



Nokomis Heights Lutheran Church
Sunday, October 17, 2021

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a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

Nokomis Heights is a Reconciling In Christ (RIC) Congregation. We believe the gospel is God's gift to all people, to be shared unconditionally, without regard to cultural or ethnic background; race; sexual orientation; gender identity; physical or mental abilities; socio-economic, marital, or family status; gender; or age. We welcome lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people, their partners and their families into full participation in the life and ministry of this congregation.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Pastors	Kristen Capel, Steven Delzer
Guest Preacher	Kelly Chatman
Pianist	Julie Urban
Instrumentalists	Kim Bretheim, cello
Vocalists	Kim Bretheim, Sue Danielson Bretheim, Carolyn Deters, Bill Kaemmerer, Carol Kaemmerer, Tim Wicker
Lector	Gregg Kelley
Sound	Dana Lonn, Greg Winter

In our prayers this week: Casey Austad, Linda Austad, Jerry Casterton, Jennifer Harris, Rich Gronner, Dee Levine, Charlie Olson, Blanca Raniolo's sister Nelly, and Eric and Piper Roome; Mission Partners: Trinity and St. Peder's Lutheran churches, Community Emergency Service (CES), and Wapo Bible Camp

Join us each Sunday for worship (online and in person)!

**Outdoor, in-person worship on the church lawn
every Sunday, at 10:00 am, weather permitting.**

**Adult Forum and Sidewalk Sunday School
at 9:00 am, on the church lawn.**

Online worship premieres at 10:00 am every Sunday.

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Place of Worship. Space for Questions.

NOKOMIS HEIGHTS LUTHERAN CHURCH (ELCA)

TIME AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 17, 2021

10:00 A.M.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

“Be Thou My Vision”

Sedio

WELCOME

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

L: Blessed be the Holy Trinity,
one God,
the fountain of living water,
the rock who gave us birth,
our light and our salvation.

C: Amen

L: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,
we are clothed with God’s mercy and forgiveness.
Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

**C: We give you thanks, O God,
for in the beginning you created us in your image
and placed us in a well-watered garden.
In the desert, you promised pools of water for the parched,
and you gave us water from the rock.
When we did not know the way,
you sent the Good Shepherd to lead us to still waters.
At the cross, you washed us from Jesus’ wounded side,
and on this day, you shower us again with the water of life.**

L: We praise you for your salvation through water,
for the water in this font, and for all water everywhere,
including Diamond Lake, Lake Nokomis, Minnehaha Creek,
and the Mississippi River.
Bathe us in your forgiveness, grace, and love.
Satisfy all who thirst, and give us the life only you can give.
To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ, our living water,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C: Amen

OPENING HYMN 523

“Let Us Go Now to the Banquet”

Refrain / Estribillo



Va - mos to - dos al ban - que - te, a la
Let us go now to the ban - quet, to the



me - sa de la crea - ción; ca - da cual con su ta - bu -
feast of the u - ni - verse. The ta - ble's set and a place is



re - te tie - ne un pues - to y u - na mi - sión.
wait - ing; come, ev - 'ry - one, with your gifts to share.



1 Hoy me le - van - to muy tem - pra - no; ya me es -
1 I will rise in the ear - ly morn - ing; the com -
2 God in - vites all the poor and hun - gry to the
3 May we build such a place a - mong us where all



pe - ra la co - mu - ni - dad; voy su - bien - do a - le - gre la
mu - ni - ty's wait - ing for me. With a spring in my step I'm
ban - quet of jus - tice and good where the har - vest will not be
peo - ple are e - qual in love. God has called us to work to -

Refrain / Estribillo



cues - ta, voy en bus - ca de tu a - mis - tad.
walk - ing with my friends and my fam - i - ly.
hoard - ed so that no one will lack for food.
geth - er and to share ev - 'ry - thing we have.

GREETING

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

C: **And also with you.**

KYRIE 175

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Se - ñor, Se - ñor, ten pie - dad; ten pie - dad de no -
 Lord, . . have mer - cy on us; O . . . Lord, have . . .

so - tros. mer - cy. Se - ñor, Se - ñor, ten pie -
 Lord, . . have mer - cy on

dad; ten pie - dad de no - so - tros.
 us; O . . . Lord, have . . mer - cy.

Cris - to, Cris - to, ten pie - dad; ten pie - dad de no -
 Christ, . . have mer - cy on us; O . . . Christ, have . .

so - tros. mer - cy. Cris - to, Cris - to, ten pie -
 Christ, . . have mer - cy on

dad; ten pie - dad de no - so - tros.
 us; O . . . Christ, have . . mer - cy.

