

# The Circuit Rider

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## Want to be healthy, fit or lose weight?

To learn how to crave something other than food?

### NEW DATES

Start date & time

June 6 @ 5:30pm

Meet weekly on

Mondays @ 5:30

pm for 13 weeks

- Exercise programs at all stages of life
- Healthy Cooking Sessions
- Nutritional Lessons
- Guest speakers
- Challenges along the way
- Learning to crave God's word instead of food

**\$25 to join - will be used for awards**

Want to know more or to register?

Email [ministrydir@mumc.org](mailto:ministrydir@mumc.org); by calling/texting 217-518-2983; or by calling the office @ 217-586-2147.

## Join us as we get healthy & fit!

How many of you have ever seen or heard of "**The Biggest Loser**"? As with the contestants on that show, many of us have dreams of being healthy and fit. What does that look like to you? I know what it looks like or means to me. To each of us, it means something different. How we obtain our health, fitness and yes, even weight loss is different from person to person. God made us all different! Isn't He amazing? But one thing we can all do to achieve these goals — learn to crave God's word instead of food, laziness and even busyness. I will help lead you and as a group we will achieve the goal of **CRAVING TO LOSE!** We will be in a contest with ourselves and others to motivate ourselves but not to demean ourselves. We are here to support each other and grow in God's word. For more information, email [ministrydir@mumc.org](mailto:ministrydir@mumc.org), call the office at 217-518-2983 or call/text 217-518-2983. See the flyer below for some additional information.

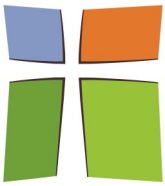
## Christian Yoga

Our next class is coming up quickly! So please sign up in the office via email at [mumc@mumc.org](mailto:mumc@mumc.org); calling 217-586-2147 or stopping by.

Such a wonderful way to get a great workout and learn to mediate on God's voice.

**Join us! We'd love to have you!**





# Eagle House Community Projects



Johnson, Union and Pulaski counties are among the most depressed in the State of Illinois. Working with the Shawnee Development Council and other agencies and churches Eagle House is developing a list of projects ranging from painting, roofing, repairs and small additions projects for area residents within the three counties.

**Thursday, June 16th through  
Saturday, June 18th**

They have showers, bathrooms, and bunk beds to accommodate 10. Two double futons, two couches, and floor space for blow-up mattresses. (Mattresses will be provided.)

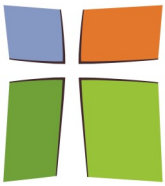
All meals will be provided and snacks made available.

Our church group will choose a project suited for the skills of our group.

Daniel, along with youth from the area, will help to provide devotions and worship services.

RSVP to [ministrydir@mumc.org](mailto:ministrydir@mumc.org) or by calling the office @ 217-586-2147.





# Congratulations 2022 Graduates!



**Kaitlyn Kenner**

Moving from Middle School  
To High School



**Kami Parker**

Will be attending University  
of



**Maddie Mawson**

Will be attending Illinois State  
University to study elementary ed



**Kameryn Brotherton**

Graduated from  
Texas University for Women  
Received a Masters, certified Adaptive  
Physical Education  
Will be teaching PE, health & coaching  
@ Rantoul Township High School



**Justin Roberts**

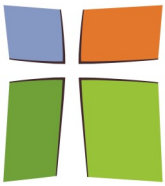
Graduated from Parkland  
College  
Headed to Nashville, TN for  
a job with Cape Reserve,  
dealing with sales of fiber  
optic internet systems.



**Trinity Carpenter**

Graduated from Illinois State  
University





## Spicy Seniors Card Party—June



## Spicy Seniors Upcoming Events

### June 2022

**8<sup>th</sup>** — Card/Game Party  
Church

**22<sup>nd</sup>** — Museum Fieldtrip  
Pontiac, IL

### July 2022

**6<sup>th</sup>** — Card/Game Party  
Church

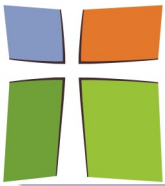
**20<sup>th</sup>** — Ice Cream Sundae Party  
Church

