Mentor United Methodist Church Weekly Update

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February 13, 2022 Modern Worship at 9 AM and 11 AM

The Gathering - 10:15 in The Chapel

Traditional Worship at 9 AM and 11 AM

Worship with us online every Sunday at 9 and 11 AM Mentorumc.org, Facebook, and Youtube

Dear Friends in Christ,

As we continue our journey with the prophet, Habakkuk, this week we consider how we choose confidence over doubt. What are you confident in?

Confidence = trust, reliance, assurance, certainty, belief

I'm confident that my coffee maker will work, my faucet will yield water, my car will start, my children will call. My confidence grows based on past experience. In fact, on days that things fail to meet my expectations or hopes and dreams, I can still choose to be confident because of a past reality.

Our faith is based on God's love for us. Every day we choose to believe God is for us and at work and empowering and loving us. or not. Even on the hardest day, our past experience of God's faithfulness is the truth to build our lives on. We learn to deal with our frustration and disappointment as we continually place our cares before our God who is steadfast and loving. We help one another through the lows and difficulties of life as we share our faith stories.

God's faithfulness is everlasting ... even when all else fails. Will you choose this day ... to be confident in God?

I will!

Pastor Sondra



You Version The You Version link for this week is <u>https://www.bible.com/events/48841230</u>



Pastors' Bus Pass Challenge

Pastors Sondra and Mikayla are challenging our congregation to buy bus passes. These will support the ministries of The Refugee Response in Cleveland, Project Hope for the Homeless in Lake County, and Mentor UMC. You can help someone with transportation by "buying a bus pass" in The Gallery before or after worship or by marking your giving "Pastors' Bus Pass Challenge." We can love our neighbors during these cold months by providing warm transportation. You can track the challenge progress by scanning the QR Code.





Souper Bowl of Caring

As we gear up for the big game, please consider donating to the <u>Souper Bowl of Caring</u>. Will you choose Ohio's team or the Rams?

This is our 18th year participating, and **Project HOPE** will once again be the recipient of your donations. You can donate via our online giving or by placing your donation in one of the soup cans after worship.

Congregational Care

In our prayers today and in your personal prayer time, please remember the following:

Members admitted to Rehab, Assisted Living or Nursing Home Facility: Aberdeen Crossing - Barbara Bradrich ~ The Enclave - Kay Disbro, Jeanne Babcock, Jim, and Mary Lou Haines Vista Springs - Audrey Arslanian ~ Salida Woods - Doris Sturm Continuing Healthcare of Mentor - Virginia Gilman Parker Place - Bill Owen, Bob and Sandy Linsell, Opal Pinasky Danbury Senior Living - Kathryn Bevacqua, Hugh Samson Maple Ridge Sr. Living - Bob Chamberlin ~ Brookdale Wickliffe - Fran Rose Tapestry Senior Living - Gloria McFeely ~ Symphony of Mentor - Lorraine Ahlstrom Breckinridge/Fairmount - Patricia Laubscher ~ Menorah Park - Dee Smith

Members who are home or homebound:

Karen Scott, Ruth Johnson, Noel Barber, Dale Snyder, Kathy Rippin, Karen Mancini, Doris Aplis, Mary Jane Scott, Rob Doepker, Glenn McKinney, Kelly Kuczynski

Love and Sympathy to the family of Ilo Toncre. The Toncre Family belonged to Mentor UMC prior to relocating to Michigan many years ago. Mrs. Toncre's graveside was at Mentor Cemetery on Feb. 11. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. (MT 5:4)

Spring Flowers

It is a tradition at Mentor United Methodist Church to place spring flowers on the altar for Easter services in the memory or appreciation of a loved one(s) or for the glory of God. Plants are \$8.00 each.

The Link to fill out the information form as to the type of flowers and relative information <u>click here</u> Once the form has been completed you can send them to Kathy Fellows at: <u>kathy.fellows79@gmail.com</u>

To make your payment online, choose "Easter Flowers" as the fund at this link <u>http://mentorumc.org/onlinegiving</u>. or make checks payable to Mentor United Methodist Church, c/o Altar Guild Easter Flowers, 8600 Mentor Ave., Mentor, OH 44060 or drop of at the church.



