



Menville United Methodist Church

July 2023

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Our Mission is to:

PREACH the Gospel of Jesus Christ

TEACH love and forgiveness

REACH out in service

(Matthew 28:19-20)

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED
Y-T-D Expenses Through May	\$26,493	\$34,965
Y-T-D Income through May	\$51,104	\$35,455
June Income Received	\$6963	\$6544
Wkly Ave Inc Rcvd (Last 4 wks)	\$1746	\$1636

"In His Hands"

I think we, like several churches in the area, are in a kind of limbo. Although we have chosen to remain United Methodist we have not at this time been told who will be in our pulpit and caring for the spiritual needs of our dear church family for the coming year.

I personally don't know how this affects my life as your Interim pastor. The longer I have served here the more attached to you all I've become. My prayer for you is that you be assigned a pastor who will love God and you with a total commitment.

One thing we can know for certain, God loves the church, even in these times of uncertainty. The church is the very Body of Christ, called to be overcomers of whatever challenge comes our way. Let us keep true to the Gospel of Jesus Christ, trusting that God is with us and will find a way for us.

I hold to this promise for us all:

"I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."
Jeremiah 29:11



Coordinating Pastor
Reverend Sheryl Ashley

Office Administrator
Holli Countryman

Music Director
Lisa Fouts

Accompanists
Christina Canning
Rochelle Wilson

Lay Leader
Kevin Fouts

Treasurers
Jeff & Mary Krejci

Ad Council Chair
Susan Hunting

Finance Chair:

Gene Groetken
Vice-Chair:
Scott Gernhart

Member Support & Ed Co-Chair:

Diane Weaver
Co-Chair:
Becky Dahna
Co-Chair:
Kristi Baier

SPRC Chair:

Kirk Scheelhaase
Vice-Chair:
Deb Sitzmann

Trustees Chair:

Jody Weaver
Vice-Chair:
Randy Petersen

UWIF

Janice Schlotman

FYI on Disaffiliation from the UMC

Local congregations in Iowa had until June 30 to hold a Charge Conference for the purpose of disaffiliating from the UMC. A Special Called Annual Conference will be held via Zoom on November 18 to approve those Iowa churches that met the criteria and deadline for disaffiliation. 83 Iowa UM Churches were granted disaffiliation at the Special Conference held May 23. At the November vote more than a dozen Iowa churches will also leave the denomination. As of June 13, 2023 5,563 congregations in the United States have been approved for disaffiliation. Many of these have applied to join the Global Methodist Church and be part of the new denomination.

Thank you to everyone who has been helping with worship service:
Susan Hunting for doing the PowerPoint every week, to John Neely and Linda Waugh for video taping the services, uploading them to the website and emailing them out each week. Thank you to everyone who has been helping with the sound system too.
You are all appreciated!!



ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES Thursday June 8, 2023

Present: Susan Hunting, Jody and Diane weaver, Pastor Sheryl Ashley, Bev Arvin, Randy Petersen, Kirk Scheelhaase, Janice Schlotman Pastor Sheryl offered opening prayer.

Minutes from the May 11, 2023 meeting were reviewed and no corrections were noted. Minutes were approved.

Financial Report

We reviewed the reports Jeff had provided. The check for \$500 was sent to support our student in Guatemala leaving a balance of \$450 in that account.

We discussed a letter to be sent to our renters to encourage prompt payment of rent.

The SPPR and Finance committee will meet to adjust the pastor's salary since Sheryl is now preaching more often.

Pastor Sheryl report

Sheryl has preached each Sunday starting in Lent to make the messages follow the church year and add greater meaning to the season. Please remember when you are given a prayer request to pass that information on to Sheryl.

We all thank Sheryl for the great job she is doing.

Old Business

We read & approved the letter to send to our renters.

New Business

Vacation Bible school will be starting June 25th at Trinity Lutheran Church .

Work on the church doors is moving along and the new keys are available for those who need them. See Susan Hunting.

We approved the MUMC Permission slip for youth activities.

Committee reports

Finance/Missions: the July special mission project will be Woodbury Central School Supplies. Watch for details in newsletter & bulletins.

Member Support/ Education: No Sunday School until fall.

SPPR: The District Superintendent is still working to find pastors for our church.

UWIF: No meetings until September however we will have to start the year running since the Homecoming is scheduled for Sept. 15th.

Next meeting is July 13th at 7 PM

Submitted by Janice Schlotman

MEMBER CARE

God Loves You

God always loves you.

When you're glad, mad, sad, bad, God loves you.

God's love does not depend on how you feel.

When you feel great & the world is your apple, God loves you.

Though you feel miserable, discouraged, frightened, God loves you.

Even when you don't feel His presence, bring Him shame & grief, ignore or hate Him, God loves you.

When you think He doesn't love you, & bitterly cry out, "Why?" because you've lost the dearest & best, God loves you.

God doesn't love you because you are valuable. You are valuable because God loves you. He loves you with a love that gives, forgives.

Why? Because God is love.

Email Addresses

The best way for us to stay connected with our members and friends, and for you to receive Sunday worship information/sermons, updates and news, is through our weekly emails. If you are not receiving church emails, please email the church at mumchurch@wiatel.net or call the church office at 712/873-5117.

SEND EMAIL



Community Basket

For the month of July we are collecting condiments that will be given to the Community Basket. You may bring your donations to church on Sunday's or you may drop them off at the Community Basket. Thank you for helping those in need!