### August 2022

**10<sup>th</sup>** — Card/Game Party  
Church

**24<sup>th</sup>** — Capitol Fieldtrip  
Abe Lincoln Library  
Springfield



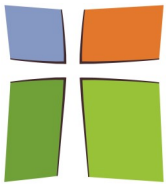


#### **Births this past Month**

- ◆ Maeve Azalee Robinson, proud parents are Kristina & Matt Robinson—she was born on Friday, May 20th

The family of Geraldine White would like to thank this congregation and this community for the care, concern, and love they have shown during Gerry's last few weeks; as well as after her passing. The support provided by the group which came to be known as "Gerry's Girls" were especially meaningful. Very much appreciated were the services, the meal afterwards, the graveside services at the cemetery, and the meal provided by the Hopewell Presbyterian Church, of Milton, TN. Someone had to be watching over us at a time like this. On behalf of Gerry's son Tom, daughter-in-law Joy, and granddaughter Karis Patton - Thank You. Jim White





*Something on Sunday*

*June 5th*

## RICE MEAL KITS



Dinner @ 5:00pm  
Packing of kits @ 5:45pm

## Something on Sunday Music by Cathy Rauch



Sunday, June 12  
Dinner @ 5:00 pm  
Concert @ 6:00 pm

## Something on Sundays — June

### SOMETHING ON SUNDAY BAD DAD JOKES IN HONOR OF FATHER'S DAY



Sunday, June 19th  
Dinner at 5:00 pm  
Joke-Off starts @ 6:00 pm



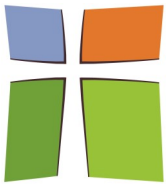
Something on Sunday  
June 26th  
Dayspring Native American UMC  
Spirit Drum



Dinner @ 5:00 pm      Concert @ 6:00 pm







### Children's Church

Each week during the 10:30 am service, we hope your kids will start worship with you and after the Children's message with Pastor Lori, they will be dismissed with a teacher to enjoy an age appropriate Bible lesson.

### Volunteers Needed

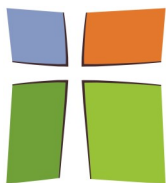
Looking for ways to help? Why not pick a Sunday in May or June to help with Children's Church? Sign up outside office on the little table.

# **Vacation Bible School**

**July 10, 17, 24, 31**  
**Dinner @ 5:00pm; Session starts @ 5:45pm**

**Family-style sessions**  
**Ages up to 6th grade**

**Register by July 1st; get a beach Towel**  
**Call 217-586-2147 or**  
**email [mumc@mumc.org](mailto:mumc@mumc.org) to register.**



## United Women in Faith

### **United Methodist Women is now United Women in Faith**

United Methodist Women is now United Women in Faith. The move is part of a refreshing of the organization that includes a new website, a new logo and an array of new and improved programs.

<https://uwfaith.org/>

### **THANK YOU**

Having now been on the other side of the counter, I can better appreciate the efforts it takes to prepare this meal. Thank you very much.

James E. White

### **Lessie Bates Davis Neighborhood House, March 2022**

Dear United Methodist Women,

On behalf of the board and staff of Lessie Bates Davis Neighborhood House Inc, would like to thank you for your recent gift to our ministry. Your gift makes it possible for us to continue our vitally needed work in the East St. Louis community.

Today the staff of the Providing A Sure Start program (PASS) provided a "drive-thru" activity for their parents and children. All who joined in received Dr. Seuss' Green Eggs and Ham book and other resources. The event is part of the group Connections done by the PASS to keep their families involved. This event promoted literacy and the importance of reading to children. This is just one example of how the staff keep their families engaged and learning new ways to interact with their children.

Thank you for remembering our families. Your gift makes it possible for us to continue to reach out in love to those we serve. Please continue to stay safe and healthy.

Gary Gaston  
CEO, LBD Neighborhood House Inc.

### **OUR NEXT MEETING**

**THURSDAY, JUNE 2 AT 1 PM**

**Program** - Janet Thompson  
"A Call to Prayer and Self Denial"

**Hostess** - Karen Ladd



**Book Club will resume in September.**

### **THANK YOU**

We thank you for all the donations for the Personal Dignity Kits. Nine complete kits were donated. We received 23 toothbrushes, 26 shampoo/conditioners, 23 deodorant, 14 towel/washcloth sets, three towels, 27 washcloths, 92 bars of soap and a \$35 donation.

