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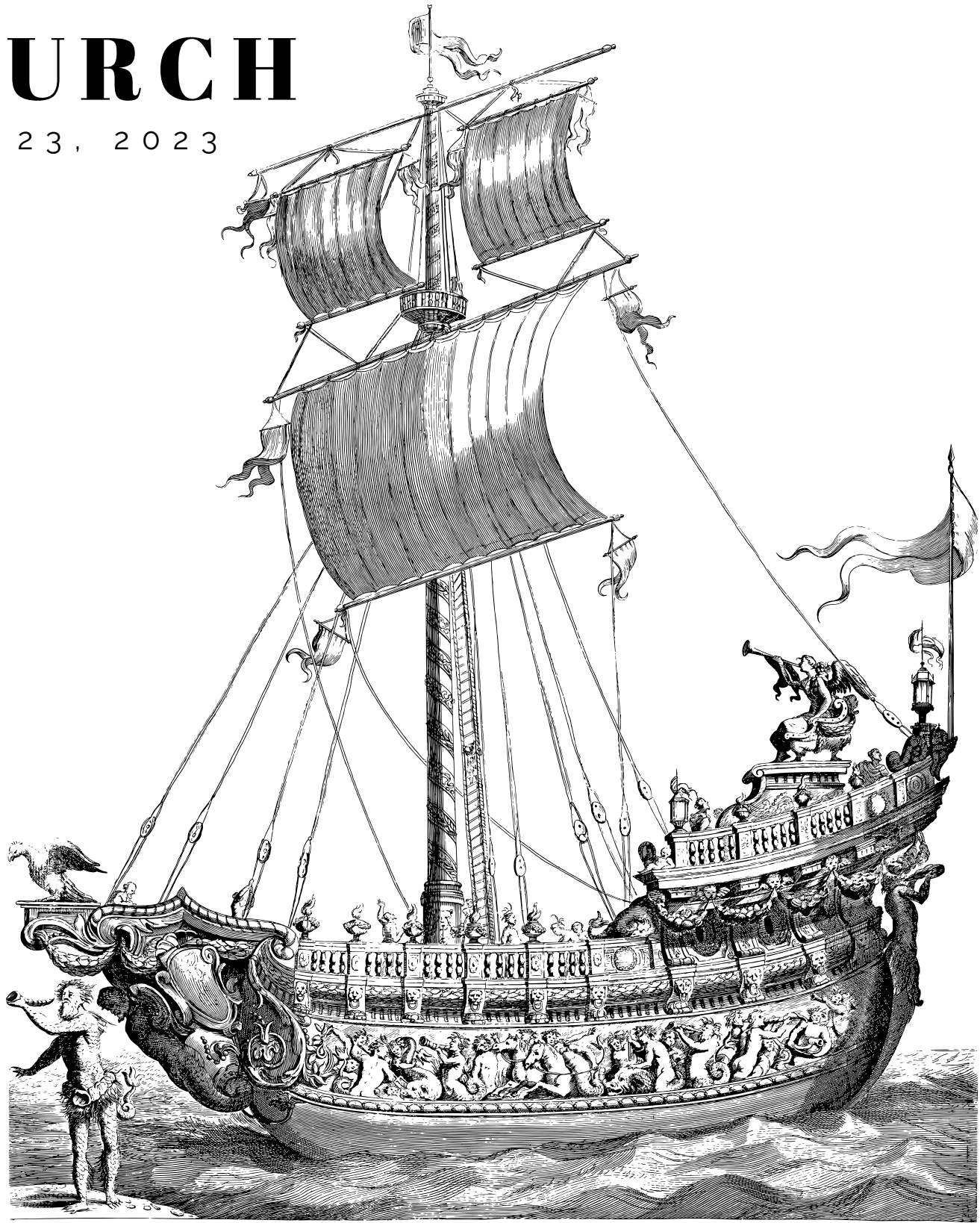
WEEKLY UPDATE

METHODIST

CHURCH

APRIL 23, 2023

9 AM & 11 AM MODERN WORSHIP
9 AM & 11 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP



Pastor's Letter

Spring Greetings,

In these weeks following Easter, we are exploring the book of 1 Peter. The writer of this book calls our attention back to the transformative work of God in and through the resurrection. Through Jesus' resurrection, we are given new birth, a new start, a new beginning. In Christ's resurrection, God revealed to us the scope and depth of God's love for us. This love pursues and changes us. The love and the newness that we know in Christ Jesus requires us to examine how we live our lives. 1 Peter tells us that as God's children, we ought to live Christ-like lives. As Easter people, those who trust that the resurrection is true, are called to live our lives in light of the sacrifice of Christ, loving others with our whole heart, and being obedient to God.

Theologian and Bishop in The United Methodist Church Will Willimon writes this, "Easter is about a whole new world, not someday, but today. Not somewhere in eternity, but now. Of course, that whole new world is not completely here, not in its fullness. But it is sure on the way...It is the vision of Easter, the vision that is the most powerful motivation for Christian action in this world. We know a secret about the world and the direction in which the world is moving—Jesus Christ is risen!" Jesus Christ has risen and it proves God's love toward us. Our lives serve as our response to God's love and power. This is our living hope that loosens all the bonds that once tied us.

