# When do our Groups & Studies meet next?

Book Group - Title "The Measure" By "Nikke Erlick"	Monday 09/23 @ 7PM
Bible Study Reading "The Acts of the Apostles" Interested persons can contact Jennifer Ferguson. Location: Ridge Road	Thursday @ 7:30PM
Faithtalk - 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 Meets at Starbucks	Wednesday 09/10 @ 6:30PM

LEADERS IN TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE LAY READER CHRIS VAUSE

Song Leaders Gail Girard, Ruth Satorius &

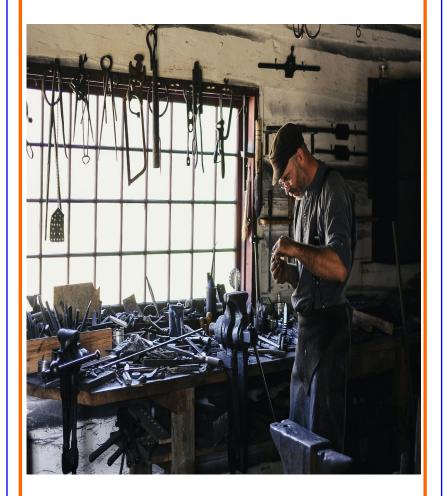
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## "Doin' Work!"



### Welcome!

Minooka United Methodist Church Sunday, September 1st, 2024 9:30am \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

# Welcome to Minooka United Methodist Church Sunday, September 1st, 2024 9:30am

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\* Stand if you are able

**Entering Music** 

Welcoming Pastor Dave

**Preparing** 

\*Gathering Lay Reader

Reader: Gather, all who long to know your Creator more. Gather, all who are thirsty for a deeper relationship. Gather with your siblings in faith. Gather to worship the Compassionate One who loves us and calls us to abundant life.

Many Voices: Gathered or scattered, onsite or online, faithful or faltering, the door is open and God bids us welcome. Here there is food for body and soul: bread of heaven and wine of salvation, the word heard, prayers offered, and praise sung.

Reader: God is the host at this table of fellowship and all are welcome!

Many Voices: All are welcome in this place!

\*Singing "Welcome" W&S #3152

#### 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

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.

# Thank you for generously giving of your presence and gifts!

Did you know the offering that comes in as cash without a name attached is collected as "loose offering" and goes toward our General Fund? In July, our loose offering amounted to \$2,200!

Thank you!

Attendance Aug. 25th at MUMC In person: 62; online: 16

#### **Youth Group News**

Volunteers are needed to help with our Youth Group program. Please consider using your gifts to support this ministry by signing up to come help or by providing a meal for our Youth at one of our upcoming meetings. You can sign up on the Youth Group bulletin board located behind the sound booth in our sanctuary. Meetings are Wednesday evenings from 7 to 8 pm beginning on September 4th. We will serve dinner and participate in all sorts of games, crafts, and meaningful activities throughout the year.

Parents, the deadline to sign your child up for the Northern Illinois Conference Youth Retreat for students in grades 6 - 12 is September 9th. The camp will take place in Lake Geneva September 27 - 29. We are excited to spend a weekend praising God and getting to know other Youth who want to follow Jesus. Please see the flyers for this event, also located on our bulletin board!

Youth, our first meeting will be on Wednesday September 4th from 7-8 pm. Join us for a delicious Taco Bar and some fun! We can't wait to see you there!!!

Please contact Jennifer Ferguson or Katrina Nolan for further information!

#### **Trunk & Garage Sale Needs**

"Outreach Committee needs, plastic bags, newspaper, and drink carriers. All items will be used to help support MUMC's Jems in the Garage & Treasures in the Truck Sale. There will be a box outside the sanctuary for donations. Thank You!"

#### PIPE ORGAN CONCERT

We are excited to welcome guest organist Mark Downey, the Music Director at St. Charles Episcopal Church and Dean of the Fox Valley Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. The concert will feature a selection of hymns and organ music that will uplift and inspire.

While there is no charge for admission, a love offering is appreciated. Don't miss this opportunity to enjoy an afternoon of beautiful music in our community On Sunday, September 15th at 3pm.

#### Join Us for a Community Block Party!

Join us for a free block party that promises fun for the entire family on Saturday, September 7th from 1-5pm. We will have Inflatables and Activities for the Kids, Yard Games for the Adults, Free Hot Dog Meal and a Meet and Greet. It is sure to be a great time for

all!

