

A Time of Worship & Praise

10th Sunday after Pentecost

July 28, 2024

WE GATHER

Gathering Music: *God With Us*

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VBS

Greeting

Isaiah 43.2

*Call to Worship

God of love, Christ is born, and we give you praise!

Your love is embodied among us, and we give you thanks.

You are not abstract, but real.

You are not far, but near.

We search for you, and we find you.

Jesus, lead us to the place of God.

We worship in awe, with gratitude, with love.

*Opening Prayer

Loving God, as a child Jesus sought you in the temple, talking with the elders.

We seek you, too. We come seeking, though others may think we are lost. We

come with our experience and our questions, though others may dismiss

them. Bless us now that we may speak with clarity and listen with courage,

that your Word may shape us, for the sake of the whole world. Amen.

*Hymn of Praise: *Fairest Lord Jesus*

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WE LISTEN

Kids Minute

Message: *Hometown Boy*

Luke 2.39-52

Affirmation

**We give our hearts to God, Creator of all that is and all that is to come,
Source of Life and eternal Presence, who is our temple and our home.**

**We follow Jesus, who lived among us as a child, learning and growing, exploring
and wondering, questioning and making mistakes. As a teacher and healer, he
continued to question and wonder, to challenge, and to upset those in authority by
his allegiance to the truth. He was crucified, but was raised from the dead, and still
lives to guide and to question, to teach and to heal and to feed our souls.**

**We live by the Holy Spirit, who is our wisdom and our law, who guides us in the
ways of peace, who helps us grow as young Jesus did, and who gives us the gift of
trust in God's unfailing grace. By the power of that Spirit, we devote our lives of justice
and beauty and the way of love, for the sake of the mending of the world. Amen.**

Hymn: *O How I Love Jesus*

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WE RESPOND

God's Call to Prayer

Prayers of the People

(Ephesians 3.14-21)

The Lord's Prayer

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God's Call to Share

Offertory

*Doxology

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*Prayer of Dedication

**Gracious God, we thank you for giving yourself to us and for showing us
your salvation. Emmanuel, God With Us, fill us with the curiosity of the
young Jesus, to seek you wherever we may find you. May your Word take
flesh in us, that these gifts may be used to reveal the glory of your love.
Send them into the world to be your light; by the grace of your Holy Spirit.
Amen.**

WE ARE SENT

*Benediction

*Sending Music: *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

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*Please stand in body or spirit.

Pastor Kolleen Queener

Rosemary Matthews, organ

ANNOUNCEMENTS

August 25 Back to School Blessing

Join us in the FLC for worship & brunch at 10 a.m. We'll bless students, staff and the new school year. Sign up to help with brunch. Invite your neighbors.



Ringsted Quasquicentennial August 9-11

All School Reunion, ARMS reunion, concert, dances & fireworks See the bulletin board for details.

Coming Up

- ◆ **Mon, July 29:** Card Club, 12 pm; Horizons, 1 pm; VBS 5:30-7:30 pm(FLC); SPRC 7:30 pm(FLC)
- ◆ **Tues, July 30:** Card Club 12 pm; Bible Study, 1:30 pm; VBS 5:30-7:30 pm (FLC)
- ◆ **Wed, July 31:** Coffee, 3 pm; VBS 5:30-7:30 pm
- ◆ **Thurs, Aug 1:** Horizons, 1:00 pm; AA, 7:30 pm

Worship Stewards	Today	Next Week
Liturgist		Michelle Kogel
AV	Duhn Family	Kogel Family
Livestream	Randy Becker	Jodi Ward
Counters/Ushers	Karen Sargent & Steve Hoyman	Shayne Kogel & Tony Salas



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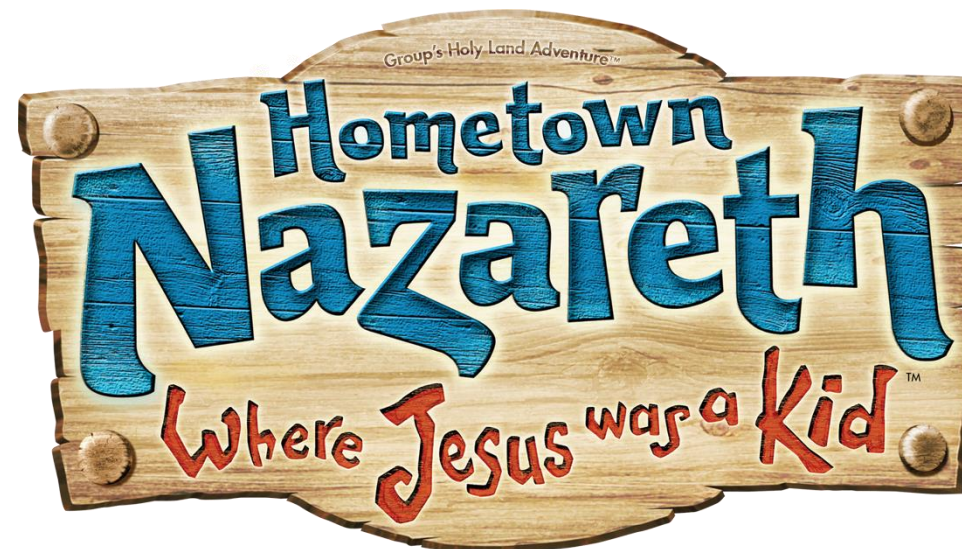
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