

When do Small Groups meet next?

Book Group - "The Walk" by Richard Paul Evans	Monday 04/28 @ 7pm
Bible Study Meets at Minooka UMC	Thursday @ 6:30PM
Chair Yoga Meets at Minooka UMC	Mon. @ 11:15am
Faithtalk - Bible Study Meets at Minooka UMC	Tuesday @ Noon
Grief Support Group Meets at Minooka UMC	Thursday 05/08 @ 12 noon
Prayer Team Meets at Minooka UMC	Wednesday @ 5:00PM
Skeptic's Circle Meets at the Minooka Library	Tuesday 05/13 @ 6:30PM
United Women in Faith Afternoon Circle Meets at Minooka UMC	Monday 05/12 @ 1:30PM
Youth Group 6th through 12th Grades Meets at Minooka UMC	Wednesday @ 7:00PM

For more information about our groups please contact the church office.

LEADERS IN TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

LAY READER	JENNIFER FERGUSON
SONG LEADERS	RUTH SATORIUS, JENNIFER FERGUSON, KAREN GABA

CHURCH STAFF

MINISTERS	ALL DISCIPLES OF JESUS
LEAD PASTOR	REV. DAVE BUERSTETTA
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"Hope in Times of Crisis"



Welcome!

Minooka United Methodist Church

Sunday, April 27, 2025 9:30am

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* Stand if you are able

ENTERING MUSIC

WELCOMING

Pastor Dave

PREPARING

*GATHERING

Reader: It is good to be alive and to gather together today!

Many Voices: It is good to share life with each other in this wonder-filled and evolving universe.

Reader: We are grateful for all life around us.

Many Voices: May wisdom dawn in us and may resurrection hope happen in us again today!

*SINGING

“Christ is Risen”

UM Hymnal #307

Verse 1

Christ is risen! Shout Hosanna!
Celebrate this day of days.
Christ is risen!
Hush in wonder;
All creation is amazed.
In the desert all surrounding, see,
A spreading tree has grown.
Healing leaves of grace abounding
Bring a taste of love unknown.

~This Week at MUMC~

SUNDAY 27TH

9:30AM SUNDAY WORSHIP
10:50AM SUNDAY SCHOOL
11:00AM FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

MONDAY 28TH

11:15AM CHAIR YOGA
7:00PM BOOK CLUB

TUESDAY 29TH

12:00 FAITH TALK BIBLE STUDY
7:00PM CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY 30TH

5:00PM PRAYER TEAM
6:00PM ASP MEETING
7:00PM YOUTH GROUP

THURSDAY MAY 1ST

6:30PM BIBLE STUDY

FRIDAY 2ND

SATURDAY 3RD

11:00AM-2:00PM KIDS BOOK SWAP

Thank you for your commitments of gathering and giving!

Attendance April 20th at MUMC

In person: 118; online: 13

General Fund Giving for 4/20: \$3,056.43

Total giving in all for 4/20: \$6,241.43

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

28 Westin Dailey
28 Mary Auclair
30 Olivia Ferguson
May 1 John McGrath

29 Wayne & Shelley Dailey
29 Alex & Katrina Nolan
29 Bob & Ruth Pesack

Upcoming Events

Kids' Book Swap—Give a book, Get a Book!

Have books your kids have outgrown? Bring them in, swap for new ones, and refresh your home library—all for free! It's a great way to share the joy of reading and discover new favorites. Bring your books to donate and pick out some new treasures Saturday, May 3rd 11:00am to 2:00pm.

Prayer Walk for Peace

Join us Sunday, May 18th at 11:30am as we walk and pray for peace in our community and world. We'll meet in front of the church at 12 noon and walk the neighborhoods surrounding MUMC. Bring your walking shoes, an open heart, and a spirit of hope. All ages and abilities are welcome!

FatBoyz Pizza & Stuff Fundraiser

Stop by FatBoyz at 408 W Mondamin St. for dine-in or carryout on May 6th-10th and a portion of each pizza sale will benefit MUMC.

Garage Sale

to support MUMC's kitchen appliance fund

Location: 314 N. Wabasso St. Thursday through Saturday, May 8th through May 10th, during the village-wide garage sales. All proceeds from this garage sale location benefit MUMC! (Please note this garage sale event is NOT at MUMC on Ridge Rd but at 314 N Wabasso St.)

Verse 2

Christ is risen!
Raise your spirits
From the caverns of despair.
Walk with gladness in the morning.
See what love can do and dare.
Drink the wine of resurrection,
Not a servant, but a friend;
Jesus is our strong companion.
Joy and peace shall never end.

Verse 3

Christ is risen!
Earth and heaven nevermore
Shall be the same.
Break the bread of new creation
Where the world is still in pain.
Tell its grim, demonic chorus;
"Christ is risen! got you gone!"
God the First and Last is with us.
Sing Hosanna everyone!

CONVERSING WITH CHILDREN

PRAYING

Pastor Dave

[Quiet Reflection]

Reader: During times when the triumph of death seems inevitable and the suffering around us makes us want to turn away,
Many Voices: we commit to resurrection.

Reader: In the secret chambers where power-brokers meet,
Many Voices: we commit to making the voice of life and justice heard.

Reader: In the crisis moments when quick decisions must be made that hold human lives in the balance,
Many Voices: we commit to making peace and co-existence the challenge we raise.