Thank you to Michelle Petty for delivering all of the donations to the Midwest Distribution Center.

### **FESTIVAL OF QUILTS**

**Friday, June 3, 2022, 9 am - 5 pm**

**Saturday, June 4, 2022, 9 am - 2 pm**

**at the Spiritual Life Center**

**1301 N. Cunningham Ave, Urbana**

Each year, Cunningham Children's Home hosts its Festival of Quilts in the Spiritual Life Center on the Cunningham campus in Urbana. The Festival is Cunningham's signature fundraiser and honors the tradition of the United Methodist Women, and the quilts they, and quilters from across Illinois, have donated for our kids since 1895.

The Festival includes a collection of show quilts that creatively blur the lines between conventional quilt making and fine art. Quilts of all sizes are also available to purchase through our quilt auction and quilt boutique.

Participants may also enjoy home-baked goods from the bake sale, and handcrafted items from the gift shop. Join us and help celebrate a tradition that offers warmth, comfort, and hope to the youth at Cunningham.





## **Update from the Trustees, Parsonage Subcommittee and Parsonage Design Subcommittee**

Submitted by G. Kling 5-22-2022

The Trustees voted to select Nelson Builders Illinois, LLC as the builder for our parsonage on April 27. Since that time, our committees have been working with Matt Nelson of Nelson Builders to flush out details of the proposed construction. We have also retained the services of Ms. Jenny Park, of Meyer Capel Law Office to handle legal matters relating to the purchase and titling of the property to ensure the tax-free status of the parsonage.

Since the congregational approval of the parsonage, two unsolicited donor families have come forth to help improve the functionality of the parsonage. Doug and Stacy Schroeder made a cash contribution that will allow a number of upgrades to the structure. The biggest upgrades have to do with accessibility. We will now be building a structure that will not have any steps to enter the house from the front and rear and from the garage. Since the parsonage is a congregational asset, it makes sense to build a low-barrier access house, not just in case we ever have a minister with accessibility issues, but more importantly, we will have a parsonage which will facilitate visits from church members who have certain physical disabilities. The changes to the structure also include widening certain doorways to bathrooms and bedrooms and adding an extra exit from the garage for safety. Doug Lape, a former home builder and member of the National Assn. of Homebuilders, and member of our parsonage design subcommittee, is donating a significant number of Decora electrical components for the construction. Other upgrades include adding a backup sump pump to the basement, insulating garage walls (since they will be dry-walled, this is our best chance to insulate them), changing from single-hung windows to double-hung, changing from white siding to either gray or tan to reduce maintenance, and changing to a harder grade of paint to facilitate wall cleaning. There are other possible changes still under discussion including the possible expansion of the house footprint to enlarge the dinette area by a few extra feet to improve its functionality. At this point in time, decisions concerning possible bathroom, bedroom or recreation rooms in the basement is still on-going, but is dependent upon donor funds. Any donated funds not utilized for construction will be used to reduce the amount borrowed for construction. Questions are welcome and can be directed to G. Kling at [gkling1@gmail.com](mailto:gkling1@gmail.com) or (217) 493-0212.

Trustees (list readily available)

Parsonage Subcommittee (D. Beckmann, S. Carlson, Rev L. Harvey, L. Matthews, L. Noone, D. Schroeder, S. Yeazel)

Parsonage Design Subcommittee (Rev. L. Harvey, D. Lape, K. Neef, S. Schroeder)

## **Finance Committee Report**

Dear Friends,

Pledged giving for the month of April was approximately \$16,000 and non-pledged giving was approximately \$4,000 making total unrestricted giving about \$20,000. Total operating expenses were approximately \$33,000 generating a net operating loss for the month of \$13,000. The stock and bond markets had a difficult month, and this was reflected in the decline in value for MUMC investments at the United Methodist Foundation of about 5.5%. Year to date operating income was about \$132,000 (\$97K pledged giving, \$10K non-pledged giving and \$25K from employer tax credits) versus expenses of \$122,000.

Thank you for supporting our church ministries!

Financial reports are always available upon request.

