

The Circuit Rider

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CAR, TRUCK AND MOTORCYCLE — SHOW —

MUMC Mission Trip Fundraiser



Car Show Will Be Held

May **21** 2022

@ 9am - 2 pm

Voting 11am-1pm Awards @ 2pm

Awards to the top 10 vehicles

- Food Truck
- Baked good, popcorn, etc
- Silent Auction - afghans, wreaths, gift baskets, quilts, etc
- Kids Games
- Kids Bicycle Parade - bring your decorated bike and show it off

Awards will be presented by Tiny Miss Illinois Zarah Coffin; Young Miss of America Mackenzie Bonham & International United Miss Illinois Preteen, Jordy Huskisson

MAHOMET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
1302 E. SOUTH MAHOMET RD
MAHOMET, IL



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
Need RSVP's by May 27th**

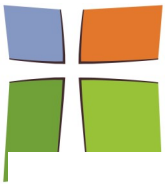
They have showers, bathrooms, and bunk beds to accommodate 10. Two double futons, two couches and floor space for blow-up mattresses. (Mattresses will be provided.)

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 or by calling the office @ 217-586-2147.



EAGLE HOUSE MINISTRIES
Work Camp Program

PARTICIPANT APPLICATION

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

CHURCH: _____

AGE AND GRADE IN SCHOOL: (Youth Participants Only) _____

1. Have you participated in a work camp before? _____

2. Please list any social service/outreach work or work camps with which you have been involved with your church group otherwise. _____

3. Give three reasons for your desire to participate in this Work Camp. _____

4. Please sign the following statement:

I understand that in order to have a successful work camp experience I must be willing to work hard, be friendly and outgoing with the Senior Citizens and local people I meet, be willing to participate with energy in evening study and devotions and be willing to forego personal comforts for the week. I will abide by all Work Camp rules and regulations.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

5. Unless your group will be covered by a group accident insurance policy, the following information **MUST** be completed and signed by a responsible adult.

(Participant's Name) _____ has medical and accident insurance coverage by the following personal or family policy:

Insurance Company: _____

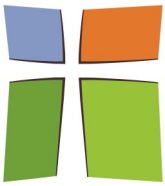
Policy Number: _____

Agent (or contact): _____ Phone: (____) _____

Address: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

(IF THE PARTICIPANT IS UNDER AGE 18, INSURANCE INFORMATION MUST BE SIGNED BY A PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN.)



Prayer Stations on Good Friday



Prayer Labyrinth

Prayer through
meditation on God's
voice

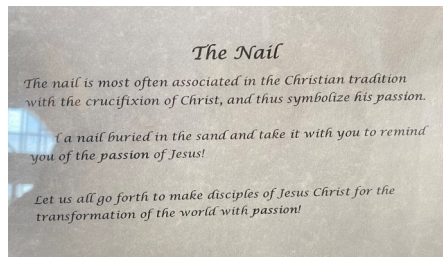


The Heart of Jesus

Write what is on your heart today.

“Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.”

—Philippians 4:6-7 NRSV

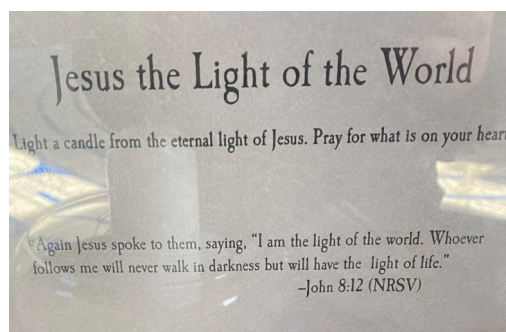


The Nail

The nail is most often associated in the Christian tradition with the crucifixion of Christ, and thus symbolizes his passion.

(a nail buried in the sand and take it with you to remind you of the passion of Jesus!)

Let us all go forth to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world with passion!



Jesus the Light of the World

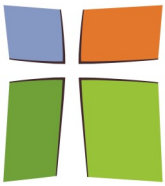
Light a candle from the eternal light of Jesus. Pray for what is on your heart

“Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life.”

—John 8:12 (NRSV)

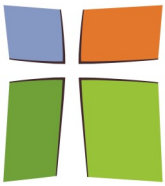
got news?

Have an announcement or news that you want to share with everyone, please submit via office@mumc.org or call 217-586-2147.

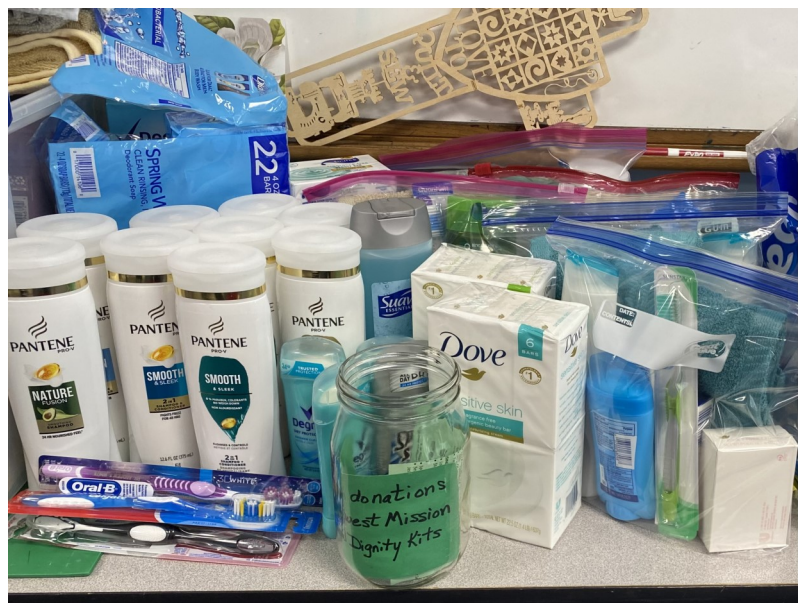
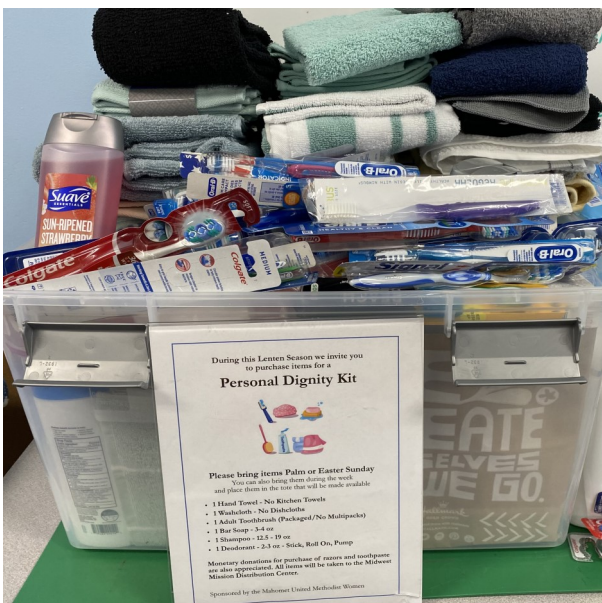


Easter Service & Egg Hunt





Giving through Personal Dignity Kits and Lenten Calendar

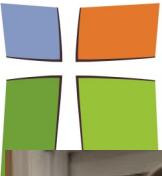


These pictures do not do justice to the amount of items that were given for both projects going on during our Easter season this year.

Our United Woman of Faith were collecting items for the Personal Dignity Kits to take to Midwest Missions. It was exciting to see all the items that came in for this project.

Throughout the Lenten season, there were various items on the Lenten calendar that had people giving for challenges they performed or had in their homes. We collected a little more than 400 pounds of food for Helping Hands!

This is so exciting and wondrous to see everyone come together and help out those in need. Thank you so much for your generosity! God Bless!



Kirsten Barbee has accepted the position of Office Administrator. She grew up in the Centerville Methodist Church. Kirsten's grandmother was a church secretary here at MUMC at one time. She has 2 small children—Harper & Callon. Please stop by the office and introduce yourself and help Kirsten feel welcome and at home at MUMC.

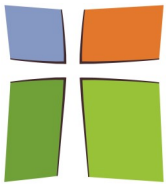
Chicago Opera Theater is proud to announce the fifth and sixth Vanguard Emerging Composers: Gillian Rae Perry and Dr. Carlos R. Carrillo. Gillian Rae Perry will begin the first year of the program in the fall of 2022, and Dr. Carlos R. Carrillo will start in 2023. We are thrilled they are joining COT and cannot wait to see what operas they create. The emerging Opera Composer Residency is supported by a generous grant from the Mellon Foundation.



Congratulations to Abby Bunting! Abby was recently inducted into the Mahomet-Seymour High School National Honor Society Chapter! Abby will soon finish up her Junior Year of High School this spring. Again, congratulations on this achievement!



Congratulations to Olivia Bunting on receiving two academic awards – One from the College of Agriculture, Life, and Physical Sciences (CALPS) at Southern Illinois. The other was from the College of Health and Human Sciences. The picture is Olivia with the Department Head (on the right) and Dean from CALPS. Olivia is just finishing up her freshman at Southern Illinois University majoring in Physiology. This summer she plans to return to the area and work at Clark Lindsey Villages in Urbana as a CNA. Thank you for the continued support (Isabell Purnell Scholarship Winner and Memorial and Scholarship Committee) and prays during my first year at SIU. Looking forward to seeing you this summer. Congratulations Olivia.



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.

May
Way to Live

Sunday, May 8 @ 10:30 am

**** Lesson on Truth**

Living truthfully means bringing our words, actions, and heart into alignment with God's desires for our integrity and wholeness

Sunday, May 22 @ 11:15 am

**** Light lunch then Service Project
at CatSnap Cat Rescue
of Champaign County**



Vacation Bible School

July 10, 17, 24, 31

Dinner @ 5:00pm; Session starts @ 5:45pm

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

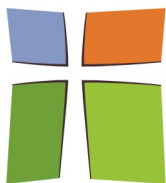
**Register by July 1st; get a beach Towel
Call 217-586-2147 or
email mumc@mumc.org to register.**

SOMETHING ON SUNDAYS

- Sunday, June 5 -- Rice Meals
- Sunday, June 12 -- Concert
- Sunday, June 19 -- Dad Jokes
- Sunday, June 26 -- Arts

**Dinner starts @ 5:00 pm
Main Event starts @ 6:00 pm**





United Women in Faith

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<https://uwfaith.org/>

FAMILY BAKERS NEEDED!

Family bakers, we are in need of your cookies, brownies or bar cookies for the First Annual Car Show which will be held on May 21 and is sponsored by Mahomet UMC. There will be a food truck but we want to supply the sweets. Please package your goodies individually. We'd like cookies 2-3 per package, depending on size and cut and package a 3 inch square for the brownies/bar cookies. **Please bring them to the church on May 20.** All proceeds go to the United Women of Faith to help support all of our mission work. Thank you for your help.

Cunningham Thank You Note, March 11, 2022

Thank you so much to our dear Mahomet UMW friends for your incredible support over the past month and beyond. You've made such an impact out of the gates in 2022 and this is only the latest chapter. Grateful to you all that whether it is providing for Kids Daily Needs or a special need like March Mattress, you all quickly respond. There has been buzz among the Kids about the time change this weekend. Not all our staff are excited about the hour of sleep lost by everyone but the Kids are really looking forward to another hour and more of daylight. More light to be outside playing basketball, playing on the playground and getting the garden ready to plant. They started seeds inside in science class and have been eager to plant. Our Kids get to focus on exactly what they should be focused on—just being Kids, because of the prayers, love and support you all provide. We couldn't do it without you!

Brooke A. Buzard
Associate Director of Advancement

United Women in Faith (UMW) May Brunch

All Women of the Church are Invited
Thursday, May 5, 2022, 10:00 a.m.

- ◆ Hash Brown/Ham & Veggie Egg Casseroles
- ◆ Strawberry-Pretzel Salad
- ◆ Veggie Pizza
- ◆ Assorted Coffee Cakes



Featured Speaker

Mary Remole from Hooves of Hope
Mary & Stan Remole Mission Work provides hope and healing to children and families through the partnering of horses.

