

When Do Small Groups Meet Next?

- Book Group** - Monday, July 27th @ 7pm
The Many Lives of Mama Love by Lara Love Hardin
- Chair Yoga** - Mondays @ 11:45am
- FaithTalk Bible Study** - Tuesdays @ 12:00pm
- Grief Support Group** - Thursday August 13th @ 12:00pm
- Prayer Team** - Wednesdays @ 5:00pm
- Skeptic's Circle** - Tuesday, August 11th @ 6:30pm
*Meets at: Brick & Ivy Coffee Co. 27754 Bluegrass Dr.
Channahon, IL*
- Youth Group** - Summer Youth Group Dates:
July 29 - Christmas in July/Movie Night 7-9pm

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

LEADERS IN TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

LAY READER KAREN GABA
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SUSAN SPENCER

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"To Start, Love Boldly"



Welcome!

Minooka United Methodist Church

Sunday, July 19th, 2026 9:30am

Minooka United Methodist Church Worship Experience
Sunday, July 19, 2026 9:30am

ENTERING MUSIC

* Stand if you are able

WELCOMING

Chris Vause, Certified Lay Speaker

PREPARING

***GATHERING**

Lay Reader

Reader: Loving God, you have gathered us in this place by your grace and called us into the way of Jesus.

Many Voices: Open our hearts to love boldly.

Reader: Open our hearts to receive your love again today, not as something to keep for ourselves, but as a gift to share with the world.

Many Voices: Open our hearts to love boldly.

Reader: Cast out the fear that keeps us distant from our neighbors, and make us courageous in compassion, generous in mercy, and ready to welcome those whom others overlook.

Many Voices: Open our hearts to love boldly.

Reader: By the power of your Holy Spirit, form us as disciples who serve joyfully and lead courageously, so that our love may become action.

Congregation: Open our hearts to love boldly.

Reader: We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ, who first loved us.

Many Voices: Amen.

~This Week at MUMC~

SUNDAY 19TH

9:30AM WORSHIP EXPERIENCE
 6:00PM VBS @ CUMC

MONDAY 20TH

11:45AM CHAIR YOGA
 6:00PM VBS @ CUMC

TUESDAY 21ST

12:00PM FAITH TALK BIBLE STUDY
 6:00PM VBS @ CUMC

WEDNESDAY 22ND

8:00AM-3:00PM—LIFE LINE SCREENING
 5:00PM PRAYER TEAM
 6:00PM VBS @ CUMC

THURSDAY 23RD

6:00PM VBS @ CUMC

FRIDAY 24TH

SATURDAY 25TH

SUN., JULY 26TH, COMBINED WORSHIP & POTLUCK @ CUMC @ 9AM

PASTOR DAVE IS UNAVAILABLE JULY 15-26. FOR PASTORAL CARE NEEDS DURING THAT TIME PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE (815-467-2322).

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

Attendance July 12th at MUMC

In person: 67 online: 23

General Fund Giving for 7/12: \$3,248.51

Total giving in all for 7/12: \$3,273.76

Happy Birthday!

19 Avery Klug
 21 Tammie Patterson
 23 Jayden Ambrose
 23 Michaela Ambrose
 23 Danny Harvey
 24 Kerrienne Nischke

Happy Anniversary!

19 Robert & Karen Nave
 22 Michael & Sarah Beitler



Volunteer and Register for VBS happening

JULY 19-23, 6:00-8:15pm

We're gearing up for an amazing, collaborative VBS this summer with our friends from Channahon UMC and Resurrection Lutheran! But we still need volunteers to help make it happen. Current needs include adult volunteers as Crew Leaders, Station Helpers, Registration, Security, Water Station; and youth volunteers (grades 6-12) helping with decorations, setup/tear-down, and material prep. We'd love for you to be part of making VBS a success!

To volunteer (or to register a participant, grades PreK-5), scan the QR code or add your name to the sign-up sheet in the lobby.

At Rainforest Falls, kids plunge into a life-long adventure, discovering the nature of God, and exploring what it means to be rooted in relationship with their creator, and a safe place in life's storms. Suggested donation is \$5 per child or \$10 per family. Donations help offset the costs of VBS.



Wednesday, July 22nd, Life Line will be at MUMC

Special screening package for \$129 for our members includes:

- Carotid Artery Disease Screening
- Atrial Fibrillation Screening
- Peripheral Artery Disease Screening
- Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Screening

Call to schedule an appointment near you! **800-324-9458** and use code: **HABC001**

LIFE LINE SCREENING
The Power of Prevention

July 26th we will celebrate our combined VBS with a combined worship service at Channahon UMC at 9:00am with potluck lunch to follow.

24751 W Eames St, Channahon, IL 60410

*SINGING

"This Is the Day"

UMH #657

This is the day, this is the day that the Lord hath made,
that the Lord hath made. Let us rejoice,
let us rejoice and be glad in it, and be glad in it.
This is the day that the Lord hath made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. This is the day, this is the day that the Lord hath made.
(Repeat)

CONVERSING WITH CHILDREN

Jennifer Ferguson, Youth Group Director

PRAYING

Lay Reader

Introduction

Prayers of intercession are prayers or petitions that we offer as individuals or as a group. After each intercession there will be a period of silence, where we may silently add our own specific prayers for those concerns or people we will be lifting 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 members of our families and of our Found Family, surround them with your protection. Watch over each one of us and lead us through life's challenges. Strengthen our bonds and keep us united in love...

(silent prayer)

Lord in your mercy.

Many Voices: Hear our prayers.

Lay Reader: For those who are suffering in mind, body, or spirit, we pray for your healing touch. May your comforting presence bring strength, restoration and peace...

