



Menville United Methodist Church

June 2024

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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
YTD Income (incl rent) thru April	\$30,042	\$35,621
YTD Expenses thru April	\$34,042	\$35,893
May Member Giving	\$5347	\$7,638
Wkly ave. Member Giving (last 4 wks)	\$1336	\$1763

You are a Part of God's Family

Summer is before us. The beauty of God all around us is unique. Crops have been planted. We have experienced rain and storms. We hope for a safe summer with warm weather. God is always there to help us bear fruit in every season of our lives. The church is like God's family. We are connected to each other as part of the Body of Christ. In God's kingdom, everyone is important and called to serve in love.

We often sing about our connectedness in Christ at the end of each service because of God's love. "Bless be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love; the fellowship of kindred minds is like that above."

Scripture says we're adopted into the family of God((Ephesians 1:5). We have a special relationship as God's family, and it is an incredible privilege to be connected. Let's continue to be connected this summer. May we find ways to be connected and grow in our love for God as one Body.

Ephesians 4, Paul, a prisoner for the Lord, urges us to walk in a manner worthy of our calling. This calling is not one of power or authority but humility and gentleness. With patience, let us bear with one another in love, fostering a spirit of unity and respect within our church community.

As part of God's family, we aim to love and serve in ways that glorify Him. Let us remember this mission as we bask in the beauty of summer. May we find joy in our service and encourage one another, knowing that we are all part of God's family. Grace and peace to you, my church family!

God bless you,
Pastor Eric

Pastor
Reverend Eric Sayonkon

Office Administrator
Holli Countryman

Music Director
Elizabeth Ross

Accompanists
Rochelle Wilson

Lay Leader

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:
Kristy Baier

SPRC Chair:
Kirk Scheelhaase
Vice-Chair:
Deb Sitzmann

Trustees Chair:
Jody Weaver
Vice-Chair:
Randy Petersen

UWIF
Janice Schlotman



Pray for Iowa United Methodist Annual and our Pastor June 7-9, Des Moines, Iowa

Menville Community VBS

June 23—27,

hosted by Immaculate Conception Church

Sunday, 6/23: 2:30—5:30 pm

Monday-Wednesday. 6/24-6/26

Supper 5:00 pm, activities 5:30-8:30 pm

Thursday, 6/27

Closing program 6— 7:30 pm

(light snack for all provided after the program; free will donation accepted).



All kids in the community are invited!

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – THURSDAY May 9, 2024

PRESENT: Susan Hunting, Mary and Jeff Krejci, Janice Schlotman, Kirk Scheelhaase, Diane Weaver, Pastor Eric Sayonkon

Pastor Eric opened the meeting with prayer.

Minutes from the April 11, 2024, meeting were reviewed and no corrections were noted. Motion to approve by Janice, 2nd by Jeff; minutes approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

April weekly giving was about \$1400 below budget. We received \$474 in our Love Offering to assist Pastor Eric with travel expenses to General Conference in Charlotte, NC.

The April collection for our Guatemalan student was \$248, bringing our balance in that account to \$1229.85.

PASTOR'S REPORT

Pastor reported on items covered at General Conference:

Clergy can choose to perform same-sex weddings or decide not to.

Local churches can decide whether or not same-sex marriages will be allowed in their church.

Clergy will not be denied ordination or lose credentials because of their sexuality.

Pastors will continue to be appointed based on their gifts and graces and the best match for the church.

Each region of the world will have power to change the Book of Discipline for their region.

NEW BUSINESS

Jews for Jesus - Susan presented a letter from the Executive Director of Jews for Jesus, which asks for prayers and monetary donations to this cause. The cause for Jews for Jesus is giving the New Testament in Hebrew to Jewish people. If anyone is interested in donating or would like further information on this topic, please contact Susan.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE - Risefest tickets have been purchased. Reimbursement will be made from the Youth Account. Becky Dahna will be taking a group of people to this event in June.

EDUCATION - May 12th is the last day for Sunday School this year. The children will sing for us during worship that day and afterwards will go to the park to celebrate the end of their Sunday School year.

SPRC - We are still looking for an accompanist for Sunday services.

We still need to fill the Lay Leader position in our church. For more information, contact Kirk or Pastor Eric regarding duties for this position.

TRUSTEES – The boiler inspector will be coming the week of May 13th.

UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH – Flowers will be handed out on Mothers' Day, May 12th.

We will be celebrating our graduates that day also.

Our next Administrative Council Meeting will be Thursday, June 13th, 6:00 p.m. All are invited to attend.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Krejci

MEMBER CARE

May you know the strength of God's blessings and love.

