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**Leaders in Today's Worship Service**

ACCOMPANIST: JILL KOHLER  
LAY READER: SHARI MILLARD  
SONG LEADERS: GAIL GIRARD & RUTH SATORIUS

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ACTS 10:34-35

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**Welcome to Minooka United Methodist Church**  
Sunday, October 29th, 2023 11:30AM

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**Acts 10:23b-35 (CEB)**

<sup>23b</sup>The next day he got up and went with them, together with some of the believers from Joppa. <sup>24</sup> They arrived in Caesarea the following day. Anticipating their arrival, Cornelius had gathered his relatives and close friends. <sup>25</sup> As Peter entered the house, Cornelius met him and fell at his feet in order to honor him. <sup>26</sup> But Peter lifted him up, saying, "Get up! Like you, I'm just a human." <sup>27</sup> As they continued to talk, Peter went inside and found a large gathering of people. <sup>28</sup> He said to them, "You all realize that it is forbidden for a Jew to associate or visit with outsiders. However, God has shown me that I should never call a person impure or unclean. <sup>29</sup> For this reason, when you sent for me, I came without objection. I want to know, then, why you sent for me."

<sup>30</sup> Cornelius answered, "Four days ago at this same time, three o'clock in the afternoon, I was praying at home. Suddenly a man in radiant clothing stood before me. <sup>31</sup> He said, 'Cornelius, God has heard your prayers, and your compassionate acts are like a memorial offering to him. <sup>32</sup> Therefore, send someone to Joppa and summon

Simon, who is known as Peter. He is a guest in the home of Simon the tanner, located near the seacoast.’<sup>33</sup> I sent for you right away, and you were kind enough to come. Now, here we are, gathered in the presence of God to listen to everything the Lord has directed you to say.”

<sup>34</sup> Peter said, “I really am learning that God doesn’t show partiality to one group of people over another. <sup>35</sup> Rather, in every nation, whoever worships him and does what is right is acceptable to him.

**Entering Music** Accompanist

**Welcoming** Pastor Dave

**Preparing** Accompanist

**\*Gathering**

Reader: God's presence fills this place of gathering, for the whole earth is full of God's glory.

**Many Voices: We are grateful for insight and imagination, for curiosity and creativity that bring us more fully into the mystery of God.**

Reader: We know there are still discoveries to be made and problems to be solved. We are challenged to learn more about God and the world each day.

**Many Voices: We open our hearts to be ever stirred by Love’s infinite possibilities and we open our minds to discern God's dreams for us and for the world.**

**\*Singing** “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” UMH #89

**\*Passing the Peace of Christ**

**Blessing Children** Katrina Nolan

**Singing** “Bless the Lord” (x3) TFWS #2013

**Praying** Lay Reader

[silent prayer]

Reader: Loving God, Wellspring of Life, we experience your beauty and mystery at work in creation and in community.

Remind us that we are all still works in progress. You continue to shape us into the people you have called us to be. Help us know that, no matter our age, there is still much we can learn and much we can contribute.

Today and each day, give us vision to see a new point of view, experience a new way of living, and trust that your love is steadfast in our ever-changing world.

[silent prayer]

Our prayer continues as Jesus taught us, saying... [Lord’s Prayer, UMH #894]

**\*Singing** “More Like You” TFWS #2167

**Giving** Pastor Dave

**Blessing our Gifts with Music and Prayer** Accompanist & Lay Reader

**Many Voices: Generous God, thank you for all that you give us. Bless these gifts we bring today. May they further your mission of healing and hope, of compassion and care, of learning and loving. In Christ, we pray. Amen.**

**Reading Scripture** Lay Reader

Acts 10:23b-35 (CEB)

Reader: May God add blessing to the reading, hearing, and living of these words.

**Many Voices: Amen.**

**Proclaiming** “That’ll Learn Ya!” Pastor Dave

**\*Singing** “God of Grace and God of Glory” UMH #577

**Sending Forth** Pastor Dave

**Exiting Music** Accompanist

## God of Grace and God of Glory

### Verse 1

God of grace and God of glory,  
on thy people pour thy power;  
crown thine ancient church's story;  
bring her bud to glorious flower.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
for the facing of this hour,  
for the facing of this hour.

### Verse 2

Lo! the hosts of evil round us  
scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!  
Fears and doubts too long have bound us;  
free our hearts to work and praise.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
for the living of these days,  
for the living of these days.

### Verse 3

Cure Thy children's warring madness,  
bend our pride to Thy control;  
shame our wanton, selfish gladness,  
rich in things and poor in soul.  
Grant us wisdom grant us courage,  
lest we miss Thy kingdom's goal,  
lest we miss Thy kingdom's goal.

### Verse 4

Save us from weak resignation  
to the evils we deplore;  
let the search for thy salvation  
be our glory evermore.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
serving thee whom we adore,  
serving thee whom we adore.

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# HYMNS

## Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

### Verse 1

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love;  
hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away.  
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day!

### Verse 2

All Thy works with joy surround Thee, earth and heaven reflect Thy  
rays, stars and angels sing around Thee, center of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea,  
chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in Thee.

### Verse 3

Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing ever blest,  
wellspring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest!  
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother, all who live in love are Thine;  
teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.

### Verse 4

Mortals, join the mighty chorus which the morning stars began;  
love divine is reigning o'er us, binding all within its span.  
Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife;  
joyful music leads us sunward, in the triumph song of life.

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**Bless the Lord**

Bless the Lord my soul  
and bless God's holy name.  
Bless the Lord my soul  
who leads me into life. (x3)

**More Like You***Chorus*

More like You,  
Jesus more like You.  
Fill my heart with Your desire  
to make me more like You.  
More like You,  
Jesus more like You.  
Touch my lips with holy fire  
and make me more like You.

*Verse*

Lord, You are my mercy.  
Lord, You are my grace.  
All my deepest sins  
have forever been erased.  
Draw me in Your presence.  
Lead me in Your ways.  
I long to bring You glory  
in righteousness and praise.

*Chorus*

More like You,  
Jesus more like You.  
Fill my heart with Your desire  
to make me more like You.  
More like You,  
Jesus more like You.  
Touch my lips with holy fire  
and make me more like You.

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