

When Do Small Groups Meet Next?

- Book Group** - Book Group will not meet in May
- Chair Yoga** - Mondays @ 11:45am
- FaithTalk Bible Study** - Tuesdays @ 12:00pm
- Grief Support Group** - Thursday July 9th @ 12:00pm
*NOTE: Grief Support Group will **NOT** meet in June.*
- Prayer Team** - Wednesdays @ 5:00pm
- Skeptic's Circle** - Tuesday, June 9th @ 6:30pm
Meets at: Brick & Ivy Coffee Co. 27754 Bluegrass Dr. Channahon, IL
- Youth Group** - Wednesdays @ 7:00pm
NOTE: Youth Group will meet once per month during the summer. Summer dates TBD.

WiFi is available—"MUMC-Guest" (No password required)

LEADERS IN TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

LAY READER KIM NAVE
SONG LEADERS RUTH SATORIUS, GAIL GIRARD,
SUSAN SPENCER

CHURCH STAFF

MINISTERS ALL DISCIPLES OF JESUS
LEAD PASTOR REV. DAVE BUERSTETTA
OFFICE MANAGER MELISSA CANDLER
MUSIC DIRECTOR JILL KOHLER
SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTOR KATRINA NOLAN
YOUTH DIRECTOR JENNIFER FERGUSON

CHURCH CONTACT

PHONE 815-467-2322
WWW.MINOOKAUMC.COM PASTORDAVEMUMC@GMAIL.COM
ADMIN@MINOOKAUMC.COM MUMCFINANCIALSECRETARY@GMAIL.COM

1210 RIDGE RD. MINOOKA, IL. 60447

Following Our Ultimate Servant Leader



Welcome!

Minooka United Methodist Church

Sunday, May 24, 2026 9:30am

Minooka United Methodist Church Worship Experience
Sunday, May 24, 2026 9:30am

* Stand if you are able

MEMORIAL DAY RECOGNITION Kim Nave, Worship Chairperson

ENTERING MUSIC

WELCOMING Chris Vause, Certified Lay Speaker

PREPARING

***GATHERING** Lay Reader

Reader: Found Family, why are you here?

Many Voices: We gather to worship with our hearts and our lives.

Reader: People of God, who do you worship?

Many Voices: We worship God, who loves us and teaches us to love.

Reader: Friends, how do you worship?

Many Voices: We worship God by following the example of Jesus, to serve those around us with humility and faithful strength.

Reader: Beloved, let us worship God, who is with us always, in all that we do and say!

Many Voices: Amen!

***SINGING** "Welcome" Worship & Song #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.

~This Week at MUMC~

SUNDAY 24TH

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

MONDAY 25TH

MEMORIAL DAY
 OFFICE IS CLOSED AND NO CHAIR YOGA

TUESDAY 26TH

12:00PM FAITH TALK BIBLE STUDY
 6:00PM FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
 7:00PM CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY 27TH

5:00PM PRAYER TEAM

THURSDAY 28TH

FRIDAY 29TH

SATURDAY 30TH

PASTOR DAVE WILL BE OUT OF THE OFFICE FROM MAY 24TH THROUGH MAY 28TH. FOR PASTORAL CARE PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE AT 815.467.2322.

Thank you for living our discipleship commitments of gathering and giving!
Attendance May 17th at MUMC
 In person: 71 online: 22
General Fund Giving for 5/17: \$3,976.83
Total giving in all for 5/17: \$3,976.83

Happy Birthday!

Happy Anniversary!

27 George Coley
 30 Kayli Jones
 30 Jayme McGehee

***SENDING FORTH: A Responsive Benediction**

Lay Reader: Go now in the example of Jesus Christ—
not to be served, but to serve.

People: We go to serve with humble hearts and willing hands.

Chris Vause: Go into the world to love as Christ loves,
to lift up the lowly, and to care for the forgotten.

People: We go to see Christ in every person we meet.

Lay Reader: Go with the courage to give,
the grace to listen, and the strength to act.

People: We go in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Chris Vause: And may the love of God, the grace of Christ, and
the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you now and always.

People: Amen.

EXITING MUSIC



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 Katrina Nolan, Sunday School Director

PRAYING

Lay Reader

Introduction

Prayers of intercession are prayers or petitions that we offer as individuals or a congregation. After each general intercession there will be a period of silence, where we may silently add our own specific prayers for those concerns or people we are lifting to up to God. After the time of silence, the leader will say "Lord in your mercy" and all will respond with "hear our prayers."

Lay Reader: Together let us pray,

For the people of our families and of our Found Family, surround them with your protection. Watch over each one of us and lead us safely through life's challenges. Strengthen our bonds and keep us united in love...

(silent prayer)

Lord in your mercy.

Many voices: Hear our prayers

For those who are sick and suffering. Please touch their minds, bodies and spirits with your healing power. Guide the hands of medical staff and caregivers. May they feel your loving presence...

(silent prayer)

Lord in your mercy.

