

BETHESDA MENNONITE CHURCH

HENDERSON, NEBRASKA

Sunday, October 12, 2025, 9:30 a.m.

Prelude Chelsea Vaught, Pianist

"Arabesque" - Debussy
"As the Deer" – arr. Ham
"Blessed Assurance" – arr. Hayes

"God is Our Refuge" Pote Chancel Choir
Directed by Lynn Hall and
accompanied by Pastor Chelsea Vaught
and Laura Steingard

Welcome & Call to Worship Norm Yoder

* "Lord, whose love in humble service" HWB 369
(*Children are invited to come forward on stanza 3.*)

Children's Focus Tara Maltsberger

* "Guide me, O thou great Jehovah" HWB 582

Congregational Prayer Bev Quiring

"Let us go into the House of the Lord" Stroope Chancel Choir

Scripture Reading Pastor J Epp

Matthew 25:14-30 (NRSV)

Leader: This is the Word of God, for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God!

Message "Faithfully Being Faithful" Pastor J Epp

* "Take my life" HWB 389

Announcements Norm Yoder

Offering to God Norm Yoder

Offertory "Seek Ye First" – arr. Smith Pastor Chelsea Vaught

*Benediction

Pastor J Epp

**"Stay With Us" Hermanson

Chancel Choir

** If you are able, you are invited to stand*

All are invited to participate in the Christian education hour
and to stop by the Coffee Spot in the Fellowship Hall.

Be sure to join us for Potluck at 12 noon.

The Parable of the Talents

"Again, it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted his wealth to them. To one he gave five bags of gold, to another two bags, and to another one bag, each according to his ability. Then he went on his journey. The man who had received five bags of gold went at once and put his money to work and gained five bags more. So also, the one with two bags of gold gained two more. But the man who had received one bag went off, dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money.

"After a long time the master of those servants returned and settled accounts with them. The man who had received five bags of gold brought the other five. 'Master,' he said, 'you entrusted me with five bags of gold. See, I have gained five more.'

"His master replied, 'Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!'

"The man with two bags of gold also came. 'Master,' he said, 'you entrusted me with two bags of gold; see, I have gained two more.'

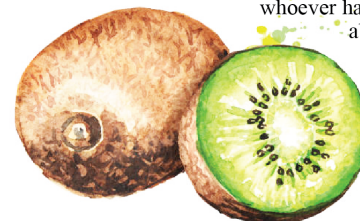
"His master replied, 'Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!'

"Then the man who had received one bag of gold came. 'Master,' he said, 'I knew that you are a hard man, harvesting where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered seed. So I was afraid and went out and hid your gold in the ground. See, here is what belongs to you.'

"His master replied, 'You wicked, lazy servant! So you knew that I harvest where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered seed? Well then, you should have put my money on deposit with the bankers, so that when I returned I would have received it back with interest.'

"So take the bag of gold from him and give it to the one who has ten bags. For whoever has will be given more, and they will have an abundance.

Whoever does not have, even what they have will be taken from them. And throw that worthless servant outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' Matthew 25:14-30





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 - Radio at KOOL 103.5 FM
 - Livestream at <http://bethesdamc.org/watch-live>
 - Cobalt Cable Channel #3207
- **Hearing Impaired Worshipers:** If you need hearing assistance, feel free to sit in the front center seating to take advantage of our Hearing-Loop system. Williams units are also available in the rear of the sanctuary for your use.
- **When you desire pastoral care outside of office hours, please call:**
 - Pastor Chelsea Vaught: 402-363-7004 (cell) or email chelsea.vaught@bethesdamc.org
 - Pastor J. Epp: 402-366-7475 (cell) or email j.epp@bethesdamc.org
 - Pastor Andrea Wall is currently on sabbatical.
- In addition to assistance from Bethesda pastors and deacons, domestic abuse support services are available to victims. Call (toll-free) 1-877-388-4673, 24 hours/day.



BUT THE FRUIT
OF THE SPIRIT IS

Love
 joy peace
 Patience
 Kindness
 Goodness
 Faithfulness
 Gentleness
 & self-control

AGAINST SUCH
THINGS THERE
IS NO LAW.

GALATIANS 5:22

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