What do you call a Garage Sale when you don't have a garage and the sale is indoors? Is it a Sanctuary Sale? Is it a Garage Sale in the Sanctuary (aka Multipurpose Room)?

Whatever the title, we're having one September 20th & 21st! Do you have items in your home that you have been meaning to donate? Let the Outreach Committee take them off your hands! Please go through your basements, closets, homes, and garages and bring your items to MUMC. Soon, tables will be placed in the Sanctuary to collect your items for the sale. Proceeds from this community-wide event will go to our General Fund, empowering our mission and ministries to make disciples of Jesus for the transformation of the world. We are also looking for volunteers.

For more info please reach out to Gail Flatness at 815.342.5535

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## Minooka United Methodist Church September 1st, 2024 www.minookaumc.com 815-467-



#### SUNDAY 1ST

9:30AM SUNDAY WORSHIP 10:45AM SUNDAY SCHOOL

#### **MONDAY 2ND**

OFFICE CLOSED FOR HOLIDAY

#### **TUESDAY 3RD**

12:00PM FAITHTALK BIBLE STUDY

#### WEDNESDAY 4TH

5:00PM PRAYER TEAM 7:00PM YOUTH GROUP

#### THURSDAY 5TH

7:30PM BIBLE STUDY

FRIDAY 6TH

#### SATURDAY 7TH

1PM TO 5PM BLOCK PARTY!

#### OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS

~Monday September 9th @ 1:30PM—Afternoon Circle ~Tuesday September 10th @ 6:30pm—Skeptics Circle (Meets at Starbucks) ~ Wednesday September 11th @ 10:30AM—Park Pointe Worship (Morris) ~Wednesday September 11th @ 6pm—Outreach Committee Meeting ~Wednesday September 11th @ 7pm—Youth Group ~Sunday September 15th @ 3pm—Organ Concert ~ Wednesday September 18th @ 12PM—Senior Luncheon





Ron & Wendy Tredennick

#### 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

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 3

Let's dream together of the day when earth and heaven are one, A city built of love and light, the new Jerusalem, Where our mourning turns to dancing, every creature lifts its voice,

#### Refrain

Crying 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.

**Conversing with Children** 

Praying Lay Reader

#### [Quiet prayer]

Reader: Redeeming Sustainer, pour out your strength and courage upon us, that we may hurry to make you welcome not only in our concern for others, but by serving them generously and faithfully in your name.

Living God, friend of those in need, your Son Jesus heals our spirits. We lift up to you those still burdened, those seeking healing, those in need within the church and around the world.

#### [Quiet prayer]

Reader: Loving God, hear our prayers that we may love you with our whole being and willingly share the concerns of our neighbors. We offer these prayers of love on behalf of ourselves and our neighbors, on behalf of your creation and all our fellow creatures.

#### [Quiet prayer]

Reader: Bless us, Wellspring of Life, that we may become the building blocks of your commonwealth among us. Our prayer continues as Jesus taught us, saying... [Lord's Prayer, UMH #894]

Singing "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" UMH #133

Verse 1
What a fellowship, what a joy divine,
leaning on the everlasting arms;
what a blessedness, what a peace is mine,
leaning on the everlasting arms.

Refrain
Leaning, leaning,
safe and secure from all alarms;
leaning, leaning,
leaning on the everlasting arms.

Verse 4

We are a blest and a pilgrim people:
Bound for the Kingdom of God!
Love our journey and love our homeland:
Love is the Kingdom of God!
(Refrain)

\*Sending Forth

**Pastor Dave** 

**Exiting Music** 

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#### **Bring Forth the Kingdom**

Words: Marty Haugen (Matthew 5:13-16) Music: Marty Haugen Copyright 1986 GIA Publications, Inc.

# Many Voices: So we eat, we drink, we remember, and we live lives of resurrection love. Amen.

(Adapted from the Iona Community)

The United Methodist Church offers open Communion. That means all are welcome at this table. Today we serve by intinction: lightly dip the piece of bread into the cup then eat. Self-contained packets of bread and juice are also available. All the bread is gluten free.

\*Singing

"Bring Forth the Kingdom"

TFWS #2190

Verse 1

You are salt for the earth, O people: Salt for the Kingdom of God! Share the flavour of life, O people: Life in the Kingdom of God!

Refrain

Bring forth the Kingdom of mercy, Bring forth the Kingdom of peace; Bring forth the Kingdom of justice, Bring forth the City of God!

