
Mentor United Methodist Church

WEEKLY UPDATE

Sunday, August 23, 2020

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Greetings in the strong name of our Lord Jesus! We turn our attention to the end of summer and students resuming their studies in schools and colleges, whether at home or on campus. Many uncertainties remain, but we want you to know that Mentor UMC is here for prayer, support, and encouragement.

Continuing the theme of education and growth, we look forward to resuming our Journey Groups in the fall. Journey Groups are MUMC folks that regularly meet together on a long-term basis to encourage one another in their walk with Jesus, study God's Word, and spend time in prayer. Some of you may be part of a Journey Group; if so, be looking for information from your group leaders regarding meeting this fall.

To join a Journey Group, please contact Pastor Quincy at qwheeler@mentorumc.org by Tuesday, September 8. Please include what day/time would be convenient for you. Groups meet at all times throughout the week. We will find something that works for you.

We are also starting two groups in September to examine racial injustice in our society. We HIGHLY encourage everyone to consider signing up. The first group meets on Thursday evenings, beginning September 10. It will seek answers to racial injustice questions like, "What are the roots of racial issues in our church and our society?" and, "What has the American church done in the past to help or hurt the cause of racial reconciliation?" This group will be using the RightNow Media study "The Color of Compromise" by Jemar Tisby and meeting on Zoom. There is an optional book to accompany the course (copies available from the church office for \$13), but all you need to be a part of the group is a Zoom account (free), a RightNow Media account (free through MUMC).

The second group meets Tuesday evenings, beginning September 15 on Zoom for 8 sessions. This group will discuss and strategize ways to be active for racial justice in our community, churches, and lives, and to intentionally develop multiethnic communities. To join this group, you will need to purchase a copy of "Multiethnic Conversations" by Mark DeYmaz (available for \$15 from the church office or online) and have access to Zoom. This group is for those with a heart for racial justice and a desire to help. Please contact Pastor Quincy at qwheeler@mentorumc.org by Tuesday, September 8, to join either of these new groups.

Even though we are entering uncharted territory, we are excited to see the new things that Jesus is going to do in Mentor UMC, Mentor, Painesville, Lake County, Ohio, and each of our lives. We hope you will join us in making Christian discipleship and fellowship a reality that no pandemic, no crisis, and no uncertainty can interrupt!

Pastor Quincy and Pastor Sondra



Sunday Morning Kids' Journey Groups, Cherub and Children's Choir, and Parent's Morning Out are suspended until further notice.

EAT THIS BOOK Summer Challenge! All families are invited to participate in this challenge where PRIZES will be awarded! [Sign up](#) to participate. The challenge is ongoing and ends September 5.

Positive Parenting Book Club's next book is Jen Hatmaker's new book [Fierce, Free, and Full of Fire: The Guide to Being Glorious You](#).

September 3 - What I Want (chapters 7-8)

September 17 - What I Believe (chapters 9-10)

October 1 - How I Connect (chapters 11-12 and Final Thoughts)

We will meet VIRTUALLY online! Once you register, at this link <https://bit.ly/3hVdwkM>, you will receive the link to the meeting.

MUMC Kids' Meetups on [SUNDAY](#) mornings at 10:30 AM!

We will have the preschoolers break out with Kate & Abby Colbow. There is also a gathering on [WEDNESDAY](#) mornings at 10:30 AM. Join us for some singing and good times.

Journey Group

The Tuesday morning Journey Group will begin The Color of Compromise study at 9:30 AM via Zoom. If you want to join, please email Tammy at tpalermo@mentorumc.org.

PUTT-PUTT

Students from the classes of 2020-2027 are invited to join Leah & Tammy at Chip's Clubhouse, 214 5th Avenue, Chardon, OH 44024 on Sunday, August 23 for PUTT-PUTT. We will have the first group tee off at 4:00 PM. There can be 5 in a group. You will need to wear a mask and maintain distance. Cost will be \$4.50 per golfer.

YOU MUST SIGN UP at this link! <https://bit.ly/3igYy96>

Sunday Morning Services

The YouVersion link for this week is <https://bible.com/events/25463292>

Join us in worship!
9 AM and 11 AM

[Facebook](#), [YouTube](#), and [website home page](#)

Altar flowers are presented by Karl Smith in memory of Judy, wife and mother.

Congregational Care

Members admitted to the Hospital:

Cleveland Clinic - Dale Snyder • Lake West - Karen Preston

Members admitted to Rehab, Assisted Living or Nursing Home Facility:

The Lantern - Jim Reed • Aberdeen Crossing - Barbara Bradarich
The Enclave - Kay Disbro • Brookdale Mentor - Norma Kuzik
Mentor Ridge - Gloria Meyer
Danbury Senior Living - Ross & Kathryn Bevacqua
Maple Ridge Sr. Living - Bob Chamberlin • Brookdale Wickliffe - Fran Rose
Tapestry Senior Living - Gloria & Ron McFeely
Fairmount - Patricia Laubscher • Vista Springs - Jean Lewis

Members who have returned home or are homebound:

