

When do Small Groups meet next?

Bible Study with Pastor Dave Meets at Minooka UMC	Thursday 11/20 @ 7pm
Book Group - "Fly Away" by Kristin Hannah	Monday 11/24 @ 7pm
Chair Yoga Meets at Minooka UMC	Mon. @ 11:45am Thurs. @ 5:30pm
Faithtalk - Bible Study Meets at Minooka UMC	Every Tuesday @ Noon
Grief Support Group Meets at Minooka UMC	Thursday 11/13 @ 12 noon
Line Dancing Meets at Minooka UMC in the Fellowship Room	11/17 & 11/24 @ 1pm
Prayer Team Meets at Minooka UMC	Every Wednesday @ 5:00PM
Skeptic's Circle Meets at the Minooka Library	Tuesday 11/11 @ 6:30PM
United Women in Faith Afternoon Circle Meets at Minooka UMC	Monday 11/10 @ 1:30pm
Youth Group 6th through 12th Grades Meets at Minooka UMC	Every Wednesday @ 7:00PM

Any cancellations or date changes for our gatherings will be announced.
For more information about our groups please contact the church office.

LEADERS IN TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

LAY READER	MARLIN HARTMAN
SONG LEADERS	RUTH SATORIUS, GAIL GIRARD, SUSAN SPENCER

CHURCH STAFF

MINISTERS	ALL DISCIPLES OF JESUS
LEAD PASTOR	REV. DAVE BUERSTETTA
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Not in Good Faith



Welcome!

Minooka United Methodist Church

Sunday, November 9, 2025 9:30am

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* Stand if you are able

ENTERING MUSIC

WELCOMING

Pastor Dave

PREPARING

*GATHERING

Lay Reader

Reader: Even though we don't always feel it, God is with us.

Many Voices: The darkness and doubt of the world can threaten to consume us.

Reader: Yet God is with us.

Many Voices: All around us, there is fear and hopelessness.

Reader: God brings to us hope and peace. We place our trust in God's abundant love.

Many Voices: Let us freely and without fear open our hearts to God's healing words of hope. Amen!

*SINGING

"To God Be the Glory" UM Hymnal #98, v1&3

Verse 1

To God be the glory, great things he hath done!
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
Who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
And opened the life-gate that all may go in.

~This Week at MUMC~

SUNDAY 9TH

- 9:30AM WORSHIP EXPERIENCE
- 10:45AM SUNDAY SCHOOL
- 10:45AM CONFIRMATION COHORT
- 11:00AM FALL POTLUCK LUNCHEON

MONDAY 10TH

- 11:45AM CHAIR YOGA
- 1:30PM UMF AFTERNOON CIRCLE

TUESDAY 11TH

- 12:00PM BIBLE STUDY

WEDNESDAY 12TH

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

THURSDAY 13TH

- 5:30PM CHAIR YOGA

FRIDAY 14TH

SATURDAY 15TH



Thank you for your commitments of gathering and giving!
Attendance November 2nd at MUMC
 In person total: 69 online: 18
General Fund Giving for 11/2: \$5,620.49
Total giving in all for 11/2: \$6,690.11

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

- 9 Liliana Randich
- 11 Paul Clusen
- 11 Miriam Staley
- 11 Paige Vause
- 12 Terry Pease
- 14 Joshua Buerstetta
- 14 Mike Hammerstein
- 14 Karen Nave



NEW THURSDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY EXPERIMENT!

Join us on Thursday, November 20th at 7:00pm as Pastor Dave leads a look at some of the underrated New Testament books, beginning with Philemon.

All are welcome. No prior bible reading or knowledge or expertise needed. We will all learn as we go along, exploring what the text says, what it leaves unsaid, what history and tradition tell us about the text, and how our own experience influences our reading. Having a study bible really helps. We have some available to borrow, just ask!

LINE DANCING IS HERE!

