

## A Letter from Your Senior Pastor...

### Welcome! What Comes Next?

Easter Sunday is always one of the most joyful days of the year at Mulder Church. Every year, I am grateful to see the Worship Center and hallways full of friends and neighbors, to worship together, and to celebrate the good news that Jesus Christ is risen! If you are one of the many guests joining us this year, I want to say: **we are glad you are here.** And if Mulder Church has been your church home for many years, I want to remind you of a beautiful truth, that what we celebrate at Easter is not just for a single day; it is the center of who we are and why we are here.

At Mulder Church, our mission is simple: **connecting with God, growing in Christ, and serving others.** Everything we do flows from that. We believe God invites every person into a real relationship with Him, that following Jesus changes our lives over time, and that the church exists not just for itself but for the sake of the world God loves.

Easter reminds us that new life is possible. The weeks after Easter are where we learn what it looks like to live that new life. Beginning the Sunday after Easter, we will start a new sermon series called “**Who’s Responsible?**” In a world where things often feel broken or out of control, it’s easy to ask: What is God’s part? What is our part? What is not our part? And who do we blame when the world seems to be falling apart? This series will help us think clearly and faithfully about those questions, whether you are new to church or have been walking with Christ for many years.

One of the best ways to grow during a series like this is not just to listen on Sunday, but to talk and pray with others during the week. We have sermon discussion guides available each Sunday, and our Sunday School classes and Wednesday night groups and classes continue. Several **Sermon Grow Groups** are beginning this new series together, and anyone can jump in at any time.

If you are newer to Mulder Church and would like to learn more about who we are, I invite you to our next **Connect Class** beginning April 12 and meeting for four consecutive Sundays from 9:30–10:30. To sign up, email [info@mulderchurch.com](mailto:info@mulderchurch.com).

We are also looking ahead to summer, and **Vacation Bible School registration opens online April 22**, so families can begin planning now.

Whether you have been here for years or are visiting because of Easter, my prayer is the same: that Mulder Church would be a place where you can know God more deeply, grow in your faith, and find your place in what God is doing.

Thank you for being part of this church family. And if you are still deciding whether this could be your church home, I hope you will come again. There is always a next step, and there is a place for you here.

Grace and peace,

*Pastor Jonathan*

# April 2026

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



### Easter Schedule

Good Friday Service  
Friday, April 3 at 6PM

Easter Services  
Sunday, April 5  
8AM • 9:30AM • 11AM

Office Closed  
Monday, April 6

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### Stay Connected

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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 (K-4th Grade) & Rt 56 Small Groups

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

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

2nd-4th graders meet in Carter Hall

5th & 6th grade boys in Route 56 & girls in John the Baptist room.

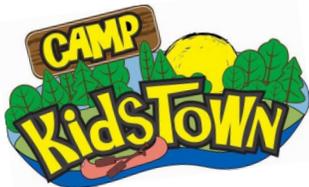
### Memory Verse

"Two people are better than one. They can help each other in everything they do." Ecclesiastes 4:9

### Camp Kidstown Registration

Camp Kidstown packets are available outside the church office and at the Kidstown welcome desk. Camp is for students currently in 3rd-6th grade. We will be at Camp Chandler June 3rd-6th. Registration ends May 4th.

**\*\*We still have male chaperone spots open if any dads are interested in serving.\*\***



### What A Mess VBS: July 12th-15th, 6-8PM

Our 2026 Vacation Bible School will be open to children K-6th and nursery will be provided for VBS volunteers with Pre-K children. Online registration will open April 20th. Save the date!



## Building Committee Update

The Building Committee thanks everyone who completed our congregational survey online and those who attended an in person meeting. Your input will benefit the planning process as we move forward. The architectural firm is working to provide initial master plans soon. We appreciate your prayers and your patience during this time.

# April Birthdays & Anniversaries

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Carrie Alston	2 Carol Bulkley Harper Lewis April Payne	3 Evan Wright	4
5 Landon Jennings Macey Kirkland Austin Wyatt Easton Wyatt *John & Donna Garrison	6 Erwin Becker Evelyn Carter *Lee & Debbie Banker *Brian & Tisha Ward	7 Elliott Wasden Chelsea Zimmerman *Rodney & Amy Smith	8 Amy Hooks *Don & Dianne Wilson	9 Terence Holtzclaw Claire Whetstone *Matt & April Payne	10 Hassey Brooks Jason Trippe	11 Reese Watson Liam Zimmerman *Joey & Amber Holmes *Jack & Vicki Jackson *David & Cindy Rogers
12 Sherrie Boone Brad Owen Greg Vinson *Jon & Kaitlyn Hicks	13 Abigail Smith	14 Nina Bonds Anna Dozier Dallas Roebing *Jane Claire & Brent Carter	15 Adam Easley Gavin Rhodes	16 Betsy Bargainnier Kelsey Smith *Karson & Lindsey Whatley	17 Brendalynn Melton Daniel O'Ferrell Kent Whetstone	18 Sarah Bateman William Crosby Hannah Oakley *Patricia & Frank Harris *Shannon & Chris Jones
19 Ella Kate Baker	20 Michael Boone	21 Debra Burnside *Ben & Kirsten Busbee *Jonathan & Kristen Wright	22	23	24 Philip Kelley	25 McKinley Garrity *Christine & Duane Drost *Joey & Kami Scarborough
26 Valerie Dixon Patty Lambrecht *Ralph & Kim McBride	27 Krissy Landers	28 Will Reese *Jonathan & Jane Crosby	29 Brooke Smith *Tommy & Michelle Holmes	30 Mack Roberts		

## Financial Info for 2025/2025 Fiscal Year: 7/01/2025-2/28/2026:

<b>Budget</b> \$763,775	<b>Contributions</b> \$809,118	<b>Expenses</b> \$631,219	<b>Contributions vs. Budget</b> \$45,343	<b>Contributions vs. Expenses</b> \$177,899
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## Chat & Chew



**April 14 at 11:30AM in Carter Hall**

Join us for Taco Tuesday and Bingo!

**We need a headcount to plan for food!**

Sign up sheets are on the bulletin boards and in the classrooms. No charge, but donations accepted to cover meal costs.

For more info, contact Tracie Setzer at 334-300-4002.



## Celebrate Recovery

Mulder's Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered recovery program for anyone struggling with hurts, habits, and hang-ups of any kind. It is a safe place to find community and freedom from the issues that are controlling our life.

**Friday Nights, 6-8:30PM in Carter Hall**

For more information please contact Tracy Pfannkuche at (334)296-2774 or Audra Pfannkuche at (334)300-8273.

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## Ascend Student Ministries

### **Class of 2026 Senior Sunday**

Seniors and Parents of Seniors- we'll be honoring the graduating class of 2026 on the morning of Sunday, May 3. If you plan to participate, please email [mara@mulderchurch.com](mailto:mara@mulderchurch.com) by April 6th.



### **Youth Wednesdays, 6:00-7:00pm**

Students grades 7-12 are invited to Wednesday night activities in the Worship Center.

### **Youth Sunday School, Sundays at 9:30am**

Students grades 7-12 are invited for a Sunday school lesson in the youth room. Snack provided.

### **Ascend Student Ministry, Sundays, 4:30-6:00pm**

Students grades 7-12 are invited to Sunday afternoon activities from 4:30-6pm. Doors open at 4pm. Our Ascend Student services include worship, teaching, games and small groups.

### **Stay Connected**

Follow the youth Instagram page at "mulderyouth", check out the youth Facebook page by searching Mulder Youth or email [tonya@mulderchurch.com](mailto:tonya@mulderchurch.com).