

The Circuit Rider

HOLY WEEK

SUNDAY, APRIL 13TH

PALM SUNDAY @ 9:00 & 10:30

THURSDAY, APRIL 17TH

MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE @ 7PM

FRIDAY, APRIL 18TH

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

AVAILABLE ONLINE - MUMC.ORG

Easter Sunday

SUNDAY, APRIL 20TH

EASTER SERVICES @ 9:00 & 10:30

EGG HUNT BETWEEN SERVICES

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Mahomet UMC Happenings

NEEDING YOUR HELP...

DONATIONS OF CANDY TO FILL EASTER EGGS



PLEASE TURN INTO OFFICE
BY APRIL 8TH

Easter EGG HUNT



SUNDAY, APRIL 20

**9:45 AM
BETWEEN SERVICES**

Mahomet United Methodist Church
1302 E South Mahomet Rd, Mahomet
www.mumc.org 217-586-2147 mumc@mumc.org

UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH

May BRUNCH

**THURSDAY, MAY 1ST
AT 9 AM**

*A representative from Wooden It Be Lovely
will be our featured speaker*

**Brunch includes:
egg casseroles, fruit, assorted
muffins & beverages**

Invite a friend, there is no charge

Please sign up by April 25th
Call 217-586-2147
or email mumc@mumc.org

SPICY SENIORS

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23
1:00 PM**

MAHOMET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

CALL OFFICE @ 217-586-2147; OR
EMAIL MUMC@MUMC.ORG; OR
SIGN-UP ON TABLE IN NARTHEX



Mahomet UMC Happenings

**You're
invited!**

Young Family Life Group

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



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

**For more information,
Visit [here](#)**

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MAHOMET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
PRESENTS

ALL WHEELS SHOW

◆ Saturday, May 17th @ 9am - 1 pm
◆ Mahomet UMC
1302 E South Mahomet Rd
Mahomet, IL

**ENTRY FEE
\$20**



★ ALL Classes of Cars ★
★ Trucks ★ Motorcycles ★

**BRIEN'S BISTRO
FOOD TRUCK**

**TOP
10
AWARDS**

www.mumc.org

Women's Bible Study

Wednesdays @ 1-2:30 pm
May 7th - June 18th



THE ARMOR OF GOD

BY PRISCILLA SHIRER

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Vacation Bible School

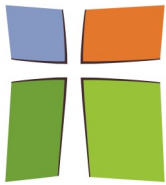
Mahomet United Methodist Church



June
9-13th
9 am - 12 pm

MyVBS.org/MahometUMC
or
www.mumc.org

Call
217-586-2147 or
email
mumc@mumc.org



PICTURES FROM EVENTS

Confirmation Sunday Congrats Allyssa Mae Kempher



****New Members****
***Are you interested in
becoming a member?***
***Please call the office at
217-586-2147
or email
at pastor@mumc.org***

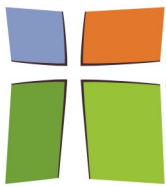
Briana's Farewell - THANK YOU Briana's BIG Buddies for being a part of our community these last couple of years. You will be missed!



Little Jesus Appearance -

He was recently with Karen Wilkinson visiting her granddaughter at Northwestern. Look closely at the "T" on the Northwestern logo. Thank you for sharing little Jesus' travels, Karen!





COMMITTEE REPORTS

EDUCATION

The Education For All Ages-Discipleship Committee met on March 20, 2025. Their Agenda included: (1) A progress report on VBS. (2) A discussion of the Easter Egg Hunt, primarily looking for help hiding the eggs Easter morning, and volunteers for the prize tables. (3) A discussion concerning the lesson development for Children's Church. (a) Maureen Brothman volunteered to take over after Michelle's departure. (b) Summer Children's Church will continue with only one service. (4) A discussion on the future of WOW, now that Brianna's Buddies have discontinued their after school program in our building. (a) The discussion included the history of the program, as well as the options we would like to consider for the future. The discussion will continue at next month's meeting.

**Monthly meetings —
3rd Thursdays @ 6:00 pm
At the Wesley Room**

MISSIONS

Hello from the Missions Team! We will be working with Cunningham Children's Home in the month of April to hold a flip-flop drive for the children at Cunningham. They are in need of flip flops for the summer months for the children of all ages. There will be a donation box in the front lobby area to drop your donations off. The car show "All Wheels Show" will be held Saturday, May 17th—save the date! If you have any ideas for 2025 Missions, please let the Mission Team know. You can email me at christinebunting12@gmail.com or contact me at (217) 402-2866. Thank you so much for all of your support and willingness to volunteer for mission opportunities. We appreciate all of you!