Join us every 1st, 3rd and 4th Monday of the month at 1pm to Line Dance! Come on out and have tons of fun learning new moves or simply finding your rhythm. It's sure to be a great time. Our Line Dancing gatherings will be accepting free will offerings. We hope to see you there!

HOLIDAY PREPARATION

The Worship Committee is looking for families to bring in your Nativity sets to display during the Advent Season. The tables will be set up along the south wall of the sanctuary. We will have cards to set next to your Nativity with your family name and any history you would like to share about the set. They will be roped off and covered during the week. Please bring your Nativity in Sunday, November 23rd or Monday, November 24th. Please contact Kim Nave if you would like to participate or have any questions.

THANKSGIVING TREE

There will be a "Thanksgiving Tree" in the back of the sanctuary to hang leaves of "Thanksgiving" on. Paper leaves and markers will be on the tables to write what you thank God for. No names are required. The "Thanksgiving Tree" will be on display for the month of November.

IMPACTED BY SNAP DELAYS

Have you been impacted by SNAP delays or loss of income? Are you or your neighbors having difficulty putting meals on the table? Our Helping Hands Food Pantry is "neighbors helping neighbors" and supported by MUMC and St. Mary's Church. For confidential food assistance, please contact Melissa in the church office at 815-467-2322 or Chris Vause at 815-409-5599.

Refrain

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
Let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
Let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father thru Jesus the son,
And give him the glory, great things he hath done!

Verse 3

Great things he hath taught us, great things he hath done,
And great our rejoicing thru Jesus the Son;
But purer, and higher, and greater will be
Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.

Refrain

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HONORING VETERANS

Kim Nave

"What it means to be a Veteran"

Veterans: Ed Anderson, Woody Campbell, Guy Carlson, Dee Dee Casagrande, Harry Casagrande, Chase Closen, Doug Coop, Mindy Coop, Frank Cvitanovich, James Daly, Bill Dasbach, Jennifer Felipe, Dick Figge, Harry Geyer, Robert Herath, Scott Herath, Andrew Herring, James Hinds, Alex Kirsch, Georg Kirsch, Casey Kulka, Ray Lindley, Dale Lockwood, David Lyons, Frances L. McCarter, Les Millard, Dennis Morris, Karna Nave, Levi Nischke, Dick Parrish, Terry Pease, Gerry Pubentz, Anthony Sallese, Jim Satorius, Ron Stadt, Ethan Staley, Ed Thompson, Art Webb, John Woolfitt and Delbert Yunker.

We also honor our Church Family currently serving: Troy Herath, Cody Holmquist, Charles Loverrude, Dutch Nave, Sean Nettles, Bret Nemitz, Ava Staley and Noah Staley.

PRAYING

Lay Reader

Reader: Ever-Loving God, life – your life – is so freely and abundantly available. It pulses in all creation and in every human soul. Yet we have allowed ourselves to be seduced by violence and death, leaving ourselves and our planet thirsty and lethargic. So, where rain forests are destroyed to exploit immediate resources for short term profits, we pray for forgiveness.

Many Voices: We pray that your life would teach us restraint.
[Quiet prayer for reflection]

Reader: Where our trash piles up and poisons the earth and the lives of the creatures in it, we pray for forgiveness.

Many Voices: We pray that your life would teach us wisdom.
[Quiet prayer for reflection]

Reader: Where the growth and nurture of children is stunted by poverty and inequality, we pray for forgiveness.

Many Voices: We pray that your life would teach us generosity and compassion.
[Quiet prayer for reflection]

Reader: Where life in all its various expressions is denied and suppressed by bigotry, hatred, selfishness, war, and megalomania, we pray for forgiveness.

Many Voices: We pray that your life would teach us love and humility.
[Quiet prayer for reflection]

*SINGING

The Faith We Sing #2241

“The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve”

Verse 1

The spirit sends us forth to serve;
we go in Jesus' name
to bring glad tidings to the poor,
God's favor to proclaim.

Verse 2

We go to comfort those who mourn
and set the burdened free:
where hope is dim, to share a dream
and help the blind to see.