(silent prayer)

Lord in your mercy.

Many Voices: Hear our prayers.

Lay Reader: For those who suffer from lack and poverty. Open our hands to support them and direct policies for their relief...

(silent prayer)

Lord in your mercy.

Many Voices: Hear our prayers.

Lay Reader: For our world leaders. Guide them to wisdom, integrity, and a heart for justice. Help them to serve diligently for the common good...

(silent prayer)

Lord in your mercy.

Many voices: Hear our prayers.

Lay Reader: Our prayer concludes as we join together in the words Jesus taught us saying...

(Lord's Prayer, pray in the words you have been taught and that are most comfortable for you)

**SUMMARY REPORT OF THE 187TH SESSION of the
NORTHERN ILLINOIS CONFERENCE
ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

Chris Vause

Verse 2

Neighbors are rich and poor, neighbors are black and white,
neighbors are near and far away.

(Refrain)

Verse3

These are the ones we should serve, these are the ones we should
love; all these are neighbors to us and you.

(Refrain)

***SENDING FORTH**

Lay Reader: Go now to love boldly: make room at the table, welcome the overlooked, and let the love of Jesus be seen in you.

Speaker Chris Vause: And may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the power of the Holy Spirit go with you, strengthen you, and send you out in peace.

Many Voices: Amen

EXITING MUSIC

*******NEXT SUNDAY REMINDER*******

There is NO worship experience here at Ridge Rd next Sunday, July 26th.

Join us in celebrating VBS with worship at 9:00am and a potluck after @ Channahon UMC located at 24751 W Eames St, Channahon, IL 60410.

We will see you there!



BLESSING OUR GIFTS with MUSIC and PRAYER Lay Reader

Many Voices: Generous God, we offer these gifts, not as bargains or sacrifices to earn your love, but as signs of our trust in you. Use them to bless others- to meet needs, to heal hurts, and to build hope. And as you provide for the world through us, keep us faithful to your command to love one another boldly. AMEN

***SINGING**

“Jesu, Jesu”

UMH #432 1-3

Refrain

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,
show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.

Verse 1

Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet,
Master who acts as a slave to them.

(Refrain)

Verse 1

Love divine all loves excelling
Joy of heav'n to earth come down
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling
All Thy faithful mercies crown
Jesus Thou art all compassion
Pure unbounded love Thou art
Visit us with Thy salvation
Enter every trembling heart

Verse 2

Breathe O breathe Thy loving Spirit
Into every troubled breast
Let us all in Thee inherit
Let us find that second rest
Take away our bent to sinning
Alpha and Omega be
End of faith as its beginning
Set our hearts at liberty

Verse 3

Come Almighty to deliver
Let us all Thy life receive
Suddenly return and never
Nevermore Thy temples leave
Thee we would be always blessing
Serve Thee as Thy hosts above
Pray and praise Thee without ceasing
Glory in Thy perfect love

Verse 4

Finish, then, thy new creation;
pure and spotless let us be.
Let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee;
Changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love and praise.

READING SCRIPTURE

Lay Reader

Matthew 9:9-13 (The Message)

1John 4:17-21(The Message)

Matthew 9:9-13

Passing along, Jesus saw a man at his work collecting taxes. His name was Matthew. Jesus said, “Come along with me.” Matthew stood up and followed him.

Later, when Jesus was eating supper at Matthew’s house with his close followers, a lot of disreputable characters came and joined them. When the Pharisees saw him keeping this kind of company, they had a fit and lit into Jesus’ followers. “What kind of example is this from your teacher, acting cozy with crooks and misfits?” Jesus, overhearing, shot back, “Who needs a doctor: the healthy or the sick? Go figure out what this Scripture means: ‘I’m after mercy, not religion.’ *I’m here to invite outsiders, not coddle insiders.*”

1 John 4:17-21

God is love. When we take up permanent residence in a life of love, we live in God and God lives in us. This way, love has the run of the house, becomes at home and mature in us, so that we’re free of worry on Judgment Day—our standing in the world is identical with Christ’s. There is no room in love for fear. Well-formed love banishes fear. Since fear is crippling, a fearful life—fear of death, fear of judgment—is one not yet fully formed in love.

We, though, are going to love—love and be loved. First, we were loved, now we love. He loved us first.

If anyone boasts, “I love God,” and goes right on hating his brother or sister, thinking nothing of it, he is a liar. If he won’t love the person he can see, how can he love the God he can’t see? The command we have from Christ is blunt: Loving God includes loving people. You’ve got to love both.

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

Many Voices: Amen.

PROCLAIMING

“To Start, Love Boldly”

Chris Vause

LOVE BOLDLY

SERVE JOYFULLY

LEAD COURAGEOUSLY

United Methodist Church Renewed Vision

*SINGING

“Trust and Obey”

UMH #467

Verse 1

When we walk with the Lord in the light of his word,
what a glory he sheds on our way!
While we do his good will, he abides with us still,
and with all who will trust and obey.

Refrain

Trust and obey,

For there’s no other way to be happy in Jesus,
but to trust and Obey

Verse 2

Not a burden we bear, not a sorrow we share,
but our toil he doth richly repay;
not a grief or a loss, not a frown or a cross,
but is blest if we trust and obey.

(Refrain)

Verse 3

But we never can prove the delights of his love
until all on the altar we lay;
for the favor he shows, for the joy he bestows,
are for them who will trust and obey

(Refrain)

Verse 4

Then in fellowship sweet we will sit at his feet,
or we’ll walk by his side in the way;
what he says we will do, where he send we will go;
never fear, only trust and obey.

(Refrain)