

BETHESDA MENNONITE CHURCH
HENDERSON, NEBRASKA
Sunday, October 11, 2026, 9:30 a.m.

Prelude Laura Steingard, Organist
"Prelude & Fugue in G major" - Bach
"Lord, hear the voice of my complaint" - Bach
"God of Grace" - Manz

"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing" – arr. Wilberg Chancel Choir
Under the direction of Lynn Hall,
Accompanied by Sandra Quiring

Welcome & Call to Worship Pastor J Epp

One: We're here this morning to worship God and follow Jesus together.

All: Help us learn to live generously.

One: God has given each of us so much.

All: Help us remember that what we have is a gift.

One: Jesus calls us to share what we have and look out for one another.

All: Help us be willing to give, to serve, and to help where we can.

One: May generosity become part of who we are.

All: Help us grow in generosity as we grow together in Christ.

One: Let's worship together

* "God, whose giving" HWB 383
(Children are invited to come forward on stanza 3.)

Children's Focus Cami Buller

* "Take my life" HWB 389

Congregational Prayer Pastor Andrea Wall

"He Will Hold Me Fast" – arr. Koerts Chancel Choir

Scripture Reading Pastor Chelsea Vaught

Matthew 20:1-16 (NRSV)

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

People: Thanks be to God!

Message "Giving Generously
Rooted In Generosity" Pastor Chelsea Vaught

**A Man Owned a Vineyard" Bethesda News

Announcements Pastor J Epp

Offering to God Pastor J Epp
Offertory "To God be the Glory" - Larson Laura Steingard, Organist

*Benediction Pastor Chelsea Vaught

**The Lord Bless You and Keep You" - Lutkin 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.

Join us in the Fellowship Hall at 12:00 p.m. following the
Sunday School Hour for our monthly Potluck Meal.

Matthew

The Laborers in the Vineyard

"For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius for the day, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around, and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.'

20:1-16

When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received a denarius. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received a denarius.

And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for a denarius? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

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- When you are unable to attend worship, please join us via...
 - Radio at KOOL 103.5 FM at 11:30 a.m.
 - 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 at the rear of the sanctuary for your use.
- When you desire pastoral care outside of office hours, please call:
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GENEROSITY

God's kingdom is
built on abundance,
not scarcity.

Rooted
IN CHRIST
GROWING TOGETHER

Love, Trust, Grace, Forgiveness, Mercy, Generosity

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