When do our Groups & Studies meet next?

Book Group - Title "A Fever in the Heartland" by Timothy Egan.	Monday 06/24 @ 7PM
Bible Study Reading "The Acts of the Apostles"Interested persons can contact Jennifer Fergu- son. Location: Ridge Road	Thursday @ 7:30PM
Faithtalk - Women's Bible Study Meets at Ridge Road.	Tuesday @ Noon
Prayer Team Come pray for your needs and concerns. Meets at Ridge Road.	Wednesday @ 5:00PM
Skeptic's Circle Via Zoom—log on to minookaumc.com/question for details to register.	Wednesday 06/26 @ 6:30PM

LEADERS IN TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

LAY READER DEEDEE CASAGRANDE

Song Leaders Gail Girard, Ruth Satorius &

SUSAN SPENCER

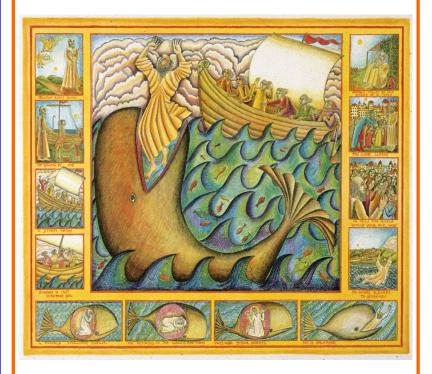
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Welcome!

Minooka United Methodist Church

Sunday, June 9, 2024 9:30am

Welcome to Minooka United Methodist Church Sunday, June 9th, 2024 9:30am

* Stand if you are able

Entering Music

Welcoming Pastor Dave

Preparing

*Gathering Lay Reader

Reader: Friends, enter this place where the ordinary is sanctified, the human is celebrated, and the compassionate is expected. Together we make this a holy place with our every act of worship. Many Voices: Loving God, help us to listen to our inner spirit so we might find there the yearning to belong to something greater than ourselves.

*Singing "He Has Made Me Glad" TFWS #2270

Verse
I will enter His gates
With thanksgiving in my heart,
I will enter His courts with praise.
I will say, "this is the day
That the Lord has made"
I will rejoice,
For He has made me glad.

Refrain
He has made me glad,
He has made me glad.
I will rejoice, for
He has made me glad.
He has made me glad,
He has made me glad.
I will rejoice, for
He has made me glad.

Thank you for your prayers, presence, and gifts!

Giving in May via My E-Offering To General Fund: \$1564.56 To Ridge Road Development Fund: \$239.61

06/02 Attendance 80 Online 14

Ridge Road Project of the Month(s): Trees As a requirement from the village of Minooka, as many as 50 trees will be planted on the Ridge Road property. To help with this expense, the Ridge Road Project of the Month is being restarted! Any donation is welcome! A donation of \$200 or more can be given in honor or memory of a friend or family member. Your tree donation can be made now through the end of June by indicating the information on an offering envelope or via online MyEoffering. Questions? Contact Gail Girard at mumcfinancialsecretary@gmail.com or cell 815-685-3520.

Spirit Wear aka Merch!

If you would like to add to your MUMC wardrobe, there are shirts for sizing and purchase at the back of the sanctuary. The Love Your Neighbor and the MUMC logo are available in 3 colors and several styles. See Gail Girard at the end of Worship service for purchases. An online store can be accessed at any time, as well. https://mumcgrowwithus.itemorder.com

PET BLESSING

Sunday, June 23nd at 11:30AM at Minooka UMC. We are so grateful for our pets! They are such an integral part of so many families. All are welcome to bring their pets to our open field for this service of blessing.

THURSDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY!

Now is a great time to join our **Thursday night Bible Study!** We have finished the first season of The Chosen Bible Study and have decided to start reading The Acts of the Apostles. We will start with Acts on May 30th at 7:30 at Ridge Road. You don't need to read ahead or prepare anything. ALL are welcome for snacks, Bible reading, and good conversation! We have a great time on Thursday nights and would love for more to join us!

Volunteers Needed

Do you have four hours per month to serve others at our Helping Hands Food Pantry?

Helping Hands is our church-based community food pantry, a collaborative between Minooka UMC and St. Mary's Catholic Church. It is run entirely by volunteers from our two congregations. Food Pantry hours are on the second Saturday, second Tuesday and second Wednesday of each month from roughly 9am-12 noon. Saturday hours are shorter. You don't have to commit every month. Please see Mari Kirsch or Jeannette Harris for more info

Helping Hands is looking for some specific item's to be donated.

