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1302 E SOUTH MAHOMET RD, MAHOMET, IL

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**SATURDAY, MAY 11, 2024**  
9:00AM - 1:00PM

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## Special Sundays in May

CELEBRATING  
**VOLUNTEERS**  
WE THANK YOU ALL!

**Sunday Services May 5th**



[mumc@mumc.org](mailto:mumc@mumc.org)

**Happy  
Mother's Day!**

You are the anchor of the family.  
Words can't express our gratitude!

**Honoring Women  
on Sunday, May 12th  
during services**

**Congratulations!**  
**GRADUATES**  
*class of*  
**2024**

**Sunday, May 19th during services**

**Let's Celebrate our  
Perennials  
(85 years and older)**  
**Sunday, May 26th during services**





# Mahomet UMC Happenings



## Spicy Seniors

REMEMBER & HONOR



Card / Game Party  
1 - 3 pm  
Wednesday, May 29th



You're  
invited!

A group for families of  
young kids to meet and do  
life together.

## Young Family Life Group



Meets the 2nd Sunday of  
the month between  
services at 9:45 am

For more information,  
Visit here

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www.MUMC.org

# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

LORENAE'S  
**HERO  
HOTLINE**

Called Together  
to Serve God!



**REGISTER NOW!**

[WWW.MYVBS.ORG/MAHOMETUMC](http://WWW.MYVBS.ORG/MAHOMETUMC)

**JUNE 24 - 28, 2024**

**9:00 - 11:30 AM**



# BRIANA'S BIG BUDDIES SUMMER CAMP

### Address

Mahomet UMC  
1302 E South Mahomet Rd  
Mahomet, IL 61853

### Contact Us

217-377-1720  
[brianasbuddies@hotmail.com](mailto:brianasbuddies@hotmail.com)

### Registration Link

[BIG Buddies Summer  
Registration](#)

### Activities

A Different Theme  
Each Week

Incoming  
1st - 5th  
Grade



Scan Here





# Mahomet UMC Happenings

**Women's Study**  
**Romans**  
Good News That Changes Everything

Wednesdays  
@ 1-3  
June 5 - July 17

*Helping Hands*  
**DAY OF CHARITY**

**JUNE 15TH**  
**8:30 AM - 12:00 PM**

POSTCARD

**WHERE'S PASTOR LORI?**

Coming Soon this Summer  
(June - Sept)  
Wednesday evenings  
Message & Picnic  
in different locations

Stay Tuned for More Information

**CRAVING 2 LOSE**

**NEXT SESSION**  
**STARTS JUNE 3RD**  
SESSIONS ARE 1ST & 3RD  
MONDAYS @ 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM

Sessions include:

- Lessons
- Cooking sessions
- Health & fitness speakers
- Strength classes
- Walking groups

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# Pictures of Mahomet UMC Happenings

## Spicy Seniors & Briana's Buddies Bingo



Thank you Spicy Seniors!  
We had lots of fun  
Enjoyed winning great prizes  
Loved meeting each one of you and  
learning your names  
Spending time playing BINGO with you was  
**AWESOME!**

From Briana's Big Buddies



## Pictures of Mahomet UMC Happenings

### Easter Egg Hunt



### Midwest Missions Workday



300 personal dignity kits will be going to Guatemala!  
We also worked on desks.





## Scholarships Available

Download applications from our website: <https://www.mumc.org/memorial-scholarship/scholarship/> or can pick up an application from the church office.

Completed Applications may be returned by email to [mumc@mumc.org](mailto:mumc@mumc.org) or by mail by June 1, 2024 MUMC Scholarship Committee will select, notify and award the scholarship based on the information from the questions on the application form.

### Isabelle Purnell Scholarship

The Isabelle Purnell Scholarship fund was established in 2009 in memory of Isabelle Purnell. She was a descendant of the Herriott and Rayburn families from her mother's side, and the Scott and Purnell families from her father's side. After farming in Michigan for a few years, her family returned to Mahomet. Their farm was east of Mahomet on Route 150 where the current McDonald's restaurant is located. Isabelle had many hobbies and interests, but one in particular, was gathering facts and writing a book on the history of Mahomet in 2000. Writing a 461-page book, *An Unofficial History of Mahomet*, at the age of 88 was quite an accomplishment. She also wrote the history of our church, *Mahomet Methodist Centennial 1955*. After retiring from teaching at the University of Illinois, she spent an extended time in Chile teaching at a mission. The scholarship was created to continue Isabelle's commitment to education.

This annual scholarship will be awarded to a student selected by the Mahomet United Methodist Church. Recipients may reapply. The amount of the Isabel Purnell Scholarship awarded each year is based on the amount of the dividend that the Isabel Purnell Scholarship fund earns in the previous year.

#### Considerations:

- Shall be an active member of the Mahomet United Methodist Church;
- Financial need;
- Service within the church or school;
- Must be enrolled and in good standing as a student in an accredited program of higher education or working toward an advanced degree; and/or
- The field of study is not stipulated, but preference may be given to education in ministry, health fields, social services, or agriculture.

### Bob/Marilyn Sinclair Scholarship for Future Teachers

The Bob/Marilyn Sinclair Scholarship fund was established in 2022 in memory of Marilyn Sinclair. Bob and Marilyn Sinclair were lifelong educators. They wanted to encourage students who have chosen to become passionate teachers and mentors to our younger students. They were both active in the Mahomet United Methodist church using their love to help others.

The scholarship was created to help students with financial costs of gaining training to become classroom teachers.

This scholarship will be awarded to one student each year that is selected by the Mahomet United Methodist Church. Recipients must reapply each year with application and transcripts. A student may receive the scholarship a maximum of two years. The amount of the Bob/Marilyn Sinclair Scholarship awarded is \$4,000 (\$2,000 at the beginning of each semester).

#### Considerations:

- Must be enrolled in a teacher certification program in the state of Illinois during their junior and senior college years;
- Must have successfully completed their sophomore or junior year toward a teaching degree;
- Must maintain at least a 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale) cumulative grade point to continue receiving the scholarship during their senior year;
- Must submit a new application along with transcripts of grades from the previous year (if all guidelines are still met, the scholarship will automatically be awarded for the senior year); and

In the event of multiple applicants, the decision will go to the applicant with:

- 1<sup>st</sup> – The highest GPA during their freshman/sophomore college courses;
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Member of Mahomet United Methodist Church;
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – a graduate of Mahomet-Seymour High School; and
- 4<sup>th</sup> – a college senior over a college junior.



## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### TRUSTEES REPORT

Final cost estimates to repair and finish out damaged areas from the January water damage are complete and the contract with Servpro has been executed and the down payment made. Once Servpro receives repair supplies, then a work start date will be set. Repairs will include new carpeting, ceiling tile, and paint for the main hallway and adjoining rooms and continue down the education hallway. Insurance covers all of the costs except for the \$2,500 policy deductible. It is estimated that the work will take approximately 3 -4 weeks. In late March the air compressor on the fire suppression system failed. A new compressor was purchased and recently installed. Matco is proceeding to check for leaks in the piping. New concrete sidewalk entrances on the north side of the church have been poured to correct settlement and tripping hazards.

### EDUCATION

- ♥ VBS will be the week of June 24th—Monday—Thursday. Volunteer count is at 7, need more. Sign up for VBS online at: <https://www.myvbs.org/MahometUMC> for volunteers and children. Early bird signup until May 31st.
- ♥ Graduation Celebration on 5/19/24 between services
- ♥ Children's Church, 12 kids on average could use an additional helper.
- ♥ Online sign up for VBS: [myvbs.org/MahometUMC](https://www.myvbs.org/MahometUMC) for volunteers and children. Early Bird signup starts now until May 31st.

