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2 CHILDREN'S GROUPS

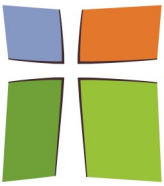
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UPCOMING EVENTS

ENJOY PLAYING AND LEARNING
NEW CARD GAMES!

SPICY SENIORS CARD PARTY

SEPTEMBER 21, 2022 | 1:00 PM

RSVP TO MICHELLE AT 217-586-2147
OR MINISTRYDIR@MUMC.ORG.



CAR, TRUCK AND MOTORCYCLE — SHOW —

MUMC Mission Trip Fundraiser



Car Show Will Be Held

October 1 2022

@ 10am - 2 pm

Voting 12pm-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

fall fest

10.30.2022

- Trunk & Treat
- Tractor Rides
- Music & Games

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or email
mumc@mumc.org



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NOT TO LATE!

FALL ACTIVITY SIGN-UP STILL OPEN

Bible Study Groups

Name _____

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="radio"/> Disciple Class (Fee \$17)
Monday 7pm to 8:30pm | <input type="radio"/> Take Courage (Fee \$16)
Wednesday's 9-11 |
| <input type="radio"/> Beloved Disciple (Fee \$17)
Tuesday's 9-11 | <input type="radio"/> Taste and See Bible Study (Fee \$11)
Wednesday's 5:30pm to 7pm |

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

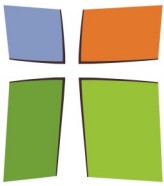
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- ☐ Toddler Time– for children ages 2-4, fee is \$100 per session
- ☐ Wonderful Outreach Wednesday– for children school ages K-2 (\$50 1st session)

SUPPORT GROUPS

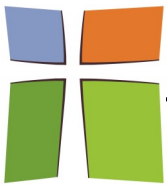
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- ☐ Craving to Lose (Fee \$25)
- ☐ Grief Share- (Fee \$15)
- ☐ Alcoholic Anonymous



LOOK BACK AT SUMMER FUN!





UPCOMING MISSION PROJECT

September Missions

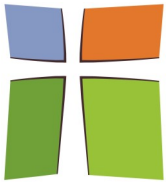
RICE MEAL KITS



September 25th

5:00 pm Dinner (not rice meals)

5:30 pm Putting together kits



AREA MISSIONS

Mom's Pantry in Mahomet, IL

FREE food items, hygiene products and clothes for those in need that have a student(s) in the Mahomet-Seymour school district. Open Monday and Thursday mornings 9-11 and Thursday evening 5:30-7:30. Call 217-586-7672 or email cbrumfield@ms.k12.il.us to help out or make a donation.



It Takes a Village in Mahomet, IL

"And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased". Heb 13:16 It Takes a Village Central IL is dedicated to providing free clothing, cleaning, and household items to those in need in Central IL. We also host an annual free Christmas Giveaway to those in need during the holiday. Located at 601 E Main St, Suite 107, Mahomet. They can be contacted at 217-637-2881 or help.itav@gmail.com.



Pastor Lori is a Wonder Woman and YOU can join her league of superheroes to support Cunningham youth!

She will be putting her powers on display at the:

October 1, 2022 | 9 a.m. | Meadowbrook Park | Urbana, Illinois



Be a
Hero
Cunningham
Children's Home **5K**

Support Pastor Lori's efforts by donating or helping sponsor a Cunningham kid's participation in the race at <https://runsignup.com/superpastor> before October 1st. Your contribution helps Pastor Lori earn a Cunningham hero cape AND helps to meet the critical needs of the 794 youth and families Cunningham served this year.



United Women in Faith

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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/>

UWF SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 11, 9 & 10:30 AM

UWF Sunday will be on September 11 at both services. This year's speaker will be Rev. Margaret Ann Jessup who started "Wooden It Be Lovely" in Springfield, IL. The program offers hope and employment to women healing from lives of poverty, addiction, and abuse. It also provides transitional employment, mentoring, recovery tools, education, community networking and a safe community. The women are employed to refurbish and sell donated wooden furniture and sew unique products. Come learn more about "Wooden It Be Lovely".

Second grade Bibles will also be presented.

OUR NEXT MEETING

Thursday, September 1 AT 1 pm

Program - Cindy Dodd; Hostess - Evelyn Epperson

THURSDAY READING CIRCLE



September 8 at 1 pm

A Different Blue by Amy Harmon

Contact Sheryle Carpenter for more information or if you are interested.
(217) 390-6038

UWF IROQUOIS RIVER DISTRICT FALL MEETING SEPTEMBER 17, 9:15 AM

Our church will be hosting the UWF Iroquois River District Fall meeting on Saturday, September 17 at 9:15 am - 2 pm.

