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Worship Schedule

9 AM Modern

11 AM Traditional



Pastor's Letter

Hello Friends,

I thought I would take this opportunity to share all that has been happening this summer! Most people think of summer as the time to relax and have some downtime. Not when it comes to ministry!

After returning from the East Ohio Annual Conference in mid-June, I had a week to finalize preparations for Vacation Bible School and Get Out Doors (G.O.D.) Camp. Unfortunately, there was not a coordinator for either of these programs. *Fortunately*, Kate Colbow is an amazing superstar and handled a lot of the G.O.D. Camp things throughout the week of the camp. My prayer is that for 2026, God will be at work so that individuals will step up to fill these important roles!

With that being said, both programs went really well! The children who participated had a meaningful and memorable experience learning more about God as their Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer. Those who served were also blessed throughout the week.

There was a week of no programming, which was super helpful to get ready for Theatre Arts Camp, which started the week after Middle School Mission Week ended. I am super grateful for Mackalyn and Kate and their leadership for MSMW as my involvement was much less than in years past. I did enjoy officiating communion with the group on the last day of their program.

TAC was an amazing and high-energy two weeks in mid-July! It was so awesome to see the way everyone worked together to make *The Wizard of Oz, Youth Edition* the success that it was. I appreciated the creativity of those who were working behind the scenes with costumes, props, and sets. I am especially grateful to Ben Chiappone, Tracey Webber, Syndie Toth, Heather Lippert, and Kat Fisher for their leadership. There were numerous youth, college students, and adults who were also invaluable to the production. Seeing the intersection of theatre people and Christ followers makes my heart overjoyed! While those two weeks are stressful, full of hard work, and usually some chaos, it is so worthwhile for all of us who are involved. This year did not disappoint!!!

So, after the last two months of busy, busy, busy, Michael and I are looking forward to relaxing and chilling. When you read this, we will be home from our vacation. I will be rejuvenated to continue planning for the fall. One of the big things happening in August is the *Back to School Bash* on Saturday, August 23rd from 1-3 PM. There are still openings for YOU to be involved in this outreach opportunity. In September, a new ministry will be rolling out on the second Thursday of the month called *Open Table: No Reservations Required*.

We have a lot of great opportunities here at Mentor UMC. My prayer is that YOU will want to join at least one of them. God created us to be in relationship with God and with one another—let's make this happen!!! Where will you serve this fall?

See you Sunday,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Pastor Tammy". The ink is dark and the signature is fluid and personal.

Pastor Tammy

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:**

The Enclave - Delores Tackett, Johanna Kessler, Dee Smith,
Mary Lou Haines, John Shetler, Carol Anderson

Parker Place - Bill Owen, Bob & Sandy Linsell,
Deloris Parsons, Mary Ann Haycox

Prosper at Wickliffe - Gloria McFeely

Symphony of Mentor - Lorraine Ahlstrom

Village of St. Edward: Dale Porter

Fairmont - Gretchen Tice

Governor's Point - Bob Williams

In need of prayer:

Kay Feiten, Hilary Pleska, Nora Kelley, Karen Mancini,
Noralee Starr, Tom Martin, Laurie Eppler, Connie Sterner, Sandy
Williams, Dee Smith, Russ Lancaster, Kay McKinney,
Ruthie Hobart, Terry & Mary Ellen Reynolds

STORM PROOF

8/3 - WHO IS IN CONTROL?

8/10 - WHAT IS GUIDING US?

8/17 - HOW DO WE PROCEED?

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MENTOR
United Methodist Church

Communion

Communion is the first Sunday of the month in both services. On all other Sundays, Communion & Prayer is held in the Chapel at 10:30 AM.

Fellowship Hour

Join us after service every week in the Gallery for Fellowship Hour. First Sunday of the month is Pancakes Sunday!

