

# MENTOR

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WEEKLY UPDATE

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## Worship Schedule

9 AM Modern

11 AM Traditional



# Pastor's Letter

SEPTEMBER

## FAITH SHARING

*We have nothing to give of value, but He asks for us to tell others about Him. Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, whom he has redeemed from trouble. —Psalm 107:2 ESV*

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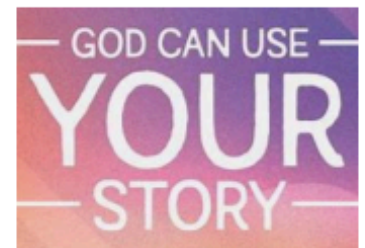
*Come and hear, all you who fear God, and I will tell what he has done for my soul. —Psalm 66:16 ESV*

Whether it is revealed or not, everyone has a unique **faith story**. Maybe God became real to you early as a child or teenager. Maybe God became real through an addiction of drugs or alcohol. Maybe God became real during an illness, loss or crisis. However God becomes a clear and present reality, that experience is a **faith sharing**. The Apostle Paul reiterates in Philippians 1:12 that everything that happened to him has helped him to spread the Good News, to **share** his **faith**!

I am so impressed with the **Faith Sharings** in our Chapel Communion. Jim Post, our Chapel Communion coordinator, added the "**faith sharing**" portion to our 10:30AM service. So, we are not only **sharing** communion but also **sharing** our **faith** stories. **Faith sharing** or testimonies are an open, public expressing of faith in God. And if you have not attended the 10:30AM service, the order is a welcome, a **faith sharing**/testimony by a member, celebrating the bread and wine of communion, possibly ending with a prayer or song.

Jim felt it would be a strong message to others if we could share how we see and feel God in our lives. **Sharing** helps build community and it also reminds us of the bond we have through belief. Old and New Testament scriptures encourage us to speak of God's works. So, please feel free to join us for communion, and better yet, we would love to hear your **faith** story. **Sharing** your walk with God is a powerful way to offer hope, encourage strength and even point others to Christ. It's important to let your light shine everywhere and in **sharing** that light, you are **sharing** Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

—Pastor Ivy





# 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

*Fairmont* - Gretchen Tice

*Governor's Point* - Bob Williams

**In need of prayer:**

Hilary Pleska, Nora Kelley, Karen Mancini, Tom Martin, Laurie Eppler, Connie Sterner, Sandy Williams, Dee Smith, Russ Lancaster, Kay McKinney, Ruthie Hobart, Terry & Mary Ellen Reynolds, Kimberlee Johnson

**Love & Sympathy to the family & friends of Carolyn Anderson,  
who passed on Friday, August 29, 2025.**

# Get in the game

## 8/31 & 9/7

Join us in person or online

9 AM Modern Worship | 11 AM Traditional Worship



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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!

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

### **Pastor Steve Leave Letter**

[Click here](#) or visit our website to read all about Pastor Steve's renewal leave this past summer.

### **Open Table**

NEW! 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 beginning September 11<sup>th</sup>. [RSVP online here.](#)

### **Young Adult Outings**

Young Adults are invited to monthly outings to build relationships and have fun!

#### *Picklefest in Cle*

- Saturday, September 20<sup>th</sup>, 1 PM (meet at church at noon)
- \$10, bring money for food
- Please [register](#) ASAP

#### *Regal Vineyard*

- Saturday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, 6 PM
- Corn maze, haunted house, food, firepit, etc.
- Bring money for food & drink (adults may CHOOSE to drink but MUMC is not liable for individuals' actions)

### **Sermon Series Planning**

Share your ideas about next year's sermons! All ideas will be taken under consideration but NOT guaranteed to be included. [Click here to share.](#)

# *Need to Know*

### **Bread, Broth, Brownies, & Bingo Luncheon**

Let's celebrate as Mentor United Women in Faith kicks off another season of luncheons! The menu includes tomato tortellini soup, cheesy garlic bread, salad, and chocolate chip brownies.

We hope to see you on Wednesday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at noon in the MUMC Gallery! Please RSVP to [uwf@mentorumc.org](mailto:uwf@mentorumc.org), register online [here](#), or find the signup sheet in the Info Hub.

### **Book Club**

ALL are invited to join the first Book Club meeting at MUMC on Friday, September 26<sup>th</sup> at 4 PM. We'll meet to discuss scheduling and, of course, books. This group is discussion based and will feature books or readings from all persuasions. For now, we're sharing individual reads but may do a group read in the future. Ask Kenna to join to Slack channel (online chat platform) in the meantime (this is not required to enjoy Book Club).

### **Pickleball Group**

Join us on Mondays at 5 PM in the south parking lot for Pickleball at MUMC beginning September 22<sup>nd</sup>. All skill levels welcome & limited paddles are available (but feel free to bring your own if you have one)!

