
Mentor United Methodist Church

WEEKLY UPDATE

Sunday, May 2, 2021

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I professed my faith at Grant Methodist Church in Hardin County, Ohio. I can picture myself standing at the front of the church. And, I have the bible that my parents gave me that day. My mother wrote in the front, and both mother and dad signed it:

May you use this for a blessed and richer life as you join church –

I'm not sure I totally understood all that was happening on that day. Yet my home church nurtured and cared for me in the faith; kept pointing me to Jesus. And, all these years later I know I have a blessed and rich life because Jesus is still a part of my journey.

This weekend our confirmation class members will profess their faith in Jesus. They are just beginning their journey. They still have questions. Yet they are willing to believe in Jesus and become part of a community that will help them keep growing.

Thank you for being part of a faith community where Jesus is believed, sought after, worshiped, served, and shared. This weekend we are all reminded of the importance of a body of believers who help nurture us and care for us. As a faith community we abide in the vine ... and as we do we bear fruit. We impact others, including teenagers who are courageous enough to believe Jesus is who he says he is, and trust a community to help them keeping growing in their faith.

Will you join me in praying for and nurturing some teens?
That they may have a blessed and rich life in Christ

Pastor Sondra

Sunday Morning Services

The YouVersion link for this week is
<https://bible.com/events/48652097>

Join us for online worship!
9 AM Modern and 11 AM Traditional
[Facebook](#), [YouTube](#) and
our [website www.mentorumc.org](http://www.mentorumc.org)

Confirmation Class

Welcome to our new members who will be confirmed this morning:

Zane Edwin Aljabi

Jack Daniel Cuff

Lydia Anne Kennedy

Jillian Elise Medvecky

Jonathan Arthur Nemelka

Joseph Nephi Nemelka IV

Alexander James Ogrin

Darin Michael Petrowski

Tyler Alan Rhoads

Sign Up Genius Links for In-Person Worship

Sign up at these links:

[May 9 Modern Worship 9 AM](#)

[May 9 Traditional Worship 11 AM](#)

Mentor Mondays

Our prayer focus this week is the confirmation class.

Congregational Care

Members admitted to the Hospital:

Hillcrest - Jon Yagoda • Cleveland Clinic - Nancy Stack

Members admitted to Rehab, Assisted Living or Nursing Home Facility:

Aberdeen Crossing - Barbara Bradarich
The Enclave - Kay Disbro • Brookdale Mentor - Norma Kuzik
Mentor Ridge - Gloria Meyer • Parker Place - Opal Pinasky
Danbury Senior Living - Ross & Kathryn Bevacqua • Kirtland Rehab - Nancy Markell
Maple Ridge Sr. Living - Bob Chamberlin • Brookdale Wickliffe - Fran Rose
Tapestry Senior Living - Gloria McFeely • Lake Med - Lorraine Ahlstrom
Fairmount - Patricia Laubscher, Marty Ellsworth • Concord Village - Bill Owens
Continuing Healthcare of Mentor - Virginia Gilman

Members who have returned home or are homebound:

Karen Mancini, John Hurley, Sarah Wade, Dale Snyder, David Wilson, Joan Evans, Carl Snyder, Jeanne Babcock, Barb Zimmerman, Noel Barber, Glenn Beaver, Joyce Ragan, Bob Williams, Spike Sudekum, Sally Carr, Ken Pleska, Richard Carpenter, Tom Erbaugh

Our sympathy to John and Lynne Reno in the passing of their son John on April 25.

Young Adult Women Journey Group

This new Journey Group will meet on May 4 at 6 PM. We will use a hybrid format with options to participate either in-person or online.

Together we will be reading Megan Fate Marshman's book Meant for God. Copies are available for purchase in the Church Office.

If you have questions or want more information please reach out to Pastor Mikayla at mdoepker@mentorumc.org or (440)255-3496 ext. 111.

Blood Drive

The Red Cross will hold a blood drive at MUMC on May 11. Sign up at redcrossblood.org.

Food Ministry Food Donation Drop-Off LAST DAY

MUMC will hold a drive thru food donation drop off under the Gallery portico on Saturday, May 1, and Sunday, May 2, from 10 AM to 2 PM. Please use the list below to fill a box or bag to donate. These items will be used for our last food distribution in May.

If you would like to make a monetary donation, please choose FOOD as the fund online or mark your check Food Distribution. Each box of food given is valued at approximately \$50.

Items most needed:

- **ravioli** • **Spaghetti-O's** • **Hamburger Helper**
- **brownie mix** • **applesauce (24 oz.)**

This event will be COVID safe with donors remaining in their vehicles with masks on. Download the [list with information here](#).



MUMC Family Style Sunday Morning Kids' Journey Groups are every Sunday morning at 10:10-10:50 AM. Check your email for login details or contact Tammy at tpalermo@mentorumc.org.

PS, K, 1st gr led by Kate & Abby Colbow
2nd, 3rd, 4th gr led by Tammy Palermo / Amy Markijohn
5th & 6th gr led by Barb Brown & Leah Nash

YOUTH 56 meets Wednesday, May 5 at Mentor UMC to make dinner for Project Hope. On May 16, all youth in grades 5-12 are invited to meet at Chip's Clubhouse to putt-putt at 1:00 PM. See [the website](#) for the remaining dates and details!

MOPS & MOMSnext meets Friday, May 14, at 9:00 AM and Thursday, May 27, at 8:00 PM. The group will be meeting virtually until further notice. The theme is [Decide to Rise](#) and is very appropriate and timely. Contact MOPS at mops@mentorumc.org for more information.

For those who like to plan ahead, here are the dates for Summer 2021:

June 28-July 2
Vacation Bible School & Get Out Doors (G.O.D.) Camp
July 12-16 & 19-23
Theatre Arts Camp



[REGISTRATION IS OPEN](#)



Camp Sunday is today, May 2 from 12:15-1:15 PM. Stop by the church Sanctuary parking lot to enjoy some camp activities including games, crafts, and snacks. Tammy Palermo will have information on our East Ohio Camps.

Change the World Day will be Saturday May 22. We will meet at Mentor UMC at 9 AM to gather in our groups and end around 12 PM. This year, we will hold a prayer walk in our community, plant flowers and deliver planters, and create cards for our shut-ins. A Signup Genius is available at [this link](#). We look forward to you changing the world with us! If you have any questions, contact Bill Mueller at 440-463-5540 or bil.mueller.home@gmail.com.

NO Youth Group May 2 or May 9

Youth Group will be Wednesday May 5 from 6:30-8:30 PM
It's A Star Wars Night
Come dressed as your favorite Star Wars Character*, swing at a pinata, and watch some Star Wars shows. Please eat dinner before arriving. Some snacks will be provided while we eat socially distanced.

Please [SIGN UP HERE](#) or contact Leah Nash at lnash@mentorumc.org.

*Please note you do not need to dress in costume to attend or be a star wars nerd.

Girls on the Run

MUMC is proud to support our Girls on the Run team: Olivia, Brooklin, Renee, and Paige! Thank you to coaches Lynn, Claire, Bev, and Ken. Cheer on our team as they complete their 5K on May 15 at 10 AM at Mentor High School Jerome Osborne Stadium.

This is not a “race” but a celebration of all they have learned and trained for this season. They will put their training to the test and compete against themselves to finish. Let’s cheer them on! Admission is free and the stadium is large to allow for distancing.

If you have any questions, contact Bev Lee at beverly.k.lee@gmail.com. We will have teams in the fall so watch for sign-up information later this summer.



A grief support group for those experiencing the loss of a loved one.

**Thursdays from 3:30 PM to 5:00 PM
May 13 thru July 15, 2021
Mentor United Methodist Church**

**Join us for a 10-week support program using the book
“Beyond the Broken Heart: A Journey Through Grief.”**



**Register by contacting
Rev. Barb Holzhauser
440-255-3496 ext. 106
bholzhauser@mentorumc.org.
The cost is \$7 and includes the book.**

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Graduating Seniors

As we get closer to the end of the school year, we want to honor those who are graduating both in our service on June 13 and with a gift. If you or your student is graduating high school, college, or graduate school, let us know!

Please fill out this [FORM](#) to make sure we have all the needed information. If you have questions, you can email Leah Nash at lnash@mentorumc.org or call her at the church at 440-255-3496 extension 114. We can't wait to share in this exciting time with you!

Community Service Opportunity

See our website at mentorumc.org/community-service-opportunities for all the information about Royal Family Kids Camp. There are many ways you can help.



Annual Mother's Day Plant Sale

May 7-9

Proceeds support the Youth Service Project

Sale held at MUMC

**hanging baskets, ferns, large pots,
and limited flats**

Friday, May 7, 10-7

Saturday, May 8, 9-7

Sunday, May 9, 9-1

