

## A Letter from Your Discipleship Pastor...

Dear Mulder Church family,

I have a favorite word. I don't know if that's a normal thing: for someone to have a favorite word. But I recognize that I'm not normal. So maybe it's just me. But I have a favorite word.

That favorite word isn't even an English word. It's a Greek word. That word is the word: "*Telos*" (or, in Greek, τέλος) *Telos* isn't easy to translate into English, but if we were to translate it, I think the best translation is this: *the ultimate purpose or end toward which something is directed*.

Maybe an example would help: every Saturday in the fall, thousands of young men don helmets of crimson, white, orange, blue, and any number of other inferior colors for one *telos*: to win a national championship. Everything these men do, from what they eat to who they associate with to how they spend their free time is centered around that one objective. A national championship, their *telos*, is not just the finish line, but the *reason for the very existence of the team*. At least, that's true for some teams. Every coach that hopes to be playing the first weekend of December and into January wants each player to have that *telos*. That's how a team wins a championship.

Why is all of this in a church newsletter? Because it's important to be reminded of our *telos*, both as individuals and as a church. Our *telos*, as we talked about this summer in our "This is the Way" sermon series, is for each person to live a life centered around 3 goals: to be with Jesus, become like Jesus, and do as He did. This is the *telos* of our spiritual formation, of our walk with Christ.

We call the process this involves "discipleship." Aligning my life around those three goals, and helping others to do the same, is one of my core passions in life. That's why I'm excited to share that the Staff Parish Relations Committee has approved a title change for me from Associate Pastor to Discipleship Pastor.

This is more of a response to what my role at Mulder has become rather than a new role for me. Core to my calling as a pastor is the desire to see people grow in their discipleship under Jesus: their growth in being with Jesus, becoming like Him, and doing as He did. Among my other responsibilities, I will continue my work in overseeing groups and classes here at Mulder—empowering leaders to create environments conducive to transformation into the image of Jesus—and meeting with you in your home, at the hospital, in my office, or over lunch or coffee as we seek together to hear God's voice beckoning "Come, follow me."

Your *telos*, and mine too, is to be with, become like, and do as our rabbi, Jesus, did. This is the reason for our very existence. I'm excited and honored to play a part in walking alongside you as we aim for that *telos*.

Your Discipleship Pastor,

Pastor Hunter

## NOVEMBER 2025

**Connecting** with God  
**Growing** in Christ  
**Serving** Others



**REMINDER:**  
Daylight savings time  
ends on November 2.

### Chat & Chew

The Chat & Chew ministry  
will not be meeting in  
November.

### Church Office Closed

Tuesday, November 11  
for Veteran's Day

Wednesday & Thursday,  
November 26 & 27  
for Thanksgiving.

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# CHILDREN'S NEWS



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## Sunday Mornings in Kidstown

Nursery provided at 8AM, 9:30AM & 11AM (6 weeks-Pre K)

**9:30AM - Build Up Jr:** K-1st graders meet in Noah's Boat Shop

**9:30AM - Build Up:** 2nd-4th graders meet in Carter Hall

**9:30AM - Route 56:** 5th & 6th graders meet in Rt 56 room (behind Carter Hall)

**11:00AM - Build Up:** K-6th graders meet in Carter Hall

\*Students may be divided into smaller groups by age at 11:00 in the future based on attendance and volunteers.\*

## Wednesday Nights in Kidstown, 6-7pm

Club Kidstown (Kindergarten-6th Grade)

All ages meet for Bible Story, scripture memorization, games, activities and a snack.

K & 1st graders meet in Noah's Boat Shop

2nd-6th graders meet in Carter Hall

**Memory Verse:** "Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever." Psalm 107:1

## Club Kidstown Fall Party: November 19th, 6-7pm

Our last Wednesday night for the fall semester is November 19th. We will have pizza and fun fall activities to celebrate our semester of Club Kidstown.

**Save The Date:** Jammies for Jesus, December 14th

On December 14th all children in Kidstown are invited to wear pjs to church. We will have Christmas parties for K-6th graders during the 9:30 & 11:00 hours.

## Part-time Nursery Position:

We are looking to hire someone to join our nursery staff. Must be 16 or older, love Jesus and love children to apply. Must be able to pass a background check. Usually 12-20 hours a month. The hours are mostly on Sundays and Wednesdays. You can pick up an application in the church office or email [jennifer@mulderchurch.com](mailto:jennifer@mulderchurch.com) for more info.

## Stay up to date on what's happening in Kidstown, join our Remind.

For all ages, Nursery-6th grade text @mulderk to 81010.

Specifically for Route 56 (5th & 6th grade) text @ekf7A to 81010.

You can also us out on Facebook at Mulder Holden.