Verse 2

You are a light on the hill, O people:
Light for the City of God!
Shine so holy and bright, O people:
Shine for the Kingdom of God!
(Refrain)

Verse 3

You are a seed of the Word, O people:
Bring forth the Kingdom of God!
Seeds of mercy and seeds of justice,
Grow in the Kingdom of God!
(Refrain)

Verse 2

O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way, leaning on the everlasting arms; O how bright the path grows from day to day, leaning on the everlasting arms.

(Refrain)

Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms; leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.

Verse 3

What have I to dread, what have I to fear, leaning on the everlasting arms?

I have blessed peace with my Lord so near, leaning on the everlasting arms.

(Refrain)
Leaning, leaning,
safe and secure from all alarms;
leaning, leaning,
leaning on the everlasting arms.

**Reading Scripture** 

Mark 2:23-3:6 (The Voice)

Lay Reader

**Pharisees:** Did You see that? Why are Your disciples doing what our law forbids on the Sabbath?

**Jesus** (turning toward the Pharisees): <sup>25</sup> Do you remember the story about what King David and his followers did when they were hungry and had nothing to eat?

They said nothing, so He continued.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> One Sabbath Jesus and His disciples were walking through a field of grain; as they walked, His disciples *grew hungry*. They began to pull from the stalks *and eat*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> The Pharisees confronted Him.

**Jesus:** <sup>26</sup> David went into the house of God, when Abiathar was the high priest, and ate the bread that was consecrated to God. Now our laws say no one but the priests can eat that holy bread; *but when David was hungry, he ate* and also shared the bread with those who followed him.

**3** On the Sabbath, Jesus had come into a synagogue where He saw a man with a withered hand.

Jesus: Come to Me.

**Jesus:** Do our laws tell us to do good or evil on the Sabbath? To save life, or to snuff it out?

They remained silent.

**Jesus** (to the man with the withered hand): So be it. Stretch out your hand.

The man stretched forth his hand; and as he did, it was completely healed. <sup>6</sup> The Pharisees went directly from the synagogue to consult with the supporters of Herod, *the Romans' puppet ruler*, about how they could get rid of this dangerous dreamer.

Reader: May the Fount of Wisdom bless the words we have read and plant them deeply in our minds, our hearts, and our lives.

Many Voices: Amen.

Proclaiming "Doin' Work!" Pastor Dave

Giving Pastor Dave

Blessing our Gifts with Music and Prayer Lay Reader

Many Voices: Generous God, may our stewardship reflect our trust in You. Guide us to embody our vision, living as a community of faith in love, service, and action. Bless these offerings as a symbol of our commitment to live out our beliefs. Amen.

#### **Celebrating Communion**

Pastor Dave: The table of bread and wine is now to be made ready. It is the table of company with Jesus, and all who love him. It is the table of sharing with the poor of the world, with whom Jesus identified himself. It is the table of communion with the earth, in which Christ became incarnate.

Pastor Dave: So come to this table, you who have much faith and you who would like to have more. You who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time. You who have tried to follow Jesus, and you who have failed. Come to this table, all of you. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

Pastor Dave: God of us all, as your Spirit touches these gifts of bread and wine, may they be for us the living presence of Christ. May your Spirit transform us as we receive them, that we might be the Body of Christ in this world, by the power of your inclusive Spirit at work in the beloved community of your church, now and forever.

#### Many Voices: Amen.

Pastor Dave: That last night with his friends, Jesus took the bread, blessed it, broke it, and shared it, saying:

Many Voices: "This bread is broken as my body will be broken. Eat and remember me."

Pastor Dave: Later that night Jesus took the cup, blessed it and shared it, saying:

Many Voices: "This cup is poured out as my blood will be poured out. Drink and remember me."

Pastor Dave: Jesus said, "I am the bread of life. Come to me and never be hungry; trust in me and never thirst."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> The Sabbath was made *for the needs of* human beings, and not the other way around. <sup>28</sup> So the Son of Man is Lord even over the Sabbath.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Pharisees held their breath: would Jesus cure this man on the Sabbath, right there in front of everyone? If so, they could charge Him with breaking the Sabbath law. <sup>3</sup> Jesus knew their hearts. He called to the man with the withered hand.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Then He turned to the Pharisees with a question.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Jesus was furious as He looked out over the crowd, and He was grieved by their hard hearts.