Special Mission to help with school supplies for Woodbury Central elementary students:



- 24 pack Crayola Crayons
- #2 pencils
- 2 pocket folders
- Colored pencils (any count)
- Pack of glue sticks



A variety of animals are made available to families seeking a better life. Animals provide adequate and a cash income to struggling families. Support the work of Heifer Project with your quarters. Place them in "Rosie" the Cow on the table in the back of the sanctuary.

Ingathering Student Kits for Midwest Mission Distribution Center

Student Kits

- 3 Notebooks, - 1 subject spiral 8 x 10.5
- 1 ruler 12' long with metric
- 6 unsharpened pencils
- 1 pencil sharpener
- 1 pencil eraser 2' or larger
- 1 box of 12 colored pencils
- 1 box of 24 crayons
- 1 pair of student scissors
- 1 one handle cloth bag

Offering & Gifts

OFFERING
WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

If you are unable to worship with us in-person we encourage you to continue to mail in your offering and gifts so that we may continue to pay staff, bills, apportionments and take care of the upkeep of the church building. If you would like to contribute through online giving, please contact Holli in the church office by phone or email. There is a form to be filled out and a voided check will need to be obtained.

Mission Moment

Living Heritage Foundation Scholarship Program



Each Sunday you have an opportunity to give a monetary gift to help support Lesly, a student from Guatemala in her education journey. A container is available at the back of the sanctuary to place your donation in. If you are unable to worship with us, you may mail in your monetary gift to the church office. Please continue to keep Lesly and her family in your prayers during this time.

There are plenty of Upper Room Devotionals in the entryway of the church placed in the magazine rack. If you would like a copy but can't make it to church Janice would be happy to deliver one to you. Please contact her or the church office, 873-5117 if you would like one delivered to you.



Moville UMC Social Media Sites

For news and updates regarding Moville United Methodist Church, please go to:

You Tube channel: www.youtube.com/MovilleUnitedMethodistChurch

Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/movilleumc>

Website: <http://movilleumc.org> or

Instagram: at movilleumc



Birthday & Anniversary Blessings

Birthdays

3 Tammy Fowler
 4 Mike Dahill
 5 Gary Chapman
 Kelly Chapman
 9 Jo Etler
 Ryan Fouts
 15 Dallas Jensen
 16 Betty Ann Epling
 23 Tonya Bauer
 Delaney Gernhart
 27 Harper Nielsen
 30 Danielle Jensen
 31 Paul Gallagher

Anniversaries

8 Larry & Jo Etler
 10 Tim & Beth Sitzmann
 22 Glenn & Pam Clark



July 2023 Lectionary

July 2

Genesis 22:1-14
 Psalm 13
 Romans 6:12-23
 Matthew 10:40-42

July 9

Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67
 Psalm 45:10-17
 Romans 7:15-25a
 Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

July 16

Genesis 25:19-34
 Psalm 119: 105-112
 Romans 8:1-11
 Matthew 13: 24-30, 36-43

July 30, 2023

Genesis 29:15-28
 Psalm 105:1-11, 45b
 Romans 8:26-39
 Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

NO MEETINGS JULY OR AUGUST



United
 Women
 in Faith

Next meeting September 13—12:30 pm luncheon

September 15—Homecoming Soup & Pie Luncheon

July 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 Communion	3	4 OFFICE CLOSED	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13 Ad Council 7 pm	14	15
16	17	18	19	20 Newsletter Deadline	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					



On June 9 and 10th some of our youth attended RiseFest 23 in Sheldon, Iowa. Chaperones were Danielle Jensen and Becky Dahna, there were two guests - Angie Duffy and her daughter Olivia, five youth: Mackenzie Moodie, Dallas Jensen, Logan Jensen, Kaytlin Jensen, and Dana Flewelling. Friday started at four in the afternoon with the singing groups Sunnybrook Worship, Adrie Groeneweg, Cane, Anne Wilson, the speaker Bob Lenz, and ending with the group We the Kingdom.

Saturday started at 12 with Dordt Worship, Eagle Brook Music, Cochran and Co., Ben Fuller, Maggi Thorne, Rise with Rob and Friends, Cory Asbury, the speaker - Rob Roozeboom. Unfortunately, we had some lightning and we're asked to go to our cars. Not sure if they waited it out and the group Crowder performed or not. We decided not to wait around to see. We were disappointed but can't control the weather. We were fortunate, there were supposed to be showers all afternoon, but only had a few sprinkles.

In between bands setting up were speakers or they played taped music. There were also activities set up for all ages, sand volleyball, rock climbing, Bean bag toss, food vendors, merchandise tent, prayer tent, and so much more.

Here are a few comments:

Dallas - my favorite part was being able to play Uno and be with family and friends while listening to some awesome music.

Logan-my favorite part was meeting new people from all across the state and all the games they had for the kids, looking forward to going again next year.

Kaytlin- my favorite part was playing games while listening to Christian music and the food was really good.

Mackenzie - I really enjoyed it. Music was good.

Dana - pizza was very yummy. Had fun, will go again.

Olivia - I enjoyed coming home from college and reconnecting with friends I had not seen in a long time, playing cards and jamming out to the music.

Angie - my favorite part was spending time with family and friends, uninterrupted by phones and social media. I would go back.

Danielle - awesome uplifting music.

Becky - I enjoyed the worship and fellowship through music with family and friends, I enjoyed the speakers in between the music. Feeling Christ's love from people all around me all praising God.

Thank you to the church youth fund for paying for the tickets.



RISEFEST