- *Cooking Oil
- *Canned Broth
- *Jello-Any Flavor
- *Pineapple—Chunks or rings
- *Coffee-Regular Ground
- *Sugar
- *Fruit Cups
- *Spam

Summerfest 2024

Summerfest is right around the corner and MUMC will be there representing! We are in need of cases of water to give away at our table this year. Any donations of bottled water will be appreciated.

Minooka United Methodist Church June 9th, 2024

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SUNDAY 9TH

9:30AM SUNDAY WORSHIP
10:30AM NEW MEMBER RECEPTION

MONDAY 10TH

TUESDAY 11TH

12:00PM FAITHTALK BIBLE STUDY

WEDNESDAY 12TH

10:30AM PARK POINTE REHAB WORSHIP (MORRIS) 5:00PM PRAYER TEAM

THURSDAY 13TH

7:30PM BIBLE STUDY

FRIDAY 14TH

SATURDAY 15TH

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS

~Wed. June 12—Outreach Committee Meeting Canceled ~Tuesday June 18th @ 7PM—Finance Meeting ~Wed. June 26th @ 6:30PM Via Zoom—Skeptics Circle



Welcome New Members



HAPPY BRTHDAY

- Allyson Yenser
- Gail Flatness
- Bob Moorman
- Logan Casagrande
- 13 Logan Casa 13 Kim Nave

- 9 Don and Rebecca Brown
- 10 Kevin & Annette McCammon
- 12 Craig & Dawn Nemitz
- 13 Terry & Amy Pease
- 13 Jeff & Susan Spencer

Conversing With Children

Receiving New Members

Introduction

Sisters and brothers in Christ,

God is love. We often experience God's love as grace, a gift offered to us without price. Through this reaffirmation of our desire to follow God in the Way of Jesus Christ, we renew the covenant declared at our baptism, acknowledge what God is doing for us, and affirm our commitment to Christ's holy church.

We happily present **Nancy Biel** and **Judy Clusen** who will reaffirm their faith and join our congregation today!

Renunciation of Sin and Profession of Faith

Nancy and Judy, on behalf of the whole church, I ask you: Do you renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness, reject the evil powers of this world, repent of your sin?

I do.

Do you accept the freedom and power God gives you to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves?

I do.

Do you confess Jesus Christ as your Savior, put your whole trust in His grace, and promise to serve Him in union with the church which Christ has opened to people of all ages, nations, and races?

I do.

To the congregation of Minooka United Methodist Church, do you, as Christ's body, the church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Christ?

Many Voices: We do.

Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include Nancy and Judy in your care?

Many Voices: With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Jesus the Christ. We will surround Nancy and Judy with a community of love and forgiveness, that they may grow in their trust of God and be found faithful in their service to others. We will pray for them that they may be true disciples who walk in the way that leads to life.

Reception into the Minooka United Methodist Church

Nancy and Judy, as members of Christ's universal Church, will you be loyal to The United Methodist Church, and do all in your power to strengthen its ministries?

I will.

Nancy and Judy, as members of this congregation, the Minooka United Methodist Church, will you faithfully participate in its ministries by your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your witness, and your service?

I will.

Commendation and Welcome

Each of you here today are members of the household of God. To you and to the whole congregation of Minooka United Methodist Church, I commend Nancy and Judy to your love and care. Do all in your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.

Many Voices: Nancy and Judy, we give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of the United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our witness, and our service, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. Amen!

Welcome our newest members, Nancy Biel and Judy Clusen!

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

Draw the circle wide, draw it wider still.

Let this be our song: no one stands alone.

Standing side by side, draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

Draw the circle wide, draw it wider still.

Let this be our song: no one stands alone.

Standing side by side, draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

No one stands alone, we'll stand side by side.

Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

Draw the circle wide, draw it wider still.

Let this be our song: no one stands alone.

Standing side by side, draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

Sending Forth

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Draw the Circle Wide

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Verse 4

Will you love the "you" you hide if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around,
Through My sight and touch and sound in you and you in Me?

Verse 5

Lord, Your summons echoes true when You but call my name.

Let me turn and follow You and never be the same.

In Your company I'll go where Your love and footsteps show.

Thus I'll move and live and grow in You and You in me.

Giving Pastor Dave

Blessing our Gifts with Music and Prayer

Lay Reader

Many Voices: Generous God of all creation, we offer our gifts, celebrating your steadfast love that endures forever. As we acknowledge our human frailty, reassure us of your unwavering presence. Lead us in the work of your hands, empowering us to love as you do. Bless these offerings, magnifying your love in our community and beyond. Amen.