**Monthly Meetings
between services
Phone: 217-402-2866**

FINANCIAL REPORT

Pledged \$23,000

Non-Pledged \$ 4,000

UNRESTRICTED INCOME \$27,000

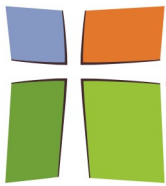
Operating Expenses \$29,000

NET OPERATING \$2,000 LOSS

- YTD unrestricted revenue through the end of February was about \$81,000 (\$66K pledged and \$15K non-pledged) versus unrestricted expenses of \$60K

TRUSTEES

The Trustees met on March 20th. They have decided to replace two HVAC units that were identified as needing replacement during the HVAC Spring inspection. Lanz Heating and Air have been contracted to do the replacement of the two units. There's still one remaining old unit that will need to be replaced in the future. Also, the atrium window seal will be replaced—BVB Glass will fix the window this



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 or by mail by June 1, 2025. MUMC Scholarship Committee will select, notify and award the scholarship based on the information from the questions on the application form.

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:

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

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 Isabelle Purnell Scholarship awarded each year is based on the amount of the dividend that the Isabelle 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.



United Women in Faith

UWF Meeting Times

The next UWF meeting will be held on **Thursday, April 4 at 1 pm**. Pat Davis, President of East District of UWF will be our speaker. Hostess is Carmileta Clark. We invite all women of the church to attend.



United Women in Faith May Brunch

Thursday, May 1 at 9 am

A representative from *Wooden It Be Lovely* will be our featured speaker.

- ◆ Egg Casseroles
- ◆ Fruit
- ◆ Assorted muffins
- ◆ Beverages

Invite a friend. **There is no charge** but please sign up by April 25th so we can have a number attending. Call 217-586-2147 or by email mumc@mumc.org.

Don't Miss:

Cunningham Children's Home Quilt Show

Friday, April 4
9 am-5 pm

Saturday, April 5
9 am - 2 pm

Women's Reading Circle - Meets Second Thursday at 1:30 pm

APRIL: LIFE, LOSS, AND PUFFINS by Catherine Ryan Hyde

Life, Loss, and Puffins is an exhilarating and emotional novel about grief, hope, friendship, and taking life one beautiful and spontaneous day at a time by New York Times bestselling author Catherine Ryan Hyde.

MAY: THE THREAD COLLECTORS by Shauna J. Edwards

1863: In a small Creole cottage in New Orleans, an ingenious young black woman named Stella em-

broiders intricate maps on repurposed cloth to help enslaved men flee and join the Union Army. Bound to a man who would kill her if he knew of her clandestine activities, Stella has to hide not only her efforts, but her love for William, a black soldier and a brilliant musician.

Meanwhile, in New York City, a Jewish woman stitches a quilt for her husband, who is stationed in Louisiana with the Union Army. Between abolitionist meetings, Lily rolls bandages and crafts quilts with her sewing circle for other soldiers, too, hoping for their safe return home. But when months go by without word from her hus-

band, Lily resolves to make the perilous journey South to search for him.

As these two women risk everything for love and freedom during the brutal Civil War, their paths converge in New Orleans, where an unexpected encounter leads them to discover that even the most delicate threads have the capacity to save us. Loosely inspired by the author's family histories, this stunning novel will stay with readers for a long time.

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

APRIL 2025

TUESDAY, APRIL 1

9:30 am — Come Play with Me
6:30 pm — Handbell Practice
7:30 pm — Choir Practice

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2

1:00 pm — Small Group—Hebrews
6:30 pm — Wiseguys Practice
7:00 pm — Praise Band Practice

THURSDAY, APRIL 3

1:00 pm — UWFaith Meeting

SATURDAY, APRIL 5

9:00 am — Illini Carvers
10:00 am — Memory Care Support Group
12:00 pm — A.A.

