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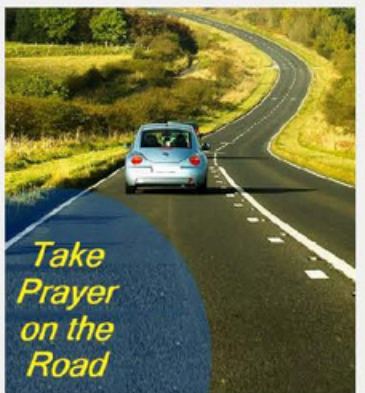
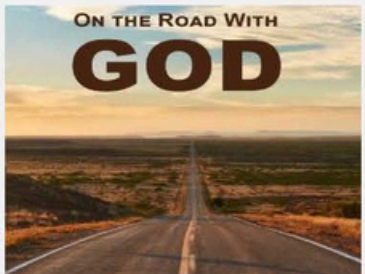
Worship Schedule

9 AM Modern

11 AM Traditional



Pastor's Letter



I believe you would enjoy it if you would please take a moment to search for this song, well two songs. As I've done some highway miles over the past month, my go to for music is always London's Best Smooth Jazz. That BSJ flow just makes the long miles float right past. (go ahead and play a bit of BSJ too, you'll be hooked for sure, or just come to my office sometimes.) And, as we come to this new series, **Road Trip: On the Go With God**, it has themes of traveling and moving from place to place. So, fortuitously, a few weeks ago, I caught the tail end of "**Your Way's Better**," a Christian song by Forrest Frank. I absorbed about 30 seconds of it and came back to it a week later.

YOUR WAY'S BETTER

Now, as we gas up and blast off for "**Road Trip: On the Go With God**" this declaration:

*Oh, Lord, I need You now more than ever
Would You put my heart back together?
I searched the world 'til my head hurt
Just to find out Your way's better*

*Oh-oh, Your way's better, Oh-oh, Your way's better
Oh Lord, Your way's better, Jesus, Your way's better*

We live in perpetual motion, movement, action, always going. And I, as you can too, attest this truth: **life moves at such a stronger, steadier, grounded pace when we surrender, abide, concede to GOING WITH GOD!** Not against, alongside or even in front of God. But friends, tell others who don't have the witness that **GOD'S WAY IS BETTER!**

The other song I'll share is: "There's Only One Name" by the Wheeler Avenue Baptist Church Choir of Houston, Texas. And, listeners, I caution you that the experience is 21 glorious minutes! Enjoy. —*Pastor Ivy*

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Commit your way to the LORD; trust in Him, and He will do it. Psalm 37:5

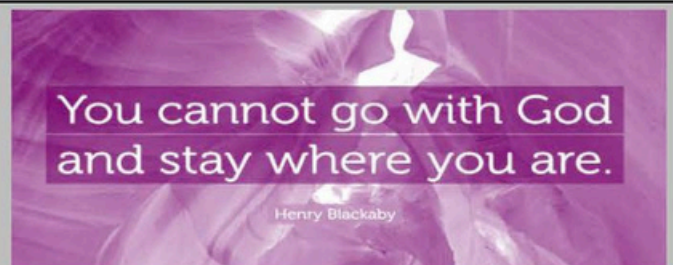
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*"For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
neither are your ways my ways," declares the Lord.
"As the heavens are higher than the earth,
so are my ways higher than your ways
and my thoughts than your thoughts."*

Isaiah 55:8-9

READ AHEAD

Road Trip: On the Go With God Genesis 12:1-9
Road Trip: On the Go With God Exodus 13:17-22
Road Trip: On the Go With God Luke 1:39-56
Road Trip: On the Go With God Esther 4:14
Road Trip: On the Go With God Acts 18:1-11



