

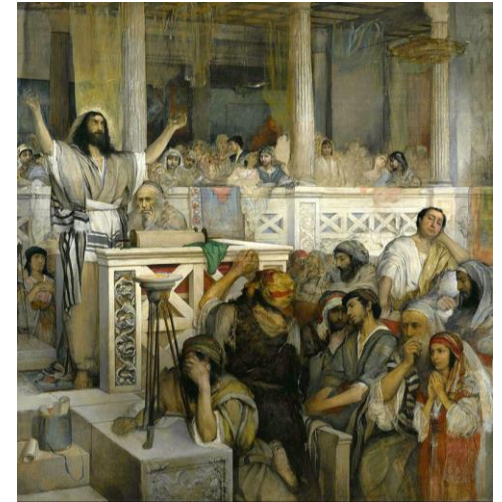


**Minooka  
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**Welcome to Minooka United Methodist Church**  
Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024 11:30AM

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**Mark 1:21-28 (The Voice)**

<sup>21</sup> They came *at last* to the village of Capernaum *on the Sea of Galilee*; and on the Sabbath Day, Jesus went straight into a synagogue, *sat down*, and began to teach. <sup>22</sup> The people *looked at each other*, amazed, because this strange teacher acted as One authorized *by God*, and *what He taught affected them* in ways their own scribes' teachings could not. <sup>23</sup> Just then a man in the gathering who was overcome by an unclean spirit shouted.

**Unclean Spirit:** <sup>24</sup> What are You doing here, Jesus of Nazareth? Have You come to destroy us? I can see who You are! You're the Holy One of God.

**Jesus (rebuking him):** <sup>25</sup> Be quiet, and come out of him now!

<sup>26</sup> The man's body began to shake and shudder; and then, howling, the spirit flew out of the man. <sup>27</sup> The people couldn't stop talking about what they had seen.

**People:** *Who is this Jesus?* This is a new teaching—and it has such authority! Even the unclean spirits obey His commands!

<sup>28</sup> It wasn't long before news of Jesus spread over the countryside of Galilee.

**LEADERS IN TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE**

LAY READER VAL GUNDERSON  
SONG LEADERS GAIL GIRARD & RUTH SATORIUS

**CHURCH STAFF**

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## Entering Music

## Welcoming

Pastor Dave

## Preparing

### \*Gathering

Lay Reader

Reader: Once again we gather from different homes and circumstances, with different dreams and ideas, different values and tastes, different in age and race, different in gender and language.

**Many Voices: Yet, we are one found family – Children of God every one. We join our hearts in worship, we join our voices in praise, and we join our lives as the Body of Christ in the world.**

### \*Singing

“Welcome”

Worship & Song #3152, v1-2

## Blessing Children

### Praying

Lay Reader

[Quiet reflection: May we find in the simplicity of silence connection to and wisdom from the God of All People.]

Reader: Loving God, we have found a home in You. We have found a family in You.

We have found a place to belong; a place to know and be known, to love and be loved.

We are so grateful for this awesome gift.

But, too easily, we forget. We have forgotten our place, and doubted Your love. Remind us, and all who feel neglected by You, that we are engraved on Your hands. We have forgotten who we are, and have failed to care for ourselves. Remind us, and all who feel worthless, that You have called us by name. We have forgotten our connectedness, and have divided ourselves. Remind us, and all who would exclude, oppress and condemn others, that we are all made in Your image, and we are all one body.

[Quiet reflection]

Forgive us, Gracious God. Hear our prayer and teach us to be at peace with ourselves, our neighbors, and our enemies.

[Quiet reflection]

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

### \*Singing

“Be Thou My Vision”

UMH #451

### Reading Scripture

Mark 1:21-28 (The Voice)

Lay Reader

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

**Many Voices: Amen**

### Proclaiming

“Leave the Demon; Take the Call”

Pastor Dave

### \*Singing

“Wounded World that Cries for Healing”

TFWS #2177

### Giving

Pastor Dave

### Blessing our Gifts with Music and Prayer

Lay Reader

**Many Voices: God of justice, mercy, and compassion; we bring our tithes and offerings and pray they will be used to make your love known to all. Then, most often we leave and return to our weekday lives, expecting someone else to make that happen. Remind us that your prophets, your leaders, your missionaries, were called and raised up from “among the people.” Help us open our lives and our minds to the possibility that we might be the ones you would call and send. We pray this in the name of Christ, our teacher and our redeemer. Amen.**

### \*Singing

“Song of Hope (Canto de Esperanza)”

TFWS #2186 (x3)

### \*Sending Forth

Pastor Dave

## Exiting Music

*\*Please stand if you are able.*

## Song of Hope (Canto de Esperanza)

### *Verse*

May the God of hope go with us ev'ry day,  
Filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.  
May the God of justice speed us on our way,  
Bringing light and hope to ev'ry land and race.

### *Refrain*

Praying, let us work for peace,  
Singing, share our joy with all,  
Working for a world that's new,  
Faithful when we hear Christ's call.

### *Verso*

¡Dios de la esperanza, danos gozo y paz!  
Al mundo en crisis, habla tu verdad.  
Dios de la justicia, mándanos tu luz,  
Luz y esperanza en la oscuridad.

### *Estrillo*

Oremos por la paz,  
cantemos de tu amor,  
luchemos por la paz,  
fieles a ti, Señor.

### *Verse*

May the God of hope go with us ev'ry day,  
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# HYMNS

## Welcome

### *Verse 1*

Let's walk together for a while and ask where we begin  
To build a world where love can grow and hope can enter in,  
To be the hands of healing and to plant the seed of peace, (Refrain)

### *Refrain*

Singing welcome, welcome to this place  
You're invited to come and know God's grace  
All are welcome the love of God to share  
'cause all of us are welcome here; All are welcome in this place.

### *Verse 2*

*Let's talk together of a time when we will share a feast,  
Where pride and power kneel to serve the lonely and the least,  
And joy will set the table as we join our hands to pray, (Refrain)*

## **Be Thou My Vision**

### *Verse 1*

Be thou my vision,  
O Lord of my heart;  
naught be all else to me,  
save that thou art.  
Thou my best thought,  
by day or by night,  
waking or sleeping,  
thy presence my light.

### *Verse 2*

Be thou my wisdom,  
and thou my true word;  
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
thou and thou only,  
first in my heart,  
great God of heaven,  
my treasure thou art.

### *Verse 3*

Great God of heaven,  
my victory won,  
may I reach heaven's joys,  
O bright heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
still be my vision,  
O Ruler of all.

## **Wounded World That Cries For Healing**

### *Verse 1*

Wounded world that cries for healing  
Here we hold each other's pain,  
Wounded systems, bruised and bleeding  
Bear the load, the scars of strain;  
Dollars ration out compassion,  
Hard decisions rule the day,  
Jesus of the healing Spirit,  
Free us to another way!

### *Verse 2*

Through our nation's pent frustration,  
Through the corridors of stress  
May there move a kindlier wisdom  
All may feel, and all may bless;  
Tax and tithe are for a purpose  
Shared to shield the poor and weak;  
Past the symptoms of our sickness  
Let the voice of justice speak.

### *Verse 3*

Honor those whose loving spirit  
Nurses hope, restores and heals,  
Towel and basin used in service  
Like the Christ who comes and kneels;  
In the tending, in the mending  
May we see the right and fair,  
In our common quest for wholeness  
Heal each other by our care.

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