Please sign up by April 28th

Call 217-586-2147, Email mumc@mumc.org,
or Sign Up online at mumc.org. There is no charge.

THURSDAY READING CIRCLE

MAY: *Once Upon a Town* by Bob Greene



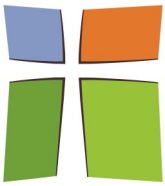
In search of "the best America there ever was," bestselling author and award-winning journalist Bob Greene finds it in a small Nebraska town few

people pass through today – a town where Greene discovers the echoes of the most touching love story imaginable: a love story between a country and its sons.

During World War II, American soldiers from every city and walk of life rolled through North Platte, Nebraska, on troop trains en route to their ultimate destinations in Europe and the Pacific. The tiny town, wanting to offer the servicemen warmth and support transformed its modest railroad depot into the the North Platte Canteen.

Every day of the year, every day of the war, the Canteen – staffed and funded entirely by local volunteers – was open from five am until the last troop train of the day pulled away after midnight. Astonishingly, the remote plains community of only 12,000 people provided welcoming words, friendship, and baskets of food and treats to more than six million GIs by the time the war ended.

In this poignant and heartwarming eyewitness history, based on interviews with North Platte residents and the soldiers who once passed through Bob Greene tells a classic, lost-in-the-mists-of-time American story of a grateful country honoring its brave and dedicated sons.



Update from the Trustees Committee and Parsonage Subcommittees

Trustees approved the first phase of the NatureScape playground addition on the north side of our church. The addition includes a pea-gravel digging pit with equipment for youngsters who enjoy playing with construction equipment in the outdoors and a gaga ball pit for older youth. If you are not familiar with gaga ball, I encourage you to view a YouTube video on the subject. A contract for installation was awarded to Sunset Landscaping for \$2,500 and was paid for by donor funds. Stacy Schroeder has been heading the project and has been working with Justin Lamb from Sunset. We hope to have the features complete for use this summer.

Installation of a new water bottle filler/drinking fountain in the hallway outside of the restroom area is scheduled for this week. It was paid for by donor funds from the Schroeder Family.

The parsonage subcommittee and the trustees committee unanimously approved a motion to request a Charge Conference to allow for a vote on construction of a parsonage. It was decided to convene the meeting as a Church Conference, allowing all members in attendance to vote, rather than just Church Council members. Church members at the Church Conference, presided over by District Superintendent Rev. Angie Lee, passed the following motion by a vote of 38 for and 21 against: "The congregation of the Mahomet United Methodist Church authorizes the Trustees to contract for the purpose of construction of a parsonage for an estimated cost of \$420,000 plus miscellaneous related items of approximately \$20,000". The next step in the process is the awarding of a contract for construction to begin. There is a need for a small design committee to make choices for materials and finishes within the approved budget. If you have talents in this area and would like to contribute, please contact Gary Kling (gkling1@gmail.com) or the office.

Finance Committee Report

Dear Friends,

Pledged giving for the month of March was approximately \$14,000 and non-pledged giving was approximately \$2,000 making total unrestricted giving about \$15,000. \$12,100 in Employer Tax Credits from 2021 were also received bringing total unrestricted income to about \$28,000. Total operating expenses were approximately \$29,000 generating a net operating loss for the month of \$1,000. Year to date pledged giving is about \$81,000, non-pledged about \$6,000 and other income about \$25,000 for a total of \$112,000 in unrestricted revenue. Year to date unrestricted expenses total about \$89,000 making net income for the year about \$23,000.

Thank you for supporting our church ministries!

Financial reports are always available upon request.

Doug Beckmann
Chair, Finance Committee



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, call the office at 217-518-2983 or call/text 217-518-2983. See the flyer below for some additional information.



CRAVING to Lose

Want to lose weight?
To learn how to crave something other than food?

Start date & time - June 5 @ 12:30pm
Meet weekly on Sundays @ 11:30 am
for 12 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; by calling/texting 217-518-2983; or by calling the office @ 217-586-2147.

YOGA CLASSES

Wednesday, May 18 @ 5:45 pm
Wednesday, June 8 @ 5:45 pm

Classes are held outside
in the grass
near the shed.