Linda Leach, John Reno, Sylvia Bisbee, Carl Snyder, Karen Mancini, John Hurley
Muril Zimmerman, Sandy Linsell, Kimi Schmidt, Gina Cartagena, Julie Helmick,
Opal Pinasky (at her daughter's home), Ken Ireland, Kurt Hinkley, Patricia Bonner,
Erica Wilmot, Tom Erbaugh, Marilyn Clark (at her son's home)

Youth Ministry

lnash@mentorumc.org

Follow the Youth on Instagram for all Youth Activity Updates at [MUMCYouth712](#)

Parent and Volunteer Fall Youth Group Planning Meeting with Leah and Tammy

In order to best serve our families and students, parents and volunteers are asked to join Leah and Tammy in a Zoom meeting to discuss:

- What youth group will look like
- What safety precautions are planned
- What the schedule will be for Youth Group and Confirmation
- Any concerns that you would like to address or ideas you have regarding this ministry

Meeting Times:

Sunday, August 23 at 12:30 PM

<https://zoom.us/j/91214043707?pwd=YzZUQldvTnREUU0rbXoyRjQxNlpQZz09>

Meeting ID: 912 1404 3707

Passcode: YTH712

Tuesday, August 25 at 7:00 PM

<https://zoom.us/j/92969989895?pwd=b1JRcTI0bnZmQzFZTWc4Vno4b2R1QT09>

Meeting ID: 929 6998 9895

Passcode: YTH712

Minecraft Wednesdays!

Throughout the Summer, we will have a Minecraft Hangout on Wednesday Evenings around 7 PM. All students are welcome to join our MUMC Server. This is a safe, closed environment where students can come together, create, and talk to one another from home. To join, simply email lnash@mentorumc.org your Username/Gamer tag and Leah will send you an invite. *Note, this server is run through the Java Edition of the game and not the Microsoft Edition.

Sunday, September 6 Drive Through Stations

Blessing of the Backpacks and Devices • Communion • Wheeler Farewell

On Sunday, September 6 from 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM, we will have stations for you to drive through at MUMC. To maintain social distancing, we will remain in our cars.

In the Office parking lot, join Tammy and Leah for a back to school blessing over your backpack or digital device. Receive communion under the portico. The Wheelers will be in their side yard to greet you and receive your best wishes for their new adventure. You will be able to visit only the station(s) that are relevant to you. Pastor Quincy, Chelsea, Elliot, and Auggie will be attending the Church Picnic, so that is another opportunity to wish them well.

Look for more details next week as we will have specific traffic directions to follow.

Church "Picnic" and Wheeler Farewell Opportunity

Join us for a new version of the "All Church Picnic" hosted by the Fellowship Evangelism Committee on Sunday, August 30 from 1-4 PM at Garfield Park, rain or shine! This year, for safety reasons, we are asking all who attend to bring their own main meal, plates and utensils. Feel free to bring your own chairs and blankets as well.

This will be a different kind of gathering than we are used to, but we can still share in some fellowship from a safe distance in the outdoors.

MUMC will provide pre-packaged sides, water bottles and canned drinks. When not eating or drinking, masks are encouraged at this event so we can help protect and care for each other. If you do not have one, we will happily provide one.

Pastor Quincy, Chelsea, Elliot, and Auggie will be there too, so come help us celebrate them!

Please sign-up with the following link <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040C48A8AC2BAA8-allchurch> or call the Office at 440.255.3496 and we can assist you.

Woodlawn Lunch Program

Help pack lunch bags for the children at Woodlawn Homes in Painesville on Tuesday afternoons through August. Catalyst Ministry has arranged to provide five days of prepackaged lunches and breakfast snacks with drinks, distributed one day each week similar to curbside carryout. Sign up to help at: <https://bit.ly/3fhWaNh>.

You may sign up for as many slots as you wish on any given day as your time allows.

If you would like more information about the protective procedures in place or have other questions, please contact Carole Ring (umw@mentorumc.org) or Neal Nelson (neal@catalystministry.net).

Mentor UMC Food Pantry Update

The Food Pantry is gearing up for our 2020-2021 school year. We feel extremely blessed to be able to help those in our community that are in need, especially in this season. We want to thank everyone for your continued support of this ministry.

We will start collecting food items from the congregation again, however, our process will be a little different than before. Items and quantities of items needed are available through Sign Up Genius on the church app and website. Items can be dropped off at the church during the day (8:30 AM – 3:30 PM) prior to September 13, as well as Saturday August 29 from 3-5 PM. Sign up at this link for your donation items <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0c48acae2daafe3-food>.

Please stick to the items listed on Sign-up Genius. We have carefully selected specific items and quantities to make up enough boxes of food for the families we serve. If you would prefer to make a monetary donation, that option is always available by selecting "Food" when giving in the church app or the website. Checks with this designation are also accepted.

We can't wait to reconnect with our amazing volunteers but at this time we are still taking measures to ensure the health and safety of families and our volunteers. Please keep an eye on the Weekly Update for opportunities to volunteer with this ministry. Please contact Katelynn Gurbach for questions regarding volunteering or food collection – Gurbach.k@gmail.com