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## Youth Service Project Fundraising Dinner

The Big Event, hosted by the Youth Service Project team, will take place on Sunday, March 10 from 5:00-8:00 PM. This year's Big Event has a "Netflix and Church" theme and will include a live auction, silent auction, dinner, and live performances by the YSP team and other members of the church.

Tickets can be purchased Sundays at the Information Hub through March 10, in the church office during the week, or at the door of the Big Event. Tickets are $\$ 10$ for 12 years old and over, $\$ 5$ for ages 4-11 and free for ages 3 and under.

Anyone wishing to donate a basket for the silent auction or an item for the live auction may contact Toby at tmattern@mentorumc. org. Items may be dropped off in the church office and are due by March 8.

The Youth Service Project (YSP) this year is in Bar Harbor, Maine. They will travel there in July to partner with Sea Coast Missions in providing rehabilitation work to residents' homes!

## Mentor UMC Scholarships

The Scholarship Committee is pleased to offer Mentor UMC scholarships for both vocational and academic post secondary pursuits. Scholarships will be awarded to high school seniors graduating in 2019, current undergraduate college and vocational students, as well as seminary students. The student applying must be a member of Mentor United Methodist Church (as of April 30,2018) and meet all other eligibility requirements.

If you were confirmed at MUMC, you are a member. If you took the BASICS classes and joined the church as an older student, you are a member. For questions about your membership, please contact the church office at (440) 2553496. This application is designed to be completed online at http://mentorumc.org/scholarship/.

All information is saved to an account and password that you set up and does not need to be completed in one session. You are to print out the completed application form and mail or deliver it along with other required documents to the church office before April 5, 2019 at 4 PM. Questions? Please contact Laurie Babcock, MUMC Scholarship Chairperson at Scholarship@ mentorumc.org.

## Steepletalk

## From the Pastor

In 1985, I traveled to Israel. For me, it was a holy experience in the Holy Land. The breath of history alone makes the journey fascinating. As we walked over ancient ruins, I was struck by the centuries and millenniums of civilization I stood upon. At times the views were breath-taking; other times, I was mystified why this barren wasteland has been fought over through the centuries.

One of the disappointments was the endless church buildings built over the sites. Obviously, I don't dislike church architecture. However, I came to Israel to see where Jesus was born, where he grew up, and the place where the cross stood. Instead, there were churches built to commemorate the place, to honor that location with a consecrated structure. It took away an edge from my experience.

But there were many highlights. Some being the panoramic view of the walled city of Jerusalem that exploded before us as we approached the city; walking through the streets of the old city of Jerusalem, and gazing at the hills outside Bethlehem. I was able to take an unplanned and spontaneous tour into the excavations taking place under the temple compound where my dilating pupils allowed me to make out the shadowy outline of the ancient ruins, hidden from your typical pilgrim to the land.

The Jordan River was special, the Dead Sea interesting, the excavations of Masada fascinating, as well as the ruins of the ancient city of Jericho.

As exciting and invigorating as all of this was, what most impressed me was traveling to the rather pristine and quiet regions of the Sea of Galilee. The church buildings were few and the tourist stops less commercial. It was mostly undeveloped land surrounding this important body of water. It was there that I could picture Jesus walking along the shore, calling out to his disciples. I could imagine the storms at sea and Jesus walking out on the water. On the hillside, I could picture Jesus with five loaves of bread and two fish feeding a large gathering. I could picture Jesus sitting on the hillside with a farmer sowing seed in the background, while he shared the parable of the sower. It was there that I experienced the words of the song, "I walked today where Jesus walked." Some of the most precious and meaningful events of Jesus took place by that Sea. Jesus chose his disciples, calling them from their boats and nets to follow him. Jesus crossed the Sea from one side to the other for retreat. The Sea of Galilee was where I felt the closest to Jesus.

During the weeks of Lent, we'll be traveling with Jesus around and upon the Sea of Galilee. We'll walk together where Jesus walked. We'll share about his miracles and teaching. As we do so, we'll have the opportunity to draw closer to Jesus.

