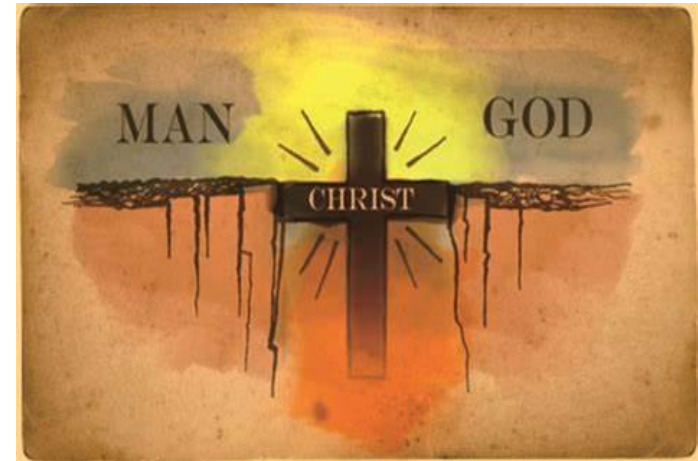


September 12, 2021

Welcome to

Worship

At Cambridge/Bartley/Indianola UMC



³but God did say, 'You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die.'" ⁴"You will not certainly die," the serpent said to the woman. ⁵"For God knows that when you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

This is the Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

Hymn of Preparation #402 Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

3. Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart, in my heart;
Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart.
In my heart, in my heart, Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart.

Sermon "Did God Actually Say...?" Pastor David Kim

****Hymn of Dedication #399** Take My Life, and Let It Be

1. Take my life, and let it be; consecrated, Lord, to thee.
Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Take my hands, and let them move; at the impulse of thy love.
Take my feet, and let them be; swift and beautiful for thee.

2. Take my voice, and let me sing; always, only, for my King.
Take my lips, and let them be; filled with messages from thee.
Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect, and use; every power as thou shalt choose.

3. Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
Take my love, my Lord, I pour; at thy feet its treasure-store.
Take myself, and I will be; ever, only, all for thee.

****Benediction**

September 14 Outreach Committee at 7 pm

September 15 Elizabeth Circle at 12 pm - note change of date

Lois Circle at 7:30 pm

September 16 Church Council at 7 pm

September 19 Church in the Park at 10:30 am with a picnic to follow!

Church Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 9-12

Indianola/Bartley service at 9:45 am in Bartley
Cambridge service at 11:00 am



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Our Vision: To Know God, to experience the Holy Spirit and to share God's love. (Vision 2021: Seek Justice!)



A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (YEAR B)

Worship begins with the Prelude

Greeting and Words of Grace

⁴The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he awakens—wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. ⁵The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. ⁶I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. ⁷The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; ⁸he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. ⁹It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty? All of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up. (Isaiah 50:4-9, NRSV)

**** Hymn of Praise#357**

Just as I Am, Without One Plea

1. Just as I am, without one plea, but that thy blood was shed for me, and that thou bidst me come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
3. Just as I am, though tossed about, with many a conflict, many a doubt, fightings and fears within, without, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
4. Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind; sight, riches, healing of the mind, yea, all I need in thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
5. Just as I am, thou wilt receive, wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve; because thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

****Call to Worship**

We come here today not because we are clever,
But because God welcomes the slow learners.

We come here not because we are wise,
But because God loves us in spite of our folly.

We come knowing that the greatest persons will be found among those who humbly serve like Jesus did,
And that the brightest ideas and the deepest truth will come from those who see themselves as little children in Christ's school.

O Lord, open up our mind and our hearts and enable our lives to declare your praise. AMEN.

Congregational Prayer time

Joys and Concern
Prayer of the People

Offering of Gifts & Tithes

We can send our offering of gifts and tithes to the church through mail (620 Penn St. PO Box 310, Cambridge, NE 69022).

****Doxology#95**

****Prayer of Dedication**

Loving God, Jesus taught us “where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.” We offer our gifts to you knowing they are part of our treasure, and we do so with the hope that our hearts, our actions, and the words of our tongues will likewise follow. We acknowledge that the tongues that praise you are often the ones that hurt you, when we use them to diminish or discount one of your precious children. Guide our hearts, minds, and tongues to the words that bring you joy. In Christ's name, we pray. AMEN. (James 3:1-12)

Scripture Reading

Genesis 3:1-5 (NIV)

¹Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God really say, ‘You must not eat from any tree in the garden?’” ²The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden,