

MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH



of **AFTON**

 Evangelical Lutheran
Church in America
God's work. Our hands.

Online Worship July 26th, 2020

Gathering Music

Welcome

Opening Hymn

God Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens 771

Confession And Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation. **Amen.**

Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Reconciling God,

**we confess that we do not trust your abundance,
and we deny your presence in our lives,
we deny your presence in the faces of those we encounter.
We fail to believe that you provide enough for all.
We abuse your good creation for our own benefit.
We fear difference and do not welcome others
as you have welcomed us.
We sin in thought, word, and deed.
By your grace, forgive us;
through your love, renew us;
and in your Spirit, lead us;
so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen.**

Beloved of God,

by the radical abundance of divine mercy
we have peace with God through † Christ Jesus,
through whom we have obtained grace upon grace.

Our sins are forgiven. Let us live now in hope. For hope does not disappoint,
because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Children's Message

Gospel Reading, Matthew 13: 31-33, 44-52

Sermon

Pastor Sam Wolff

Hymn of the Day Be Thou My Vision 793

Prayers of God's People

Blessing

Sending

Closing Hymn Sent Forth By God's Blessing 547

Postlude