


# MENTOR UNITED WEEKLY UPDATE METHODIST CHURCH

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Let us be confident of this,  
God, who began a good work in you,  
will be faithful to complete it.

(Philippians 1:6)



THEME INSPIRED BY  
PASTOR SONDRA SNODE

# Pastor's Letter

Dear Friends in Christ,

Our Genesis journey continues this week as we consider Abraham's faith. Abraham chose to trust God's call on his life ... embrace God's vision ... believe God's promises. Not knowing where the journey would take him, Abraham set out for a new land and a new life. The journey was not always easy ... or pretty ... or perfect. In fact, it was full of twists and turns, valleys and mountains, defeat and triumph. Abraham was not always faithful. But God was always faithful. And with every step of faith, Abraham discovered more about God's character and covenant, plan and provision.

I will always be grateful for my time at Mentor UMC. Our journey together was full of twists and turns, masks and mandates, challenges and trials. It was not easy to preach in an empty space and believe that someone somewhere was listening. It was not easy to navigate through all the diverse opinions and emotions during a worldwide pandemic. It was not easy to face transitions. Yet journeys are never guaranteed to be easy. What is guaranteed is a faithful God.

A faithful God sees us through. We celebrate baptisms and professions of faith, new members, and weddings. We celebrate a mortgage paid in full. We celebrate new ministries emerging: Bowling and Bibles, Meal Blessings, Children's Carnival, worship in the park. We develop new relationships. We love and serve and grow and stretch. We discover God's character and covenant and plan and provision together.

I hope that I have always reflected my faith and hope in a faithful God. I truly believe to the very core of my being that God loves each one of us, desires the best for us, and offers us a path to life abundant, full, and eternal. One way God encourages and helps us is the gift of each other. So, I thank each one of you for helping me know and rely on Jesus. Let us always remember that there are more who need to know Jesus. May we be the ones who help them.

Abraham didn't know where the journey would take him. Yet he chose to step forward in faith because he knew that God was with him. Regardless of where our journeys take us, whether a graduate entering a new phase of the journey, a pastor heading off to a new appointment, or a child of God striving to get through the day—

May you ALWAYS chose to trust God's call on your life ... embrace God's vision ... believe God's promises! Because a loving, faithful God is always with you!

With love and appreciation for each of you and our journey together,

*Pastor Sondra*



# Thank you

Thank you, Pastor Sondra, for leading us as we strived to Know, to Grow, and to Show at MUMC these past few years. You will be remembered for leading us through the Pandemic, sharing great sermons, and your passionate love for Jesus. We appreciate all you have done to lead us in our mission of making disciples for Christ. You have been a blessing to many, and we know you will continue to bless others in your new appointment.

## CONGREGATIONAL

*Care* 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

*Tapestry* - Gloria McFeely

*Symphony of Mentor* - Lorraine Ahlstrom

*Breckenridge/Fairmount* - Patricia Laubscher

*Legacy in Willoughby* - David Fell

### Members who are in need of prayer:

Karen Mancini, Marilyn Oliver, Dick Anderson,  
Luke Sanvido, Barb Holzhauser, Star Bruno

# Need to Know



## Graduation Sunday

Join us on Sunday, June 11th to recognize our Grads and Scholarship recipients during our Modern & Traditional services. You can view the recognition video on YouTube, [click here](#).

If you are a Scholarship recipient and would like your certificate, please pick up in the church office after service.

## Weekly Update Contest

We invite children & youth to create and submit a cover design for the Weekly Update. Drop off at the church office, [email](#), or mail one in to be considered! The winner will be featured on the June 25th edition. Runners-up will be featured on the inside of the Update.

## CWC Luncheon

Join us Tuesday, June 20th from 11:15-1:30 at Pine Ridge CC for the next Christian Women of Lake Co. Luncheon. RSVP by June 15th: Call 440.487.0661 or email [cwcstonecroft@yahoo.com](mailto:cwcstonecroft@yahoo.com)

## MUMC Softball Schedule

*Tue. June 13 v. Gesu at  
Field #1*

First pitch is at 6:30 PM! All games are at Richmond Heights Community Park: 27285 Highland Road. Come see us play!

## Important Announcement

Pastor Barb Holzhauser has shared her gifts of pastoral care and her heart for "tending souls" with this congregation for the past 3 years. She has shepherded God's people as they or their loved ones have struggled in the toughest of times including end-of-life stages, times of loss, and times of sickness. Pastor Barb has led Grief Groups and our Caring Servants. She has poured out and shared her very heart and soul in a very Christ-centered, theological way. Her skills have been such an asset to our church family. It is now time for her to take care of herself physically, mentally, and spiritually. We wish her all the best in her retirement June 30. We pray she will find peace spending more time with her family.

