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WEEKLY UPDATE

METHODIST

CHURCH

FEBRUARY 26TH, 2023



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

Pastor's Letter

Our vehicle has a “low driver attention” warning feature. If you drive for too long a period...if you are going too slow (yeah, I probably don't need to worry about that reason emerging)...if you are swerving (the wind caused this to happen last week)...a red warning appears on the dashboard. Pay Attention! Take Notice! Be Aware! “Low Driver Attention”

The Season of Lent begins with an invitation to do some self-reflection.

Lent is an established Church custom with ancient origins...seeking to prepare the faithful to fully receive the mercy and grace of Jesus. This season of 40 days (not including Sundays which are always considered “little Easters”) is a time when persons journey with Jesus toward Jerusalem. Through fasting and prayer, giving and service—sacrifice and devotion—one comes to discover God in a deeper way. As the faithful confess and are humble and seek the Lord, the fullness of God is discovered.

Our sermon series, Painting with Ashes, is a journey to discover how our brokenness and weakness can become powerful moments for God to break through. If we allow God...even invite God...to do the work in us.

We begin the journey by traveling with Jesus into the wilderness (Luke 4: 1 – 13).

May you pay attention to yourself this Lenten Season, and through honest self-reflection come to know the depth of God's mercy and love for you!

On the journey,

Pastor Sondra





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 at Mentor - 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 Senior Living - Gloria McFeely

Symphony of Mentor - Lorraine Ahlstrom

Breckenridge/Fairmount - Patricia Laubscher

Kirtland Rehab Center - Bonnie Rini

Members who are in need of prayer:

Karen Mancini, Bud Weaver, Lois Dyckman, Marilyn Oliver, Elizabeth
Pitorak, Carl Snyder, Dick Anderson, Jim Lodge

**Love and Sympathy to the family and friends of Jon Yagoda who
entered eternal rest on February 16, 2023. A Memorial Service was
held at MUMC on Friday, February 24th .**

Need to Know

Youversion

<https://bible.com/events/49034643>

Companions in Grief

Join Pastor Barb Holzhauser for a grief group March 2nd to April 27th on Thursdays from 6:00-7:30 PM. Contact Pastor Barb to learn more: bholzhauser@mentorumc.org

Easter Flowers

Forms are available in the Information Hub, Narthex, and online to order Easter Flowers. Deadline is March 20! [Order here.](#)

2023 Scholarships

Apply today for a MUMC Scholarship. The deadline to submit is Friday, April 21, 2023. [Visit our website](#) or the Information Hub to view requirements and fill out an application.

Rummage Sale

This year's Rummage Sale will be on Saturday, April 29th from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. REMINDER that we do NOT accept items outside of the allotted times which are Monday, April 24th to Thursday, April 27th from 9 AM to 7 PM. [Visit our site](#) for a list of items we do and don't accept and check the next page for volunteer opportunities.

WEEKLY UPDATE

Gallery of Heroes

Mentor Cardinal Circle for Families of Black Students Presents a Black History Month event on Feb. 28 from 6-7:30 PM. Come watch, listen, and experience Black Americans who shaped and are shaping history. The evening will culminate in a Black History Bingo game! All ages welcome at the Mentor High School Paradigm.

Finance Committee

The Finance Committee, wanted to take this opportunity to thank the congregation for your ongoing support. For 2023, we appreciate your participation in the annual Stewardship campaign. Your commitment to the our church is incredible. We are truly blessed to be part of such a tremendous congregation.



Lenten Offerings

This season of Lent begins a time of activities, events, services, and more. Join us in the month of March for:

- A new sermon series: *Painting with Ashes*
- Lenten Cantata on March 26th during the 9 and 11 AM Traditional services
- New prayer bookmarks every week (available online and in-person)
- A special family activity using *Faithful Families for Lent, Easter, & Resurrection* by Traci Smith

For more details about these offerings and MORE, please [visit our website.](#)

	January	Year To Date*
Receipts	\$108,127	\$108,127
Operating Expenses	\$76,387	\$76,387
Overage (Deficit)	\$31,740	\$31,740

*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.

