



August 2025

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THE MESSENGER

[From Our Pastor: Growing as Disciples Who Make Disciples]

One of the greatest joys and responsibilities we have as followers of Jesus is to grow in our faith and help others do the same.

Paul captures this joy in 2 Timothy 2:2 when he writes, “The things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach others.” That’s four generations of discipleship - Paul to Timothy, Timothy to reliable people, and those people teaching others! This is God’s design: disciples making disciples, generation after generation.

This kind of growth doesn’t happen by accident. It takes intentional time with God and with one another. John Wesley, founder of the Methodist movement, understood this well. He believed transformation didn’t just happen in worship, but also in small, honest, spiritual conversations. That’s why he encouraged Christians to ask each other regularly, “How is it with your soul?” This is a powerful question, not just “how’re you doing,” but “how is your walk with God?”

Such regularly care for one another’s souls can be as simple as meeting over coffee or on a front porch to ask honest questions about each other’s spiritual life, study a passage of Scripture together, pray for and with one another, and encourage and lovingly hold each other accountable.

These soul-centered relationships reflect a commitment to deep fellowship. Yes, church on Sunday morning is vital—but it’s not all there is. If we want to be people who follow Jesus and lead others to him, we must invest in one another.

If you’re interested in starting or joining a discipleship group, please reach out to me. I’d love to meet with you and help you find a good fit. Let’s grow together—not just as Sunday pew-warmers, but as everyday disciples of Jesus, passing on our faith to others.

In Christ,
Pastor Charles

OUTDOOR WORSHIP WITH GUEST SPEAKER REV. JIM CAIN *July 20, 2025*



Last Outdoor Service for Summer 2025

Our third and final summer-outdoor-Sunday-worship-service will be on **August 17**, starting at 9am. Pastor Charles is planning a special service full of joyful praise exercises.

We are also having a **PITCH-IN LUNCH** this Sunday, and everyone is invited to **BRING A DISH TO SHARE**. We will have our pitch-in lunch after doughnuts and coffee and our Sunday morning classes.

Family Fun Festival at Mohawk





STRIKE OUT HUNGER FUNDRAISER:



Mohawk Church will have a team again this year for the bowling fundraiser on Sunday, August 17. If you would like to bowl or donate to the team, please see Burl Bearhope or Leslie Dalton. This is the soup kitchens' major fundraiser for the year to cover their operating expenses (close to \$50,000). Thank you for considering joining and/or donating.

Pizza Fundraiser for Missions

We will start taking orders for pizzas and subs for our annual Pizza Fundraiser for Missions starting **Sunday, August 24**. Our Outreach Team is working on scheduling a date to assemble and pick up the pizzas at the end of September. Proceeds from our Fundraiser will go to help support the Roneys in Latvia (check out their latest summer newsletter on the mission bulletin board) as well as other local missions and families in need.



WILL YOU VOLUNTEER TO SERVE?



The sign-up sheets for August and September are ready in the fellowship hall and on SignUp Genius for anyone who would like to plan ahead to serve during worship. Don't forget, the children can sign up to serve as well if parents are on board with it. Thank you so much for considering to serve in worship.

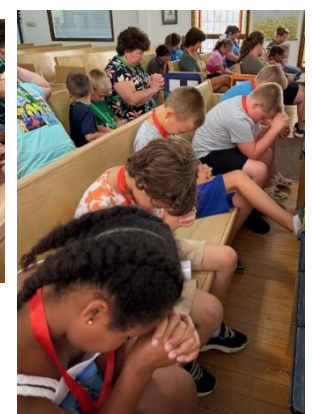
Your help is always appreciated. Here is the link to sign up online at SignUp Genius: [Mohawk United Methodist Church: MUMC Worship Opportunities To Serve \(signupgenius.com\)](https://www.signupgenius.com/mohawk-united-methodist-church-worship-opportunities-to-serve)

CARE COMMITTEE

The Care Committee will host a time of fellowship and food at Tuttle's Orchard Café. Join us for this fun event August 9, 11:00am.



Vacation Bible School 2025 "ROAD TRIP"



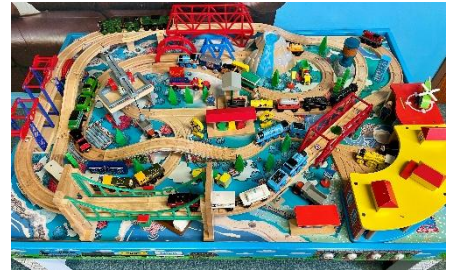
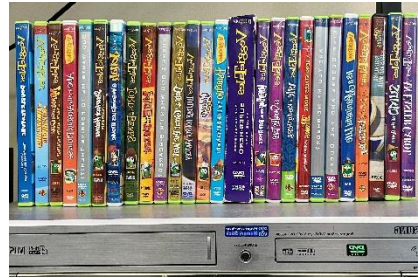




HELP WANTED: MOWING

We need volunteers to cut the grass at the Church in August. If you are available, please sign up in the Fellowship Hall. We appreciate your help.

Look what's new for the children in the Youth Room



COMMUNITY KICKBALL GAME

Mohawk UMC had a community kickball game July 20, 2025. Everybody had a great time!



August Birthdays & Anniversaries

1st Sarai Pelc
2nd Lorraine Ewing
6th Gerald Phares
17th Nora Blair
20th Tim Plank
30th Leisa Harmon
30th Helen Jackson
31st Brooke Lane



NOTE: If you notice any birthday or anniversary dates missing, please contact us in the office. mohawkumc@gmail.com



18th Pastor Charles & Carrie Pelc
27th Ben & Connie Wilson
29th Chuck & Leanne Dix

Midwest Missions Trip

Five volunteers from our church will be traveling to the Midwest Missions distribution center in Illinois from **August 20-23** to help assemble mission kits, which are distributed to people in need around the world and around the corner, restore bikes and sewing machines, and make desks from reclaimed wood for students throughout the country.

FINANCE COMMITTEE NEWS

* The expenses listed in this chart include amounts paid for insurance for \$7,000, roof repair for \$900, new air conditioner / furnace, and parking lot lights for \$11,200.

Mohawk United Methodist Church Finances

	2025						2024
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Year to Date
Income:							
General Offering	12,694	8,906	11,153	12,672	9,667	32,707	78,985
Other	207	332	3,613	1,482	661	1,047	11,802
Total Income	12,901	9,238	14,766	14,154	10,328	33,754	95,142
Expenses:							
Tithe	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,555
Utilities	2,653	1,503	912	774	744	2,331	6,367
Other	2,920	2,438	2,038	8,119	19,708	3,578	25,418
Wages	8,350	8,146	12,128	8,355	8,636	8,040	59,966
Total Expenses	13,923	12,088	15,078	17,248	29,088	13,948	96,306
Net Income (Loss)	(1,022)	(2,850)	(312)	(3,093)	(18,761)	19,806	(6,232)

Budget Comparison

General Offering Budget	16,807	16,807	16,807	16,807	16,807	16,807	100,842	98,910
Over (Short)	(4,113)	(7,901)	(5,654)	(4,135)	(7,140)	15,900	(13,043)	(19,925)

Non General Fund Restricted Donations

1,240	120	-			5,000	6,360	-
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