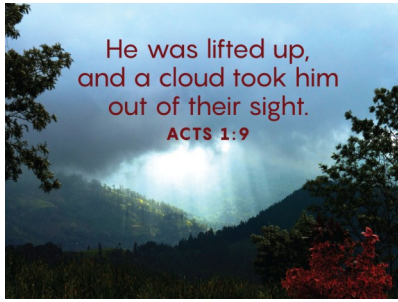




Today is Ascension Sunday. We remember with gratitude that Christ is with us spiritually so that no matter where we are, our Lord is present. Joyfully we welcome all who have come to worship.

1. We have received the offerings of \$3,040 this week. Thank you for supporting us with your prayer, offerings and food-pantry items. If you would like to consider online offerings, please follow the steps below this video.
2. We are collecting pictures or short videos from our congregation for the month of May. Anyone who is interested send your pictures or videos to managerumcminden@msn.com or our [Facebook page messenger](#) or text them to #2018888430.
3. In light of the impact of the coronavirus pandemic, Education Department has decided to postpone our VBS program to this fall. We will reschedule it once the current health system allows it.
4. Rummage sale is cancelled this year. Please do not bring items to our church. Store them until next year if possible.



Prayer List...

- Dolly Grams, Stage 2 Cancer
- Angie Taylor, Corey Smidt's mother
- Larry Tatum's Sister-in-Law
- Donna Boudreau

Please call the church when you know of someone in the hospital.

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

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| Gage Fries | Jacey Smidt |
| Braxton Janda | Steve Younkin |
| Thelma Jensen | |



Welcome to Minden United Methodist Church

2020 Vision: Extend Hospitality to Strangers



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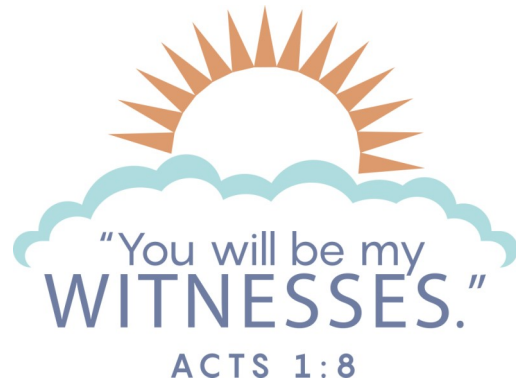
Scriptures continued...

Psalm 47

Clap your hands, all you nations;
shout to God with cries of joy.
For the LORD Most High is awesome,
the great King over all the earth.
He subdued nations under us,
peoples under our feet.
He chose our inheritance for us,
the pride of Jacob, whom he loved.
God has ascended amid shouts of joy,
the LORD amid the sounding of trumpets.
Sing praises to God, sing praises;
sing praises to our King, sing praises.
For God is the King of all the earth;
sing to him a psalm of praise.
God reigns over the nations;
God is seated on his holy throne.
The nobles of the nations assemble
as the people of the God of Abraham,
for the kings of the earth belong to God;
he is greatly exalted.

L: This is the word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.



Scriptures...

Acts 1:1-11

In my former book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus began to do and to teach until the day he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles he had chosen. After his suffering, he presented himself to them and gave many convincing proofs that he was alive. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and spoke about the kingdom of God. On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: "Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit."

Then they gathered around him and asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?"

He said to them: "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight.

They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them. "Men of Galilee," they said, "why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven."

Order of Worship May 24, 2020 7th Sunday of Easter Ascension Sunday

Welcome and Announcements

Kim Snavely

*Opening Hymn "O Christ, When You Ascended"

*Call to worship!

L: Clap your hands, all you peoples!

P: We shout to God with loud songs of joy!

L: For the Lord, the Most High is awesome.

P: The Lord is a great king over all the earth.

L: God has gone up with a shout.

P: The Lord has ascended with the sound of a trumpet.

L: Sing praises to God, sing praises.

P: We sing praises to our King who is over all the earth.

*Opening Prayer

God of all glory, as we come to know your Son through the living word of scripture, enlighten our hearts with the spirit of wisdom and revelation. Remind us again of Christ's authority over the church at all times and in all places. Renew in us again our purpose as Christ's followers: to proclaim repentance and forgiveness of sins in the name of Jesus Christ to all people in all places. All glory and honor be to you, Christ Jesus. Amen.

Scriptures Acts 1:1-11 & Psalm 47

Jaime Sinsel

Message "Be your witnesses to
all people in all places"

Pastor Peter Choi

Pastoral Prayer—**Lord's Prayer**

*Closing Hymn "Go, Make of All Disciples"

*Benediction

People of God, receive the blessing of Jesus Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit.

Go now to live in Christian love
and witness to the power of forgiveness
in your homes, in your community,
even to the ends of the earth,
until that day when Christ returns in glory. Amen.