

## When Do Small Groups Meet Next?

- Book Group** - Monday, June 22nd @ 7pm  
The Book Club for Troublesome Women  
by Marie Bostwick
- 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 OLIVIA FERGUSON & PIPER GUNDERSON  
SONG LEADERS RUTH SATORIUS, GAIL GIRARD,  
SUSAN SPENCER

### **CHURCH STAFF**

MINISTERS ALL DISCIPLES OF JESUS  
LEAD PASTOR REV. DAVE BUERSTETTA  
OFFICE MANAGER MELISSA CANDLER  
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## To Be Continued...



**Welcome!**

**Minooka United Methodist Church**

**Sunday, May 31, 2026 9:30am**

**Minooka United Methodist Church Worship Experience**  
**Sunday, May 31, 2026 9:30am**

\* Stand if you are able

**ENTERING MUSIC**

**WELCOMING**

Pastor Dave

**PREPARING**

**\*GATHERING**

Lay Reader

Reader: All are welcome here, for all are born of God!

**Many Voices: Abide in the love revealed in Jesus the Christ, the Messiah, the Liberating King!**

Reader: Remember God's steadfast love and faithfulness to all people.

**Many Voices: With our voices and our lives, we sing to God a new song. Together we enter the kingdom of God here and now. Together we follow God into the kingdom's emerging future!**

**\*SINGING**

The Faith We Sing #2237  
 "As a Fire is Meant for Burning"

Verse 1

As a fire is meant for burning  
 With a bright and warming flame,  
 So the church is meant for mission,  
 Giving glory to God's name.  
 Not to preach our creeds or customs,  
 But to build a bridge of care,  
 We join hands across the nations,  
 Finding neighbors everywhere.

**~This Week at MUMC~**

**SUNDAY 31ST**

9:30AM WORSHIP EXPERIENCE—ASP BLESSING & CONFIRMATION  
 10:45AM SUNDAY SCHOOL

**MONDAY JUNE 1ST**

11:45AM CHAIR YOGA

**TUESDAY 2ND**

12:00PM FAITH TALK BIBLE STUDY

**WEDNESDAY 3RD**

4:30PM SOCCER SUNDAY MEETING  
 5:00PM PRAYER TEAM

**THURSDAY 4TH**

**FRIDAY 5TH**

**SATURDAY 6TH**

7:30AM ASP DEPARTURE BREAKFAST  
 8:30AM ASP DEPARTS

**Thank you for living our discipleship commitments of gathering and giving!**

**Attendance May 24th at MUMC**  
 In person: 56 online: 18  
**General Fund Giving for 5/24: \$3,250.28**  
**Total giving in all for 5/24: \$3,270.28**



**Happy Birthday!**

**Happy Anniversary!**

3 Karen Pubentz  
 3 Jack Ray

Verse 3

I, the Lord of wind and flame,  
I will tend the poor and lame,  
I will set a feast for them,  
My hand will save.  
Finest bread I will provide,  
Till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give My life to them.  
Whom shall I send?

Refrain

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard You calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord. If You lead me.  
I will hold, Your people in my heart.

**SENDING FORTH**

Pastor Dave: We are a circle of learners and seekers, alive in God's story of creation.

**Many Voices: We are disciples who follow our leader, alive in the adventure of Jesus. We are uprising in a new way of living, transformed by the Holy Spirit.**

Pastor Dave: Let us go forth in joy and in peace to love God and love our neighbors as we love ourselves, in all we say and in all we do.

**Many Voices: Amen!**

**EXITING MUSIC**

Verse 2

We are learners; we are teachers;  
We are pilgrims on the way.  
We are seekers; we are givers;  
We are vessels made of clay.  
By our gentle, loving actions,  
We would show that Christ is light.  
In a humble, listening Spirit,  
We would live to God's delight.

Verse 3

As a green bud in the springtime  
Is the sign of life renewed,  
So may we be signs of oneness  
'Mid earth's peoples, many hued.  
As a rainbow lights the heavens  
When a storm is past and gone,  
May our lives reflect the radiance  
Of God's new and glorious dawn.

**CONVERSING WITH CHILDREN**

**BLESSING & COMMISSIONING OUR ASP MISSIONARIES**

*ASP Mission Trip Youth:*

- Shylah Adkins
- Eli Bivens
- Olivia Ferguson
- Kaija Johnson
- Kyla Kohler
- Geovanni Loza
- Levi Ridenour
- Addison Satorius
- Evelyn Wojtczak

*ASP Mission Trip Adult Leaders:*

Beth Froidcoeur  
Marlin Hartman  
Taylor Hartman  
Jill Kohler  
Will Kohler  
Les Millard

Pastor Dave: All disciples of Jesus Christ are called into ministries of love and service. As these members of our community begin their work among the people of Magoffin County, Kentucky, we pray the blessings of God and our congregation upon them and their endeavors.

**Many Voices: Thank you for being our ambassadors in ministry with the people of Magoffin County, Kentucky. We dedicate you to serve them in the name of Jesus the Christ and through the power of the Holy Spirit. We will unite with you in your work through our prayers for you and for those you serve. May God richly bless your labors and your relationships. Amen.**

**\*SINGING** The Faith We Sing #2223  
"They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love"

Verse 1

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,  
We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,  
And we pray that all unity may one day be restored:

Refrain

And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love;  
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

Verse 2

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand,  
We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand,  
And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land:

(Refrain)

*\*Receiving New Members*

Pastor: Do you, as members of Minooka United Methodist Church, receive Olivia and Piper into communion here with open arms, open minds, and open spirits?

