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Update your information for the yearbook. The sheet to make updates is by the attendance sheet.



Please feel free to email the office, if you have a change that you would like to make. We would love to stay in touch with you!

Let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and Perfecter of faith. Hebrews 12: 1-2

Happy New Year! New Year's Blessings to all of you!

January 2025 has arrived with 'New Year Resolutions' - with high hopes and great expectations. There are opportunities for change and growth as followers of Jesus Christ. Step into the New Year with renewed hope and unwavering faith. I believe you can count on God to be the perfect companion for your spiritual growth in 2025.

In this New Year's journey, we are called to focus on Christ's mission of sharing his love with others in our community. Our mission is only possible if we fix our eyes on Jesus, not ourselves. The Hebrews author writes,

"Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, 2 fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God" (Hebrews 12:1-2).

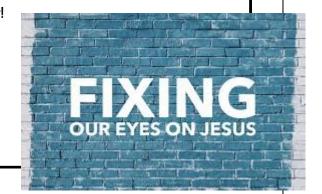
We are called to live faithfully and seek opportunities to participate in the work of the church. There will be challenges and blessings before us. So, whatever the future holds, may we trust that God will lead us. May we follow Christ, growing in his grace because I believe, "Where God guides, He provides."

Let us keep praying for the work of the church. May we let our light shine with God's love in serving others and our community.

God bless you, and Have a Blessed New Year!

Because of Jesus,

Pastor Eric



Our Mission is to: **PREACH** the Gospel of Jesus Christ **TEACH** love and forgiveness **REACH** out in service

Pastor

Reverend Eric Sayonkon

(Matthew 28:19-20)

Office Administrator

Cassie Colyer

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 Vicé-Chair: Randy Petersen

UWIF

Janice Schlotman

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES - Thursday, December 12th, 2024

PRESENT: Pastor Eric Sayonkon, Susan Hunting, Mary and Jeff Krejci, Diane and Jody Weaver, Kirk Scheelhaase, Deb Sitzmann, Gene Groetken, Harold Werley, Barb and Daryl Carr, Stee Maxwell

Pastor opened the meeting with prayer.

Stee addressed the group in regard to using a portion of our church to house a daycare center. A group of interested parties will do a walk-through in our church on January 8, 2025, to determine necessary upgrades, among other issues. The group of individuals will include Jody Weaver, Stee Maxwell, Brian Crichton (from CMBA Architects), Christina Eggink-Postma (from the Crittenton Center), and Jana Drew (from the Iowa Department of Human Services). Crittenton Center would be responsible for running the daycare. They would carry their own insurance. Stee estimated that it would take a substantial amount of money to bring our facility up to grade for the daycare.

Harold gave an update on the rent situation with the parsonage tenant. Harold stated that Sara has filled out forms from the City of Sioux City Rental Assistance Program. If she is approved by the program, she would be eligible to receive rent for the past three months as well as 6 months into future. He also had her enter into an agreement to be responsible for the back rent that is still owed by her. At this time, she owes a total of \$5120.00. Her December payment of \$1250.00 is due by December 15, 2024. If she does not make these payments, she must vacate the house by December 31, 2024. Her last full rent payment was received in June, 2024.

Minutes from the November 14th, 2024, meeting were reviewed and no corrections were noted. Motion to approve by Jody, 2nd by Diane; minutes approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Weekly giving for the month of November was \$10,400, exceeding the budgeted income of \$7,600.

After a donation of \$200 from UWIF, the current balance in the Guatemalan student account is \$1,159.75.

The balance in the Music Account has been rolled into the General Account. Music expenses will be part of the General Budget moving forward.

Grace Church in Correctionville has said they will be covering half the Pastor's 3% salary increase for 2025.

In regard to monthly reports, Jeff wanted the group to know that the In/Out budget item may look a little skewed due to the receipt of payments for our church roof from Stee and Tad Maxwell. The monthly Detail Report can be used for verification of that detail.

PASTOR'S REPORT

Pastor Eric has been interviewing pastors who are to be ordained.

He wishes to thank all who participated in the church potluck on December 8th. It was a great success and a great opportunity to thank Tad and Stee Maxwell for their generosity in donating money for a new church roof.

NEW BUSINESS

Ideal Roofing has provided an estimate of \$70,000 to replace the flat portion of the church roof. Tad and Stee Maxwell have offered to donate \$25,000 each if our congregation would raise the balance of \$20,000, for the total \$70,000. This would include replacing the skylights, flashing, and any other necessary repairs to that portion of the roof.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE - Gene plans to get his committee together to prepare for an audit.

SPRC - Kirk asked how home visits are going for the pastor. With Christmas being near, Kirk feels home visits would be appreciated

Pastor would like SPRC and Finance committees to meet with members of those corresponding committees from Grace Church in Correctionville. It is felt that this would improve communication between the two churches. We hope to set that up in January. MISSIONS - Harold mentioned that we currently have six church-wide special Sundays throughout the year. He feels that because of the number of collections, they are not being well-supported by the congregation. He recommended we promote only UMCOR Sunday. This motion was made by Jeff, 2nd by Deb; motion passed.

UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH – Met yesterday for a potluck lunch.

TRUSTEES - Denny Stubbs has sold his tractor so will not be plowing snow for our church. However, he has lined up Steve Heeren to take over this task. THANK YOU, DENNY, FOR ALL YOUR YEARS OF PROVIDING THIS VALUABLE SERVICE TO OUR CONGREGATION!

Our next Administrative Council Meeting will be Thursday, January 9, 2025, 6:00 p.m. All are invited to attend.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Krejci

Trick or Treating on Main Street

On Halloween, the Moville United Methodist Church participated in Trick or Treating on Main Street in Moville. Thank you for all your hard work to those who participated and made donations.





INGATHERING REPORT for MOVILLE UMC

Hunger grant	50.00
Kit processing	54.00
Tooth paste for kits	10.00
Heifer Project	430.00
Midwest Mission	25.00
CWS blankets	155.00
5 - Dignity kits	80.00
22 - Student kits	220.00
2024 Total Value	\$1,024.00
2023 Total Value	\$1,289.00
2022 Total Value	\$1,459.00

Unfortunately, as a church we are contributing less each year, but the needs are no less

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED				
YTD Income (incl rent) thru November	\$80,184	\$97,958				
YTD Expenses thru November	\$92,952	\$98,306				
November Member Giving	\$10,383	\$7,638				
Wkly avg. Member Giving (last 4 wks)	\$1,641	\$1,763				

Trust In the Lord

In some way or other the Lord will provide

It may not be my way,

It may not be thy way,

And yet in His own way, The Lord will provide

Email Addresses

The best way for us to stay connected

SEND EMAIL



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 or call the church office at 712/873-5117.

Community Basket

January Donation
We are collecting socks 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! The food distribution will be on January 18th at the Kingsley Community Center at 10 AM.





United Women in Faith

January 8 Luncheon at 12:30 pm Lunch: Terri Koehn Kristy Baier

All women are invited to our luncheon.

"There are different kind of gifts but the same spirit." 1 Corinthians 12:4 (NIV)

Mission Moment

Living Heritage Foundation Scholarship Program

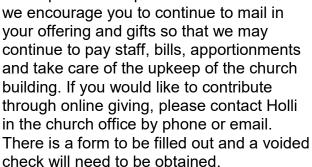
We have provided a scholarship for Leslie Jimenez a student in Western Guatemala. She is now on summer break and will enter grade 11 in February 2025.



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). 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.

Offering & Gifts

If you are unable to worship with us in-person



OFFERING

HEIFER HIGHLIGHTS

The mission of Heifer International is to end hunger and poverty in a sustainable way by supporting and investing alongside local farmers. The work of Heifer has focused on farming for more than 75 years because ending poverty begins with agriculture. Having a secure source of income can be transformational for farmers and their communities. Cows, goats, chickens and seeds provide milk, meat, eggs and food for communities living in hunger and poverty. A gift to Heifer International is meaningful. Animal gifts provide families with food and nutrition, while also giving tangible assets that generate income and with increased incomes, families can access medicine, school, food and ultimately better lives.

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.

A friendly reminder for those of you that send in an end of the year check for your contributions—please have your checks into the office no later than January 10 or they will be counted on next years contributions. Thank you!!!

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

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

Website: http://movilleumc.org or

Instagram: at movilleumc



Birthday & Anniversary Blessings

BIRTHDAYS

9 Judy Chesley11 Kennedy

Countryman

14 George Allan Josh Sitzmann

17 Glenn Metcalf

20 Mary Livermore

22 Jesse

Scheelhaase

23 Bev Arvin25 Lori Borland26 T Countryman

27. Barry Wahlberg



Christmas Poinsettias

Given By: In Memory Of:

Gloria and Brad Koele- Our Parents Terry and Linda Waugh- Gene and Betty Barth ; Leonard Waugh

Jesse and Julianne Scheelhaase- Norma Scheelhaase Randy and Kathy Peterson- Bernedine Peterson,

Leroy, LaVonne and Roger Miller

Diane and Jody Weaver

Deb and Craig Sitzmann- Floyd Sitzmann; Pete and Mary Lou Leisinger

Beck Family- Howard and Ila Jean Logan Rochelle and Roger Wilson- Keith and Franchon Haddock; Floyd and Earlene Wilson January 2025

January 5, 2025

Isaiah 60:1-6 Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14 Ephesians 3:1-12 Matthew 2:1-12

January 12,2025

Isaiah 43:1-7 Psalm 29 Acts 8:14-17 Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

January 19, 2025

Isaiah 62: 1-5
Psalm 36: 5-10
1 Corinthians 12:1-11
John 2:1-11

January 26, 2025

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10 Psalm 19 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a Luke 4: 14-21

The church office is open -

Tuesday 9 am-3 pm OFFICE HOURS



Worship at 9 am each Sunday/Sunday School at 10 am

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			HAPPY NEW YEAR	2	3	4 Financial Audit Meeting 10 AM
5	ANN NAME		12:30	9 Ad Council Mtg 6 pm	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18 Community Bas- ket Food Distribu- tion 10 AM
19	20 ASLETA	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	