It starts with Ash Wednesday on March 6, where you can drop in for ashes and communion during the hours of 7:00-8:00 AM and 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM. The evening services of ashes and meditation will be at 7:30 PM.

Grace and peace,
Pastor Kurt

## Lent and Holy Week

The season of Lent begins with Ash Wednesday and ends 40 days and 6 Sundays later on Easter Sunday. Easter Sunday is April 21. Here's our schedule for the weeks of Lent and Holy Week.
Wednesday, March 6: Drop by for imposition of Ashes and communion from 7:00-8:00 AM and 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM, Service of Ashes at 7:30 PM

Sundays we will be looking at scriptures around the life and teaching of Jesus, especially as they relate to the Sea of Galilee.

Holy Week
Sunday, April 14 - Palm Sunday with our typical services at 9:00 and 11:00 AM
Thursday, April 18-7:30 PM Holy Thursday service in the Fellowship Hall Friday, April 19-7:30 PM Good Friday Choir Cantata Tenebrae Service Saturday, April 20 - 10:00 AM Community Easter Egg Hunt at Garfield Park Sunday, April 21 - Easter services at 9:00 and 11:00 AM

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## $\{$ Through The Years

You may not be familiar with the name Carlton Young, but he stands out as one of the most important figures in Methodist musical history. He has been referred to as the most important person in Methodist music since Charles Wesley. If you look in the back of the United Methodist Hymnal under the Index of Composers, Arrangers, Authors, Translators, and Sources; Rev. Young's name appears forty-four times. A small sample of his work includes the harmonization of the hymns "On Eagle's Wings" (No. 143), "Morning has Broken" (No. 145), "Be Thou My Vision" (No. 451), and "Kum Ba Yah" (No. 494). He also wrote the music to "This is a Day of New Beginnings" (No. 383) and "O the Depth of Love Divine" (No. 627). He has composed Musical and Psalm Responses, Texts, and many other works in our hymnal.

Carlton Raymond Young is an Ohio native born in Hamilton, Ohio in 1926. He graduated from the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music with a bachelor's degree in Music Education. He achieved a Bachelor of Sacred Theology from Boston University School of Theology. He has honorary doctorates from several universities. He also studied at Union Theological Seminary in New York City, as well as in Vienna, Austria, and Prague, Czech Republic.

Rev. Young is an ordained elder in the United Methodist Church. He has served on the faculties of Perkins School of Theology at Southern Methodist University in Dallas, the Scarritt Bennett Center in Nashville, Tennessee and was the emeritus professor of church music at the Chandler School of Theology, Emory University in Atlanta.

Rev. Young was the editor of the Methodist Hymnal in 1966 and the United Methodist Hymnal in 1989, the one in use today. He also wrote the Companion to the United Methodist Hymnal which includes historical background of text and tune for each hymn, tune changes over the years, and the theological basis for the texts of the hymns. He has also written many other books on hymns and Christian songs. He was the music director at the Uniting Conference of the Methodist and Evangelical United Brethren Churches in 1968.

Rev. Young is married to Marjorie and they have four children: Robert, James, Carol, and Richard, and six grandchildren. They currently reside in Nashville, Tennessee.

At age 92, Rev. Carlton Young remains a treasure in the world of United Methodism and its music. I would like to thank John Hardy for providing me with an introduction to the work of this great man.

Do you have any MUMC history you would like to share with the congregation?
Please send it to: Don Humphrey
7330 Holly Park Dr.
Concord, Ohio 44060-6704 or e-mail to: dhumphrey@ameritech.net

## March Prayer Focus - Nancy Landerholm

Use Ephesians 3:14-21, one of Paul's prayers, to pray during the month of March. Make it personal. Pray it for yourself or a family member. Maybe pray it for a new person each day of the month. Just Pray It!!!