Many voices: Hear our prayers

For countries experiencing the turmoil of conflict and political instability. We ask for peace to be restored. Please grant wisdom and integrity to world leaders so that they will work for the good of the people they govern and serve.

(silent prayer)

Lord in your mercy.

Many voices: Hear our prayers

For the revival in our churches. Rekindle passion for Your teachings and draw hearts closer to you. Inspire outreach, service, and acts of compassion that reflect Your glory...

(silent prayer)

Lord in your mercy.

Many voices: Hear our prayers

Our prayer concludes as Jesus taught us saying...(Lord's Prayer, UMH #894)

BLESSING OUR GIFTS with MUSIC and PRAYER

Lay Leader

Many Voices: Eternal God, Source of all life, we offer these gifts to further your divine purpose in this world. Help us to be instruments of your peace, tirelessly working for the well-being of all people especially the last, the least, and the lost. Strengthen our commitment to love and serve others as we follow the examples of Jesus. AMEN.

***SINGING**

"This Is My Song"

UMH #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.

Whoever wants to be great must become a servant. Whoever wants to be first among you must be your slave. That is what the Son of Man has done: He came to serve, not be served—and then to give away his life in exchange for the many who are held hostage.”

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

Many Voices: Amen

PROCLAIMING

Chris Vause

Following Our Ultimate Servant Leader

Unison Prayer (Many Voices): Lord Jesus shape our hearts to be more like Yours. Teach us to walk in humility, to serve with love, and to care for others with compassion and grace. Help us as a church to reflect Your servant heart in our homes, in our fellowship, and in our community. May our lives point others to You, and may everything we do bring honor to Your name. Amen.

GIVING

Chris Vause



***SINGING**

UMH #581, v.1-3

“Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service”

Verse 1

Lord, whose love through humble service
bore the weight of human need,
Who upon the cross, forsaken,
offered mercy’s perfect deed:
We, your servants, bring the worship
not of voice alone, but heart,
consecrating to your purpose
every gift that you impart.

Verse 2

Still your children wander homeless;
Still the hungry cry for bread;
Still the captives long for freedom;
Still in grief we mourn our dead.
As, O Lord, your deep compassion
healed the sick and freed the soul,
Use the love your Spirit kindles
Still to save and make us whole.

Verse 3

As we worship, grant us vision,
till your love’s revealing light
In it’s height and depth of greatness
Dawns upon our quickened sight,
Making known the needs and burdens
Your compassion bids us bear,
Stirring us to tireless striving
your abundant life to share.

READING SCRIPTURE

Lay Reader

John 13:1-17 (New Revised Standard Version)

Matthew 20:17-28 (The Message)

John 13:1-17

13 It was just before the Passover Festival. Jesus knew that the hour had come for him to leave this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end.

²The evening meal was in progress, and the devil had already prompted Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot, to betray Jesus. ³Jesus knew that the Father had put all things under his power, and that he had come from God and was returning to God; ⁴so he got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel around his waist. ⁵After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him.

⁶He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?"

⁷Jesus replied, "You do not realize now what I am doing, but later you will understand."

⁸"No," said Peter, "you shall never wash my feet."

Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no part with me."

⁹"Then, Lord," Simon Peter replied, "not just my feet but my hands and my head as well!"

¹⁰Jesus answered, "Those who have had a bath need only to wash their feet; their whole body is clean. And you are clean, though not every one of you." ¹¹For he knew who was going to betray him, and that was why he said not every one was clean.

¹²When he had finished washing their feet, he put on his clothes and returned to his place. "Do you understand what I have done for you?" he asked them. ¹³"You call me 'Teacher' and 'Lord,' and rightly so, for that is what I am.

¹⁴Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. ¹⁵I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you. ¹⁶Very truly I tell you, no servant is greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. ¹⁷Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them.

Matthew 20:17-28

¹⁷⁻¹⁹Jesus, now well on the way up to Jerusalem, took the Twelve off to the side of the road and said, "Listen to me carefully. We are on our way up to Jerusalem. When we get there, the Son of Man will be betrayed to the religious leaders and scholars. They will sentence him to death. They will then hand him over to the Romans for mockery and torture and crucifixion. On the third day he will be raised up alive."

²⁰It was about that time that the mother of the Zebedee brothers came with her two sons and knelt before Jesus with a request.

²¹"What do you want?" Jesus asked.

She said, "Give your word that these two sons of mine will be awarded the highest places of honor in your kingdom, one at your right hand, one at your left hand."

²²Jesus responded, "You have no idea what you're asking." And he said to James and John, "Are you capable of drinking the cup that I'm about to drink?"

They said, "Sure, why not?"

²³Jesus said, "Come to think of it, you *are* going to drink my cup. But as to awarding places of honor, that's not my business. My Father is taking care of that."

²⁴⁻²⁸When the ten others heard about this, they lost their tempers, thoroughly disgusted with the two brothers. So Jesus got them together to settle things down. He said, "You've observed how godless rulers throw their weight around, how quickly a little power goes to their heads. It's not going to be that way with you.