



Menville United Methodist Church

July 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 May	\$36,643	\$44,526
YTD Expenses thru May	\$42,985	\$44,450
May Member Giving	\$5347	\$7,638
Wkly ave. Member Giving (last 4 wks)	\$1191	\$1763

The Gift of Freedom and Prayer!

As we prepare to celebrate July 4th, we give thanks for our Nation's freedom and the many sacrifices of those who gave their lives.

Remember never to take your freedom for granted.

The Bible says that because of God's mercy and goodness, we are free from sin and transformed by God's love in service to Jesus Christ. Paul reminds us in Romans 6:22:

But now you are free from the power of sin and have become slaves of God. Now you do those things that lead to holiness and result in eternal life."

Considering the impact of the rain, the challenges are real with the flooding in Northwest Iowa, and many communities are impacted. Recovery efforts are underway, and many homes are devastated. God has brought us this far with minimum impact. Thanks be to God!

I urge you to continue to lift those impacted in your prayers throughout Northwest Iowa, especially Spencer and Rock Valley. Your prayers are a powerful tool in this time of need.

While we prepare to celebrate America's Independence Day, let us pause and reflect on the gift and responsibility of our freedom.

Have a blessed July 4th! May God bless and guide America!

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



ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – THURSDAY June 13, 2024

PRESENT: Susan Hunting, Mary and Jeff Krejci, Janice Schlotman, Kirk Scheelhaase, Jody Weaver, Gene Groetken

Susan opened the meeting with prayer.

Minutes from the May 9, 2024, meeting were reviewed and no corrections were noted. Motion to approve by Janice, 2nd by Jody; minutes approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

May weekly giving was about \$2000 below budget. YTD actual income is \$36,600, as opposed to budgeted income of \$44,000.

Expenses for the month and YTD are very close to budget.

We sent in the bi-annual payment of \$550 for our Guatemalan student. This leaves the balance in that account of \$730.75.

OLD BUSINESS

Council discussed the need to fill the Lay Leader position in our church. Gene read the position as it was described in the Book of Discipline. We need to have a meeting with our pastor to determine his expectations of this position.

Kirk will call an SPRC meeting to discuss the open Lay Leader and Accompanist positions.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE - Gene will be updating the scholarship application for Fall 2024. He hopes to have it back by the end of July for distribution in time for the next academic year.

Becky and others attended Risefest this year.

We prepared and sent off 19 kits for tornado response. We will continue to collect more supplies for more kits for Ingathering this fall.

In addition, we collected \$80 for Iowa tornado support.

MEMBER SUPPORT AND EDUCATION - Diane is working on VBS. Dates for that are June 23rd - June 27th. The theme this year is "SCUBA - Diving into Friendship with God." All youth from the community are invited to attend.

The group mentioned that our congregation does a good job of checking on others in a kind of "informal outreach" network to make sure others are well.

SPRC - We are still looking for an accompanist for Sunday services. As mentioned earlier, we are also trying to fill the Lay Leader position and hope to meet with Pastor Eric soon to discuss these positions.

TRUSTEES – Jody and Daryl have made sure our A/C is up and running well. Larry Etler is looking over our insurance policies.

UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH – The group met yesterday for the last time until September. Our guest speaker was an Education and Interpretation officer from the national UWIF organization.

Our next Administrative Council Meeting will be Thursday, July 11th, 6:00 p.m. All are invited to attend.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Krejci

MEMBER CARE

Philippians 4:4 "Rejoice in the Lord always & again I will say rejoice." In the dictionary rejoice is defined as to gladden the heart or to be full of joy. Therefore, it is impossible to rejoice & be sad. When we rejoice in the Lord though our problems remain, the depression is gone. We are expressing our faith & trust in God. In God's love & guidance we have no reason to worry, feel lonely or be afraid. Let your heart sing praises to God.

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.

Mission Moment

Living Heritage Foundation Scholarship Program

Another school year, February to November, has begun for Leslie Jimenez who lives in Western Guatemala. Menville 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.



