

# MENTOR

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WEEKLY UPDATE

# METHODIST

# CHURCH

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**Worship Schedule**

9 & 11 AM Modern

9 & 11 AM Traditional

# Pastor's Letter

In the scriptures, there are so many wonderful examples of Jesus' compassion to the people around him. We, likewise, have witnessed many examples in our present-day time, where the presence of Jesus, through the Holy Spirit, affords us comfort in times of hurt. Once we know more about each other's background, journey, life path, we can hear more clearly where they hurt, where they struggle and where there is pain.

This preaching and study series of "I've Been Meaning to Ask" gives you the opportunity to reveal and expose. Reveal what you have overcome and expose where you still need God's touch. God is so merciful already, yet we cry out for more and more. More compassion, cures, resolution, explanation, deliverance and even so, God knows our every need and hears our every cry. Some of us have hurts that are obvious and known as people approach us, while others have internal, invisible hurt and often disguised with a smile.

The Bible stories of the healing of Jarius' daughter, the woman with the hemorrhage, and the infertility of Hannah, all point to extremely painful depth for believers. And while God is with us in all experiences, we never cease to feel that we are singled out, alone, 'the only one'. Yet, in our low points of pain, God provides for us. Rest assured that God is willing, ready and able to meet us where we hurt. -Pastor Ivy

## Where Does It Hurt?



♥ Mark 5:35-43 NRSV <sup>35</sup> While he was still speaking, some people came from the synagogue leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?" <sup>36</sup> But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the synagogue leader, "Do not be afraid; only believe." <sup>37</sup> He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. <sup>38</sup> When they came to the synagogue leader's house, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. <sup>39</sup> When he had entered, he said to them, "Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping." <sup>40</sup> And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him and went in where the child was. <sup>41</sup> Taking her by the hand, he said to her, "Talitha kum," which means, "Little girl, get up!" <sup>42</sup> And immediately the girl stood up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. <sup>43</sup> He strictly ordered them that no one should know this and told them to give her something to eat.

♥ Mark 5:31-34 NRSV <sup>31</sup> And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?' " <sup>32</sup> He looked all around to see who had done it. <sup>33</sup> But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. <sup>34</sup> He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."



# 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, John Shetler

*Salida Woods* - Doris Sturm

*University Manor* - Virginia Gilman

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

*Danbury Senior Living* - Kathryn Bevacqua

*Tapestry* - Gloria McFeely

*Symphony of Mentor* - Lorraine Ahlstrom

*Breckenridge/Fairmount* - Patricia Laubscher

## Members who are in need of prayer:

Karen Mancini, Marilyn Oliver, Dick Anderson,  
Luke Sanvido, Star Bruno, David Fell, Norma Ickes

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# Need to Know

## Youversion

<https://bible.com/events/49137375>

## Now Hiring

There are three open positions at Mentor United Methodist Church; Part-time Treasurer, Modern Worship Director, and Youth Director. Visit our website or [this link](#) to learn more and share!

## Pastor Meet & Greets

Pastors Steve and Ivy would like to meet with groups of 8-15 people once a week through the end of November. If you would like to plan a meet & greet, call Stephanie at the church to schedule a time. Steve and Ivy have set aside several 1.5 hour slots each week at various times. Learn about dates, times, and locations on our website or by clicking [HERE](#).

## Summer Worship Schedule Survey

Share your thoughts on this past summer by filling out [this form here](#) or visiting the Information Hub.



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## New Sermon Series

"I've Been Meaning to Ask..." is a four week series beginning Sept 10. Each week we will explore a new question together:

### Week 1:

Where Are You From?

### Week 2:

Where Does It Hurt?

### Week 3:

What Do You Need?

### Week 4:

Where Do We Go From Here?

Watch the video and learn more [here](#) or by visiting our website.



## CWC Luncheon

Join us Tuesday, September 19th for the next Christian Women's Connection Luncheon at 11:15 at Pine Ridge. Cost is \$20. Donna Miller will be the speaker! RSVP to 440.487.0661 or email: [cwcstonecroft@yahoo.com](mailto:cwcstonecroft@yahoo.com).

## Church Directory Survey

Share your thoughts on the upcoming directory by filling out [this form here](#) or visiting the Information Hub.

## Journey Group

Beginning, the tenth, the Tuesday Carr Journey Group now meets on Sundays at 5 PM in the Conference Room.



