Announcements

Confirmation Today at 1:00pm

Save the Date

May 3, 2020 is the day we will be celebrating the 50th Anniversary of this Church Building. We will have a special worship service and a lunch following.

Adult Sunday School Class

The adult Sunday School class will begin a study of the books of Daniel and Esther soon. The book of Daniel is considered a key to biblical prophesies including the book of Revelation. If you are interested let Dan Frizane know so he can order enough books for the class.

Lenten Lunches

Every Wednesday during lent there is a lunch at Noon for \$5 at Bethany Lutheran, 437 E 4th Street, Minden.

March 18 hosted by United Methodist, March 25 hosted by First Christian, and April 1st hosted by Westminster United Presbyterian. Please attend and enjoy some interchurch fellowship. The money goes to fund programs of the Minden InterChurch Ministries.

Welcome all Guests

Our Vision for 2020 is "Extend Hospitality to Strangers". "Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice Hospitality." Romans 12:13

"Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God." Roman 15:7.

Lenten Season

We are transcribing the books of Luke and John during this Lent Season. Through this practice, you may refocus on remembering Jesus' life, ministry, death and resurrection. Please write your name on the sign-up sheet in the west hallway.

Choir Practice

Practice for our Easter Cantata is Wednesdays at 6pm. Come enjoy this opportunity to sing of the passion and resurrection of our Lord!

This Week's Calendar...

Today, March 15 9:00am Sunday School

9:30am Prayer in Prayer Room **9:45am Worship Service**

Adult Sunday School after Worship

1:00pm Confirmation

Monday, March 16 8am—4pm WIC

7pm Cub Scouts

Tuesday, March 17 5:30pm Head Start Family Night

6:30pm Girl Scouts

Wednesday, March 18 11:45 \$5 Lenten Lunch @ Bethany Lutheran

6:00pm Choir Practice

Sunday, March 22 9:00am Sunday School

9:30am Prayer in Prayer Room **9:45am Worship Service** Adult Sunday School after Worship

1:00pm Confirmation

2:00pm Boy Scout Church Cleanup 3:00pm Cub Scout Space Derby

Prayer List...

Marjorie Madsen Maxine Grams

Larry Tatum's Sister-in-Law

Donna Boudreau Libby Williams

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

Information from last week...

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

Maliyah Melroy Tamil Hanson Maxine Christensen Ginger Frizane Sandy Johnson Russell Olsen

Clavinova/Piano/Organ: Glen Haselbarth, Marlys Farm,

Dan Frizane, Lena Choi

Projection: Tony Ratka, Larry Snavely, Alaina Suchsland

Greeters and Ushers: Paul & Dawn Moyer

Refreshment Hosts: Martin's 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 March/April are in the lobby.

Welcome to Minden United Methodist Church

2020 Vision: Extend Hospitality to Strangers



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Scriptures Cont...

John 4:5-26

So he came to a town in Samaria called Sychar, near the plot of ground Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired as he was from the journey, sat down by the well. It was about noon.

When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her, "Will you give me a drink?" (His disciples had gone into the town to buy food.)

The Samaritan woman said to him, "You are a Jew and I am a Samaritan woman. How can you ask me for a drink?" (For Jews do not associate with Samaritans.)

Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water."

"Sir," the woman said, "you have nothing to draw with and the well is deep. Where can you get this living water? Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did also his sons and his livestock?"

Jesus answered, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life."

The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water so that I won't get thirsty and have to keep coming here to draw water."

He told her, "Go, call your husband and come back."

"I have no husband," she replied.

Jesus said to her, "You are right when you say you have no husband. The fact is, you have had five husbands, and the man you now have is not your husband. What you have just said is quite true."

"Sir," the woman said, "I can see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you Jews claim that the place where we must worship is in Jerusalem."

"Woman," Jesus replied, "believe me, a time is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You Samaritans worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know, for salvation is from the Jews. Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth."

The woman said, "I know that Messiah" (called Christ) "is coming. When he comes, he will explain everything to us."

Then Jesus declared, "I, the one speaking to you—I am he."

Scriptures... Exodus 17:1-7

The whole Israelite community set out from the Desert of Sin, traveling from place to place as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. So they quarreled with Moses and said, "Give us water to drink."

Moses replied, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you put the LORD to the test?"

But the people were thirsty for water there, and they grumbled against Moses. They said, "Why did you bring us up out of Egypt to make us and our children and livestock die of thirst?"

Then Moses cried out to the LORD, "What am I to do with these people? They are almost ready to stone me."

The LORD answered Moses, "Go out in front of the people. Take with you some of the elders of Israel and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will stand there before you by the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it for the people to drink." So Moses did this in the sight of the elders of Israel. And he called the place Massah and Meribah because the Israelites quarreled and because they tested the LORD saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?"

Announcements Cont...

Pictures for 50th Anniversary

Please look through your photographs and share with us any photos you have of this church and any memories you have from the church being built, to youth group meetings, baptisms, weddings, funearals, vacation bible school, etc....

The Gideons International will speak briefly at the end of today's service.

The Nebraska United Methodist Foundation invites you to attend a Leaving a Lasting Legacy Workshop on Wednesday, March 18, 10:00 am – 1:00 pm at Holdrege First UMC, 604 West Ave., Holdrege. Lunch will be provided. Please RSVP at www.numf.org/rsvplegacy, 877-495-5545 or by email at info@numf.org. The Nebraska United Methodist Foundation is here to help guide and support clergy and laity in building a legacy program within your church. We can assist in identifying ways to plan for the future and help you decide how to utilize your planned gifts to maximize their impact in your church.

Order of Worship March 15, 2020 3rd Sunday in Lent

Bringing in the Light of Christ The Acolytes

Welcome and Announcements

*Opening Song "Everlasting God"

"How Great is Our God"

*Call to Worship

*Opening Prayer

*Silent Prayer of Confession

Joys and Concerns
Pastoral Prayer—Lord's Prayer

Children's Time

Scriptures Exodus 17:1-7 Kathi Schutz

John 4:5-26

Message Pastor Peter Choi

"Living Water, Jesus Christ!"

Giving Our Gifts

Special Music by Lena Choi

*Doxology UMH 94

*Offertory Prayer

*Closing Song "Hallelujah, Your Love is Amazing"

*Benediction

Thank You for Worshiping with us Today. Have a Great Week.