PRAYER REQUEST
WE ARE HERE TO PRAY FOR YOU

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 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.



MAY, 2022 CALENDAR

Sunday, May 1

- 9:00 am Traditional Worship Service
- 9:45 am New Denomination Info Mtg
- 10:30 am Contemporary Service & Children's Church
- 11:30 am Education Committee Mtg
- 8:00 pm Worship Team Mtg via ZOOM

Monday, May 2

- 1:00 pm M & M UWFatih Group
- 7:00 pm Discipleship Committee Mtg
- 7:00 pm Scout Troop #25

Tuesday, May 3

- 6:30 pm Bell Practice
- 7:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous
- 7:30 pm Choir Practice

Wednesday, May 4

- 7:00 pm SPRC Mtg

Thursday, May 5

- 10:00 am UWFaith Spring Brunch
- 5:45 pm Scout Troop #2957

Friday, May 6

- 10:00 am "Daniel" Bible Study

Saturday, May 7

- 12:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting

Sunday, May 8

- 9:00 am Traditional Worship Service
- 10:30 am Contemporary Service & Children's Church
- 10:30 am Way to Live Lesson
- 2:00 pm Bridal Brook Chapel Service

Monday, May 9

- 1:00 pm M & M UWFatih Group
- 7:00 pm Scout Troop #25

Tuesday, May 10

- 6:30 pm Bell Practice
- 7:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous
- 7:30 pm Choir Practice

Thursday, May 12

- 1:30 pm Thursday Reading Circle
- 6:00 pm Finance Committee Mtg
- 7:00 pm Council Committee Mtg

Saturday, May 14

- 12:00 noon Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting
- 4:00 pm Boy Scouts Spaghetti Dinner

Sunday, May 15

- 9:00 am Traditional Worship Service
- 10:30 am Contemporary Service & Children's Church
- 11:30 am Missions Committee Mtg

Monday, May 16

- 1:00 pm M & M UWFatih Group
- 7:00 pm Scout Troop #25

Tuesday, May 17

- 6:30 pm Bell Practice
- 7:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous
- 7:30 pm Choir Practice

Wednesday, May 18

- 1:30 pm Home, Community, Education (HCE)
- 5:45 pm Yoga—Outdoors

Thursday, May 19

- 5:45 pm Scout Troop #2957
- 7:00 pm Trustees Committee Mtg

Saturday, May 21

- 9:00 am 1st Annual Car Show & Bicycle Rally
- 12:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting

Sunday, May 22

- 9:00 am Traditional Worship Service
- 10:30 am Contemporary Service & Children's Church
- 11:30 am Way to Live Service Project — CatSnap

Monday, May 23

- 1:00 pm M & M UWFatih Group
- 7:00 pm Scout Troop #25

Tuesday, May 24

- 6:30 pm Bell Practice
- 7:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous
- 7:30 pm Choir Practice

Wednesday, May 25

- 1:00 pm MUMC Seniors Card Games

Saturday, May 28

- 12:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting

Sunday, May 29

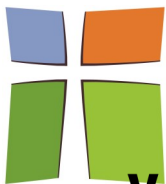
- 9:00 am Worship Service

Monday, May 30 — Memorial Day

- OFFICE CLOSED

Tuesday, May 31

- 7:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous



YouTube

Subscribe to YouTube

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



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.

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 Easter Egg" is

Eileen Noone

Stop by office and pick up your prize

This month, I have hidden an flower 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!



THE steadfast Love OF THE
Lord NEVER CEASES; his
mercies NEVER COME TO AN
END; they are New every
morning; GREAT IS
your FAITHFUL
NESS.
LAMENTATIONS 3:22-23

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 WHISPERS**, call Joyce Livesay at 217-369-1643.



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!



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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

Kathy Tock, Worship Music Director ~ tockwoman@gmail.com

Michelle Petty, Director of Ministry ~ ministrydir@mumc.org

Kirsten Barbee, Office Administrator ~ office@mumc.org

Dr. Carlos R. Carrillo Cotto, Organist

Maddie Mawson, Nursery Coordinator ~ nursery@mumc.org

Something on Sunday
June 5th

RICE MEAL KITS



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