Doug Beckmann — Chair, Finance Committee



### **Safe Sanctuary Training**

We will be having 2 sessions of training for all those involved in Children's Church, VBS, MAYC Summer Camp or any other events that involve children. Sign up is outside the door of the office on the small table. Or you can call 217—586-2147; or email Michelle at [minidtrydir@mumc.org](mailto:minidtrydir@mumc.org).

Dates are as follows:



- ♥ **Sunday, June 5th** at 11:30 am in the library
- ♥ **Wednesday, June 8th** @ 10:00 am in the library



You can hear The Praise Band  
each Sunday at  
10:30 am.

Are there any songs you would like to hear?  
We are always open to suggestions — and  
new members!

Contact Kathy Tock at [tockwoman@gmail.com](mailto:tockwoman@gmail.com)



Leslie Heath has accepted the position of Office Administrator. She grew up in Fisher / Gibson City area and now resides in Fisher. Please stop by the office and introduce yourself and help Leslie feel welcome and at home at MUMC.



If you have any prayer requests, please make the office aware so that they can be added to the prayer lists. If stated, only circumstances will be included and names will be kept private.

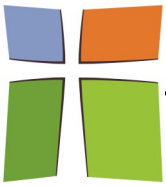
Requests can be submitted via [office@mumc.org](mailto:office@mumc.org) or  
by calling the office at 217-586-2147.



### **Hospital & Healthcare Facility Visits**

If you, or a member of your family will be in the hospital or other healthcare facility, please let Pastor Lori or the office know so that she may visit them. Please provide the name that they were admitted under.





## JUNE, 2022 CALENDAR

### **Thursday, June 2**

- 1:00 pm UWFaith Meetng
- 5:45 pm Scout Troop #2957

### **Saturday, June 4**

- 12:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting

### **Sunday, June 5**

- 9:00 am Traditional Worship Service
- 10:30 am Contemporary Service
- 11:30 am Safe Sanctuary Training
- 5:00 pm S.O.S. Dinner
- 5:30 pm S.O.S. Rice Meal Kits

### **Monday, June 6**

- 1:00 pm M & M UWFatih Group
- 5:30 pm Craving to Lose Group
- 7:00 pm Discipleship Meeting
- 7:00 pm Scout Troop #25

### **Wednesday, June 8**

- 9:00 am Safe Sanctuary Training
- 1:00 pm Spicy Seniors Card/Game Party
- 5:45 pm Christian Yoga—Outdoors
- 7:00 pm Memorials & Scholarship Meeting

### **Saturday, June 11**

- 12:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting

### **Sunday, June 12**

- 9:00 am Traditional Worship Service
- 9:45 am Education Meeting
- 10:30 am Contemporary Service
- 5:00 pm S.O.S. Dinner
- 5:30 pm S.O.S. Concert with Cathy Rauch

### **Monday, June 13**

- 1:00 pm M & M UWFatih Group
- 5:30 pm Craving to Lose Group
- 7:00 pm Scout Troop #25

### **Wednesday, June 15**

- 1:30 pm Home, Community, Education (HCE)
- 6:00 pm Finance Meeting
- 7:00 pm Church Council Meeting

### **Thursday, June 16**

- 7:00 am Mission Trip leaving parking lot
- 5:45 pm Scout Troop #2957

### **Saturday, June 18**

- 12:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting
- Early Evening Mission Trip returns

### **Sunday, June 19 — Father's Day**

- 9:00 am Traditional Worship Service
- 10:30 am Contemporary Service
- 11:30 am Mission Team Meeting
- 5:00 pm S.O.S. Dinner
- 5:30 pm S.O.S. Bad Dad Jokes

### **Monday, June 20**

- 1:00 pm M & M UWFatih Group
- 5:30 pm Craving to Lose Group
- 7:00 pm Scout Troop #25

### **Wednesday, June 22**

- 9:00 am Spicy Seniors Museum Fieldtrip to Pontiac

### **Thursday, June 23**

- 7:00 pm Trustees Meeting

### **Saturday, June 25**

- 12:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting

### **Sunday, June 26**

- 9:00 am Traditional Worship Service
- 10:30 am Contemporary Service
- 5:00 pm S.O.S. Dinner
- 5:30 pm S.O.S. Dayspring Spirit Drums

### **Monday, June 27**

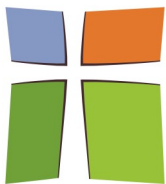
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- 5:30 pm Craving to Lose Group
- 7:00 pm Scout Troop #25

### **Committees, classes, and groups:**



Do you have information that you would like to share with the church?

