# MENTOR UNITED WEEKLY UPDATE METHODIST

NOVEMBER 2, 2025

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Worship Schedule
9 AM Modern
11 AM Traditional



Celebrating & Remembering Members and friends who have passed in the last 12 months

# Pastor's Letter



### ALL SAINTS DAY – WE REMEMBER

There is probably not a day that goes by in our country when there is not a candlelight vigil happening somewhere. We are at a time in our civilization where assembling together as a show of support is extremely utilized and popular. Vigils with lit candles, public prayer, songs, solemn remembrance, and inspiring speeches are the way we show support for a cause or memorial. Well, annually in November, the church calendar remembers

those who we have lost to death through All Saints Day. This is when we collectively acknowledge deaths over the past year, and those persons are remembered as "saints." The word "saints" comes from the word sanctified—being set apart for holy use. When we recognize those significant lives, we, in turn, should link their lives to our own eternal life.



"For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone."

Ephesians 2:18-20

It is a good practice to recall those in our lives who laid a Christian foundation for us. I grew up with the hovering mantra that 'people can teach you two things: what to do and what not to do.' Not only are our lives impacted by our parents, grandparents, and others. But those long-gone choir members, teachers, ushers, pastors, church leaders, and members are tangible reminders of lives given to the service of the church. Since our faith is built on Jesus' life, mission, his death, and his resurrection, we should respect the lives Christians live as a model for us all. Long live the remembrance of the saints! So, for sure, we can influenceothers as we have been influenced by the saints.

For all the saints, who from their laborsrest.
Who Thee by faith, before the worldconfessed.
Thy Name, oh Jesus, be forever blessed. Alleluia, Alleluia!

-Pastor Ivy

### Traditional and Modern Songs for All Saints

Worthy of It All I Will Rise There Will Be a Day The Table Jesus Only Jesus Our God Saves We The Redeemed

For All the Saints
O When the Saints Go Marching In
Rejoice in God's Saints
The Church's One Foundation
O God, Our Help in Ages Past
When We All Get to Heaven
I'll Fly Away



Join Pastor Ivy on November 2nd from 6 to 8 PM for a group about managing the holidays while experiencing grief and loss.

# CONGREGATIONAL

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

# Admitted to Rehab, Assisted Living or Nursing Home Facility:

The Enclave - Delores Tackett, Johanna Kessler, Dee Smith,
Mary Lou Haines, John Shetler, Joe & Judy Tirpak
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
Mentor Ridge - June Van Ostrand

### In need of prayer:

Hilary Pleska, Karen Mancini, Tom Martin, Laurie Eppler, Noralee Starr, Connie Sterner, Sandy Williams, Dee Smith, Russ Lancaster, Kay McKinney, Ruthie Hobart, Terry & Mary Ellen Reynolds, Kimberlee Johnson, The Hall Family, Doug & Kathy Koman, Sandy Mazelis, The Denton Family, Syndie Toth, Heather Lippert

# Sunday, November 2, 2025

# All Saints Day

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### 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!

### Youversion https://bible.com/events/495

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

### **Commitment Sunday**

Keep an eye out in the next two weeks for your Commitment Card in the mail. We will commit our giving for MUMC on Sunday, November 16<sup>th</sup> during both services.

### **Sermon Series**

Join us in November for our next sermon series, "Distractions." Through scripture, we'll remember the importance of focusing on our spiritual journey amidst a world filled with distractions. Schedule:

11/9: Naming Our Distractions 11/16: Focus on Jesus, Don't Be Distracted

11/23: Overcoming Our Distractions

### **Shepherding Summit**

Join us on Saturday, November 15<sup>th</sup> for the annual Shepherding Summit. Open to all, though especially beneficial to those serving or wishing to serve in a group or committee.

### Open Table

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. RSVP online here.

### **Christmas Play Tickets**

Tickets for MUMC's Truth & Light Players' production of "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever" are one sale NOW! <u>Buy online</u> here.

# Need to Know

### **Surviving the Holidays**

Join Pastor Ivy on October 24th from 6 to 8 PM for a group about managing the holidays while experiencing divorce and separation. There will be a second session on November 2nd, focusing on grief and loss.