Yoga Night

All are welcome to join us for a Mentor United Methodist Church x Sunshine Yoga Night on Monday, August 11th @ 6:30 PM. Join us to experience how yoga, meditation, and breath prayers can support your emotional and physical well-being! Chairs will be available for those who need them. This is a FREE evening of yoga. [RSVP online here.](#)

Open Table

NEW! This monthly event is open to all and FREE! Join us in the Gallery at MUMC for food, fellowship, and fun from 5:30 to 7 PM every second Thursday of the month beginning September 11th. [RSVP online here.](#)

Young Adult Outings

Young Adults are invited to monthly outings to build relationships and have fun! Join us for:

Mentor Cityfest

- Saturday, August 16th
- Mentor Civic Center, parade at 10 AM (meet there by 9 AM)
- FREE, bring money for food

Picklefest in Cle

- Saturday, September 20th, 1 PM (meet at church at noon)
- Downtown Cleveland
- \$10, bring money for food
- Please [register](#) by the end of AUGUST

Need to Know

Communion Bread Baking

Do you enjoy baking? Are you looking for a way to serve God with your special gift? Baking communion bread can be a spiritual exercise. The meditative nature of baking offers an opportunity for active contemplation and prayer. Please consider signing up for a month starting in September. Meditate on John 3:33-35 as you listen and, hopefully, receive God's call to bake for the church community this everlasting, transforming bread. Contact Chris Fletcher 740.739.2155 christfletcher67@aol.com for additional information.

The Great Commission: Informational Meeting

Join Chris Fletcher on Sunday, August 17th after the 9:00 and 11:00 services in the Adams Parlor for an informational meeting on ways you can answer to the mission to make disciples of Jesus Christ. Whether welcoming guests, praying over our community, or writing words of encouragement, your efforts shape lives and reflect God's love. No RSVP needed. Questions? Contact Chris Fletcher at chrisfletcher67@aol.com / 740.739.2155

Martin Journey Group

This journey group is taking the month of August off and will start class again on September 7th. Get in touch with the Martin's or Pastor Tammy for questions.

Museum Day Trip

Join Pastor Tammy and others on a day trip to the Charles Wright Museum in Detroit on Saturday, November 1st. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$12 for youth and seniors. Please [RSVP online](#). Get in touch with Pastor Tammy with any questions.

Pet Blessing

Are you an animal lover? Bring your pets to Garfield Park on October 4th for a Pet Blessing.

Connection Corner

Relate. Love. Disciple

A part of MUMC's mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ—echoing the Great Commission to “go and make disciples of all nations.”

John Wesley reframes the focus of evangelism—not as a one-time conversion decision to follow Jesus—but as the beginning of a lifelong journey of faith and spiritual growth. The R.E.L.A.T.I.O.N.A.L acronym helps explain the Wesleyan approach to Evangelism.

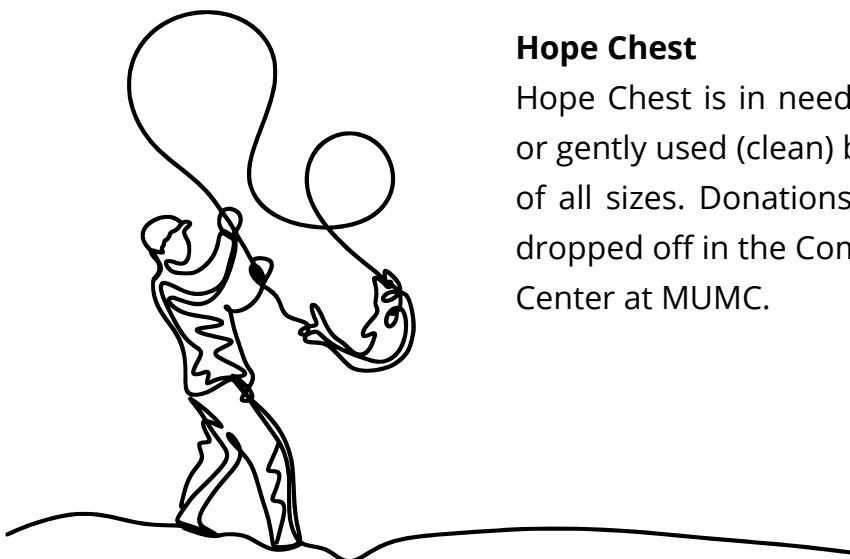


Alzheimer's Walk 2025

The Walk will be held at Lake Farm Park on September 27th. This year, our team goal is to raise \$2,000. All Journey groups & committees are encouraged to walk as part of Team MUMC. Get your team registered as soon as possible so we can meet our goal! [Click here.](#)

Prayer Sanctuary

Your support is needed! One of our students, Jack Cuff, is raising money for a project through the Eagle Scouts to build a Prayer Sanctuary at Mentor UMC. The money raised would go directly toward the purchases of material for the project, and any additional funds will go directly towards the needs of the church. LEARN MORE & DONATE HERE: <https://gofund.me/b84b2260>



What's Your M.O.?

