"Doxology

UMH #94

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Offertory Prayer

With open hands and thankful hearts, we offer to you all that is already yours, O Lord. Everything we possess is a gift from you. You so freely give us what we need, and you promise even greater treasures that await us in heaven. Take what we offer and use it for the goodness of your kingdom. Help us share generously with others all that you so graciously give to us. Amen

Recognition and Blessing of Church Leaders

Closing Song

"God You Reign"

Benediction

Look around you, dear people. God's joy is poured out for you so that you might be a blessing to others. God will continually walk and work with you, relieving your burdens and giving you strength. Go into God's world, rejoicing! AMEN.

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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 January 16, 2022 2nd Sunday after the Epiphany

Welcome and Announcements

1. We will recognize the leaders of the church and offer a blessing for them today.

2. Pastor Peter will share our church plans and goals for 2022 after the worship on January 23

3. Bible Study: "Threading the Bible" with Pastor Peter is every Tuesday at 10:00am or 5:00pm.

4. Adult Bible Study is at 10:45am every Sunday.

5. Thanks everyone for your time and input plus all the prayers! We are grateful for God's guidance! Wednesday January 26 will begin our Winter Kids Church School at 3:30pm. We will begin with snacks and program runs from 3:45 to 5pm. We will continue to have children sermons every Sunday. In addition, Children song and bell program, during Sunday worship, will be once a month! (Dates will be announced)

6. Wednesday, January 19 at 5:30pm the Education Team will meet to plan program activities.

7. Annual contribution statements are ready in the lobby. Please pick up your contribution statement for 2021.

8. Beginning in February we are going to ask that you pick up your newsletter from the Church if possible or contact the church with your email address and we can email it to you. The newsletter is also posted on the website, mindenumc.org, under announcements every month.

9. Youth Group next Wednesday, January 19th, at 6:30pm.10. Last week we received offerings of \$3,145. Thank you for the offerings and prayers.

Call to Worship

L: Sing praise to God, all the peoples!

P: Praise God who really loves us all!

L: Don't be afraid and do not doubt God's love

P: Open our hearts, O God, and help us to receive that love.

L: Dance in joy to the spirit of God

P: Let our spirits resound with Joy at God's light of joy, Amen.

Opening Prayer

Lord, open our hearts to the surprising ways in which you offer to us your love and your presence. Help us to truly believe in the wondrous ways that you work in our lives. Give us hearts and spirits for service to you. In Jesus' Name, we pray. AMEN.

Silent Prayer

Opening Songs	"Today is the Day"
	"O for a Thousand (Hallelujah)"

Children's Time

Scriptures Psalm 36:5-10 (NIV)

Your love, Lord, reaches to the heavens, your faithfulness to the skies. Your righteousness is like the highest mountains, your justice like the great deep. You, Lord, preserve both people and animals. How priceless is your unfailing love, O God! People take refuge in the shadow of your wings. They feast on the abundance of your house; you give them drink from your river of delights. For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light. Continue your love to those who know you, your righteousness to the upright in heart.

John 2:1-11 (NIV)

On the third day a wedding took place at Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, "They have no more wine."

"Woman, why do you involve me?" Jesus replied. "My hour has not yet come."

His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Nearby stood six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for ceremonial washing, each holding from twenty to thirty gallons. Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water"; so they filled them to the brim.

Then he told them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet."

They did so, and the master of the banquet tasted the water that had been turned into wine. He did not realize where it had come from, though the servants who had drawn the water knew. Then he called the bridegroom aside and said, "Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink; but you have saved the best till now." What Jesus did here in Cana of Galilee was the first of the signs through which he revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

Message "I Am Lord of the Feast!" Pastor Peter Choi

Joys and Concerns

<u>Prayer List:</u> Kurt Muller, Gary Smidt, Merlin Beahm, and Fred Will. <u>Happy Birthday</u> to Peter Choi, Kim Snavely, Jack Hultquist, Alison Lovin, Jim Madsen, and Zach Klabunde.

Pastoral Prayer—Lord's Prayer