*SINGING "Draw the Circle Wide" W&S #3154

Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.
Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.
No one stands alone, we'll stand side by side.
Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.
Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.
No one stands alone, we'll stand side by side.
Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

*Singing

"Sweet Hour of Prayer

UMH #496

Verse 1

Sweet hour of prayer! sweet hour of prayer!

That calls me from a world of care,
And bids me at my Father's throne

Make all my wants and wishes known,
In seasons of distress and grief,
My soul has often found relief,
And oft escaped the tempter's snare
By thy return, sweet hour of prayer!

Verse 2

Sweet hour of prayer! sweet hour of prayer!

The joys I feel, the bliss I share

Of those whose anxious spirits burn

With strong desires for thy return!

With such I hasten to the place

Where God my Savior shows His face,

And gladly take my station there,

And wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer!

Verse 3

Sweet hour of prayer! sweet hour of prayer!

Thy wings shall my petition bear

To Him whose truth and faithfulness

Engage the waiting soul to bless.

And since He bids me seek His face,

Believe His Word, and trust His grâce,

I'll cast on Him my ev'ry care,

And wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer!

Reading Scripture Jonah 2:1-3:10 (The Voice) Lay Reader

2¹ To his God, the Eternal, Jonah prayed from inside this great fish.

² **Jonah:** With desperate cries I beckoned the Eternal to hear, and He answered me. From the belly, the place of death, I cried out to You, and You have responded to my voice.

³You threw me into the watery depths and cast me into the middle of the chaotic seas. The waters closed in around me; Your waves broke over me; Your surf swelled as I sank into the depths. ⁴ But then I said to You, "I have been driven out from before Your very eyes. Still, I know I will gaze again on Your holy temple."5The waters swallowed me; the deep abyss was covering over me. Seaweeds were wrapped around my head, trapping me ⁶as I sank down to where the mountains are rooted to the earth. I went down to the place where death's gate would lock me in forever. Yet You lifted me up from the pit. Eternal One, You are my God! ⁷Only as my life was fading way did I remember the Eternal; To Your sacred dwelling, Your holy temple, my cries did rise to You. 8Those who worship worthless idols turn their backs on God and renounce their loval love. 9 But I will sing to You and sacrifice to You with a voice filled with thanksgiving; Whatever I promised, I will certainly pay it because deliverance is from the Eternal alone. ¹⁰Then the Eternal One directed the fish. and it vomited Jonah onto the shore.

3¹The word of the Eternal came to the prophet Jonah a second time.

Eternal One: ² Get up, and go to that powerful and notorious city of Nineveh, and pass on to them the message I'm giving you. ³ Having learned his lesson, Jonah yielded to the Eternal's command and headed on the road to Nineveh. Now Nineveh was an important city, so large that it took three days to travel throughout it. ⁴ Jonah had barely begun to walk the first day's journey into the city when he stopped.

Jonah (shouting out to the people of Nineveh): After 40 days, Nineveh will be annihilated. ⁵ With that announcement, the people of Nineveh started to trust in Jonah's God! Every person—whether young or old, rich or poor, male or female—fasted and wore a sack as a sign of remorse for his past wickedness. ⁶ The people of Nineveh told each other about this, until the news made it all the way to the king of Nineveh, who ruled the entire

Assyrian Empire. The king changed from his royal robes to sack-cloth, and instead of sitting up high on his throne, he sat down low in the dust. ⁷ He sent an official message to his subjects. **King's Message:** By order of the king of Nineveh and his nobles, "No human being, animal, cattle, or flock may taste anything. None of them may go out to eat or drink any water. ⁸ Instead let both humans and animals cover themselves with sacks. Let all who belong to this empire call to God sincerely and turn from their wicked ways and violent acts. ⁹ Perhaps Jonah's God will show mercy and relent from His judgment. Perhaps out of compassion He will not unleash His fierce anger against us, and we may be spared."

¹⁰ God saw all they did and how they turned from their evil ways. So He relented and decided not to unleash the disasters He said He would through His servant Jonah.

Reader: May God bless the reading, hearing, and living of these words.

Many voices: Amen

Proclaiming "The Best Worst Sermon Ever" Pastor Dave

*Singing "The Summons" TFWS #2130, v1-2,4-5

Verse 1

Will you come and follow Me if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
Will you let My love be shown, will you let My name be known,
Will you let My life be grown in you and you in Me?

Verse 2

Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?
Will you let Me answer prayer in you and you in Me?