Mission Opportunities

Back to School Bash Note from Salvation Army:

THANK YOU for your donations!! Your church did amazing this year. Please tell everyone how thankful we all are for the donations! I saw everything you sent and would say your church donated at least \$800 worth of supplies. The cost of the socks, underwear and backpacks is a lot. Thank you again for taking time to collect the items."

UMCOR

UMCOR provides disaster relief through the United Methodist Church's Global Ministries. To learn more or donate, please visit their website:

umcmmission.org/umcor

Hope Chest

Hope Chest is in need of new or gently used (clean) blankets of all sizes. Donations can be dropped off in the Community Center at MUMC.

Rocks Cry Out

If you are feeling led to be part of *Rocks Cry Out*, a group of people who want to explore the United Methodist Church's Social Principles to take action, please email Pastor Tammy at tpalermo@mentorumc.org.

Project Hope

Project Hope for the Homeless is in need of 16oz Bottled Water, 33-Gallon Trash Bags, Sliced Cheese, Paper Towels, Decaf Coffee, Lunch Chips, Paper Plates, Sugar, Cereal, Deli Meat, Drink Mix. Drop off at the shelter during the week from 8-2:30 PM.

Back to School Volunteers

Volunteer for MUMC's annual community celebration on Saturday, August 23rd. Details on next page.

Helping with Youth

Want to help out or support the Youth & Young Adult Ministry at MUMC but you aren't sure how? [Click here](#) to fill out your info so that Mackalyn can get in touch with you.

WHAT ARE THEY UP TO?

Sunday Morning Kids

9:00 & 11:00 AM at MUMC for all services.

- ALL ages are encouraged to check in at the Early Childhood Center (or Gallery, if available).
- Grades K-5 begin in worship with their families and then be dismissed to the Education Wing.

Sunday Morning Signup

MUMC's mission is to lead all onto a path of Christ-centered discipleship. Here is a great place to do just that! [Click here for leader signup](#). There are spots for various ages/levels, so check out what section works for you:)

"Worship one, serve one!"

Register for 2025-2026

Register for the 2025-2026 school year at MUMC: [link here](#). Get in touch with Brittany Jones to learn more:

bjones.preschool@mentorumc.org



Middle School

Middle Schoolers are invited to Sunday School during the 9 AM worship service each Sunday.

Youth Group

Youth are invited to meet in the Youth Room from 4-6 PM on August 24th for Youth Group. MORE dates coming soon.

Youth Fall Kickoff

Students are invited on Sunday, September 7th at 6 PM for a kickoff including a potluck, games, and an orientation for 6th graders & their families. Please RSVP [online here](#).

Harvest Fest

Youth are invited to St. Matthews UMC for their Harvest Festival at Brookdale Orchard on August 30th! Our Middle School Mission Week youth served there this summer, and so we are returning to visit again for the fall! We will meet at Mentor UMC to leave at 10:30 AM, and return around 2:30 PM. **Please sign-up by August 26th** if you are interested in attending as a student OR adult volunteer!

Back to School Bash

This free afternoon of fun will be on Saturday, August 23rd from 1:00 to 3:00 PM. We will have Pelican Snow Cones along with an inflatable bounce house, inflatable obstacle course, and dunk tank.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

Pastor Tammy has games for people to run, or you can just be present to show hospitality towards those attending. The idea is to share the love of Jesus with anyone who attends. **Sign up online** to help make sure we have enough people to show hospitality! Let us show the Mentor community love and grace!

Third Grade Bibles

Every August, all Third Graders are invited to receive their very own Bibles during service. This year, presentations will be on Sunday, August 24th during 9 & 11 AM worship. The BREAKFAST for Third Graders is on Saturday, August 23rd from 9 AM to 10:30 AM at MUMC. **Please RSVP online here**.