



**stand if you are able*



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1 Kings 18:20-24; 30-39 (NIV)

20) So Ahab sent word throughout all Israel and assembled the prophets on Mount Carmel. 21) Elijah went before the people and said, "How long will you waver between two opinions? If the LORD is God, follow him; but if Baal is God, follow him." But the people said nothing.

Welcome to Minooka United Methodist Church

January 26th, 2020

3rd Sunday after the Epiphany 9:00 am

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Welcome! We're grateful that you're here. Please use the time before worship to prepare yourself for being in the presence of God. To all who need comfort; all who need friendship; all who are lonely and need companionship; all who desire unconditional love, all who sin and need a savior; and whosoever will – we open wide our doors and say, "Come, let us worship together."

Procession Jill Kohler

**Welcome, Announcements, Prayer for the people of God &
*Sharing of the Peace** Youth

If you came as a visitor, we hope you leave as a friend.

Exercise Marlin Hartman & Youth

Prelude “Run to You” Hannah & Rae Cichon
Let us quietly prepare our hearts for worship to our Great God.

***Call to Worship** Youth

Leader: Lord, You are our foundation. You hold us during life’s difficult moments.

People: We place our hope on the foundation of Your love.

L: Lord, we need to hear again the word of Your grace for our lives.

P: Help us to set aside those things that hinder us from following You.

L: As people of faith, we listen together to God’s word of forgiveness and promise.

P: Almighty God, you come to us in unexpected and unpredictable ways. Help us to experience the power of new life.

L: We pray all this, O God, in Jesus’ name, who taught us to pray, saying...

All: "Our Father, Who Art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen"

***Opening Hymn** “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty”
(vs. 1 & 4) UMH #64
(Pass your prayer cards to the ushers in the center aisle.)

Nurse for New Year 4 Chris Vause (RN)
Branch Chief, Chicago Survey & Enforcement Div.,
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

A Time Mostly for Children Youth

Anthem Chancel Choir

***Hymn** “Thy Word Is a Lamp” UMH #601

Scripture 1 Kings 18:20-24, 26, & 37-39 Youth
*L: The word of God for the people of God.
C: Thanks be to God*

Sermon “Live Well and Healthy 4: Spiritual Health”
Rev. Sarah Hong

Offering Invitation Youth

Offertory “2019 Minooka UMC Ministry Highlights” Slideshow

***Doxology** “O How He Loves You and Me” TFWS #2108
(vs. 1)

*O, how He loves you and me, O how He loves you and me.
He gave His life, what more could He give?
O, how He loves you; O, how He loves me;
O, how He loves you and me.*

***Offering Prayer** Youth

***Closing Hymn** “Standing on the Promises” UMH #374
(vs. 1 & 4)

***Benediction**

L: The vision of Christ for us is to live in unity and harmony.

C: We have been created to seek Christ’s vision.

L: We are called to respond to the vision of Christ by loving and honoring each other.

C: We are called to uphold the sacred worth of all people.

L: So, go to live in love, being confident that the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the power of the Holy Spirit goes with you.

All: So be it! Alleluia! Amen.

***Postlude** Jill Kohler