### **Charge Conference**

All are welcome to attend Charge Conference on Saturday, November 8th at Green Valley UMC.

## The Gingerbread House Arts & Craft Show 2025

All are invited to the Annual Gingerbread Show on Friday, November 7th from 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM and Saturday, November 8th from 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM. Shop an array of crafts, snacks, goodies, and more. Volunteer & donation info on next page.

# Bread, Broth, Brownies, & Bingo Luncheon

invited You are to presentation by Rose Darling, Community & Engagement Coordinator for Flat Rock Homes, Care Center, and Community Services. The menu includes Fall Harvest soup, crusty Italian bread, Autumn Orchard salad, and chocolate Ghirardelli brownies. We hope you will join Wednesday, us on November 12th at noon in the MUMC Gallery! Please RSVP to uwf@mentorumc.org, register online, or find the signup sheet in the Info Hub.

### **CWC Luncheon**

Ladies are invited to the Christian Women's Connection Luncheon on Tuesday, November 18th from 11:15 AM 1:30 PM. We'll hear speakers from Lake Metroparks, **Fairport** Lighthouse and Museum, former TV anchor, Carol LeBeau. Cost is \$28. RSVP to cwcstonecroft@yahoo.com or call Lynn at 440.488.4351.

### **New Member Sundays**

Join us for New Member Sundays on November 9th and 16th where we'll celebrate our new members during worship. if you wish to be a new member, get in touch with a pastor.

# Connection Corner Relate. Love. Disciple

A part of MUMC's mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ —echoing the Commission to "go and make disciples of all nations." John Wesley reframes the focus of evangelism—not as a onetime conversion decision to follow Jesus—but as the beginning of a lifelong journey of faith and spiritual growth. R.E.L.A.T.I.O.N.A.L. acronym helps explain the Wesleyan approach Evangelism.

### I. INVITING

An inviting church reaches out, welcoming people to worship, attend a special event, or join a class. When we invite others in and treat them with warmth and kindness, amazing transformations can happen—often more than we can imagine.

## Gingerbread Craft Show 2025 **VOLUNTEERS**

Volunteers needed! Take a shift at the cheese table, bake shop & country cupboard, UWF craft area, be a "floater", or help set up throughout the week. Help is also needed for cleanup! Contact Carol Hoskinson at <a href="mailto:cjh44236@gmail.com">cjh44236@gmail.com</a> for details and scheduling or <a href="mailto:click here">click here</a>.

## **DONATIONS**ATTIC TREASURES

Now's your chance to do some cleaning out before the holidays. We are looking for donations of **small** appliances, pots & pans, bakeware, kitchen items, knick-knacks, crystal, dishes, jewelry, etc. (It's like a mini-rummage sale). **Bring your items to the church the week of November 3rd.** 

#### **COUNTRY CUPBOARD**

Keep us in mind as you gather in your fall harvest and prepare home pickles, jellies, applesauce, Also, donations etc. homemade baked goods, snacks, candies or any of your specialties homemade needed. Please make sure to list all ingredients on the package or on a list for display. Items can be left in the church kitchen beginning Wednesday, November 5th.

#### **UWF CRAFT ROOM**

Donate **handmade** arts & crafts, ornaments, wreaths, knitted/crocheted items, potholders, table runners, etc. **Donations can be brought to the church the week of November 3rd.** 

# What's Your Mission Opportunities

### **Thanksgiving Day Meal**

Save the date for the annual MUMC Thanksgiving Day Meal on Thursday, November 27th. Each year this church comes together to supply, cook, and serve a FREE Thanksgiving Meal to our community. This blessing isn't possible without YOU! <u>Sign up online</u> or visit the table in the Gallery for Food Donations and the Volunteer signup.

### **Royal Family Kids**

Royal Family Kids Camp is collecting donations to buy gift cards for Club and Camp families for Thanksgiving! Give cash, a check, or \$25 gift card to Aldi by Tuesday, November 11th. For checks, please put "Thanksgiving RFKC" on the memo line. Turn your donations in to the church office. Contact Johanna Martin for questions.