**Monthly meetings — 3rd Thursdays @ 6:00 pm**

### FINANCIAL REPORT

Pledged \$16,000

Non-Pledged \$4,000

**UNRESTRICTED INCOME \$20,000**

Operating Expenses \$40,000

**NET OPERATING INCOME - \$20,000**

**YTD income \$95,000 vs. unrestricted expenses of \$123,000 = deficit of \$28,000**

### MISSIONS

Thank you to all of those that volunteered for Taco Tuesday during Lent. We fed approximately 30 to 40 people per week. We were able to connect with some new families who inquired about services at MUMC. It was great to be able to meet some of the children that attend Briana's Buddies as well as some of their staff members. Also thank you to all of those that donated for the weekly Lenten food drive. Midwest Missions work day was April's mission. Thank you to all of those that participated.

#### UPCOMING MISSIONS:

Missions for 2024:

- ♥ May 2024: Car Show - May 11th
- ♥ June 2024: Helping Hands food distribution and collecting donations for Hospice Hearts
- ♥ July 2024: Rice Meals
- ♥ August 2024: Lunches for Candlewood and possibly lunches for MAYC—Dates TBD
- ♥ September 2024: Midwest Missions—Date TBD – Looking at Friday (one day)
- ♥ Oct 2024: ASP Mission Trip with Faith UMC- More information from Faith UMC to come
- ♥ November 2024: College Care Packages
- ♥ December 2024: Advent donations and Bags of Joy

#### **Monthly Meetings**

#### **3rd Sundays**

#### **Between Services**

If you have an ideas for the Mission Team,

please let Chris Bunting know by:

**Email: [christinebunting12@gmail.com](mailto:christinebunting12@gmail.com)**

**Phone: 217-402-2866**





## United Women in Faith

### UWF June Meeting Date Change

Because of Annual Conference the June meeting will be held on **Thursday, June 13th at 1 pm**. Rev. Lori will present the program and the hostess for the day is Gerry Drake. We invite all women of the church to attend.

### WOMEN'S READING GROUP

**MAY:** *Good Company* by Cynthia D'Aprix Sweeney

Flora Mancini has been happily married for more than twenty years. But everything she thought she knew about herself, her marriage, and her relationship with her best friend, Margot, is upended when she stumbles upon an envelope containing her husband's wedding ring – the one he claimed he lost one summer when their daughter, Ruby, was five.

What happens when one accidental discovery changes everything you believe about yourself and the people you love? Cynthia D'Aprix Sweeney's unforgettable characters are so real, so human, and such good company as they struggle with profound questions about the lines between loyalty and secrecy, self-interest and self-preservation – and in doing so, ask us to do the same. *Good Company* is a beautifully nuanced meditation on marriage and friendship – their messiness and limitations but also their boundless capacity for reinvention.

## United Women in Faith May Brunch

### All Women of the Church are Invited

and encouraged to bring family members or friends for a morning of fellowship.

**Thursday, May 2, 2024, 10:00 a.m.**

- ♦ Egg Casseroles
- ♦ Fruit
- ♦ Assorted Homebaked Muffins
- ♦ Beverages



### Featured Speaker

Sandy Bergener from Minds in Motion (More information can be found in the Narthex)

Please sign up by April 30th Call 217-586-2147, Email [mumc@mumc.org](mailto:mumc@mumc.org)

**THERE IS NO CHARGE.**



# MAY 2024

## **WEDNESDAY, MAY 1**

9:30 am — Come Play w/ Me  
1:00 pm — Women's Bible Study — A Chocolate Life  
7:00 pm — Praise Band Practice

## **THURSDAY, MAY 2**

10:00 am — UWF May Brunch

## **SATURDAY, MAY 4**

9:00 am — Illini Carvers  
12:00 pm — A.A.

## **SUNDAY, MAY 5—VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION**

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

## **MONDAY, MAY 6**

1:00 pm — Monday Missions  
5:30 pm — Craving to Lose  
7:00 pm — Scout Troop #25

## **TUESDAY, MAY 7**

6:30 pm — Bell Choir Practice  
7:30 pm — Choir Practice

## **WEDNESDAY, MAY 8**

9:30 am — Come Play w/ Me  
1:00 pm — Women's Bible Study — A Chocolate Life

## **THURSDAY, MAY 9**

2:00 pm — UWF Monthly Reading Circle  
7:00 pm — Church Council Meeting

## **SATURDAY, MAY 11**

9:00 am — Missions Car Show  
12:00 pm — A.A.

## **SUNDAY, MAY 12—MOTHER'S DAY**

9:00 am — Traditional Worship Service  
9:45 am — Young Family Life Group  
10:30 am — Contemporary Worship Service

## **MONDAY, MAY 13**

1:00 pm — Monday Missions  
7:00 pm — Scout Troop #25

## **TUESDAY, MAY 14**

6:30 pm — Bell Choir Practice  
7:30 pm — Choir Practice

## **WEDNESDAY, MAY 15**

9:30 am — Come Play w/ Me  
1:00 pm — Women's Bible Study — A Chocolate Life  
7:00 pm — Praise Band Practice

## **THURSDAY, MAY 16**

6:00 pm — Education/Discipleship Committee Meeting  
6:00 pm — Staff-Parish Committee Meeting  
7:00 pm — Trustees Committee Meeting

## **SATURDAY, MAY 18**

9:00 am — Illini Carvers  
12:00 pm — A.A.

## **SUNDAY, MAY 19 —GRADUATION SUNDAY**

9:00 am — Traditional Worship Service  
9:45 am — Missions Committee Meeting  
10:30 am — Contemporary Worship Service

## **MONDAY, MAY 20**

1:00 pm — Monday Missions  
5:30 pm — Craving to Lose  
7:00 pm — Scout Troop #25

## **TUESDAY, MAY 21**

6:30 pm — Bell Choir Practice  
7:30 pm — Choir Practice

## **WEDNESDAY, MAY 22**

1:00 pm — Women's Bible Study — A Chocolate Life

## **SATURDAY, MAY 25**

12:00 pm — A.A.

## **SUNDAY, MAY 26—PERENNIALS CELEBRATION**

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

## **MONDAY, MAY 27**

Memorial Day — Office Closed

## **TUESDAY, MAY 28**

8:00 am — Daughters of American Revolution Meeting  
6:30 pm — Bell Choir Practice  
7:30 pm — Choir Practice

## **WEDNESDAY, MAY 29**

1:00 pm — Spicy Seniors Card/Game Party  
7:00 pm — Praise Band Practice

*Thank  
You*

I would like thank the church for  
the wonderful Christmas Gift!  
Thank you!  
- Suzann Slade





## Congratulations 2024 Graduates!



**Isabelle Fonte**—University of Kansas



**Keaton Roberts**—U of I Pathways to Engineering Program through Parkland College. He is planning to study Mechanical Engineering



**Jacob Heaton**—His future plans are to study Psychology at either the University of Illinois or Illinois State University



**Eli Beal**—attend University of Illinois Gies College of Business. He's planning to obtain a dual degree in both Finance and Econ



**Kaleigh Kirby**—Graduating from Illinois State. She will be going into early childhood education.



**Kaleb Roberts**

*Angel Whisper*

Is not wisdom found  
among the aged?  
Does not long life bring  
about understanding?



Job 12:12

Scripture pictures are easy to find on the cell phone or computer. They can be sent to those on our churches

### **\*APRIL WINNER ANNOUNCEMENT\***

Winner of the Search & Find...

**Chuck Peterson**  
**CONGRATULATIONS!!!**

### **MAY "SEARCHABLE ITEM" CONTEST**

Find this item in the newsletter and email  
[MUMC@MUMC.ORG](mailto:MUMC@MUMC.ORG) with page #  
and location to be entered.



Winner will be notified via next  
month's announcement.  
Good luck everyone!



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### **Office Hours**

Mon thru Thurs 9:00 am –2:00 pm

### **Sunday Schedule**

9:00 am Traditional Worship & Children's Church  
10:30 am Contemporary Worship & Children's Church

### **Church Staff**

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Michelle Petty, Director of Ministry ~ [ministrydir@mumc.org](mailto:ministrydir@mumc.org)  
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Dr. Carlos R. Carrillo Cotto, Organist  
Jay Simpson, Assistant Praise Band Leader  
Toddler Time Instructor ~ [toddler teach@mumc.org](mailto:toddler teach@mumc.org)  
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