

THE MESSENGER

March 2026



[From Our Pastor: The Patient Joy of Easter]

April brings us once again to the radiant joy of Easter. One of the beautiful truths of Easter is that the risen Jesus is never in a hurry with us. After his resurrection, the disciples were confused, frightened, and unsure of what to do next. Yet Jesus patiently came to them again and again. He waited for Mary Magdalene outside the tomb until her grief gave way to recognition (John 20:16). He walked beside the disciples on the road to Emmaus until their hearts began to burn within them (Luke 24:32). He stood among the fearful disciples and gently said, "Peace be with you" (John 20:19).

Jesus patiently waits for us to gather our scattered thoughts, compose ourselves after the burdens of life, and regain our voice when grief or fear has silenced us. He waits as we find our way back from the places that feel like graves—moments of disappointment, regret, exhaustion, or loss. And when we do, we discover that he is already there, arms open, ready to welcome us into his intimate resurrection embrace.

This Easter, I encourage you to find fresh ways to experience Jesus. The resurrection means he is not distant. He is alive and present among us. As he promised, "I am with you always, to the very end of the age" (Matthew 28:20). So, this Easter season, take time to slow down and come near to him. Let him meet you where you are. Allow him to lift you out of whatever grave you may be standing in and lead you into the joy of his new life.

In Christ,
Pastor Charles



3rd Bryon Hartzog
 3rd Jason Musselman
 4th Bruce Beeker
 6th Marcia Brown
 7th Shawn Lovins
 7th Glen Thompson
 14th Eleanor Wenning
 19th Candice Bauer
 19th Marianne Nichols



12th Bob & Helen Jackson
 13th Dan & Katie Hooker
 19th Dan & Candice Bauer

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

Bryan Hutson in Concert May 22, 2026 Music Ministry



Soup's On! With Roberts Park UMC





Ladies Soup Luncheon

Speaker: Laura Phares

Topic: Quilting

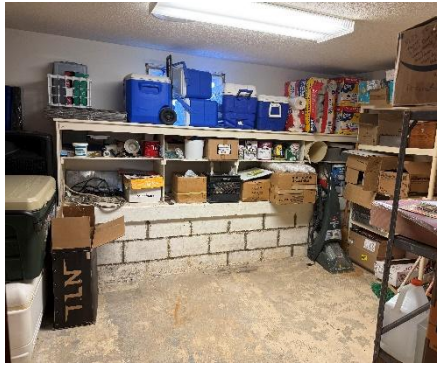
The Ladies Soup Luncheon gathered together on March 7 at the beautiful home of Laura Phares for delicious food and wonderful fellowship. Laura Phares shared her expertise about quilting with everyone along with fabulous displays of quilts.



All Church Spring Cleaning Day

March 28th was Mohawk UMC's spring cleaning day to prepare the church for Easter. Many people came and rolled up their sleeves to help with this very important event.





CARE PACKAGES

We will be collecting goodies for end of the year care packages. We will have the boxes (care packages) in the fellowship hall ready for you to place goodies into on April 12th & 19th. We have 4 college and 1 military.

MOHAWK UMC'S 130TH CELEBRATION

Looking ahead to the church's 130th celebration, Rhonda will be sending out invitations to those who have been a part of the church family in the past and ministers who have served in the past. If you can think of someone who should receive an invitation, would you please give the names and addresses to her. If you don't have an address, we will do our best to find one.






Mohawk UMC 2026 HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE



Palm Sunday
March 29
9am
Children's
Parade



Holy Thursday
April 2
7pm
Communion



Good Friday
April 3
7pm
Hammering
The Nails



Easter Sunrise
April 5
7am
An Interactive
Service



Easter Main
April 5
9am
He IS Risen!



Egg Hunt
April 5
10:15am

FINANCE COMMITTEE NEWS

Mohawk United Methodist Church Finances

	2026			2025
	Jan	Feb	Year to Date	Year to Date
Income:				
General Offering	5,940	16,525	22,465	21,600
Other	540	5,904	6,444	539
Total Income	6,480	22,429	28,909	22,139
Expenses:				
Tithe	653	1,818	2,471	-
Utilities	1,444	3,386	4,830	4,157
Other	2,320	1,523	3,843	5,358
Wages	8,331	8,015	16,346	16,497
Total Expenses	12,748	14,742	27,490	26,011
Net Income (Loss)	(6,268)	7,687	1,419	(3,872)

Budget Comparison				
General Offering Budget	16,975	16,975	33,949	33,614
Over (Short)	(11,035)	(450)	(11,484)	(12,014)

Non General Fund Restricted Donations				
	-	-	-	1,360