All women of the church are invited. There will be music and our keynote speaker will be Kay Clifton, retired Deaconess. Her biography is extensive and very interesting. In answering her call she has served God in many different ways. Come hear her story.

Lunch will be catered by *Lucky Moon Pies*. See below.

REGISTRATION FORM FOR IRD UWF FALL MEETING (Held at Mahomet UMC) SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 FROM 9:15 AM TO 2:00 PM

Luncheon Fee is \$10 per person. Circle your meal choice below. **Deadline is Friday, September 9.**

Chicken Salad OR Vegetarian Option with Roasted Vegetables (Tomatoes, Zucchini, Red Onion, etc)
Both meals come with Potato Salad, Fruit Cups, Cake and Beverages

Make checks payable to Mahomet UMW. You can drop this off at the church or at the 9/01 UWF Meeting

Name _____ Phone Number _____



Trustee Committee Report- Update August 22

The last few weeks have been quite eventful, with activity on our HVAC (heating ventilation and cooling) and fire suppression systems. The provider for our HVAC services, P&P Heating and Cooling, went out of business this spring. Their closure did not allow for them to complete our air conditioning preventative maintenance plans. Their business has been purchased by a company called 217, Inc. The 217, Inc. representatives indicated that they would honor our preventative AC maintenance contract, and within the week began to service our units. They found a hole in the heat exchanger in one of the two large furnaces that heat our sanctuary, and major leaks in two of our 11 AC units (one in the south education wing, and one in the Wesley Prayer Room). The Trustees will make decisions on repair vs replacements at our meeting Thursday, August 25.

The fire-suppression piping developed a leak this past week that required the replacement of a section of a large 3" diameter pipe. We are grateful to Lance Noone who oversaw the repairs to keep our fire suppression system functioning.

I finally have some updates on the parsonage construction to share with you. The following is an estimate of what will occur, given cooperation of weather and supply issues.

Sept. 6 Excavation begins
Sept. 12-22 Pouring concrete for foundation and walls
Oct. 4 Begin framing of subfloor, walls and roof
Oct. 10 Roofing and rough-in of electrical, hvac and plumbing
Oct. 21 Install doors and windows
Oct. 27 Drywall
Nov. 9 Prime walls and ceiling
Nov. 16 Tile floors
Nov. 23 Install trim and cabinets
Dec. 13 Grading (weather permitting)
Dec. 19 Painting
Dec. 29 Appliance installation
Jan. 2 Carpet installation, landscaping (weather permitting)
Jan. 13 Inspections
Jan 23 Walkthrough and Closing

Missions Committee Report

Here are the focused missions for the remaining months of 2022

- **September** — Rice Meals
- **October** — Car Show & Cunningham Children's Home
- **November** — College Student Care Packages
- **December** — Giving Tree / Helping Hands



Finance Committee Report

Dear Friends,

Pledged giving for the month of July was approximately \$34,000 and non-pledged giving was approximately \$2,000 making total unrestricted giving about \$36,000. Total operating expenses were approximately \$34,000 generating a net operating profit for the month of \$2,000. Year-to-date operating income was about \$221,000 (\$180K pledged giving, \$16K non-pledged giving and \$25K from employer tax credits) versus expenses of \$223,000.

The parsonage construction process is scheduled to begin in September. It is too early to predict a firm completion date.

Thank you for supporting our church ministries!

Financial reports are always available upon request.

Doug Beckmann
Chair, Finance Committee



Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us,
and establish the work of our hands upon us;
yes, establish the work of our hands!
Psalm 90:17 ESV

Stewardship Campaign starts September 18th.

Pledge cards need to be returned no later than
October 30th.

STEWARDSHIP KICKOFF

Rev. Edwards R. Weston is our Stewardship Kickoff preacher on September 18th. He is the Director of Preacher's Aid Society and Benefit Fund. Preacher's Aid Society and Benefit Fund was started almost 150 years ago to provide assistance to our retired clergy and their spouses. A special offering will be taken to insure future benefits for our retired clergy and their spouses.



Mahomet UMC is actively looking for volunteers

To be a church volunteer means many things to different people. It could be a way to build community. Perhaps a rewarding experience helps you feel more connected to God. For some, it can serve as a calling or as a foundation point to help the greater good. As you considered the meaning behind being a church volunteer, I ask you for what it means to you. Why do you volunteer? How does it help you grow and change in your faith? What are your gifts that you have to offer?

Volunteering in church benefits members of the congregation *and* the church itself.

Church volunteers perform tasks that staff members do not have the capacity or skills to accomplish. You will use your time and talents for community service; fulfilling your desire to help others while ensuring our church can better direct funds to our church mission. In short, volunteers are vital to a healthy church.

Whether you have a couple hours a month or a couple hours a week please consider volunteering.

Mahomet UMC's needs for volunteers include:

- Toddler Time is gearing up to start on Tuesday September 6th! We would love to have volunteers that can assist Carly, the Toddler Time Instructor, with structured play activities for 2-4 year olds. Our volunteer needs are on Tuesday or Thursday mornings from 9-11am; pick 1 or 2 dates or several, whichever works best with your schedule. We are also looking for help with healthy snacks. See Pastor Lori at pastor@mumc.org.
 - Greeters for worship at 9:00am & 10:30am – help new and returning persons feel welcome when they come through the doors; introduce visitors to members so they feel connected to us! See Lois Meerdink or Leslie at office@mumc.org.
 - Communion Stewardship – help Maurice Bell as he prepares/distributes/cleans up. His need right now is someone to do this in his place. See Leslie at the office or email her at office@mumc.org.
 - Coffee / Fellowship time – make sure coffee bar is set up and stocked; treat basket is furnished. See Louis Meerdink or Leslie at the office or email her office@mumc.org.
 - Various outdoor work – weeding, picking up garbage along tree line, etc. See Leslie at office or email her at office@mumc.org.
 - Assisting in events in all areas– decorating, setting up, tearing down, coordinating volunteers, posting event on various communication media, designing flyers / signup sheets, etc. See Michelle at ministrydir@mumc.org. Upcoming events include:
 - Rice Meals – Sept 25th
 - Car Show – Oct 1st
 - Fall Fest & Trunk or Treat – Oct 30th
 - Updating our Servant Keeper database so that we can put together a Congregational Directory – calling members to update, putting information into computer, or organizing data, etc. See Leslie at office@mumc.org.
 - Techie people to help with Sunday worship service. See Pastor Lori at pastor@mumc.org.
 - To help make our worship time enjoyable with the wonderful music, we are looking for member to join our Chancel Choir, Worship Band and Wesley Hand Bells. Especially in need of a drummer. See Kathy at tockwoman@gmail.com.
 - Decorating for holidays and events – will be posting more on this as we enter the holiday season.
- Please contact Leslie at 217-586-2147 or send an email to the ones listed above or to mumc@mumc.org.

Thank you for your consideration! Michelle, Dir. of Ministry



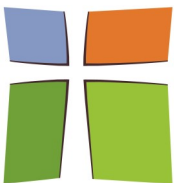
Craving to Lose Summer Session

Our Biggest Loser is Stephanie Ross, who had an 11.4% total body weight loss! Let's all give her a big HURRAY!

All of our participants deserve a HUGE shout out as 14 women have lost a total of 164# in 11 weeks! I am such an amazed and proud servant of God to these women!

Craving to Lose (C2L) isn't just about weight loss. It is about health, fitness, gaining control of our bodies and treating our bodies how God intended us to treat them. It is about fellowship in growing with each other and with God!

If you would like to join the fall session, contact Michelle at ministrydir@mumc.org or 217-586-2147. Our fall session starts Sept 12th !

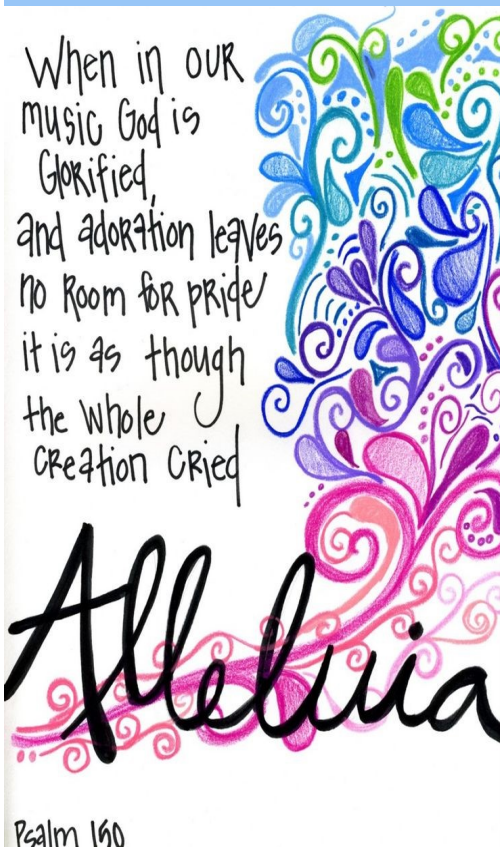


Dear MUMC,

Thank you so much for awarding me the scholarship for this year. It helped me so much last year with paying tuition. I can't wait for my sophomore year at SIU!

Thank you so much! Olivia Bunting

SPECIAL ANGEL WHISPER SHOUT OUT
TO OUR MUSIC DEPARTMENT FOR ALL
THEIR HARD WORK AND DEDICATION



Dear Carol and the MUMC Memorial Committee,

Terry and I wish to say thank you for the many years David has received the Isabelle Purnell Scholarship.

David first received the award while at the Uof I in 2008-2012. He applied again during his masters study in 2019-2022 and received the award. Now as a doctoral student at Northwestern, he has received the scholarship once more. Each award was put to good use for the many expenses for getting his degrees, and each time the award was so much appreciated.

As a local resident, I remember Isabelle coming to my home (Shiloh) church to sing on several occasions. I think she would be very pleased to see how many young people she has helped in their education. I know David has sent his thanks earlier, but Terry and I wanted to also send ours.

With much appreciation, Kathy & Terry Roush (and David, too!)



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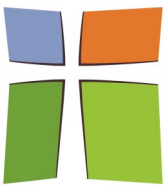
Thank you so much for being so kind to us and letting us borrow your games for our school carnival!!

♥♥Angela VanDeven and FGS



Volunteers are the lifeblood of the church. Without volunteers like you, our church would have a hard time getting anything done. That is why we appreciate each and every one of you so much for all that you do to help the church run smoothly. I wish I could name each of you but I know if I do, I will miss someone. I don't want to do

that because you all mean so much to us. We have people come in and help with maintenance, power washing, cleaning, set-up/tear-down, finances, folding bulletins and newsletters, helping with special events, providing snacks or meals, coordinating & distributing lunches during our Candlewood and MAYC lunch programs, hosting a book club for MAYC, Children's Church, Children's Message during worship, leading small groups, Toddler Time helpers, WOW Afterschool program, all the committee members we have, etc. The list is long! THANK YOU for being our lifeblood!



You Tube

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

www.youtube.com and look for **Mahomet UMC**



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.

AUGUST WINNER ANNOUNCED

Winner of the "Search for the Bus" is

Kris Parker

Stop by office and pick up your prize

SEPTEMBER HIDDEN OBJECT CONTEST



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



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

www.facebook.com/MahometUMC/

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!



SEPTEMBER 2022 CALENDAR

Thursday, September 1

- 1:00 pm UW Faith Meeting
- 7:00 pm SPRC Meeting

Saturday, September 3

- 12:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting

Sunday, September 4

- 9:00 am Traditional Worship Service
- 10:30 am Contemporary Service

Monday, September 5

- **Labor Day– Office Closed**
- 1:00 pm M & M's Group
- 7:00 pm Scout Troop #25

Tuesday, September 6

- 9:00 am Toddler Time
- 6:30 pm Wesley Bell Choir practice
- 7:30 pm Chancel Choir practice

Wednesday, September 7

- 9:00 am Beloved Disciple Bible Study
- 2:30 pm W.O.W. After school Program
- 6:00 pm Embracing the Journey Small Group

Thursday, September 8

- 9:00 am Toddler Time
- 1:00 pm UW of Faith Reading Circle
- 7:00 pm Church Council Meeting

Saturday, September 10

- 9:30 am Grief Share Support Group
- 12:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting

Sunday, September 11—UW of Faith Sunday

- 9:00 am Traditional Worship Service
- 9:45 am Education Meeting
- 10:30 am Contemporary Service
- 11:15 am Discipleship Meeting
- 2:00 pm Bridle Brook Service

Monday, September 12

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

Tuesday, September 13

- 8:00 am C2L Walking Group
- 9:00 am Toddler Time
- 9:00 am Take Courage Bible Study
- 6:30 pm Wesley Bell Practice
- 7:30 pm Chancel Choir Practice

Wednesday, September 14

- 9:00 am Beloved Disciple Bible Study
- 12:30 pm W.O.W. After School Program (EOD)
- 4:30 pm C2L Strength Class

Thursday, September 15

- 8:00 am C2L Walking Group
- 9:00 am Toddler Time
- 6:00 pm Finance Committee
- 7:00 pm Trustee Meeting

Saturday, September 17

- 9:00 am UW of Faith Fall District Meeting
- 9:30 am Grief Share Support Group
- 12:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting



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**.

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.



SEPTEMBER 2022 CALENDAR CONTINUED

Sunday, September 18—Stewardship Sunday

- 9:00 am Traditional Worship Service
- 9:45 am Mission Team Meeting
- 10:30 am Contemporary Service

Monday, September 19

- 1:00 pm M & M's Group
- 4:30 pm C2L Strength Class
- 5:30 pm Craving to Lose Support Group
- 7:00 pm Scout Troop #25
- 7:00 pm Disciple Bible Study

Tuesday, September 20

- 8:00 am C2L Walking Group
- 9:00 am Toddler Time
- 9:00 am Take Courage Bible Study
- 6:30 pm Wesley Bell Practice
- 7:30 pm Chancel Choir Practice

Wednesday, September 21

- 9:00 am Beloved Disciple Bible Study
- 11:30 am HCE Meeting / Luncheon
- 1:00 pm Spicy Seniors Card Party
- 2:30 pm W.O.W. After School Program
- 4:30 pm C2L Strength Class

Thursday, September 22

- 8:00 am C2L Walking Group
- 9:00 am Toddler Time

Saturday, September 24

- 9:30 am Grief Share Support Group
- 12:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting

Sunday, September 25

- 9:00 am Traditional Worship Service
- 10:30 am Contemporary Service
- 5:00 pm S.O.S. Rice Meal Kits w/Dinner

Monday, September 26

- 1:00 pm M & M's Group
- 4:30 pm C2L Strength Class
- 5:30 pm Craving to Lose Support Group
- 7:00 pm Scout Troop #25
- 7:00 pm Disciple Bible Study

Tuesday, September 27

- 8:00 am C2L Walking Group
- 9:00 am Toddler Time
- 9:00 am Take Courage Bible Study
- 6:30 pm Wesley Bell Practice
- 7:30 pm Chancel Choir Practice

Wednesday, September 28

- 9:00 am Beloved Disciple Bible Study
- 1:00 pm Spicy Seniors Card Party
- 2:30 pm W.O.W. After School Program
- 4:30 pm C2L Strength Class

Thursday, September 29

- 8:00 am C2L Walking Group
- 9:00 am Toddler Time

Committees, classes, and groups:



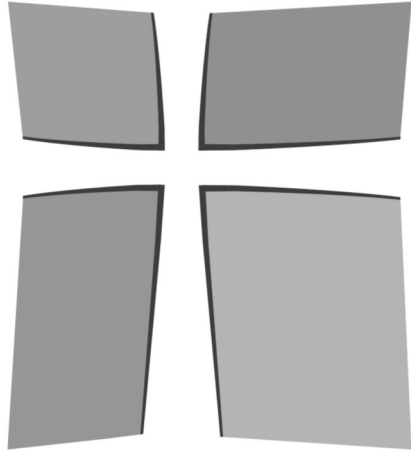
Do you have information that you would like to share with the church?

Please contact the church office no later than September 22nd, 2022.



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](tel:217-586-2147).





Mahomet United Methodist Church

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Office Hours

Mon thru Thurs 9:00 am –2:00 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
Michelle Petty, Director of Ministry ~ ministrydir@mumc.org
Leslie Heath, Office Administrator ~ office@mumc.org
Kathy Tock, Worship Music Director ~ tockwoman@gmail.com
Dr. Carlos R. Carrillo Cotto, Organist
Jay Simpson, Assistant Praise Band Leader
Carly Irvin, Toddler Time Instructor~ toddlerteach@mumc.org

**COMING
FALL 2022**

Toddler Time

Tuesdays & Thursdays 9-11am
Starting Sept 6

Taste & See Bible Study **Experience in food & God's Word**

Wednesdays @ 5:30-7pm
Sept 21 - Oct 26

GriefShare

Saturdays 9:30-11:30am
Sept 10 - Nov 12

Mom's Time Bible Study **Take Courage by Jennifer Rothschild**

Tuesdays 9-11am
Sept 15 - Oct 25

Women's Bible Study **Beloved Disciple - Study of John** **by Beth Moore**

Wednesdays 9-11am
Sept 7 - Nov 16

Craving to Lose Group

Mondays 5:30-7 pm

C2L Walking group - Mondays @ 8am
C2L Strength group - Mondays & Wednesdays at 4:30 pm

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