## Woodlawn Homes Easter Outreach

Mentor United Methodist Women is collecting new items to be distributed at Woodlawn Homes:

50-64 oz. size name brand liquid laundry detergent
socks - child and youth sizes, boys and girls
small wrapped candies (fit inside plastic Easter eggs)
infant and children's books - Spanish or English
4 oz. size bubbles with wand
small box dryer sheets
24 pack Crayola crayons
Bibles - Spanish or English, adult or children's
"clean" teen books
\#2 wooden pencils with bright colors or designs

Please place donations (new items only, please) in the "Woodlawn Easter Outreach" collection bin located in the Mentor UMC Community Center by Wednesday, March 20.

If you would like to help with an Easter Egg Hunt at the Woodlawn Community Center on Saturday, April 6, at 1 PM, please sign up through the church app or online at www. mentorumc.org/local missions to indicate how you will help. Please contact Carole Ring at umw@mentorumc.org or 440-255-7213 if you have questions. Thank you for your generosity and support!

## Change the World Day

Save the Date: Saturday, May 18, 2019
We have committed to packing 30,000 meals this year with Rise Against Hunger, so we will need all hands on deck for packing, as well as raising the funds $(\$ 10,000)$ to pay for these meals. Last year we packed 20,000 meals that were shipped to Zimbabwe.

## Mobile Food Pantry

A Mobile Food Pantry is at the Life Brand Cowboy Church, 1289 Mentor Avenue,
Painesville, Ohio (old armory at the corner of Fairgrounds Road and route 20/Mentor Avenue) on the first Saturday of each month. What is a Mobile Food Pantry? The Cleveland Food Bank delivers 10,000 pounds of food in boxes on pallets. This food is perishable (fresh vegetables, fruits, and baked goods.)

From 8 AM until finished, volunteers unload the pallets and sort and repackage the food into plastic bags. At 10 AM the food is distributed to the needy. Volunteers are needed from 8-10 AM for repackaging and from 10 AM-12 PM for distribution. If you know someone in need that cannot attend the distribution time, proxy shopping is available upon completion of a form (see Pastor Kurt).

If you have any questions or would like to help, contact Richard Carpenter at 440-257-0371.

## 2019 Annual All-Church Rummage Sale

April 27, 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM
Attend planning meetings March 12 and April 9 at 7 PM in the Chapel.
Hear Ye, Hear Ye! Come one, Come all!
Gather up all those useful household items, clean clothing (NO FOOT WEAR) and bring them to the church Monday, April 22, through Thursday, April 25, 9 AM to 7 PM.
Sorting your own donations is a great way to help! Just put your items on the appropriate tables.
NO ITEMS WILL BE ACCEPTED ON FRIDAY, APRIL 26.
Please NO major appliances, dehumidifiers, refrigerators, air conditioners, tires, sofa beds, non-flat
screen televisions, bowling balls, encyclopedias, cook screen televisions, bowling balls, encyclopedias, cook books, landline telephones or footwear.

All workers and church members are welcome to come bid on our silent auction/buy it now priced items. They will be displayed again this year on the counter in the Gallery, Tuesday through Friday, with bids accepted until 6:00 PM on Friday.

Workers are needed all week to help unload, sort, set up and price items. On Saturday, the day of the sale, we need workers to help customers check-out (cash only) and get their purchases to their cars.
Please be sure to sign up, as this helps us plan. On Saturday, lunch and snacks will be provided for workers.
Sign up with friends and enjoy time together of fun and fellowship, while working for a good cause!

ALL ARE WELCOME!
Money earned from the sale supports significant church projects.
Contact Rhonda Hoon at rhondahoon@yahoo.com or 440-255-6569 with any questions.

## Children and Family Ministries

Register for events through the app or at www.mentorumc.org/children www.mentorumc.org/sunday-school

Okay, so here it is....MARCH....how is this even possible. Lion or Lamb, which will it be? ? ?
I have adults who are ready and waiting to start praying for the children of this church. Parents, I need you to commit to having your child participate. Think of the amazing things God can do when someone else is praying for your kid? Why not sign up for the Prayer Buddy program? You can find more info at mentorumc.org/prayer-buddy.