We will present her with a gift and a love offering on Sunday, June 25th. Please consider contributing to the love offering. Plan on stopping into the Gallery after services that day to share words of appreciation.

## New Treasurer

We welcome William "Bill" Patrick to our church staff as MUMC Treasurer. Bill will be working with our current treasurer who is retiring, to assure a smooth transition.

**WELCOME BILL!**

## Congrats, Tammy!

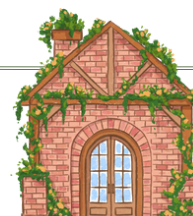
Congratulations Rev. Tammy Palermo on your commissioning as a Provisional Deacon at the East Ohio Annual Conference this past Friday. You have heard God's call on your life and responded, working hard on the journey of education and conference requirements. We know you will continue to lead our congregation in strengthening our own spiritual journeys, as well as lead us into the community to make disciples of Jesus. We celebrate your new title as Pastor of Children and Family Ministries!

**NEW**

## Summer Worship Schedule

Beginning **July 2**, our summer services will be:  
9 AM Modern  
11 AM Traditional

These two services will still be live streamed.  
This schedule will go through Sept. 3rd.







# What's Your **M.O.?**

## *Mission Opportunities*

### **Hannah's Home Bottle Fundraiser**

Hannah's Home is a non-profit, faith-based maternity home for 18 and over located in Mentor. They assist moms with important tasks, life skills, and life-changing support. Hannah's Home runs strictly on donations allowing them to remain a faith-based organization.

The baby bottle coin collection is their largest fundraiser, bringing in approximately 1/3 of their yearly budget. MUMC has partnered with them this year to assist with this fundraiser. Now through Father's day, bottles will be available at the church. Please consider taking one and placing your extra change, paper money or a check made out to Hannah's Home in the bottle.

**Missions Committee will match donations up to \$1,000.**

Flyers & additional info are available at the church. Please contact Betsy Iskra at 440-283-6524 with any questions.

### **Fellowship Hour**

Fellowship hour is looking for individuals, families, Journey Groups or Teams to host on Sunday mornings. There are also still opportunities to donate prepackaged food such as chips, crackers, and cookies. To get involved or know more, please contact Kathy Fellows: 440-477-4485.

### **UH Needs Volunteers**

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

### **Hope Chest**

Hope Chest is in need of pots and baking pans. Items can be dropped off in the Community Center!

### **Food Ministry**

- Cereal
- Marinara
- Canned Fruit

Items can be dropped off in the community center.

For an extended list of items, please visit the Info Hub or our [website](#).



### **Walk to End Alzheimers**

Register online today for the 2023 Lake/Geauga Walk to End Alzheimers on Saturday, September 23, 2023. [Click here](#) or visit our website.

### **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.

### **More Than A Meal**

We hope that you can help us out this month on Saturday, June 24th for MTAM. There is a great need for more volunteers to make this evening happen! You can sign up [online](#) for various roles.

Contact Kurt: 4406695427 email [ferrark414@yahoo.com](mailto:ferrark414@yahoo.com) for details.

CHILDREN & FAMILY MINISTRIES. YOUTH MINISTRIES. JOURNEY GROUPS.

# WHAT ARE THEY UP TO?

## Children & Family Ministries

[www.mentorumc.org/children](http://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 [SUMMER 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 registration for church members is still open for the 2023-24 school year! Contact Kat Fisher at [fisher.preschool@mentorumc.org](mailto:fisher.preschool@mentorumc.org).

### MOPS & MOMS

Will meet for strawberry picking at Rainbow Farms in Perry on Monday, June 12th.

## 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  
[TICKETS HERE](#)

**[REGISTER HERE](#)**

## Summer Volunteers

Volunteer for this summer's programs 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

Join us on Sunday mornings! We meet from 10:10-10:50 to be in community and have discussion. We are following the sermon series for our discussions.

Summer Schedule:

- July 9 1-3pm Mentor UMC, 8600 Mentor Ave
- July 16 1-3pm Painesville UMC, 71 N. Park Pl
- July 23 1-3pm Willoughby Hills UMC, 34201 Eddy Rd.
- July 30 1-3pm Perry UMC, 3875 Main St.
- Aug 13 2-4pm Mayfield UMC, 7747 Mayfield Rd.
- Aug 20 1:30-3pm Willoughby UMC, 15 E. Spaulding St.

## Journey Groups

[www.mentorumc.org/discipleship](http://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. Next meeting is on June 21st at 7:30 PM at the Rollhouse in Mentor.