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

Holly Hill - Floyd Richards

Brookdale - Bill Wolfgang

Fairmont - Gretchen Tice

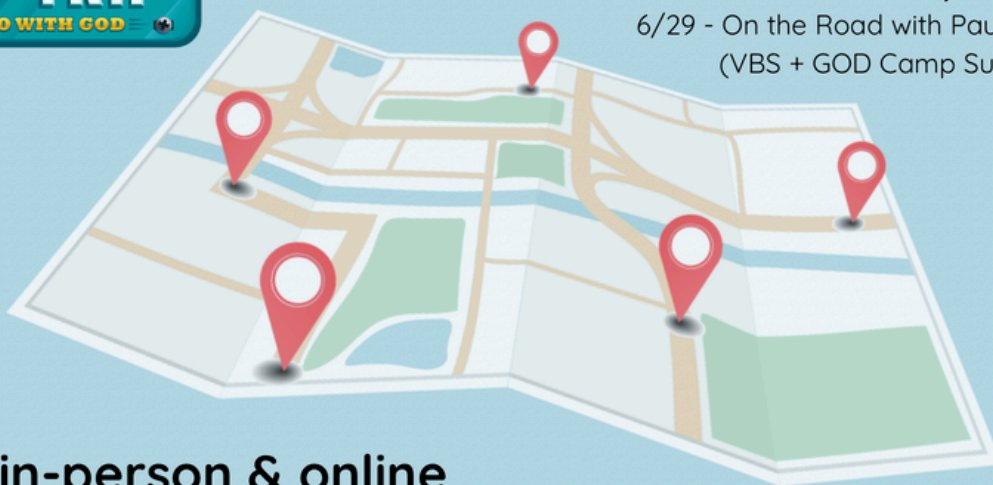
Governor's Point - Bob Williams

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



6/1 - Abraham and Sarah Follow God
6/8 - The Israelites Take the Scenic Route
6/15 - Mary & Elizabeth's Family Reunion
6/22 - Youth Service Project Sunday
6/29 - On the Road with Paul
(VBS + GOD Camp Sunday)



Join us in-person & online

9 AM Modern Worship

11AM Traditional Worship



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!

Need to Know

Ordination Invitation

All are invited to celebrate Pastor Tammy's ordination on Saturday, June 14th. The service begins at 9 AM in McGaw Chapel at The College of Wooster. There will be a light luncheon for MUMC folks to follow. Get in touch with Pastor Tammy if you would like to come or [RSVP online](#).

PLUS: Join us after services on Sunday, June 15th for cake & celebration in the Gallery.

MUMC Softball

Mentor UMC has two teams that you can support this softball season. Games are on Tuesdays at 6:30 PM @ Richmond Heights Community Park.

Baptism Opportunity

There will be a sunrise immersive baptism on June 29th around 7 AM at Headlands. Anyone who wishes to be baptized can contact the office.

New Member Tea

New members from the past year are invited to an afternoon "tea" at MUMC. We'll meet in the Gallery around 2:30 PM and check in with one another while enjoying light refreshments. [RSVP online](#) here or call the church office.

Day Trip

Join Pastor Tammy and others on a day trip to the Charles Wright Museum in Detroit to celebrate Juneteenth. [RSVP online](#).

Bread, Broth, Brownies, & Bingo

Please join us for Mentor United Women in Faith's June luncheon! The menu includes homemade spring vegetable soup, raspberry jam brownies, salad, and more. We will learn about and help support our youth summer mission teams as they share God's love by putting together some "encourage-mint" treats to remind the teams that their church family is remembering them as they serve. We hope to see you on Wednesday, June 4th at noon in the MUMC Gallery! Please RSVP to uwf@mentorumc.org, [register online here](#), or find the signup sheet in the Info Hub.

Summer Book Club

Join our Summer Book Club Slack channel to share with others throughout the summer about what you're reading! [Click to join](#).

Pentecost

Join us on Sunday, June 8th for Pentecost Sunday. Wear red for our Congregational photo after service!

ELEANOR MERRICK

ZELENKOFKSKE



born on Monday, May 19th

daughter of Michael & Catherine
Schirm Zelenkofske and
granddaughter of Kitty Schirm

Choir Thank You

Thank you to our Chancel Choir, Charter Members Men's Choir, and Bell Choir for a beautiful season! Special thanks to Amy Bender, Director of Music, and Bonnie Budziak, accompanist, for their dedication this past season. We are already counting down the days until their summer break is over.