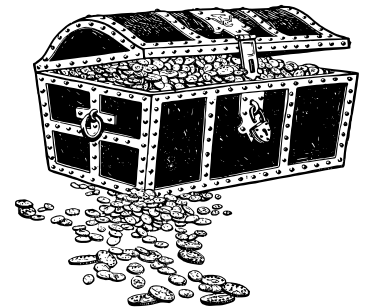
Jesus Christ is risen!

He has risen indeed!

Alleluia!

May we live as Easter people now and always,

Pastor Mikayla



Important Announcement

Effective July 1, 2023, Bishop Tracy Smith Malone will appoint Rev. Mikayla Doecker as the Pastor of Grace UMC in the Firelands District.

Rev. Dr. Ivy Smith will be appointed as Associate Pastor beginning July 1, 2023. She currently serves at Canfield UMC.

Please pray for Pastor Mikayla and Robert, for our congregation, and the transition ahead.

Care CONGREGATIONAL

In our prayers today & 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, Delores Tackett,
Johanna Kessler, Dee Smith, Mary Lou Haines

Salida Woods - Doris Sturm

CareCore - Virginia Gilman

Parker Place - Bill Owen, Bob & Sandy Linsell,
Opal Pinasky, Deloris Parsons

Danbury Senior Living - Kathryn Bevacqua

Brookdale Wickliffe - Fran Rose, Bob Chamberlin

Tapestry - Gloria McFeely

Symphony of Mentor - Lorraine Ahlstrom

Breckenridge/Fairmount - Patricia Laubscher

Kirtland Rehab Center - Bonnie Rini

Grand River Rehab - Beverly Hill

Members who are in need of prayer:

Karen Mancini, Marilyn Oliver,
Elizabeth Pitorak, Carl Snyder, Dick Anderson,
Luke Sanvido, Tom Erbaugh, Michelle Paul



Sunday,
April 23rd
5:00 PM

The Big Event

On Sunday, April 23rd we will have the Youth Service Project's big fundraising event! There will be dinner, auctions, a pirate costume contest, and entertainment. The event is from 5:00 to 8:00 PM (doors open at 4:30 PM) and it is \$15 per adult. Free for youth under 17 (must be accompanied by an adult). Tickets will be on sale in-person in the Info Hub on Sunday mornings. [Visit this link](#) to reserve tickets online.



Youversion

<https://bible.com/events/49065103>

MMS Performance

Tickets for Memorial Middle School's performance of *Legally Blonde, Jr.* are on sale now! Come see the show on May 5 or May 6. [Click here.](#)

Need to Know

NOW HIRING

There are 3 openings at MUMC. If you are interested in any of these positions or know someone who might be, check out our [website](#) for details and how to apply.

Lifeline Visit

Lifeline of Lake Co will be at MUMC on Mon, **May 15th**, at 7:00 PM. The event, sponsored by Caring Servants, is open to all. Andrea Jensen, Senior Resource Specialist for Lifeline, will share resources available for seniors seeking to improve their quality of life. Please join us for this informative evening.

Rummage Sale

Sat, April 29th, 9 AM to 3 PM. REMINDER that we do NOT accept items outside of Mon, April 24th to Thurs, April 27th from 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM (noon on Thurs). Visit our site for a list of items we do/don't accept & check next page for volunteer opportunities.

MUMC Softball

The season begins first week of May. All games @ Richmond Heights Community Park with 1-2 games per week (Mon-Thurs evenings). We are always looking to add players. No rules on gender or church membership (friends are welcome). Players must be 18+, but 16 & 17-year-olds are eligible if with a parent or guardian. Anyone interested should contact Brian Bly for more: 440-463-7712 brianbly11@gmail.com

Finance Committee Update

The Finance Committee, wanted to take this opportunity to thank the congregation for your ongoing support. We are truly blessed to be part of such a tremendous congregation.

*Year To Date Receipts included \$27,000 in 2023 Pledges received in December 2022 and \$25,000 in future year (2024) pledges received in December 2022. Also included in receipts is \$4,793 from inherited oil lease proceeds from a generous donor.

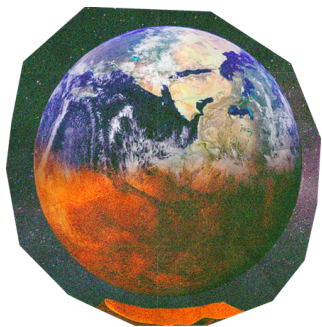


	March	Year To Date*
Receipts	\$82,495	\$261,493
Operating Expenses	\$66,045	\$221,340
Overage (Deficit)	\$16,450	\$40,153



Mission Moment:

Sleep in Heavenly Peace



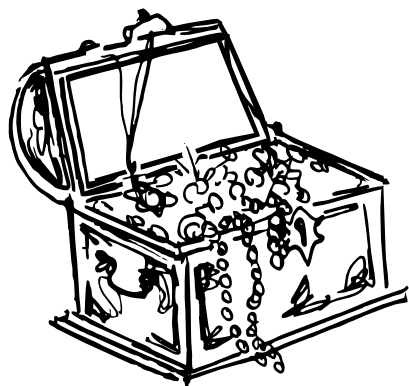
Change the World Day

Join us on Saturday, May 6, 2023 for our annual CTWD. We are partnering with *Sleep in Heavenly Peace* to build beds from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

Last year, we pledged \$5,953 to make 50 beds, this year we are pledging \$3,765 for 60 beds!

