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*How the Grinch Stole Christmas*  
*'Becoming a Cindy Lou Who'*

*Hammond First United Methodist Church*  
*6635 Hohman Avenue Hammond, IN 46324*  
*(219) 932-5915 www.hammondfumc.org*  
*Worship 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. Sunday School 9:15 a.m.*  
*December 8, 2019*  
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Offertory  
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Junior Church:      Pat Mosley      Nursery:      Mike Kizman  
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Keelin Kizman

Pineapple Director &  
Organist:      Mike Kizman

Ushers:      Jerry & Vera Vestal

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Baptismal Hymn                      *God Claims You*                      TFWS 2249

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## Children's Time

Niki Avina

Following Children's Time, children ages 1st through 5th grade are invited to go to Junior Church and children (birth through kindergarten) are very welcome in the Nursery. *Terrific* activity bags are available at the Welcome Center.

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