Positive Parenting Book Club selection is "How You Always Meant to Parent" by Brian Housman on Monday, March 11 from 6:00 to 8:00 PM. Childcare is available if requested by March 4 . I will also be leading a one and done version of "Spiritual Parenting." That means you read the book, and then we will meet to discuss the book on Thursday, April 4 from 6:00 to 8:00 PM. Again, childcare will be available if you let me know by April 1.

Our 5th \& 6th-grade youth group, StuCo 56, is scheduled to meet on March 3 at Busy Bees Pottery from 5:00 to 7:30 PM. On March 24, we will meet at MUMC from 6:00-8:00 PM. All students in those grades are welcome and are encouraged to attend. I only ask that you RSVP for your student so that I can plan accordingly. Sign up through the app or go to the website at www.mentorumc.org/ children.

LAMB (Learning And Mommy Bonding) Spring Session will be March 21, 28, April 4, 11, 18, 25, May 2, and 9. Moms, this is a great group for you to be a part of with your little one. Sign up through the app or at www.mentorumc.org/lamb.

If your child is interested in singing, have them join the Children's Choir (grades 1-6) or Cherub Choir (ages 3-Kindergarten). They both meet at 10:15 AM on Sunday mornings in room 112 and room 104, respectively. Come, make music with other children!

And for my planners, the summer info is ready. Registration is open! Vacation Bible School, "To Mars and Beyond," and Get Out Doors (G.O.D.) Camp, "Water of Life," are the week of June 17-21. Theatre Arts Camp will be the weeks of July 8-12 and 15-19 with the show, Disney's Frozen, Jr., dates July 19 at 7:30 PM and July 20 at 4:00 PM. Sign up at www.mentorumc.org/summer-programs.

Okay, I think that is all I have to share with you at this time. Please remember that I am here to assist YOU as you parent and/or grandparent. I want to be your cheerleader as well as a resource for you and your original small group (that's your family ©).

By HIS Grace and through HIS Love,
Tammy Palermo
Director of Children and Family Ministries

## Join us for The PATH

Fire Works
Don't hesitate to be enthusiastic!
Be on fire for the Lord. (Romans 12:11)
March 23 \& 24, 2019
Hilton Garden Inn Twinsburg
Registration information is on our website at www.mentorumc.org.

For the past 19 years the Mentor United Methodist Church has gathered women of all denominations for a weekend of fellowship. The Path is open to all women. Come with friends, family or come on your own. Everyone is welcome.

Registration deadline is March 3 with final payment due March 10.


Presenter - Rev. Dr. Peggy Streiff
Peggy is a retired United Methodist Pastor and District Superintendent of
the East Ohio Conference. She served as CoLead Pastor at Mentor UMC from 1998-2005. While there, she initiated the Women's Retreat, now in its 20th year, which became known as the PATH, under the direction of Mentor United Methodist Women. As a church leader, her greatest love is to encourage people of all ages to grow in their faith. She looks forward to the opportunity to be with and to challenge women on The PATH.

Plan now to join us as Rev. Dr. Peggy Streiff guides and inspires us, using the imagery of fire, to reignite our faith and live in the glow of the Holy Spirit.

## Wheeler Baby Shower

Please help celebrate the coming of Baby Boy Wheeler with a Baby Shower on Sunday, March 31 from 1:00 to 3:30 PM in the Mentor UMC Asbury/Wesley rooms. A luncheon will be served. Chelsea and Quincy are registered at Amazon and Target. RSVP to Nancy Landerholm (440-290-7320 or noochylee@gmail.com) or Cori Babcock (440-942-2255 or cvbabcock@gmail.com)by March 21.