Se - ñor, Se - ñor, ten pie - dad; ten pie - dad de no -
 Lord, . . have mer - cy on us; O . . . Lord, have . . .

so - tros. mer - cy. Se - ñor, Se - ñor, ten pie -
 Lord, . . have mer - cy on

dad; ten pie - dad de no - so - tros.
 us; O . . . Lord, have . . mer - cy.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: God of welcome,

**C: When you walked the earth,
you gathered together the misfits and the dignitaries,
the celebrating and the hurting,
the favored and the looked-down-upon.
With your arms spread wide,
you made it clear
that you honor and celebrate all people—
all nations, races, and religions;
all genders, orientations, and identities—
all people everywhere.
Help us to share your message of radical inclusion
with a world that is so divided,
that in this place,
we might glimpse a little bit of heaven on earth.
Amen**

WORD

THE READING

Galatians 3:23-29

L: Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith.

As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

¡A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

¡A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

¡A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya,
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

a - le - lu - ya! ¡A - le - lu - ya!
 al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

THE GOSPEL

Luke 14:7-14

L: When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. “When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, ‘Give this person your place’, and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, ‘Friend, move up higher’; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.”

He said also to the one who had invited him, “When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”

The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

SERMON HYMN 641

"All Are Welcome"



1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safe - ly
 2 Let us build a house where proph-ets speak, and words are strong and
 3 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter, wine and
 4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the wood and
 5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and vi - sions



live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell how
 true, where all God's chil - dren dare to seek to
 wheat: a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground where
 stone to heal and strength - en, serve and teach, and
 heard and loved and trea - sured, taught and claimed as



hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and
 dream God's reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as
 peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through
 live the Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the
 words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and



vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of
 wit - ness and as sym - bol of God's grace; here as one we
 Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space; as we share in
 strang - er bear the im - age of God's face; let us bring an
 laugh - ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house pro -



Christ shall end di - vi - sions:
 claim the faith of Je - sus:
 Christ the feast that frees us: All are wel - come,
 end to fear and dan - ger:
 claim from floor to raf - ter:



all are wel - come, all are wel - come in this place.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Introduction

L: Set free from sin and death and nourished by the word of truth, we join in prayer for all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

Come un - to me all ye who are wea - ry. Come un - to me ye who
car - ry heav - y bur - dens. Come un - to me and I will give you rest. Fine

L: Creating One, for the lush and abundant habitat you provide for all your creatures, we praise you. Provide healing for the earth so that waterfowl, reptiles, wild horses, dolphins, and all living things flourish as you intend.

Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

L: Suffering One, for all who work toward peace and who lead nations with a servant's heart, we praise you. Bring justice for all who suffer violence, persecution, discrimination, hunger, poverty, and homelessness, and create places of refuge for all people.

Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

L: Merciful One, for all who do the work of healing in mind, body, and spirit, we praise you. Surround and comfort all who struggle with depression, anxiety, cancer, diabetes, dementia, or any illness, that all may be healed. We pray especially for...
(members and friends in need of prayer).

Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

L: Inclusive One, we are thankful for the wide welcome and celebration you hold for all people. We pray that, formed in your image, we at Nokomis Heights would build wells, not fences, gathering people of all genders, abilities, orientations, ethnicities, and backgrounds to drink from your well of goodness and love. We are thankful for Pastor Kelly Chatman who is a powerful witness to your Gospel here and Nokomis Heights and around the world.

Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

L: Sustaining One, for all who volunteer for the vitality of this congregation, we praise you. Strengthen and encourage greeters, ushers, office volunteers, bakers, counters, committee and group leaders, teachers, students, evangelists, singers, builders, nurturers, and all who serve with generous hearts.

Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

Conclusion

L: Confident that you hear us, O God, we boldly place our prayers into your hands; though Jesus Christ, our truth and life.

C: Amen

Come un - to me___ all ye who are wea - ry. Come un - to me___ ye who
car-ry heav-y bur-dens. Come un-to me___ Come un-to me___ and I will give you rest. Fine

LORD'S PRAYER

**C: Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen**

SHARING THE PEACE

L: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you

OFFERING

“Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love”

Sedio

OFFERING PRAYER

L: We pray together:

C: **God of abundance,**
you cause streams to break forth in the desert
and manna to rain from the heavens.
accept the gifts you have first given us.
Unite them with the offering of our lives
to nourish the world you love so dearly;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

L: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine upon you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: **Amen**

CLOSING HYMN 809

"Send Me, Lord"

Leader All

Thu - ma mi - na. Thu - ma mi - na, thu - ma mi - na. Thu - ma
Send me, Lord. 1 Send me, Je - sus, send me, Je - sus, send me,
(2) Je - sus, lead me, Je - sus, lead me,
(3) Je - sus, fill me, Je - sus, fill me,

2 Lead me, Lord.
3 Fill me, Lord.

mi - na, So - man - dla.
Je - sus, send me, Lord. 2 Lead me,
Je - sus, lead me, Lord. 3 Fill me,
Je - sus, fill me, Lord.

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It features a treble and bass staff. The lyrics are placed below the notes. The score includes a key signature change from G major to D major (two sharps) for the second system. The piece concludes with a double bar line and a final chord in D major.

SENDING

L: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

Moment of silence

POSTLUDE

“Let Us Go Now to the Banquet”

Krentz Organ

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