

Call to Worship

L: We gather here today to praise God for God's mighty acts in our lives.

P: There are many people who do not believe in God's presence.

L: We are called to learn of God's love and power.

P: We are called to proclaim God's transforming love to all people.

L: Let us worship God who is with us now and forever.

P: Let us open our hearts, souls, and spirits to hear God's word. AMEN.

Opening Prayer

Holy One, we come before you today: full of hope, full of desire, full of promise. Help us take up the mantle of faith you have laid before us, that we may use our own gifts of the Spirit to face the challenges before us. Help us face the turmoil within and around us, that we may face the future unafraid. Show us your way, your truth, and your life. Amen.

Silent Prayer

Opening Hymn "Hail to the Lord's Anointed" UMH#203

Passing the Peace of Christ

"The Peace of Christ be with you."

"And also with you."

Children's Time



Scriptures

Luke 9:51-62 (NIV)

As the time approached for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely set out for Jerusalem. And he sent messengers on ahead, who went into a Samaritan village to get things ready for him; but the people there did not welcome him, because he was heading for Jerusalem. When the disciples James and John saw this, they asked, "Lord, do you want us to call fire down from heaven to destroy them?" But Jesus turned and rebuked them. Then he and his disciples went to another village.

As they were walking along the road, a man said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go."

Jesus replied, "Foxes have dens and birds have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head."

He said to another man, "Follow me."

But he replied, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father."

Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead, but you go and proclaim the kingdom of God."

Still another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but first let me go back and say goodbye to my family."

Jesus replied, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God."

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

Message

"No Excuse!"

Pastor Peter Choi

Hymn

"Jesus Calls Us"

UMH#398

Joys and Concerns

Prayer List: Gary Smidt, Larry Anderson,
Lori Conyer's Father, Kurt Muller and Merlin Beahm.
Happy Birthday to Gordon Amstuz, Nancy Evans,
Joyce Jameson, and Dawn Moyer.
Happy Anniversary to Alvan & Lee Ann Lux—47 years and
Keven & Kathi Schutz—20 years.

Pastoral Prayer—The Lord's Prayer

“Doxology “We Give Thee But Thine Own”

Offertory Prayer

Receive our humble offerings, O Lord, for your work in the world. Bless those who give, those who send, and those who will receive these gifts. May our offering sow seeds of hope and bear the fruit of love wherever they are sown. Amen.

Closing Hymn “Here I Am, Lord” **UMH#593**

Benediction

May the transforming love of God work in your lives, today and always. Go forth into the world with peace, love, and joy. Follow Christ wherever he leads you. Fulfill the promise found in the fruit of the Spirit. Amen.

Sending Forth

Postlude

Glen Haselbarth

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2022 Vision:

Expand Our Boundaries Through the Word of God.
“Your word is a lamp for my feet,
a light on my path”
(Psalm 119:105)

Minden United Methodist Church

Order of Worship

10:00 a.m.

June 26, 2022

3rd Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

Glen Haselbarth

Welcome and Announcements

1. Vacation Bible School will be July 10-14, from 5:00-7:30pm. Supper will be provided, and everything is free! The theme is Monumental: Celebrating God's Greatness. Through the journey of Joseph, we will learn how God is great. It is a big festival and celebration of the church. Please share our program with others.
We still need a snack/craft station leader, a game station leader, and supper teams for two days. Please get in touch with the church.
2. From today until school starts, we will start to fundraise school supplies for three schools in Minden. With your generosity, it will be an outstanding opportunity to support and serve our community and schools. Please write school supplies on your check.
After the celebration and the backpack's blessings, the collected fund will be divided into three schools. Our children will participate in the recognition at the schools.
3. The Annual Rummage Sale will be August 9-11 this year. Beginning July 1, please bring clean and gently used items to room 103 on the south side of the church.
4. We plan to start a handbell choir. We are looking for brave people who can join the choir. You don't need experience for this. If you want to be a part of the bell choir, please get in touch with the church office.
5. It is also time to decide to serve our church with your hearts. Scripture readers, ushers/greeters and refreshment hosts are needed, the sheets are in the back. Please write your names on the sheet and help your pastor smile.
6. Adult Bible School will be held following worship.
7. Last week we received offerings of \$2,965. Thank you for the offerings and prayers.