## Ruth Naomi Circle

All ladies are welcome for our meeting March 14 at 9:30 AM. We will continue to work on the Christmas Eve candles. We will not meet if the Mentor Schools are closed due to bad weather. Feel free to call the church office to confirm at 440-255-3496.
For more information, contact Georgeanna Allen at 440-255-5515.
More-Than-A-Meal is our free community meal served on the last Saturday of the month. We are presently looking for Journey Groups, Committees, or individuals to sign up to prepare and serve the meals for 2019. This requires preparing for 100 persons and covering the costs, if possible. If some funding is needed, there are limited funds available. Regular workers and experienced persons will be present to assist.
If you are interested, contact Jim Post at 440-477-6130.
Thrivent Choice Dollars - A member-advised charitable grant program where eligible Thrivent Financial members can recommend where Thrivent distributes a portion of its charitable funds. Mentor United Methodist Church is eligible to receive these choice dollars. If you are a Thrivent Member you can request to direct your choice dollars to the church online at www.thrivent.com/ thriventchoice or call 1-800-847-4836.

Thrivent Action Teams - At the start of each year, Thrivant Benefit Members are eligible to apply for an Action Team. The teams are eligible to receive $\$ 250$ in seed money twice a year. The seed money can go to a one-time fundraiser, service activity, or educational event. They offer a fun way to bring a volunteer team of family, friends, and neighbors together to strengthen churches and communities. If you are a Thrivent member, apply for your first Action Team of 2019 by visiting www.thrivent.com/ making-a-difference/living-generously/thrivent-action-teams/.

If you have any questions about these programs please reach out to Jonathan Wilterdink, Financial Professional, 440-321-5521 or jonathan.wilterdink@thrivent.com.

## Thank you

The Posar Family wishes to express their thanks for all of the cards, prayers, love, and support after the loss of Tim's mom Carol.

## EASJER FLOWER ORDERS 2019

This year we are offering tulips, daffodils, lilies, and hyacinths. The prices are as follows:

Tulip, Daffodil, Lily, Hyacinth \$7 each


Please make your check to MUMC or Mentor United Methodist Church.
Checks and forms can be mailed to:
The Altar Guild c/o Mentor United Methodist Church 8600 Mentor Avenue, Mentor OH 44060.

The Altar Guild will also be at the Information Hub on Sunday, March 10, 17, 24 and 31 with forms to order plants.

The last day to order will be March 31, so we can place our order and they can be delivered for Easter.

Your plants may be picked up after the 11 AM service on Easter morning.
Please indicate how many of each type you would like:

(PLEASE PRINT NAMES)
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To the Glory of God $\qquad$
Place my flowers in: ___ Sanctuary ___ iConnect

## Royal Family Kids Fundraiser

Saturday April 6, 2019 at Mentor United Methodist Church
Dinner and Silent Auction 5-6:30 PM, Concert 7 PM
Benefit Concert • Silent Auction • Plus! Pasta Dinner (by donation)
Join us for this special fundraising event to help send local foster children to 5 full days of fun and adventure at the Royal Family Kids Camp. There is a pasta dinner and then a concert featuring the Mentor Top 25 - "Kids Singing For Kids".

Concert Tickets: Adults (13+) \$10 Children (6-12) \$5 5 \& under - Free
Tickets are available at the MUMC Office, 8 AM to 4 PM, Monday - Friday or at Willoughby Hills United Methodist Church.

Pasta Dinner by donation. You may come just for the dinner and donate to RFK.


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## Fundraising Dinner for Liberia Mission Trip

Saturday, March 2, 5:00-7:00 PM
$\$ 10$ per person pre-sale/\$12 per person at the door $\$ 8$ per child ( $3-11$ years old)
Pasta dinner featuring genuine Italian sauce prepared by the
Palermo family. Included with your dinner are meatballs, salad, garlic bread, and dessert.
Tickets available Sundays at the Info Hub and in the main office throughout the week. Checks can be made out to MUMC and noted "Liberia Trip".

Please come out and support these amazing students as they seek to share the love of Jesus with Liberia!

> Traditional worship service in the Sanctuary Sundays 9 AM and 11 AM Modern worship, iConnect, in Fellowship Hall Sundays 9 AM and 11 AM Deadline for the April Newsletter is March 8.

