

## Announcements

### Confirmation

Pastor Peter plans to have a confirmation class in the first half of 2020. Please let the office know if you have children that would like to be in the Confirmation class.

### Attention Choir!

First practice for our Easter Cantata will be this Wednesday, Jan. 15, at 6pm. You will enjoy this opportunity to sing of the passion and resurrection of our Lord! New members are always welcome! Come and anticipate a blessing! I promise! Dan

### Prayer Request Cards

There are cards in the back to list your prayers for the year. Please write down what you wish for you and your family. You should include school studies, work, business, health, or/and Christian faith for the whole year of 2020. Pastor Peter will pray above prayer requests every Tuesday and Thursday for the whole year of 2020. Cards may be put in the offering tray.

### Time of Prayer with Pastor Peter

Pastor Peter will be praying for the congregation in the Sanctuary 9:30~10:30 am every Tuesday and Thursday. You can bring any prayer request to Joan Fries or Pastor Peter.

**"Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you." 1 Peter 5:7**

### Pastoral Visits

Pastor Peter will visit anyone on request. If pastoral care is needed around you please contact Pastor Peter via phone 201-888-8430 or e-mail [peterchoiminden@gmail.com](mailto:peterchoiminden@gmail.com).

**"For I am the Lord, who heals you." Exodus 15:26**

### ***This Week's Calendar...***

Today, January 12	9:00am Sunday School 9:30am Prayer in Prayer Room <b>9:45am Worship Service</b> Adult Sunday School after Worship
Monday, January 13	7:00pm Cub Scouts
Wednesday, January 15	6:00pm Choir Practice 7:00pm Ad Council
Sunday, January 19	9:00am Sunday School 9:30am Prayer in Prayer Room <b>9:45am Worship Service</b> Adult Sunday School after Worship 3:00pm Cub Scouts

### ***Prayer List...***

***Elger Grams Family and Friends***  
***Dick Swartz***  
***Mike Boudreau's Mother***

*Please call the office when you know of someone in the hospital. Thank you!*

### ***Information from last week...***

Worship Service Attendance.....	66
Sunday's Worship Offering .....	\$5292.00

### **Please have this week's birthday people in your prayer.**

Sharon Jorgensen	Landon Yelken	Peter Choi
Kim Snavely		

Clavinova/Piano/Organ: Glen Haselbarth, Marlys Farm, Dan Frizane, Lena Choi  
Projection: Tony Ratka, Larry Snavely, Alaina Suchsland  
Greeters and Ushers: Heath Family  
Refreshment Hosts: Heath Family  
Church Prayer Chain: Joan Fries

There is a fully equipped Nursery for children in the Southeast wing. A changing table located in the Nursery.  
**Quiet Bags** for young children are available in the lobby.  
**Restrooms** are located in both the East and West hallways.  
**The Upper Room** Booklets for Jan/Feb are in the lobby.

# Minden United Methodist Church

**2020 Vision:  
Extend Hospitality to Strangers**



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## Scriptures...

Romans 12:9-13

### Love in Action

Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality.

We Three Kings #254

Since Epiphany Sunday was last week, a time we reflect on the Wise Men and their coming to the Christ Child, we will do so this Sunday with this familiar hymn. We think of the three-fold ministry of Christ in this hymn, as prophet (telling God's message to us), priest (our coming to Christ to accept His forgiveness), and king (our sovereign who will rule the world in days to come at His return to earth). The three gifts of the wise men tell us of this: After an introductory stanza, the second speaks of the gift of gold, a gift of royalty to our Saviour, the King of kings, the third of frankincense which the priests would offer up as the prayers of the people, and the fourth of myrrh which was used to anoint the dead, a reminder of the death of Christ as the rejected prophet sent from God. The chorus is addressed to the star, asking to lead us from its guiding light to the "perfect light" of Christ, the light of the world!

O God, Our Help in Ages Past #117

As we face another year with its uncertainties for our nation and denomination, not to mention our families and ourselves personally, we need to ask our God to help us through the coming year. This hymn is a loose paraphrase of Ps. 90, the oldest Psalm, and written by Moses, who trusted God to lead him as he led God's people. It is a prayer, and sing it prayerfully as we seek our God's direction in the coming year.

Great is Thy Faithfulness #140

"Thy (compassions and mercies) are new every morning. Great is Thy faithfulness!" Jeremiah wrote these words (Lam. 3:23) as the Israelites were enslaved in a foreign country (Babylon), yet he predicted the return of the people to their own land. As we think of a new year, it is good to reflect on God's past blessings. In this prayer stanza one reminds us that as things are constantly changing, our God is not, but is always the same. He is always faithful to us. Stanza two tells of His faithfulness in the changing seasons of the year, and stanza three tells of His faithfulness in our eternal salvation and His daily guidance. As he has led in the past, He will lead in the future, for sure! Great is Thy faithfulness!

## Scriptures...

Isaiah 42:1-9

### The Servant of the LORD

"Here is my servant, whom I uphold,  
my chosen one in whom I delight;  
I will put my Spirit on him,  
and he will bring justice to the nations.  
He will not shout or cry out,  
or raise his voice in the streets.  
A bruised reed he will not break,  
and a smoldering wick he will not snuff out.  
In faithfulness he will bring forth justice;  
he will not falter or be discouraged  
till he establishes justice on earth.  
In his teaching the islands will put their hope."  
This is what God the LORD says—  
the Creator of the heavens, who stretches them out,  
who spreads out the earth with all that springs from it,  
who gives breath to its people,  
and life to those who walk on it:  
"I, the LORD, have called you in righteousness;  
I will take hold of your hand.  
I will keep you and will make you  
to be a covenant for the people  
and a light for the Gentiles,  
to open eyes that are blind,  
to free captives from prison  
and to release from the dungeon those  
who sit in darkness.  
"I am the LORD; that is my name!  
I will not yield my glory to another  
or my praise to idols.  
See, the former things have taken place,  
and new things I declare;  
before they spring into being  
I announce them to you."

## Order of Worship January 12, 2020

Bringing in the Light of Christ	The Acolytes
Welcome and Announcements	Tony Ratka
*Opening Hymn "We Three Kings"	UMH 254
*Call to Worship	
*Opening Prayer	
*Silent Prayer of Confession	
*Greetings of Peace	
Joys and Concerns	
Pastoral Prayer—Lord's Prayer	
Children's Time	
Scriptures	Isaiah 42:1-9 Emma Grube Romans 12:9-13
Message	Pastor Peter Choi "Extend Hospitality to Strangers"
Installation of Church Leaders	
*Hymn "O God, Our Help in Ages Past"	UMH 117
Giving Our Gifts	
*Doxology	UMH 94
*Offertory Prayer	
*Closing Hymn	UMH 140 "Great Is Their Faithfulness"
*Benediction	