SUNDAY, APRIL 6

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

MONDAY, APRIL 7

1:00 pm — Monday Missions
1:00 pm — Meet Me at the Table Bible Study
6:30 pm — The Way Bible Study
7:00 pm — Scout Troop #25

TUESDAY, APRIL 8

9:30 am — Come Play with Me
6:00 pm — Safe Sanctuary Training
6:30 pm — Handbell Practice
7:30 pm — Choir Practice

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9

1:00 pm — Small Group—Hebrews
7:00 pm — Praise Band Practice

THURSDAY, APRIL 10

1:30 pm — UWF Reading Circle
6:00 pm — Finance Committee Meeting
6:00 pm — Discipleship Committee Meeting
7:00 pm — Church Council Meeting

SATURDAY, APRIL 12

12:00 pm — A.A.

SUNDAY, APRIL 13

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

MONDAY, APRIL 14

1:00 pm — Monday Missions
1:00 pm — Meet Me at the Table Bible Study
6:30 pm — The Way Bible Study
7:00 pm — Scout Troop #25

TUESDAY, APRIL 15

9:30 am — Come Play with Me
6:30 pm — Handbell Practice
7:30 pm — Choir Practice

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16

1:00 pm — Small Group—Hebrews
1:00 pm — H.C.E. Meeting
6:00 pm — Missions Committee Meeting
6:30 pm — Wiseguys Practice
7:00 pm — Praise Band Practice

THURSDAY, APRIL 17— MAUNDY THURSDAY

7:00 pm — Maundy Thursday Worship Service

FRIDAY, APRIL 18 — GOOD FRIDAY

Good Friday Service Online—Youtube or Facebook

SATURDAY, APRIL 19

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

SUNDAY, APRIL 20—EASTER SUNDAY

9:00 am — Traditional Worship Service
9:45 am — Easter Egg Hunt
10:30 am — Contemporary Worship Service

MONDAY, APRIL 21

1:00 pm — Monday Missions
1:00 pm — Meet Me at the Table Bible Study
7:00 pm — Scout Troop #25

TUESDAY, APRIL 22

9:30 am — Come Play with Me
6:30 pm — Handbell Practice
7:30 pm — Choir Practice

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23

1:00 pm — Spicy Seniors
7:00 pm — Praise Band Practice

THURSDAY, APRIL 24

6:00 pm — Trustees Meeting
7:00 pm — Capital Campaign Meeting

SATURDAY, APRIL 26

12:00 pm — A.A.

SUNDAY, APRIL 27

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

MONDAY, APRIL 28

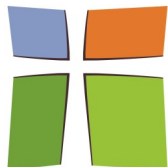
1:00 pm — Monday Missions
7:00 pm — Scout Troop #25

TUESDAY, APRIL 29

9:30 am — Come Play with Me
6:30 pm — Handbell Practice
7:30 pm — Choir Practice

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30

1:00 pm — Small Group—Hebrews
7:00 pm — Praise Band Practice



Just a friendly reminder...

♥ Volunteers are the heart of the church and help it run smoothly. It is more fun when working as a group or with your kids. As opportunities arise, they will be posted in the weekly email; so please let the office know if and when you can help out.

**GOT
NEWS?**

Have an announcement or news that you want to share with everyone?

Please submit no later than the 20th day of the month via office@mumc.org or call 217-586-2147.

APRIL "SEARCHABLE ITEM" CONTEST

Find this item in the newsletter and email
MUMC@MUMC.ORG with page #
and location to be entered.



Last Month's Winner—Nicole Andrews-Hollwedel
Thanks Nicole!
Good luck everyone!

Angel Whisper

In Memory of Joyce Livesay

Let THE
LITTLE
children
Come TO
Me.

MARK 10:14

©blue chair blessing

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

WELCOME Caroline!
Caroline Lucille Dollahon
Born: March 12, 2025
Parents: Kyle & Bri Dollahon
Great Grandparents:
Jack & Alice Dollahon



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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

Rev. Lori Harvey, Pastor ~ pastor@mumc.org

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

Sarah Christman, Office Admin ~ office@mumc.org

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

Dr. Carlos R. Carrillo Cotto, Organist

Jay Simpson, Assistant Praise Band Leader

Dwight Kindle, Custodian ~ cleaning@mumc.org

Deonté Mosely, Choir Director ~ mosely008@gmail.com

April/May Missions

Donations of Flip Flops (teen & adults)

For Cunningham Children's Home



**Tote is on the table in the
Narthex**