MENTOR UMC

Mission Moment



Project Hope
for the Homeless
Restoring Hope. Renewing Lives.

Donations

As February comes to a close, make sure you stop by the display in the Gallery to see how you can help out Project Hope. Consider making a donation by purchasing an ornament or donating critically needed items from their wishlist! [Visit our site](#) for details as well. Details to come on the total impact we made during February for this mission.



Blood Drive

The next Blood Drive is on Tuesday, March 21st. Sign up on our [website](#)!

Join a Ministry Team

Want to get involved in a group or area of ministry? [Click here](#) or fill out a form in the Information Hub.

Big Event

Donations of baskets are being accepted for this year's Big Event. Learn more about YSP's evening of fundraising on the next page.

Rummage Sale

[Click here](#) or visit our site to volunteer for this year's sale.

What's Your

Mission Opportunities

M.O.?

More Than A Meal

A special thank you to all who helped out at this past Saturday's More Than a Meal. We were so excited to finally welcome the community back inside! We will continue to host in Fellowship Hall and hope that you can help us out next month, March 25th. You can sign up [online](#).

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.

Food Ministry

Current Needs:

- Cereal
- Mac & Cheese
- Chunky Canned Soup
- Marinara
- Scalloped Potatoes

View an expanded list of items on our [site](#) or the Info Hub.

Snack Signup

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

Hope Chest - Volunteers

Hope Chest needs bath towels and gently used pots & frying pans. Donations can be dropped off in the Community Center.

Hope Chest is also in need of volunteers on Thursdays up until Easter. Volunteers may also be needed between 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM on a couple of Thursdays. Please contact Pat Meyer with questions:
pkmeyer@roadrunner.com

Special Needs Egg Hunt

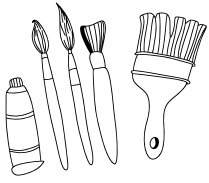
Heroes Helping Those with Special Needs & North Mentor Centenary UMC invite us to participate in their Special Needs Easter Event on April 1st, 10-11 AM or 11-12 PM. There will be candy, prizes, therapy animals, crafts, and more! Open to all! Please register by emailing Jenna at: heroeshelping@yahoo.com

Disaster Relief

You can designate your Giving to "UMCOR" to support disaster relief.

To see missions and activities to get involved in during Lent, [click here](#) or visit our site.

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
- Kindergarten through 6th grade will remain in worship with their families.

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). Positions needed:

- 9:00 AM Babies, Toddlers, and 2-Year-Olds
- 9:00 AM 3, 4, and 5-Year-Olds (Preschool)
- 9:00 AM Kindergarten through 4th Grade
- 9:00 AM 5th & 6th Grade
- 11:00 AM Babies, Toddlers, and 2-Year-Olds
- 11:00 AM 5th & 6th Grade

"Worship one, serve one!"

MUMC Reg Open

Mentor UM Preschool pre-reg 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 March 10th from 9:30 to noon.

Lenten Activity for Families

This Lenten season, we are using *Faithful Families for Lent, Easter, & Resurrection* by Traci Smith (we also used this book last year). If you do not have a copy, please contact Tammy (tpalermo@mentorumc.org). [Click here](#) or visit our site to view the schedule.

Youth Ministry

www.mentorumc.org/youth

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:

- **Sunday, February 26**
- March 26
- April 16
- May 21

Meet with us at 12:45 in Wesley room. Any questions may be directed to Andrew Ring.

The Big Event

Sunday, April 23rd will be the Youth Service Project's big fundraising event! There will be dinner, silent auction, live auction, and entertainment. The event is from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Doors will open at 4:30 PM and it is \$15 per adult. Free for youth 16 and younger (must be accompanied by an adult). Basket donations are also being accepted (deadline April 16). There will be a form available in the church office for donations and tickets will be on sale soon (so stay tuned).

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. Our next meeting is on March 15th at 7:30 PM at the Rollhouse in Mentor. See you there!