## Modern Service Communion Coordinators Needed

We're looking for volunteers to help set up communion on the first Sunday of each month. This is a simple but sacred act of service. Whether you're called to serve once or regularly, your help makes a difference. This is a beautiful way to support worship behind the scenes and participate in the spiritual rhythm of our church.

Please contact Chris Fletcher at Membership@mentorumc.org.

### **Project Hope Dinner**

Join us for Project Hope's annual "Night of Hope" at St. Noel's on November 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM. Register online OR get in touch with Bill Mueller or the church office to be part of the group. Tickets are \$75 per person. This evening includes dinner, dessert, stories of hope, and more.

### **Food Pantry**

Mentor UMC's Food Pantry is in need of the following:

- Apple/Berry/Fruit juice
- Pasta sauce
- Manwich

Items may be dropped off in the bin in the Community Center.

### **Hope Chest**

Hope Chest is in need of:

• Full, Queen, King blankets Donations can be dropped off in the Community Center at MUMC.

### **Blood Drive**

Register online for the next Blood Drive on Tuesday, November 11th, 2025, from 9:00 AM - 3:00 AM in the Asbury & Wesley Rooms.

### **Thanksgiving Trees**

Pickup a Caring Servants Thanksgiving Tree in the Gallery this Sunday after worship. This craft is a fun way to show what you are grateful for this autumn season.

### CHILDREN & FAMILY MINISTRIES. YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTIRES.

# WHAT ARE THEY UP TO?

### **Children's Min Meetings**

Children's Ministry Team Meetings are the second Wednesday of the month on zoom at 7 PM. Contact Pastor Tammy for the link or for questions.

### **Sunday Morning Kids**

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

- ALL ages 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!"

### **MOMCo Meetings**

Meetings are the 2nd & 4th Friday of the month from 9:30 AM to 12:00 PM in the Gallery at MUMC. Register and learn more online here.

### **Child & Caregiver Class**

This class is open to ages 2 ½ to 3 ½ on Wednesdays from 9:15 AM to 10:45 AM. The cost is \$65 per 8-week session (prepaid, non-refundable). The WINTER session is January 14, 21, 28; February 4, 11, 18, 25; March 4. The SPRING: March 25; April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; May 6, 13. Fill out the form online here.

### **Youth Sunday School**

Grades 6-12 are invited to Sunday School during the 9 AM worship service each Sunday. We'll meet in the Youth room for fellowship & fun.

### **Youth Group**

Youth are invited to meet in the Youth Room from 4-6 PM on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month for Youth Group. If there is a special event on one of those Sundays, then the event replaces YG.

### **Young Adult Group**

Meet us in-person (Youth Room) on Tuesdays from 6 - 7:30 PM. Currently, we're reading and discussing Octavia Butler's *Parable of the Sower*. During Advent, we will do a study that takes us to local Christmas bars. Contact Mackalyn for details.

### **Parents of Youth**

Fill out the online form <u>here</u> if you are a parent of a youth.

### **Project Feed**

The Ohio UMC is hosting a Project Feed event on November 16th at Kent UMC. This is an opportunity for Youth to pack meals for folks in need. Cost is \$10 per student. Adults are free. This event fills up fast, so please let Mackalyn know if you are interested as soon as possible. RSVP online here.

### **Gaming Group**

Wednesdays are game nights! Join this Intergenerational group on Wednesdays from 5:30-9:30 PM (or whatever time you can spare) in the Youth Room. Right now, D&D is the game offered. If there is a particular game you are interested in seeing at MUMC, get in touch with Mackalyn.

### **Young Adult Outing**

Join us at Patterson's Farm on Sunday, November 2nd after church (1 PM) for a fun fall time! Cost is \$12.

### **Youth Service Project**

YSP holds regular meetings at MUMC to plan the 2026 trip and fundraisers. <u>Visit our website</u> for dates or get in touch with Mackalyn.

### Mentor Marching Band Fundraiser

Visit Mentor HS on Saturday, November 8th from 10 AM to 5 PM for their Mattress Fundraiser. Money raised supports the Marching band including students Darin Petrowski and Jack Cuff (don't forget to mention their referral at the fundraiser).

