

Minooka
United Methodist
Church
A Ministry of All
Christians

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Welcome to Minooka United Methodist Church

January 5th, 2020

Epiphany Sunday 9:00 am

Philippians 4:11-13

I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. I can do all this through Jesus Christ who gives me strength.

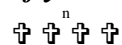
Luke 17: 12-18

¹² As Jesus entered a village, ten lepers approached Him. Keeping their distance, ¹³ they called out, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!” ¹⁴ When Jesus saw them, He said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went, they were made clean. ¹⁵ Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶ He prostrated himself at Jesus’ feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷ Then Jesus asked, “Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? ¹⁸ Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this Samaritan?”

Welcome! We are grateful that you are here with us. We gather today with joyful hearts to adore the Christ, who has come, not only to be with us, but also to be one of us. By His grace and love, we are made new.

Come, let us worship together

**stand if you are able*



Leaders in Today's Worship Service

ACCOMPANIST: JILL KOHLER
ACOLYTE: YOUTH
LAY READER: SHARI MILLARD
USHERS: VOLUNTEERS

Procession Jill Kohler

Welcome, Announcements, Prayer &

***Sharing of the Peace** Lay Reader

Prelude Jill Kohler

Let us quietly prepare our hearts for worship to our Great God.

***Call to Worship (God's New Year Promises) – Genesis 12:1-3**

Lay Reader

Leader: The Lord said to Abraham, “Leave and go, and I will show you what blessings I have for you. I will bless you and make you prosperous, and you will be a blessing to others. All the families on earth will be blessed through you.”

All: Lord, is this New Year promise true for us? Can you really use our lives to bless others? Thank you for the awesome privilege you give us. Help us change those habits and attitudes that keep us from sharing your blessing with others.

L: Lord, give us New Year faith. Use us as your agents of blessings and grace.

All: O God, because you have blessed us, we have the assurance to follow you.

L: Let us pray the prayer Jesus taught his disciples to pray...

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** “The First Noel” UMH #245
(Pass your prayer cards to the ushers in the center aisle.)

A Time Mostly for Children Powell Patterson

Anthem Chancel Choir

***Hymn** “We Three Kings” UMH #254
(vs. 1, 2, & 5)

Nurse for New Year 1 Karen Gaba
(RN Silver Cross Hospital)

Scripture Philippians 4:11-13 & Luke 17:12-18 Lay Reader
L: The word of God for the people of God.
P: Thanks be to God

Sermon “Live Well & Healthy 1: Gratitude” Rev. Sarah H. Hong

Holy Communion
~ All are welcome to share this holy meal.~

Offering Invitation Lay Reader

Offertory Jill Kohler

***Doxology** “Away in a Manger” (vs. 3) UMH #217
Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask Thee to stay
Close by me forever, and love me, I pray;
Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care,
And fit us for heaven to live with Thee there.

***Offering Prayer** Lay Reader

***Closing Hymn** “Go, Tell It on the Mountain” UMH #251
(vs. 1 & 3)

***Benediction**
L: Praise be to Christ, the light of the world!
C: May our lives be guided by the good news of Jesus' birth.
L: May our hearts be filled with God's love in this new year.
C: So that others may see the light of God shining in every corner of our lives.

L: Go and share the love of Christ. Be compassionate to all you meet. Share the grace that you have received.

All: Glory to God in the highest! Amen!

***Postlude** Jill Kohler