CHILDREN & FAMILY MINISTRIES

www.mentorumc.org/children

MUMC Sunday Morning Kids

9:00 am at MUMC

- 0-2 year old & amp; 3-4-Year-old sign-in at the Early Childhood Area prior to service
- Kindergarten through 6th grade begin in worship with their families and then be dismissed to the Education Wing.
- Leaders are needed for <u>Spring</u>. Please note that all leaders are asked to wear a mask as we LOVE GOD & LOVE PEOPLE.

FAMILIES are encouraged to be ACTIVE participants in Family Worship on the first Sunday of each month. Please sign up for <u>March 6</u>.

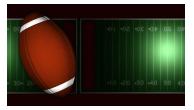
Pre-Registration is open for the 2022-2023 school year for MUM Preschool. If you know of anyone looking for a preschool next fall, please share the <u>mentorumc.org/preschool</u> website.

Do you have a 3 and/or 4-year-old who is potty trained? Would they benefit from a preschool experience? Consider enrolling in the Young 3s class at Mentor UM Preschool. Contact Tammy for more details at <u>tpalermo@mentorumc.org</u>

MOPS & MOMSnext meets Friday, February 25 from 9:30 am to noon at MUMC.

Youth Group News

http://mentorumc.org/youth Youth 7-12 Sunday Nights 6-8 PM Youth 56 2nd and 4th Sunday Nights 6-8 PM



Super Bowl Party

All Youth (grades 5-12) are invited to our MUMC Youth 512 Super Bowl Party! We will meet at 6:00 PM and conclude at 8:00 PM. While the game won't be over, it is a school night and our end time should be roughly at halftime so you can catch the final quarter at home!

Please RSVP because we will have FOOD!!!! This means we need to know students as well as adult leaders, so if you are attending, please RSVP. <u>Super Bowl Party RSVP</u>



YOUTH 5-12 Goes Tobogganing

Youth 5-12 is headed to the winter wonderland of Chalet Toboggan Chutes in Strongsville, OH on February 27, 2022.

- We will gather for lunch at Noon and then leave for our snowy destination.
- We anticipate tobogganing from 2-4 PM. (Please note the times may be subject to change.)
- Tickets are \$13 each and need to be purchased by February 20, 2022. (If the sign up fills up, we will secure more tickets.
- Please review the rules. (There is a height requirement of 42".)
- If you would like to attend as a family, please purchase your own tickets for the same time period (2-4 PM).

If your youth needs a ride, please indicate that when you sign up; you will also need to make sure you have signed the waiver form. Please forward your order confirmation to Tammy Palermo (<u>tpalermo@mentorumc.org</u>). Please note that people who are not in the same "bubble" may be asked to wear a mask while in the car. Sign up here: <u>Sign Up Here To Toboggan</u>



We can't wait for this CHILLY ADVENTURE!

Journey Group Ministries

As followers of Jesus, we are all on a journey, and our journey includes a desire to strengthen our life of faith. Journey Groups are our version of small groups. Journey Groups meet regularly and discuss a variety of topics, studies, and materials. Each Journey Group, with the help of a leader, seeks to cultivate community, strengthen one another in faith and life, and encourage all on a path of Christ-centered discipleship.

If you are interested in joining a Journey Group click here: <u>Join A Journey Group</u>. If you would like more information or have questions email Pastor Mikayla Doepker by clicking here: <u>Email Pastor Mikayla</u>.

Rummage Sale

April 30 has been reserved for the Annual Rummage Sale. However, we need new leadership in order for this to move forward. Rhonda and Larry Hoon will assist in preparations but are unavailable to serve as leaders that weekend. PLEASE LET THEM KNOW IF YOU CAN LEAD OR BE A PART OF THE COMMITTEE to offer this outreach

Until last years' pandemic pause, the Rummage Sale had been a tradition of MUMC for at least 25 years. This is a needed service for so many in our community, as well as a blessing for those who work at putting it on - - being in the community with one another and building new friendships. FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Larry Hoon or JoAnn Greiner