**WOW** invites you to:  
*celebrate the greatest gift of all*



**Saturday, December 6 at 11 AM**

**Join us for a devotional, chili, cocoa bar & cookies, Christmas carols, a craft & more!**  
**\$10 per ticket. Tickets go on sale November 16 and will be sold each Sunday until the event.**

**This holiday season, we are collecting non-perishable food items as our service project.**

# November Birthdays & Anniversaries

| Sun                                                                                   | Mon                                                                    | Tue                                                                       | Wed                                                                                                    | Thu                                                             | Fri                                                                                                     | Sat                                                                       |
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|                                                                                       |                                                                        |                                                                           |                                                                                                        |                                                                 |                                                                                                         | 1<br>Zelishia Storrs<br>Luke Rylan Wyatt<br>Ann Mason Holmes<br>JB Holmes |
| 2<br>Gavin Fuller<br>Amanda Rollan<br>Janiya Kirkland<br>*Mark & Jill<br>Baker        | 3<br>Sophia Whatley<br>Jamey McGowin<br>Emmie Gale Holmes<br>Dan Caban | 4<br>Morgan Hilyer                                                        | 5<br>Suzan Standridge                                                                                  | 6<br>Diane Davis<br>Taylor Hilyer<br>*Brent & Emily<br>Watson   | 7<br>Roxann Becker<br>Keith Boling<br>Ben Bateman<br>*Ernie & Eleanor<br>Bayford                        | 8<br>Danny Hooks<br>Justin Brown                                          |
| 9<br>Carl McDevitt<br>Zack Lewis                                                      | 10<br>Sylvia Payne<br>Riley Jarome<br>*Corey & Meagan<br>Tanner        | 11<br>Carson Jones<br>Carrie Littlefield<br>Kim Wallace<br>Hunter Johnson | 12<br>Clive Barganier<br>Nancy Cooper<br>Joan Yarnell<br>Jennifer Harris<br>Mike Kurth<br>Cathy Lillis | 13<br>Dan Aude<br>Markay Auen<br>*Steven & Betsy<br>Bargainnier | 14<br>*Tracy & Audra<br>Pfannkuche                                                                      | 15<br>Caitlin Yarbrough                                                   |
| 16<br>Josh Smith<br>Cooper Smith<br>Brady Amerson<br>*Winston & Carrie<br>Littlefield | 17<br>Craig Schimmer                                                   | 18<br>Harper Hilyer<br>Jason Burge<br>Lottie Stone                        | 19<br>Adam Trippe<br>Rachel Dendy                                                                      | 20<br>Tara Young                                                | 21<br>Tawanna Aude<br>Margie Flomer<br>Cindy Krueger<br>Jim Ward<br>Allie Sims<br>*Joe & Debra<br>Price | 22<br>Kay Smith                                                           |
| 23<br>Barbara Jones<br>Jaxon Harper<br>Jane Claire Carter                             | 24<br>Julianna Rogers<br>Miles Holden<br>Christian Boling              | 25<br>Seth Aude<br>Raelene Sanders<br>Amanda Flaherty<br>Emily Ryan       | 26<br>Marty Baker<br>Marie Anderson<br>Barbara Brown<br>Beth Bielen                                    | 27<br>Angel Ryer                                                | 28<br>*Larry & Glenda<br>Ray                                                                            | 29                                                                        |
| 30<br>Ramona Ebbinga<br>Darby Stone<br>*Ramona &<br>Stewart Ebbinga                   |                                                                        |                                                                           |                                                                                                        |                                                                 |                                                                                                         |                                                                           |

## Financial Info for 2025/2026 Fiscal Year - 7/01/2025-09/30/2025:

| Budget    | Contributions | Expenses  | Contributions vs. Budget | Contributions vs. Expenses |
|-----------|---------------|-----------|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| \$292,031 | \$283,072     | \$234,217 | -\$8,959                 | \$48,855                   |



**ZAMBIA**  
**CHRISTMAS PROJECT**  
for Orphans & Vulnerable  
Children

Pick up a shoe box beginning November 23.  
Fill your shoe box and return by December 24.

For a list of suggested items or more info,  
pick up a flyer from the resource table outside  
of the worship center.



## Café Mulder



Tuesday, November 4, 2025  
7am-7pm

Mulder serves as a polling site for Elmore County.  
We need volunteers to help greet and hand out snacks.  
We also need donations of baked goods and snacks.

If you don't like to bake, we are also accepting  
prepackaged snack items such as cookies, cakes,  
crackers, chips, nuts, etc.

To sign up for a shift or for more information,  
contact the church office.

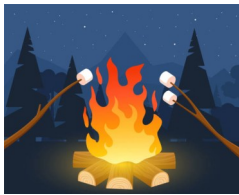
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**Ascend Student Ministries****Legends of the Fall Crowning- Wednesday, November 5, 6-7pm**

Join us to find out who will be crowned the winner of Legends of the Fall Season 7. We'll have pizza, snacks and games.

**Youth Bonfire - Sunday, November 23, 4-6pm**

Students grades 7-12 are invited to a bonfire. Join us as we wrap up our *Bonfire* series with a cookout, s'mores, and field games.

**Luminary Fundraiser**

During our Christmas Eve services, luminaries are placed around the worship center in honor of or in memory of individuals we will list on screen at the beginning of each service. Each luminary cost \$5 and 100% of proceeds go toward students' youth accounts. If you wish to purchase luminaries just get with one of our students. Student forms will be available outside the church office on Sunday, November 16th. All names and funds are due in the church office by December 14th.

**Stay Connected** - Follow the youth Instagram page at "mulderyouth" and check out the youth Facebook page by searching Mulder Youth. If you wish to be added to the text message group, contact Tonya in the church office.