[Quiet Reflection]

Reader: In the forgotten corners where the powerless and poor daily walk the valley of the shadow of death,

Many Voices: we commit to equity, compassion and giving.

Reader: In the dying places on our planet where human carelessness and consumption have threatened the survival of all,

Many Voices: we commit to simplicity and sustainability.

Reader: As you stand among us now, Jesus, in your resurrected glory,

Many Voices: may we know the power of your life. May we turn away from death. And may we be agents of resurrection hope, wherever we find ourselves.

[Quiet Reflection]

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

*SINGING "Thine Be the Glory" UM Hymnal #308, v1-2

Verse 1

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son;
Endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.
Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,
Kept the folded grave-clothes where thy body lay.

Refrain

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son;
Endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.

Verse 2

Christ has risen for the people
Whom He died to love and save;
Christ has risen for the women
Bringing flowers to grace His grave.
Christ has risen for disciples
Huddled in an upstairs room.
He whose word inspired creation
Can't be silenced by the tomb.

Verse 3

Christ has risen to companion
Former friends who fear the night,
Sensing loss and limitation
Where their faith had once burned bright.
They bemoan what is no longer,
They expect no hopeful sign
Till Christ ends their conversation,
Breaking bread and sharing wine.

Verse 4

Christ has risen and forever
Lives to challenge and to change
All whose lives are messed or mangled,
All who find religion strange.
Christ is risen, Christ is present
Making us what He has been
Evidence of transformation
In which God is known and seen.

***SENDING FORTH**

Pastor Dave

EXITING MUSIC

Verse 5

For everyone born, a place at the table,
To live without fear, and simply to be,
To work, to speak out, to witness and worship,
For everyone born, the right to be free.

Refrain

And God will delight
When we are creators of justice and joy,
Yes, God will delight
When we are creators of justice, justice and joy!

GIVING

Pastor Dave

BLESSING OUR GIFTS with MUSIC and PRAYER

Lay Reader

Many Voices: Generous God, we present these offerings as a sign of our love and our dedication, to your church, your people, and your kin-dom. Receive them, and use them to bring hope to all your beloved children everywhere. Amen.

***SINGING**

“Christ Has Risen” The Faith We Sing #2115

Verse 1

Christ has risen while earth slumbers,
Christ has risen where hope died,
As He said and as He promised,
As we doubted and denied.
Let the moon embrace the blessing;
Let the sun sustain the cheer,
Let the world confirm the rumor:
Christ is risen, God is here!

Verse 2

Lo! Jesus meets thee, risen from the tomb;
Lovingly he greets thee, scatters fear and gloom.
Let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,
For our Lord now liveth; death hath lost its sting.

Refrain

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son;
Endless is the victory thou o’er death hast won.

READING SCRIPTURE John 20:19-31(The Voice) Lay Reader

¹⁹ On that same evening (Resurrection Sunday), the followers gathered together behind locked doors in fear that some of the Jewish leaders in Jerusalem were still searching for them. Out of nowhere, Jesus appeared in the center of the room.

Jesus: May each one of you be at peace.

²⁰ As He was speaking, He revealed the wounds in His hands and side. The disciples began to celebrate as it sank in that they were really seeing the Lord.

Jesus: ²¹ I give you the gift of peace. In the same way the Father sent Me, I am now sending you.

²² Now He drew close enough to each of them that *they could feel His breath*. He breathed on them:

Jesus: Welcome the Holy Spirit of the living God. ²³ You now have the mantle of God’s forgiveness. As you go, you are able to share the life-giving power to forgive sins, or to withhold forgiveness.

²⁴ All of the eleven were present with the exception of Thomas. ²⁵ He heard the accounts of each brother's interaction with the Lord.

The Other Disciples: We have seen the Lord!

Thomas: Until I see His hands, feel the wounds of the nails, and put my hand to His side, I won't believe what you are saying.

²⁶ Eight days later, they gathered again behind locked doors; and Jesus reappeared. This time Thomas was with them.

Jesus: May each one of you be at peace.

²⁷ He drew close to Thomas.

Jesus: Reach out and touch Me. See the punctures in My hands; reach out your hand, and put it to My side; leave behind your faithlessness, and believe.

Thomas (*filled with emotion*): ²⁸ You are the one True God and Lord of my life.

Jesus: ²⁹ Thomas, you have faith because you have seen Me. Blessed are all those who never see Me and yet they still believe.

³⁰ Jesus performed many other wondrous signs that are not written in this book. ³¹ These accounts are recorded so that you, too, might believe that Jesus is the Anointed, *the Liberating King*, the Son of God, because believing grants you the life He came to share.

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

Many Voices: Amen.

PROCLAIMING

"Hope in Times of Crisis"

Pastor Dave

***SINGING**

"A Place at the Table"

Worship & Song #3149, v1, 3, 5

Verse 1

For everyone born, a place at the table,
For everyone born, clean water and bread,
A shelter, a space, a safe place for growing,
For everyone born, a star over head.

Refrain

And God will delight
When we are creators of justice and joy,
Yes, God will delight
When we are creators of justice, justice and joy!

Verse 3

For young and for old, a place at the table,
A voice to be heard, a part in the song,
The hands of a child in hands that are wrinkled,
For young and for old, the right to belong.

Refrain

And God will delight
When we are creators of justice and joy,
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