Sign up to help build some beds with us! There are two shift options: all day or morning. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

[Sign up here](#)



Hope Chest

Hope Chest needs bath towels & wash cloths. Donations can be dropped off in the Community Center.

School Support

MUMC & CM support Chestnut Elementary school in Painsville and this spring we have committed to supplying school supplies. We are seeking monetary donations to support this. Our goal is to raise \$250. Donations can be made through Online Giving or in person; please add Catalyst Ministries school supplies in the memo line. Thank you for your support! Please contact Betsy Iskra at 440-283-6524 with any questions.

More Than A Meal

We hope that you can help us out this month on Sat, April 29th. You can sign up [online](#).

UH Needs Volunteers

Are you interested in making a difference in people's lives, making new friends or giving back to the community? UH Lake West & TriPoint are seeking volunteers 16+. For more info, call TriPoint Medical Center in Concord 440-354-1665 or Lake West Medical Center in Willoughby 440-953-6049

Rummage Sale

[Click here](#), visit our site, or the Info Hub to volunteer for this year's sale on Sat, April 29th.

Snack Signup

[Sign up here](#) to provide prepackaged snacks for Memorial Theatre students as Tammy Palermo & Pastor Mikayla work with them this spring.

Stream Team Invitation

Our Stream Team is always on the lookout for new individuals to add to our team for Sunday morning streams. There are many different things you can do (and you don't need prior experience). Contact Andrew Ring or the church office to get involved.



Blood Drive

The next Blood Drive is on Tuesday, May 16th. At our last one, 34 units were collected with a 28-unit goal, which can help save more than 34 lives! Sign up on our [website](#).

WHAT ARE THEY UP TO?

Children & Family Ministries

www.mentorumc.org/children

Sunday Morning Kids

9:00 & 11:00 AM at MUMC

- [Check-In Instruction Video](#)
- Ages 0-2 and 3-4 sign in at the Early Childhood Area before service
- Grades K-6 will begin in worship with their families and then be dismissed to the Education Wing.

Sunday Morning Signup

Mentor United Methodist Church's mission is to lead all onto a path of Christ-centered discipleship. Here is a great place to do just that! Click the link for Sunday morning [SPRING sign up](#) (or visit our site). There are spots for various ages/levels, so check out what section works for you:)

"Worship one, serve one!"

MUMP Registration Open

Mentor UM Preschool pre-registration for church members is available for the 2023-24 school year!

Contact Kat Fisher at fisher.preschool@mentorumc.org.

MOPS & MOMS

The next meeting will be on April 28th from 9:30 to noon.

Summer Programs 2023

There are SUPER programs coming up this summer at MUMC. Register or sign up to help out!

VBS: Hero Hotline

June 26-30

daily from 9 AM to noon.

G.O.D. Camp

Follow the Way

June 26-30

9:30 am to 4:00 pm

MSMW (Middle School Mission Week)

July 10-14, 2023

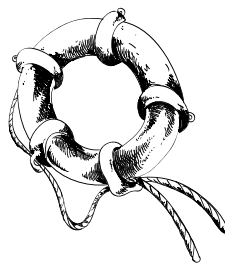
9:00 am to 4:00 pm

TAC (Theatre Arts Camp)

MATILDA THE MUSICAL JR

Ensemble Openings Only for actors who completed grades 1-8
June 12-16 and 19-23

REGISTER HERE



VBS Volunteers

Volunteer for this summer's Vacation Bible School by [clicking here](#) or visiting our [website](#).

EO Camps

Visit [East Ohio Camps' site](#) to see what camps there are this summer/their deadlines. You can also visit our [site](#).

Youth Ministry

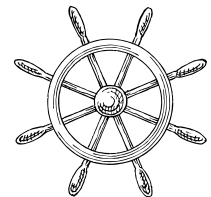
Join us on Sundays from 10:10-10:50 AM in the Youth room. There may be donuts:)

YSP Meeting Dates

The upcoming Youth Service Project meeting dates are as follows:

- May 21

Meet with us at 12:15 in Wesley room. Any questions may be directed to Andrew Ring.



Journey Groups

www.mentorumc.org/discipleship. As we *know, grow, and show* Christ's love for the world, Mentor UMC offers you the chance to go deeper in your walk with Christ and connect with others on the journey. Visit the link above to see how you can get involved!

Bowling & Bibles

Meet us on the THIRD WEDNESDAY of each month for B&B. The bowling is paid for, but you will need to pay \$5.00 for shoe rental. Our next meeting is on May 17th at 7:30 PM at the Rollhouse in Mentor.