## Flowers in Traditional

October 22 and 27 are open for Flower dedications in the Sanctuary for Traditional Worship. Please call Kathy Fellows: 440-477-4485

## Mission Moment

### Walk to End Alzheimer's

Register online today for the 2023 Lake/Geauga Walk to End Alzheimer's on Saturday, September 23, 2023. For questions, contact team leader Karen Martin: 440-796-2179. [Click here](#) or visit our website to register.

Come visit the display of paper flowers to show support in the fight against Alzheimer's disease. For a monetary donation, you can write your name or the name of a loved one you wish to honor or memorialize on the flower. Flowers are available in the Gallery. The flowers will be taken to the Walk on Sept. 23rd.



### Royal Family Kids

Royal Family Kids Club gathers on the 3rd Saturday of each month Sept-May from 9 AM to 1 PM at Willoughby Hills UMC on Eddy Road. Adult & teen volunteers are needed to interact with kids from ages 6-11. We feed the kids, sing songs, have a Bible lesson, complete a craft project. If you are interested, please contact Johanna Martin: [johannamartin@sbcglobal.net](mailto:johannamartin@sbcglobal.net)

# What's Your M. ?

## Mission Opportunities

### Food Ministry

- Canned Fruit
- Ravioli/Spaghetios
- Canned Chicken
- Au Gratin, Scalloped, Mashed Potatoes

Items can be dropped off in the community center.

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

### More Than A Meal

You can sign up for September and later dates by checking [online](#). The next MTAM is on Saturday the 30th. Doors open at 5:00 PM and food is served at 5:30 PM!

### Blood Drive

To sign up for our next drive on November 14th, visit our website or [click here](#).

### Hope Chest

Hope Chest is in need of toothpaste and children's winter coats. Fall and winter is approaching and they are low on boys & girls coats, so please consider donating! Items can be dropped off in the Community Center.

### 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.

### Project Hope

They are in great need of salt and pepper, lunch meat, sliced cheese, sugar & wash cloths. If you can help you may drop it off at the shelter between 9 AM and 2 PM, Mon-Friday. If you are *unable* to bring items during these hours, you may take them to Adventure Subaru, located at 1991 Mentor Ave, Painesville. Subaru has graciously offered to be a drop-off site for us outside of our office hours.



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-5 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 [FALL 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!"

### Child & Caregiver Class

Age 2 ½ to 3 ½ on Weds from 9:15-10:45 AM. Cost is \$60 per 8 week session (prepaid, non-refundable). Please check out [our website](#) for more details and important dates.

### MOMCo.

MOMco (The Mom Community) will meet on Friday, September 22, at Mentor UMC. For more dates and locations, [check our website](#). updated dates

## 2024-2025 Preschool Reg

While it seems to be an odd thing to share at this time of year, Pre-Registration for the 2024-25 school year is open to YOU, our church families. Click here for the: [Pre-Registration Link](#). If you have any questions, please contact our State Manager, Brittany Jones at [bjones.preschool@mentorumc.org](mailto:bjones.preschool@mentorumc.org).

### Treat Street

Our Trunk-or-Treat will be on Saturday, October 21 from 3:00 to 6:00 PM. Volunteers will decorate yourselves and your cars AND PROVIDE CANDY. Please arrive between 2:00 PM – 2:30 PM for setup in parking lot (MUST BE SET UP AND READY BY 2:50). You can sign up to be a trunker NOW by [clicking this link](#) or visiting our website.

### Christmas Play Auditions

Sign up to audition on Saturday, September 23 for this year's Christmas play. [Click here](#) or visit our website for more information.



## Confirmation 2023

Students grades 8-12 who would like to confirm their faith are welcome to register for Confirmation, which begins October 1st. There are costs involved so please [check our website](#) for details and dates. Deadline to register is Wednesday, September 20, 2023.

### Youth

Grades 6-12 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.

### CCYM Application

Youth, want to get involved at a conference level? Apply [here](#) or on our website.

### Youth Feedback

Want to give feedback on MUMC Youth? [Click here](#).

### Youth Outing

[October 8](#) - Fall Festival at Hornyak Farms, Chardon, OH from 5-7 PM; meet at MUMC at 4:15 PM and return at 7:30(ish) PM. Cost is \$10 per person. This is a UMC area youth event! [Find more on our site!](#)