### **Pet Blessing**

Are you an animal lover? Bring your pets to Garfield Park on October 4<sup>th</sup> for a Pet Blessing through MUMC. Details to come.

### **Museum Day Trip**

Join us on a day trip to the Charles Wright Museum in Detroit on Saturday, November 1<sup>st</sup>. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$12 for youth and seniors. Please [RSVP online](#). Get in touch with Pastor Tammy with any questions.

### **StrengthsFinder Study**

All are encouraged to participate in a *StrengthsFinder* study in October. There is an orientation on Sunday, September 21<sup>st</sup> from 2 to 4:30 PM at MUMC with Rev. Terry McHugh. The study will be on Wednesday nights in October from 6:30-8:00 PM. Register [online here](#) or get in touch with Pastor Tammy for questions.



## *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.

#### **E. ENTER**

Evangelism is about helping people enter into a relationship with Jesus and grow within a church family. Walk with others, be a part of the body of Christ, and discover the full life God offers in community.

## Alzheimer's Walk 2025

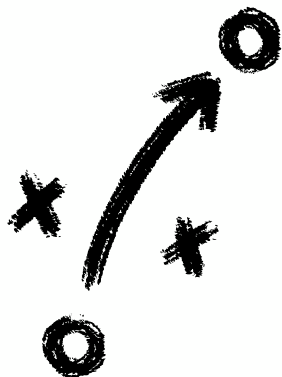
The Walk will be held at Lake Farm Park on September 27th. This year, our team goal is to raise \$2,000. All Journey groups & committees are encouraged to walk as part of Team MUMC. Get your team registered as soon as possible so we can meet our goal! [Click here](#).

## More Than a Meal

On the last Saturday of each month, we provide a free community meal at MUMC. You can help cook, clean up, or hand out meals while interacting with guests. The time commitment is about four hours. [Please signup online](#) or call the church office for details.

## UMCOR

UMCOR provides disaster relief through the United Methodist Church's Global Ministries. To learn more or donate, please visit their website: [umcmmission.org/umcor](http://umcmmission.org/umcor)



# What's Your M. ? Mission Opportunities



## GBGM Luncheon

The Missions Commission is hosting a Luncheon for GBGM Missionary [Guillermo "Willie" Berman](#) who is visiting us from Mexico on Sunday, September 21st at 12:30 PM in the Gallery. All are invited

## Project Hope

Project Hope for the Homeless is in need of 16oz Bottled Water, 33-Gallon Trash Bags, Sliced Cheese, Paper Towels, Decaf Coffee, Lunch Chips, Paper Plates, Sugar, Cereal, Deli Meat, Drink Mix. Drop off at the shelter during the week from 8-2:30 PM.

## Helping with Youth

Want to help out or support the Youth & Young Adult Ministry at MUMC but you aren't sure how? [Click here](#) to fill out your info so that Mackalyn can get in touch with you.

## Caring Servants Picnic

The annual picnic is on Wednesday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at noon at the Seaholm's residence.

Caring Servants is an extension of the pastoral visitation ministry to the homebound or chronically ill members church. They provide regular contact through cards, calls, visits, or "special deliveries" on a monthly basis. If you are interested in getting involved, get in touch with Pastor Ivy.

## Hope Chest

Hope Chest is in need of new or gently used (clean) blankets of all sizes. Donations can be dropped off in the Community Center at MUMC.

# 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](#). Upcoming dates:

- September 12 & 26
- October 10 & 24

## Parents Morning Out

On Monday mornings from 9:15-11:15 AM, parents are invited to bring their children, who are walking through kindergarten, 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:

- September 8, 15, 22, 29
- 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 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. Check the website for updates.

## Youth Fall Kickoff

Students are invited on Sunday, **September 7<sup>th</sup>** at 6 PM for a kickoff including a potluck, games, and an orientation for 6<sup>th</sup> graders & their families. Please RSVP [online here](#).

## Brookdale Harvest Fest

Youth are invited to St. Matthews UMC for their Harvest Festival at Brookdale Orchard on **September 27<sup>th</sup>!** Our Middle School Mission Week youth served there this summer, and so we are returning to visit again for the fall! We will meet at Mentor UMC to leave at 10:30 AM, and return around 2:30 PM. Please sign-up asap if you are interested in attending as a student OR adult volunteer!

## Mini Golf & Ice Cream

Youth are invited for an afternoon of Mini Golf & Ice Cream at the Dairy Queen Mini Golf in Mentor-on-the-Lake on **September 14<sup>th</sup>** at 2 PM. Cost is \$8 per player.

## Hornyak Farms Fall Fest

Youth are invited to enjoy all the Fall Fest activities at Hornyak Farms on Sunday, **September 28<sup>th</sup>** at 3 PM (Meet at church at 2:30). It is \$8 a person.

## Young Adult Group

Small group meets in-person (Youth Room) and online on Tuesdays from 5-6 PM. Contact Mackalyn for details.