**Congregation: We do! Olivia and Piper—we accept the challenges and questions you bring. We accept your need for support and guidance. We will cherish you with Christian love and engage with you. We will pray for you and surround you with a community of love and forgiveness so that we can all grow in our discipleship of Jesus Christ. Amen!**

**\*SINGING** "Here I Am, Lord" UM Hymnal #593

Verse 1

I, the Lord of sea and sky,  
I have heard my people cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin,  
My hand will save.  
I, who made the stars of night,  
I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear My light to them?  
Whom shall I send?

Refrain

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard You calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord. If You lead me.  
I will hold, Your people in my heart.

Verse 2

I, the Lord of snow and rain,  
I have borne My people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them,  
They turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone,  
Give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak My word to them.  
Whom shall I send?

(Refrain)

Pastor: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit as the medium by which we are brought into closer harmony with the will of God?

**Congregation: We do.**

*Confirmation Vows*

Pastor: Do you renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness, reject the evil powers of this world, and repent of your sin?

**Confirmands: We do.**

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

**Confirmands: We do.**

Pastor: Do you confess Jesus Christ as your Savior, put your whole trust in his grace, and promise to serve him as your Lord, in union with the Church which Christ has opened to people of all ages, nations, and races?

**Confirmands: We do.**

Pastor: As members of Christ's universal church, will you be loyal to the church and do all in your power to strengthen its ministries?

**Confirmands: We will.**

Pastor; As members of this congregation, the Minooka United Methodist Church, will you faithfully participate in its ministries by your prayer, your presence, your gifts, your witness, and your service?

**Confirmands: We will.**

*Laying on of Hands*

Pastor: Olivia and Piper: Remember your baptism and be thankful. May the Holy Spirit work within you, that being born through water and the Spirit you may live as a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ.

Verse 3

We will work with each other, we will work side by side,  
We will work with each other, we will work side by side,  
And we'll guard human dignity and save human pride:  
(Refrain)

Verse 4

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come,  
And all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son,  
And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one:  
(Refrain)

**READING SCRIPTURE**

Lay Reader

Acts 2:1-18 (Common English Bible)

**2** When Pentecost Day arrived, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup> Suddenly a sound from heaven like the howling of a fierce wind filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup> They saw what seemed to be individual flames of fire alighting on each one of them. <sup>4</sup> They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages as the Spirit enabled them to speak.

<sup>5</sup> There were pious Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup> When they heard this sound, a crowd gathered. They were mystified because everyone heard them speaking in their native languages. <sup>7</sup> They were surprised and amazed, saying, "Look, aren't all the people who are speaking Galileans, every one of them?" <sup>8</sup> How then can each of us hear them speaking in our native language? <sup>9</sup> Parthians, Medes, and Elamites; as well as residents of Mesopotamia, Judea, and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup> Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the regions of Libya bordering Cyrene; and visitors from Rome (both Jews and converts to Judaism), <sup>11</sup> Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the mighty works of God in our own languages!" <sup>12</sup> They were all surprised and bewildered. Some asked each other, "What does this mean?" <sup>13</sup> Others jeered at them, saying, "They're full of new wine!"

<sup>14</sup> Peter stood with the other eleven apostles. He raised his voice and declared, “Judeans and everyone living in Jerusalem! Know this! Listen carefully to my words! <sup>15</sup> These people aren’t drunk, as you suspect; after all, it’s only nine o’clock in the morning!

<sup>16</sup> Rather, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

<sup>17</sup> *In the last days, God says,*

*I will pour out my Spirit on all people.*

*Your sons and daughters will prophesy.*

*Your young will see visions.*

*Your elders will dream dreams.*

<sup>18</sup> *Even upon my servants, men and women,*

*I will pour out my Spirit in those days,  
and they will prophesy*

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

**Many Voices: Amen.**

**PROCLAIMING**      To Be Continued...      Pastor Dave

**GIVING**      Pastor Dave



**BLESSING OUR GIFTS with MUSIC & PRAYER**      Lay Reader

**Many Voices: Empowering God of wind and fire, bless and use these offerings to fuel the prophetic witness of your church, to bless those still yearning for hope, and to build a community where all are seen, heard, and loved. Give us the courage to be the church you call us to be: your beloved community of justice, mercy, and hope. Amen.**

## CONFIRMING OUR FAITH

*Presenting Confirmands*

Olivia Ferguson

Piper Gunderson

Pastor: Today, through confirmation and the reaffirmation of our faith, we renew the covenant declared at our baptism, acknowledge what God is doing for us, and affirm our commitment to the church as the Body of Christ.

*Supporting Our Confirmands*

Pastor: To Olivia and Piper’s families, Will you continue to support and encourage your daughter as they strive to follow God in the Way of Jesus?

**Families: We will!**

Pastor: To the congregation, Will you nurture one another in the Christian life and faith and include Olivia and Piper in your care?

**Congregation: We will!**

*Professing Our Faith Together*

Pastor: Do you reaffirm both your rejection of sin and commitment to Christ?

**Congregation: We do.**

Pastor: Do you believe in God the joyful creator of the universe, who calls us each into relationship with God and with one another?

**Congregation: We do.**

Pastor: Do you believe in Jesus the Christ as the revealing expression of God’s love dwelling among the human family?

**Congregation: We do.**