Martin Journey Group

Join the new 6-week study, *John: The Gospel of Light and Life* by Adam Hamilton on Sunday, June 15th. This group meets in the Conference Room (and online) between the services. New folks are welcome to join us & should contact Barry or Johanna with any questions: johannamartin@sbcglobal.net

CWC Luncheon

Next luncheon is on June 17th at 11:15 AM. Cost is \$30. RSVP: 440.488.4351 or cwcstonecroft@yahoo.com

Hannah's Home Bottles

The Annual Hannah's Home Baby Bottle fundraiser takes place from Mother's to Father's day. Grab a bottle in the Info Hub and fill with a cash or check donation. Bottles can be dropped off in the church office. If you wish to give online, visit our website and make sure to designate your Giving to "Hannah's Home" in the comment section.

Middle School Mission Week

We hope this will be a week for building relationships, service and spiritual growth for Middle School students. Students will meet at MUMC then begin or travel to a local destination to complete mission work. Register a Middle Schooler or volunteer at [THIS LINK](#).

- July 7-11

- 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

- Starting at MUMC and then traveling to other locations

Blood Drive Thanks

We had 19 donors register and collected 18 units towards our 24-unit patient need goal on May 13th! Thanks all!

Hope Chest

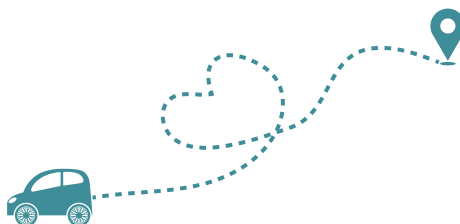
Hope Chest is in need of bath towels and hand towels. Donations can be dropped off in the Community Center (between the Gallery & Fellowship Hall).

What's Your M.O.?

Mission Opportunities

Project Hope Needs

Project Hope for the Homeless is in need of 33-gallon trash bags, paper towels and 16oz bottled water. If you can help, you may drop items off at the shelter between 9 AM and 2 PM, Mon-Friday.



Adult Mission Trip

Join a group as they head to CASS Detroit from July 10th to July 13th, leaving Thursday evening and returning midday on Sunday. Approximate cost is \$150 (covers lodging, meals, and transportation). Cass Community Social Services (CCSS) was established as a nonprofit 501 (c) (3) in 2002. Prior to that many of its programs started as a part of Cass Community United Methodist Church. The Detroit-based agency works across the city in areas of concentrated poverty providing programs for food, health, housing and jobs. Contact Katelynn Gurbach to learn more.: 440.223.9250

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](#).

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.

Volunteer Opportunity

Are you a Veteran? Looking for a special Ministry? Hillcrest is looking for Veterans to visit hospitalized fellow Veterans. If you would like to volunteer for this special ministry, please contact Christine in Spiritual Care Hillcrest Hospital at 440-312-3739.

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

VBS: Road Trip, On the Road with God

This is a week long adventure in the mornings at Mentor UMC. We'll sing, dance, craft, and get to know each other through Spirit-filled fun.

- June 23-27

- 9 AM to 12 PM

- 4 yrs old - grade 6

G.O.D. Camp: Water of Life

Join the week-long excitement of G.O.D. Camp at Mentor UMC and beyond. We'll explore the community around us through various activities.

- June 23-27

- 9:30 AM to 4 PM

- completed grades 5 - 6

[LEARN MORE ABOUT
SUMMER PROGRAMS HERE
OR ON OUR WEBSITE.](#)

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 the following dates: June 8th, July 13th, & August 24th

Mashups

Throughout the summer youth are invited to get involved with "Mashups", a youth experience that joins with other youth groups in the community:

- Sunday, June 29th @ Mayfield UMC
- Sunday, July 20th @ Mentor UMC
- Saturday, July 26th @ Camp Aldersgate (Beach Day)
- Sunday, August 10th @ Camp Hi (Canoeing day)

ONE WEEK LEFT:

Graduation Sunday

High School Grads & Scholarship Recipients are invited to celebrate their accomplishments here at Mentor UMC on Sunday, June 8th. **Fill out the form [online to be included](#).**

Grads from year's past are encouraged to reach out to Mackalyn or [signup online here](#) to help with the celebration.

ALL Grads are encouraged to send [Kenna](#) a photo with their name and post-grad plans to be shared in the Grad video. If you are under 18, contact Kenna for a photo release form: ktanner@mentorumc.org.

Young Adult Brunch

Young Adults are invited to brunch on Sunday, June 29th at Yours Truly at 10:30 AM. [RSVP online here](#). If you are thinking about carpooling, get in touch with Mackalyn Figgins: mfiggins@mentorumc.org.