"God is our refuge and strength, always ready to help in times of trouble." Psalm 46:1

I pray God will lay His healing hands on you, help you feel His endless love, and bring you the peace and joy of His Son.

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 movilleunitedmethodistchurch@gmail.com call the church office at 712/873-5117.

SEND EMAIL



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.



United
Women
in Faith

June 12, 2024 - 9:30 am Brunch

Served by Sandy Baker

A district officer will join our brunch, she will share what's happening at the district and conference level of UWIF. All women are invited!

"How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim peace, who bring good tidings, who proclaim salvation, who say to Zion, 'Your God reigns!'"
Isaiah 52:7

HEIFER HIGHLIGHTS

For Juana Chavez in Guatemala, the gift of chickens set her family on a path to financial freedom. As part of Heifer's Women's Empowerment and Entrepreneurship project, she received 65 chickens. She learned how to improve egg quality and how to keep track of production and sales. Now, she has enough eggs to feed herself, her husband, her son and daughter and sells extra eggs door to door for money to buy clothes and medicine. With enough food to eat and a reliable income, Juana is beginning to see a more promising future. "I can afford school supplies and keep up with the payments for school," she said. "That feels very good."



Mission Moment

Living Heritage Foundation Scholarship Program

Another school year, February to November, has begun for Leslie Jimenez who lives in Western Guatemala. Movable UMC is providing scholarship funds for a third year as Leslie enters 10th grade. We also fund her participation in "Lifting Up my Student" which provides support with online courses and private tutors to help with subjects at school. Leslie's scholarship is totally funded by your donations (no money comes from the church budget). One-half of Leslie's yearly scholarship of \$1,100 has been paid. A container remains on the table at the back of the sanctuary for your donation. Your help is really appreciated for the 2024 school year.



Community Basket

For the month of June we are collecting personal care products 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!



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.

Midwest Mission News

In response to the tornados of April 26 that hit southwest Iowa, Midwest Mission appealed for Personal Dignity Kits for those affected by the storms. On Monday, May 13 Pastor Harold delivered 19 Personal Dignity Kits and \$79 to MM's Jefferson, IA collection site from our church. Some of the kits were on hand for the November Ingathering and some were quickly assembled for the immediate need here in Iowa. The mission's committee would like to see more PDK's assembled as our donation to the November Ingathering. Thanks to all who responded.

Moville UMC Social Media Sites

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

You Tube channel: [www.youtube.com/Moville United Methodist Church](http://www.youtube.com/Moville%20United%20Methodist%20Church)

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

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

Instagram: at [movilleumc](https://www.instagram.com/movilleumc)



Birthday & Anniversary Blessings

Birthdays

- 2 Rochelle Wilson
- 3 Scott Watts
- 4 Morgan Hanenberger
- 11 Dean Livermore
Brooke Bauer
- 12 Craig Sitzmann
- 17 James Dahill
- 18 Ray Scheelhaase
- 20 Gary Bruce
- 21 John Groetken
- 24 Brad Nash
- 25 Linda Waugh
- 28 Mary Krejci

Anniversaries

- 3 Roger & Rochelle Wilson
- 5 Chuck & Cheryl Eskov
- 12 Bucky & Jana Jahn
Jay & Laurie Warren
- 15 Dean & Mary Livermore

June Lectionary

June 2

- 1 Samuel 3: 1-10
- Psalm 139L 1-6,13-18
- 2 Corinthians 4: 5-12
- Mark 2: 23-3:6

June 9

- 1 Samuel 8: 4-20
- Psalm 138
- 2 Corinthians 4: 13-5:1
- Mark 3: 20-34

June 16


- 1 Samuel 15: 34-16:13
- Psalm 20
- 2 Corinthians 5: 6-10
- Mark 4: 26-34

June 23

- 1 Samuel 17: 32-49
- Psalm 9: 9-20
- 2 Corinthians 6:1-13
- Mark 4: 35-41

June 30

- 1 Samuel 1:1, 17-27
- Psalm 130
- 2 Corinthians 8: 7-15
- Mark 5: 21-43



Newsletter deadline is the 20th of each month but all info is welcome any time before that date.

June 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 Communion	3	4	5	6	7 Iowa Annual Conference	8
9 Iowa Annual Conference	10	11	12 UWiF Brunch 9:30 am	13 Ad Council 6 pm	14	15
16 HAPPY ***** <i>Father's</i> DAY	17	18	19	20 Newsletter Deadline	21	22
23 VBS	24	25	26	27	28	29
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