# MENTOR UNITED METHODIST CHURCH MAY 25,

2025

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Worship with us in-person or online: Mentorumc.org, Facebook, and Youtube

> **Worship Schedule** 9 AM Modern 11 AM Traditional



## Pastor's Letter









Near the Ohio cities and villages of Martins Ferry,
Powhatan Point, Shadyside, and St. Clairsville rests the village of Bridgeport, Ohio. On the Ohio River, positioned as a gateway to Wheeling, West Virginia, Bridgeport beautifully exhibits Memorial Day every day of the year. At a traffic light intersection, at the center of the village, is a Veterans' memorial situated such that you cannot miss it. The classic, visual opportunity to memorialize, commemorate, and remember is there every day, always. Not tucked away or at some remote site or secluded a hill, but smackdab in the center of town at a four-way stoplight. Now, I surely recognize that most community military memorial sites are chosen for best visibility, yet this one is tops for me!

Ah, I do all I can, every year, to beat my sisters in getting to the family cemeteries in May. Getting there to decorate, yes, decorate the gravesites. You know, just to one up them by being first...putting out fresh flowers, mulch or porcelain trinkets on the graves of our family's fallen soldiers and family members alike. Yet, hmmm, now that I think of it, just maybe, my sisters are slow to react, so that I will do it for them! Hmmm. But, I guess I'm just that type, but it does something to me to pull up those old weeds, clear off debris, pound fresh topsoil, and bring gardening tools in a bucket. I believe that no one is able to be fully developed in life without spending some time in remembrance mode.

As Memorial Day is assuredly not a part of the liturgical calendar, not a church day or high holy day, yet its intent, purpose and design, gives such religiosity. Christians do pause on All Saints Day in November to remember the lives of those who died in the past year. And this national remembrance on Memorial Day is extremely important likewise.

Yes, all through the Old and New Testament certain acts were done and certain steps were taken to ensure that God's people would remember God's promises, God's miracles or certain events from their past. God knew that by remembering the past, the Old Testament believers would be better equipped for their future.

Today, we, as a body of believers, live our lives relying, depending and trusting in God's promises. So, it would do us well, yes, it would behoove us, lol, to resonate with the country's collective pause in remembrance of the sacrifices of our military persons. In chapter one of Second Peter, verses 12-15 it says:

<sup>12</sup>So I will always remind you of these things, even though you know them and are firmly established in the truth you now have. <sup>13</sup>I think it is right to refresh your memory as long as I live in the tent of this body, <sup>14</sup>because I know that I will soon put it aside, as our Lord Jesus Christ has made clear to me. <sup>15</sup>And I will make every effort to see that after my departure you will always be able to remember these things.

As we remember, let us never forget the sacrifice of others and that God made through the life of Jesus Christ. Looking at our past propels us for a stronger and better future. —Pastor Ivy

## CONGREGATIONAL

In our prayers today & in your personal prayer time, please remember the following:

<u>Members admitted to Rehab,</u> <u>Assisted Living or Nursing Home Facility:</u>

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
Mentor Ridge - Terry Reynolds

#### In need of prayer:

Kay Feiten, Hilary Pleska, Nora Kelley, Karen Mancini Noralee Starr, Tom Martin, Laurie Eppler, Doug Koman, Connie Sterner, Sandy Williams, Dee Smith, Bob & Sandy Linsell

### **Every Sunday in May**

Tension Trust Trials Truth

# Jukebox Jesus

U2 Taylor Swift Kendrick Lamar Garth Brooks

9 & II AM Worship

In-person & Online



#### 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!

## Youversion <a href="https://bible.com/events/49438869">https://bible.com/events/49438869</a>

Learn more about Sunday's scriptures & worship by visiting this link.

#### **Series Playlist**

You can find this eclectic mix across genres on our Spotify <u>website</u> or (@mentorumc). The playlist features songs from the artists we are referencing throughout the sermon "lukebox lesus". series. NOTE: Though only CLEAN versions are on this playlist, some of these songs contain themes or references that can be suggestive or strong.

#### **Ordination Invitation**

All are invited to celebrate Pastor Tammy's ordination on Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup>. The ordination 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.

#### **Flower Opening**

There is an opening on June 8<sup>th</sup> for Altar Flowers in Traditional Worship. To order flowers please contact Kathy Fellows at 440.477.4485

#### **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.

## Need to Know



#### Music at Seven & Mixer

The musical excitement of May culminates in another "Music at Seven" followed by a mixer on the night of May 30th. We'll meet in the Gallery at 7 PM to listen to incredible live performances by members & friends of MUMC (get in touch with Amy Bender if you would like to participate). Then around 8 PM we'll begin our mixer featuring snacks, mocktails, crafts, games, dancing, and playing real records from every decade. This event is FREE and OPEN TO ALL! Invite friends & family for a good time.

#### **Day Trip**

Join Pastor Tammy and others on a day trip to the Charles Wright Museum in Detroit to celebrate Juneteenth. Details to come.



#### 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.

## Bread, Broth, Brownies, & Bingo

Please join us for Mentor United Women in Faith's lune luncheon! The menu includes homemade spring vegetable soup, raspberry jam brownies, salad, and more. We will learn about and help support our vouth summmer 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** uwf@mentorumc.org, register online here, or find the signup sheet in the Info Hub.

#### **Pentecost**

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

#### **CWC Luncheon**

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

#### Hannah's Home Bottles

The Annual Hannah's Home Baby Bottle fundraiser takes place from Mother's 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 "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 hen 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

#### **Civil Rights Trail**

Youth are invited to visit the Cleveland Civil Rights Trail on Saturday, May 31st. We'll leave from the church in the morning around 10 AM and arrive back around 3 PM.

#### **Blood Drive Thanks**

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

# What's **1** Pour **1** 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 Sunday. on 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 а special Ministry? Hillcrest is looking 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.



## CHILDREN & FAMILY MINISTRIES. YOUTH MINISTIRES. JOURNEY GROUPS.

## 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! <u>Click here for leader signup</u>. 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 MUMP: <u>link here</u>. Get in touch with Brittany Jones to learn more:

bjones.preschool@mentorumc.org

#### **MOMCo**

MOMCo meets Fridays in the Gallery from 9 AM - 12 PM. Upcoming dates:
May 23

## 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.

- lune 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 some Sunday evenings of the month in the Youth Room from 4-6 PM. Upcoming 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 29<sup>th</sup> @ Mayfield UMC
- Sunday, July 20<sup>th</sup> @ Mentor UMC
- Saturday, July 26<sup>th</sup> @
   Camp Aldersgate (Beach Day)
- Sunday, August 10<sup>th</sup> @ Camp Hi (Canoeing day)

#### **Graduation Sunday**

High School Grads & Scholarship Recipients are invited to celebrate their accomplishments here at Mentor UMC on Sunday, June 8<sup>th</sup>. Fill out the form <u>online</u> to be included.

Grads from year's past are encouraged to reach out to Mackalyn or <u>signup online</u> here to help with the celebration.

ALL Grads are encouraged to send <u>Kenna</u> a photo with their name and post-grad plans to be shared in the Grad video.

WEEKLY UPDATE ★★★ MENTOR UMC