Verse 3

We go to be the hands of Christ,
to scatter joy like seed,
and all our days, to cherish life,
to do the loving deed.

Verse 4

Then let us go to serve in peace,
the Gospel to proclaim.
God's Spirit has empowered us;
we go in Jesus' name.

*SENDING FORTH

EXITING MUSIC

GIVING

Pastor Dave

Reader: God of Grace and Mercy, teach us to live – to really live—abundantly, freely, generously, and humbly. Teach us to live—to really live—so that life in all its amazing diversity may be nurtured, multiplied, and shared through us. Our prayer concludes as Jesus taught us, saying...[Lord’s Prayer UM Hymnal #894]



BLESSING OUR GIFTS with MUSIC and PRAYER

Lay Reader

Many Voices: Faithful God, may your compassionate care continue to rain down on us. Use these gifts to build your beloved community—not only in stone and structure, but in lives made whole, relationships restored, and justice pursued. May your peace dwell richly in what we offer and how we live. Amen.

SINGING

“This is My Song”

UM Hymnal #437

Verse 1

This is my song, O God of all the nations,
a song of peace for lands afar and mine.
This is my home, the country where my heart is;
here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine;
but other hearts in other lands are beating
With hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.

Verse 2

My country's skies are bluer than the ocean,
And sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine;
But other lands have sunlight too, and clover,
And skies are everywhere as blue as mine.
O hear my song, Thou God of all nations,
A song of peace for their land and for mine.

Verse 3

This is my prayer, O Lord of all earth’s kingdoms:
Thy kingdom come; on earth thy will be done.
Let Christ be lifted up till all shall serve him,
and hearts united learn to live as one.
O hear my prayer, thou God of all the nations;
myself I give thee; let thy will be done.

READING SCRIPTURE

Lay Reader

Luke 20:27-40 (The Voice)

²⁷ Another group came to test Him—this time from the Sadducees, a *rival party of the Pharisees*, who believe that there is no resurrection.

Sadducees: ²⁸ Teacher, Moses wrote *in the Hebrew Scriptures* that a man must marry his brother's wife and the new couple should bear children for his brother if his brother dies without heirs. ²⁹ Well, once there were seven brothers, and the first took a wife and then died without fathering children. ³⁰ The second [took her as his wife and then he died childless,] ³¹ and then the third, and so on through the seven. They all died leaving no children. ³² Finally the woman died too. ³³ *Here's our question:* in the resurrection, whose wife will she be, since all seven had her for a while? *Will she be the wife of seven men at once?*

Jesus: ³⁴ The children of this era marry and are given in marriage, ³⁵ but those who are considered worthy to attain the resurrection of the dead in the coming era do not marry and are not given in marriage. ³⁶ They are beyond mortality; they are on the level of heavenly messengers; they are children of God and children of the resurrection. ³⁷ *Since you brought up the issue of resurrection*, even Moses made clear in the passage about the burning bush that the dead are, in fact, raised. After all, he calls the Lord the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. ³⁸ *By Moses' time, they were all dead*, but God isn't God of the dead, but of the living. So all live to God.

Religious Scholars: ³⁹ Teacher, that was a good answer.

⁴⁰ After this no one had the courage to ask Him any more questions.

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

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Pastor Dave

***SINGING**

"Amazing Abundance"

Worship & Song #3120

Verse 1

Amazing abundance poured out on this land,
The mark of your gracious and generous hand.
Your blessing is richest on those who will give
With joy and thanksgiving so others may live.

Verse 2

A holy compassion is born through the cries
When tragedy threatens and heroes arise.
God's spirit is present and felt everywhere
That hands reach through darkness and battle despair.

Verse 3

We pray for communion, all nations so strong
That difference is honored and all might belong.
A tapestry woven by myriad hands,
A banner of freedom the bright braided strands.

Refrain

Praise God for the nations, O help us to see
The whole world is yours, Lord, and yearns to be free!