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WEEKLY UPDATE

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MAY 4, 2025

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Mentorumc.org, [Facebook](#), and [Youtube](#)

Worship Schedule

9 AM Modern

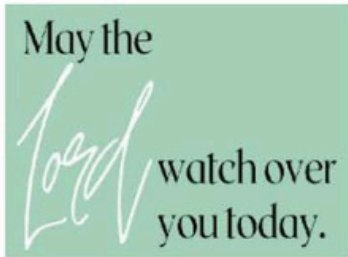
11 AM Traditional



Pastor's Letter



MAY you be happy.
MAY you be safe.
MAY you be well.
MAY you find comfort.
MAY you have peace.
MAY you have joy.
MAY you have strength.
MAY you be blessed!



MAY

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NUMBERS 6:24-26**

JUKEBOX JESUS SERIES

5/4 **Tension** 2 Cor. 12:1-10

5/11 **Trust** 1 Jn. 4:16-21

5/18 **Trials** Psalm 13

5/25 **Truth** – Jer. 29:10-14

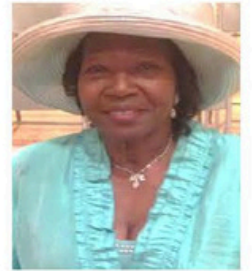
This letter is dedicated to our online worshippers of Mentor UMC

It is my prayer and my hope that each and every online worshipper believes that they are important to me and this church, because you are.



For one year in my ministry, I served two churches. And in March of 2020, I was tasked (*like many were*) to create Facebook and Zoom accounts in order to provide a worship experience and Bible Study. And even before that time, I found it necessary to make pre-recorded weekly worship services for two rehab centers. So I am a strong proponent for the importance of the online connections that the church provides. To engage remotely through video conferencing, live-streaming, or pre-recorded services is certainly a needed light in this dark world of ours.

My family tunes in often to MUMC, and my Aunt, Bessie Jean Kirtdoll, was the strongest supporter of them all. My Aunt passed last Saturday and she began her online connection at the very first service when I came to Mentor in 2023. Aunt Jean weekly read all of our Weekly Updates. She would often comment about the ministries and happenings here at Mentor. On phone calls or in texts to me, she would say:



- "Do we actually have brownies every month at the Four B?"
- "I thought 'The Hallelujah Chorus' was perfect!"
- "When will we get the new chairs in Fellowship Hall?"
- "All Saints Day was beautiful!"
- "We had a great turn out for Build-A-Bed, didn't we?"
- "Seems like our pancake Sundays are well received, huh?"
- More recently, "How is Steve's wife doing?"

And most important to me,

- "Niece, I took communion with you today."

Of course, technology is such that wireless connections are a lifeblood in every area of our lives. And I, even moreso, attest of the power that goes through the airways for those outside the building. To feel the fellowship and feel the presence of God wherever we are at anytime is so very vital. It's essential! And what captivates me (*mostly what I listen for*) is how she and others use the words "we, us, our" about their connection to Mentor. I just love it!

So, to all of our homebound, out-of-the-area, and Sunday-working family, may God continue to bless you and keep you as we remain in contact. By any means necessary. So that, God is glorified!

- Pastor Ivy

Even Me, Lord – by Elizabeth Codner

Lord, I hear of show'rs of blessing,
Thou art scatt'ring full and free,
Show'rs the thirsty land refreshing;
Let some drops now fall on me.

Even me, even me, Let some drops now fall on me.



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

Tapestry - Gloria McFeely

Symphony of Mentor - Lorraine Ahlstrom

Breckenridge/Fairmount - Patricia Laubscher

Village of St. Edward: Dale Porter

Holly Hill - Floyd Richards

Brookdale - Bill Wolfgang

Members who are in need of prayer:

Kay Feiten, Hilary Pleska, Nora Kelley, Karen Mancini

Noralee Starr, Laurie Eppler, Doug Koman, Connie Sterner,

Bob & Sandy Williams, Lois Dyckman, Dee Smith

Every Sunday in May

Tension Trust Trials Truth

Jukebox Jesus

U2 Taylor Swift Kendrick Lamar Garth Brooks

9 & 11 AM Worship

In-person & Online

May Sermon Series

The next sermon series, "Jukebox Jesus" will be an exploration of scripture through popular music. We will also enjoy "Music at Seven & Mixer" on Friday, May 30th in the Gallery.

Youversion

<https://bible.com/events/49429360>

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

Fair Play Performance

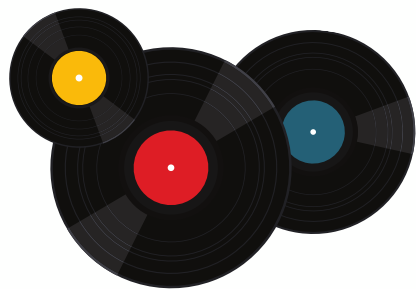
Join us on Thursday, May 8th at MUMC for the Fair Play performance. These are scenes written by theatre students based on the UMC Social Principles led by Pastor Tammy.

Music Recital

Join us at 2 PM on May 18th for a Music Recital at MUMC. The recital will feature Mackalyn Figgins on trombone with a brass ensemble featuring Pastor Steve, Mitch Niemi, Andrew Ring, and Charlie Tackett.

Ordination Invitation

All are invited to celebrate Pastor Tammy's ordination on Saturday, June 14th. 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](#).



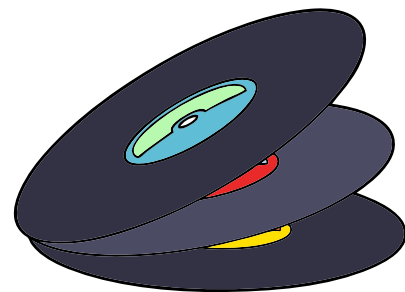
Need to Know

MUMC Softball

Mentor UMC has two teams that you can join or support this softball season (no gender or church membership requirements). Games are on Tuesdays beginning May 6th @ Richmond Heights Community Park. Anyone interested should contact Brian Bly: 440-463-7712 brianbly11@gmail.com

Bread, Broth, Brownies, & Bingo

Don't miss the international flavors & fun at Mentor UWF's May luncheon! Menu includes naan flatbread, chicken tortilla soup, Australian Tim Tam (cookie) brownies, and an opportunity to sample teas from around the world. Carol Haines will share a personal story of an amazing "international connection" made through a youth group project. We hope to see you on Wednesday, May 7th at noon in the Gallery! RSVP to uwf@mentorumc.org, [register online here](#), or in the Info Hub.



Birthday Open House

Long time member Beverly Reese is turning 85 and all are invited to a Birthday Open House on May 10th from 2 to 5 PM at 8770 Applewood Ct.

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!

CWC Luncheon

The next Christian Women's Connection Luncheon is May 20th at 11:15 AM to 1:30 PM at Pine Ridge CC. Cost is \$30. RSVP by May 15th to cwcstonecroft@yahoo.com or call Lynn at 440.488.4351.

Thank You from SPRC

A shout out and heartfelt thank you to those who stepped up and volunteered to clean around the church during our custodial transition. Mops, brooms, vacuums, scrub brushes, and rags...you've kept our church home clean and shiny bright! We appreciate our cleaning crew volunteers!

YSP Plant Sale

The Youth Service Project Plant Sale is on Mother's Day weekend (the 9th - 11th). You do not have to fill out a preorder form in order to shop the sale. Stop by the church during the day to peruse the plants.

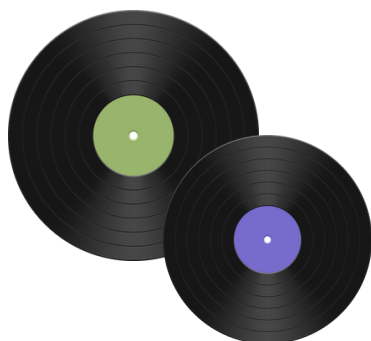
Middle School Mission Week

We hope this will be a week for building relationships, service and spiritual growth. 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



What's Your M.O.? Mission Opportunities

Adult Mission Trip

Interested in learning about an adult mission trip to CASS Detroit? Come to an information session on May 18th at 5 PM. Mission trip dates: July 10th - 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.

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.

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](#).

Royal Family Kids

Royal Family Kids Camp is an overnight camp experience for kids ages 6-11 who have been abused, neglected, or abandoned. This year's camp runs from Friday, June 6th through Wednesday, June 11th. Apply to volunteer full time or help out part time, as your schedule permits.

If you are 16 or older, you can help! The number of campers who can participate in this life-changing experience is limited by the number of volunteers. Don't be the reason some child can't come to camp! **APPLY HERE** or on our website.

Training date is Saturday May 3 from 8-4 at Willoughby Hills UMC. For more information, see or call Johanna Martin, 352-1432.

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

MOMCo

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

April 25

May 9, 23

Child & Caregiver Class

Age 2 ½ to 3 ½

9:15-10:45 AM in the Early Childhood Area

- SPRING: April 23, 30, May 7, 14

Cost is \$60 per 8 week session (prepaid, non-refundable). [Apply here!](#)

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.

Young Adult Small Group

Young Adults are encouraged to join a small group that meets in-person and online on Tuesday at 5 PM. This group is ongoing and accepting new friends at anytime. [Sign up online](#) or get in touch with Mackalyn.

Youth Group

Youth are invited to meet on the second and fourth Sunday evenings of the month in the Youth Room from 4-6 PM. Upcoming dates: April 27, May 11 & 25

Graduation Sunday

High School Grads & Scholarship Recipients are invited to celebrate their accomplishments here at Mentor UMC on Sunday, June 8th.

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.

Civil Rights Trail

Youth are invited to join as we 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.