Please contact the church office no later than June 20, 2022.



### Subscribe to YouTube

Subscribe to our MUMC YouTube channel to see Church Videos, including worship, devotionals and more.



Find us on:  
**facebook®**

### FACEBOOK

You can find Worship Videos and church updates on our MUMC Facebook page.



### WEBSITE

There is so much to see on our website  
[www.mumc.org](http://www.mumc.org).

You will find the newsletter on the news page. Also, there is a calendar of events tab that is updated *regularly*.

### WINNER ANNOUNCED

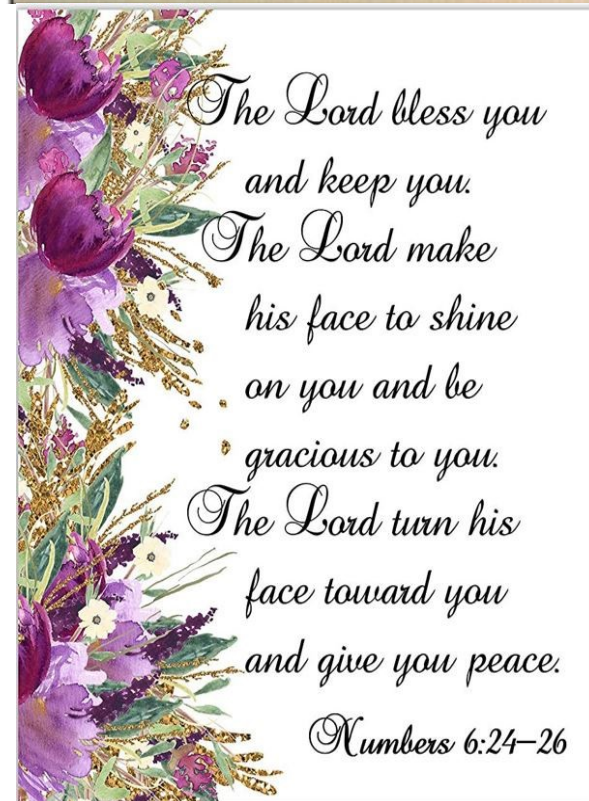


Last months winner of the "Search for the Sunflower" is .....

**Terry Hunt**

Stop by office and pick up your prize

This month, I have hidden a grill somewhere in the pages of this newsletter. If you find it, please email MUMC@mumc.org the page AND location (article) of the flower. All members who respond will be entered into a drawing for a small FILLED gift bag. Drawing will take place on May 20th and the winner will be notified. Good luck everyone!



Scripture pictures are easy to find on the cell phone or computer. They can be sent to those on our churches prayer list, family and friends. If you are interested in participating in outreach mission of ANGEL



Please be sure to check the church office if you are missing any items such as earrings, clothing, small children's toys, etc. and we would be happy to return your lost goods!





## **Mahomet United Methodist Church**

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Website: [www.mumc.org](http://www.mumc.org)

### **Office Hours**

Mon., Tues, Thurs 9:00 am –3:00 pm

### **Sunday Schedule**

9:00 am Traditional Worship

10:30 am Contemporary Worship & Children's Church

### **Church Staff**

Rev. Lori Harvey, Pastor ~ [pastor@mumc.org](mailto:pastor@mumc.org)

Kathy Tock, Worship Music Director ~ [tockwoman@gmail.com](mailto:tockwoman@gmail.com)

Michelle Petty, Director of Ministry ~ [ministrydir@mumc.org](mailto:ministrydir@mumc.org)

Leslie Heath, Office Administrator ~ [office@mumc.org](mailto:office@mumc.org)

Dr. Carlos R. Carrillo Cotto, Organist

Maddie Mawson, Nursery Coordinator ~ [nursery@mumc.org](mailto:nursery@mumc.org)

*Something on Sunday*  
*June 5th*

# **RICE MEAL KITS**



**Dinner @ 5:00pm**  
**Packing of kits @ 5:45pm**