

# Murray Presbyterian Church

August 10, 2025 10am Worship Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

## **Welcome and Announcements**

Greeting One Another Ringing of the Tower Bell

\*Call to Worship

Leader: Jesus told the fishermen,

People: Come follow Me.

Leader: Jesus told the Samaritan woman at the well,

**People:** Come follow Me.

Leader: Jesus told the poor, the orphans, the widows and the lost,

People: You are beloved in the kingdom of God.

Leader: Jesus told the sick and the disabled and the beggars,

People: Your faith makes you whole and good.

All: Come, follow Jesus.

\*Hymn: "O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing"

PH 466

## **Prayer of Confession**

Almighty God, we are quick to draw the line, to determine who is in and who is out. We fall into the patterns of either-or thinking that traps us. You came to erase the lines. You came into our lives as one of us, showing us mercy and compassion and love. Help us tear down the walls in our thinking, to erase the boundary lines we have drawn. Expand our hearts and minds to embrace Your beloved community. All of us are important and belong. Help us to hear Your call on our lives to do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with You. Amen.

Silent Reflection

**Assurance of Pardon** 

\*Congregational Response: "Gloria Patri"
Glory be to the Father,
And to the Son,
And to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning,
Is now and ever shall be:
World without end.
Amen. Amen.

Scripture: OT: Exodus 17:1-7; NT: Matthew 21:23-32

Sermon: "Seeing Is Believing?" Craig Huffman

\*Hymn: "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!" PH 142

Prayers of the People and 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.

Offering

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn: "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

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# \*Benediction and Benediction Response

May the Lord, mighty God "M Bless you and keep you forever Grant you peace, perfect peace Courage in every endeavor.

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Lift up your eyes and see His face And his grace forever May the Lord, mighty God Bless you and keep you forever.

#### **Announcements**

#### **Guest Preacher**

Today, we once again have the honor of welcoming Craig Huffman into the pulpit of Murray Presbyterian Church. Craig is the Executive Director of Calvin Crest Camp, Conference and Retreat Center in Fremont, Nebraska and a longtime friend of our congregation. Calvin Crest holds special memories for lots of our members and has long been one of our church's valued mission partners.

# **Worship on the Water**

Make plans to join us at Beaver Lake Pavillion for a special outdoor worship service on August 17. We'll be celebrating the 165th anniversary of our congregation and driving home the importance of having a church family with the theme "You Can't Go It Alone." This is intended to be an outreach event, so consider inviting anyone who doesn't have a church home to join us. Following the service, there will be a potluck meal (with the church providing hot dogs).

## **Vacation**

The pastor will be on vacation until August 12. Any pastoral care needs that come up during this time should be directed to Dana Stahl, the on-call session member.

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