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

Place all items in the plastic grocery bag
A separate \$2 donation helps with shipping costs

HEIFER HIGHLIGHTS

Sharada and her husband Gulma struggled financially. She earned a pittance laboring on someone else's farm and he had to travel miles away to find work. Even with two incomes, they barely survived. When Heifer training came to her village, Sharada was able to grow her goat herd and soon her goats brought in enough income to allow Gulma to quit his job and return home. Sharada now earns ten times as much money as before and the family's basic needs are met. She hopes to buy land and build a better house with space for more goats. Please continue to "feed" Rosie the cow and thank you for your support for Heifer International.



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!



NO MEETINGS JULY OR AUGUST

Next meeting September 11—12:30 pm luncheon

September 13—Homecoming Soup & Pie Luncheon



United
Women
in Faith

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.

Menville UMC Social Media Sites

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

You Tube channel: www.youtube.com/MenvilleUnitedMethodistChurch

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
 15 Dallas Jensen
 16 Betty Ann Epling
 23 Tonya Bauer
 Delaney Gernhart
 27 Harper Nielsen
 29 Cheryl Eskov
 30 Danielle Jensen
 31 Paul Gallagher

Anniversaries

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



July 2024 Lectionary

July 7
 2 Samuel 5: 1-5, 9-10
 Psalm 48
 2 Corinthians 12: 2-10
 Mark 6: 1-13

July 14
 2 Samuel 6: 1-5, 12b-19
 Psalm 24
 Ephesians 1: 3-14
 Mark 6: 14-29

July 21
 2 Samuel 7: 1-14a
 Psalm 89: 20-37, 45b
 Ephesians 2: 11-12
 Mark 6: 30-34, 53-56

July 28
 2 Samuel 11: 1-15
 Psalm 14
 Ephesians 3: 14-21
 John 6: 1-21

July 2024

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

MOVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH MAXWELL FAMILY EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

Application

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MAXWELL FAMILY EDUCATIONAL FUND

The amount dispersed is dependent upon available funds. Due date August 1, 2024

Any award will be given to applicant's school in student's name after attendance verification.

Please read carefully the application requirements & complete all questions below.

Please enter information and return to the church via mail or send completed application to:
movilleunitedmethodistchurch@gmail.com

Must be attending or planning to enroll in a college, university, trade school, performing arts school, community college, or junior college.

If you are graduating this spring, or have graduated this year please provide the following:

- GPA (screen shot of cumulative GPA will suffice)
- School counselor name, _____
- Organizations involved in (FCA, Scouts, 4-H, FFA, etc.)
- Copy of an email or letter of recommendation from school counselor
- Volunteer service

Minimum grade point average for high school applicant is 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale) and for college applicant 2.5. A screen shot of your enrollment and screen shot of the fall of 2023 semester GPA.

Applicant must be an active participant in church, school, and community service.

Applicant is encouraged to submit letters of recommendation from your pastor and an adult who know about your positive qualities.

Preference will be given to applicants who are members of the Moville United Methodist Church.

_____ I am applying for and meet the requirements of the Maxwell Family Educational Scholarship.

PERSONAL

Name _____

Permanent Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____

CHURCH AFFILIATION

Church Name _____ How long? _____

EDUCATION

High School Graduation Date _____ GPA (high school) _____

Planned College Enrollment Date _____

Name of College _____ Have you been accepted? _____

What career are you preparing? (If undecided, include possible choices)

What are your long-term goals?

ACTIVITIES AND INTERESTS

State briefly your extracurricular interests and activities:

State briefly your community involvement:

State briefly your participation in school activities:

Briefly describe your participation in church activities:

STATEMENT OF APPLICANT I certify that all information given on this application is true, correct and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Signature_____ **Date** _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian_____

Submit application and all required material to:

Finance Committee (Maxwell Family Education Fund)
Moville United Methodist Church
450 S. First Street
PO Box 801
Moville, Iowa 51039



What an awesome, uplifting concert! Chaperones were Becky Dahna and Danielle Jensen. Guests were Liz Ross and her mother Kathy. Youth was Mackenzie Moodie, Logan and Kaytlin Jensen and Dana Flewelling. There were performances from top Christian artists, and many speakers. There was a prayer tent, a tent full of vendors from the music groups, churches and other organizations. Activities set up for all ages. Also many food vendors. We were all moved by the feeling of fellowship all around us. To be among other Christians raising their hands and praising God was very moving. Thank you to the church youth fund for paying for the tickets.

