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Worship with us in-person or online:
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Worship Schedule

9 AM Modern

11 AM Traditional



HAPPY
HALLOWEEN

Pastor's Letter



The Lord be with you,

After a fantastic pilgrimage to England to see all things John Wesley, I am home. For those of you who follow the Mentor UMC Facebook page, there was a post each day from my experience. Our group was blessed to have Rev. Dr. Paul W. Chilcote share his valuable insight as we walked through the streets of London, Epworth, Bristol, and Oxford. I was able to have a truly immersive experience while in England.

On Saturday, October 18, we ended our time in Bristol with a service of word and communion. Dr. Chilcote shared a message of hope after reading Romans 15:13, "May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in faith so that you overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." In the words of Pastor Ivy, my eyes were leaking throughout his message on a day that I especially needed to be reminded of God's hope that is given through the power of the Holy Spirit. After the message, we were all invited to stand around the pulpit area where the bread and juice were laid on the same table that John Wesley used in the New Room. Bishop Jung shared the communion liturgy and then asked for "Deacon Tammy" to assist. Through my tears of blessing, I held the cup for my colleagues and friends as we shared in the Holy Mystery together in that sacred space.

The fact that this Sunday wraps up "The Lost Art of Gratitude" with inspiration from John Wesley's sermon, The Use of Money, is not lost on me. I believe the Holy Spirit has been at work to coordinate my pilgrimage with this series. John Wesley exemplified how to "give all you can" by living on a fixed income. When he managed to make more, he continued to live on that same amount and then gave away his extra money to those in need. Wesley recognized that God was the one who provided for him. This is still an idea that many Christ followers believe.

Part of giving all we can is how we put our faith into action. This means that another way of being good stewards of the resources that God grants each of us, is by serving those in need. The way we spend our time is a way to honor God. As your Pastor of Children & Family Ministries, I would be remiss if I did not invite you to spend your gift of time by blessing the children and youth in our faith community. As we approach 2026, I ask that you prayerfully consider the opportunity to serve as a coordinator of the Easter Egg Hunt, Vacation Bible School, Get Out Doors (G.O.D.) Camp, the Back to School Bash, Treat Street, or Sunday School Leader Recruiter. Since 2020, these programs have been without someone other than me leading the helm and the time has come for people to take on these leadership responsibilities.

May we all live into our Wesley heritage and embrace how we can gain all we can, save all we can, and give all we can.

Pastor Tammy

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Care 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

The Lost Art of Gratitude

October 12, 19, 26

Join us in person or online

9 AM Modern Worship

11 AM Traditional Worship



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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!

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

Charge Conference

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

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 16th during both services.

All Saints Day

Join us in worship on Sunday, November 2nd to honor & remember those that have passed in the last year.

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 15th for the annual Shepherding Summit. Open to all, though especially beneficial to those serving or wishing to serve in a group or committee.

Need to Know

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.

Prayer Evenings

Join us in the Chapel at 6 PM on Monday, October 27th for an evening of prayer. We'll pray for one hour, lifting up our many concerns.

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.](#)

Bread, Broth, Brownies, & Bingo Luncheon

You are invited to a presentation by Rose Darling, Church & 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 Ghirardelli chocolate brownies. We hope you will join us on Wednesday, November 12th at noon in the MUMC Gallery! Please RSVP to uwf@mentorumc.org, register [online](#), or find the sign-up sheet in the Info Hub.

Book Club

The next Book Club is on Thursday, October 30th at 6 PM in the Library at MUMC.

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.

CWC Luncheon

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

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.

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.

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.

Gingerbread Craft Show Volunteers

If you are willing to make crafts to donate, may have items for the Attic Treasures Room, or want to make snack and baked goods to share, [check out our website](#) to learn more about Gingerbread House 2025 and how to donate and/or volunteer.

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! [Sign up online](#) or visit the table in the Gallery for Food Donations. Volunteer sign-up available soon.

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.

Hope Chest

Hope Chest is in need of:

- New socks (all sizes)
- New Underwear (all sizes)
- New Men's undershirts
- Shoes (new or GOOD condition)

Donations can be dropped off in the Community Center at MUMC.

What's Your M. ? Mission Opportunities

Woodlawn Winter Needs

Each year, United Women in Faith collects winter clothing for those in need. This year, they are requesting hats, gloves, and scarves. Please drop off items to the church by October 29th. Donations will be given out on November 1st to the residents of Woodlawn.

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.

Communion Coordinators Needed - Modern Service

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 7th 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.

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.](#)

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).



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](#).

Preschool Book Fair

The Book Fair is set up in Wesley Room through Sunday, October 26th. Shop the great collection of books & gifts after worship!

Parents Morning Out

On Monday mornings from 9:15-11:15 AM, parents are invited to bring their kindergarten children for a morning of play, music, snacks, a Bible story and a craft. **WE ARE CURRENTLY AT CAPACITY.** REGISTER FOR WAITING LIST ONLY. Upcoming dates:

- October 6, 13, 20, 27

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 2nd & 4th 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) and online on Tuesdays from 6 - 7:30 PM. Currently, we're reading and discussing Octavia Butler's *Parable of the Sower*. Contact Mackalyn for details.

Parents of Youth

Fill out the online form [here](#) if you are a parent of a youth.

Dungeons & Dragons

Wednesdays are game nights! Join this Intergenerational group on Wednesdays from 5:30-9:30 PM in the Youth Room. If there is another game you are interested in seeing at MUMC, get in touch with Mackalyn.

Halloween Lock-in

Youth are invited to a special Halloween Lock-in at Mentor UMC from Friday, October 31st to November 1st (7 AM). We'll play games, eat food, have fun, and (maybe) get some sleep. [RSVP or volunteer online](#)

Young Adult Outing

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

Youth Service Project

YSP meets on Sunday, October 26th from 3-4 PM. Anyone Interested and their parents are invited to come.

