30 PM Closing Worship

October 12 Thursday

- Council Reports Due
- 9:30 AM WELCA Board Meeting
- 11:30 AM Property Committee
- 4:00 PM Healing Gift Free Clinic
- 6:00 PM Worship & Music

October 14 Saturday

- 5:00 PM Worship

October 15 Sunday

- Good News Deadline
- 7:45 AM & 10:00 AM Adult Choir Rehearsal
- 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM Breakfast
- 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM Worship
- 9:00 AM Nursery (0-2 yrs)
- 10:00 AM Blood Pressure Checks
- 10:10 AM Adult Forum
- 10:10 AM Youth Forum (gr 9-12)
- 10:10 AM Sunday School (2yr-8th gr)
- 11:00 AM MS/HS Choir Rehearsal
- 12:00 PM 1st Communion Class
- 4:00 PM Wenninghoff Pumpkin Patch
- 8:30 PM LCM Worship @ CU (Halley Chapel)

Next Weekend's Lessons	Isaiah 25:1-9
	Psalms 23
	Philippians 4:1-9
	Matthew 22:1-14

Saturday Attendance: 69

Sunday Attendance: 9:00: 226 **11:00:** 98

Midweek - Noon: 11 **Evening:** 20

Total: 424

Pantry Guests Served: 402

Medical Clinic Guests Served: 35

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