
Mentor United Methodist Church

WEEKLY UPDATE

Sunday, September 13, 2020

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From the desk of Pastor Quincy

It's another week in the wonderful life of Mentor United Methodist Church, but it is the last week that I am privileged and honored to be a pastor here. I want to begin by saying how thankful I am for all of your love and support over the past 6+ years. We have been through building projects and a pastoral change, through a divisive election and the onset of a pandemic, through several playoff runs from our Mentor Cardinals and Youth Service Project trips with our youth. You have seen me date, get engaged and married to my beautiful wife, Chelsea, and welcome our two children, Elliot and Auggie. Through it all, I cannot imagine a more supportive, generous and caring church. I cannot thank you enough for loving me and my family as you have. If anyone wonders what kind of church Mentor UMC is, I know that Chelsea and I will always tell them that it is a community of faith like no other, a place to pursue Jesus and know His love in a life-transforming way.

When I came to Mentor UMC, I didn't know if I was up to the challenge. I felt overwhelmed and unqualified. But, so many wonderful leaders came alongside me to help me live into the calling God had placed on my life. I encourage you to continue to look to these leaders. Especially, I encourage you to consider joining a small group for the fall. Some groups I'd like to highlight are a Journey group led by Doug and Barb Denton on Monday nights, twice a month, via an online platform. This is an on-going group for people of any age and marital status to join; they will be looking at Bible studies and focusing on growing in faith, as all Journey Groups do. We also have a Journey group that is geared more towards Empty Nesters meeting virtually on Sunday night, a Journey group geared towards women of retirement age meeting on Friday evenings (hybrid-style, both in-person and online), a Journey Group for families with young children meeting on an ad-hoc basis virtually, a Sunday morning group meeting at 10 AM and Tuesday morning group meeting at 9:30 AM virtually for people of any age and marital status. These groups would LOVE to provide you a place to join in for the fall. Please contact Jim Nagle at jnagle7941@hotmail.com, our Chair of Adult Discipleship, to be connected to one of these groups. Additionally, we have two short-term Bible studies starting soon; Pastor Sondra and her husband, Pastor Tom, will be leading Table Talk, a Monday night group starting 9/21 for 6 weeks, and Rev. Jennifer Lam will be leading a 6-week Bible Study in-person on Friday mornings at 11 AM starting on 10/2. Contact the Church Office at 440-255-3496 or cnagy@mentorumc.org for Table Talk and Rev. Jennifer jenniferlam06@yahoo.com to join her group. I implore you to consider joining one of these groups if you are not already involved in a Bible Study or fellowship. It is so important that we remain connected to each other in these times, and our group leaders are doing all they can to make that possible for you.

I am so excited about what Jesus will be doing at Mentor UMC in the coming years. I am so grateful for Facebook where I can continue to follow along with the church and with you, the people of the church, whom I love so dearly. I am sorry for anything I have done or said over the years to cause any hurt to anyone, and I am grateful for all that Jesus has done in me over the years to bring His love to others. Any good I have done is entirely due to the Holy Spirit's power at work; any wrong I have done is entirely due to the sin in me that He has yet to conquer and vanquish. But, I know that Jesus has begun a good work in me that He will carry on to completion, and I know the same for each of you, also, and for the church, as a whole. We love this church, we love the house the church provided for us, and we love the people the church has introduced us to who have become our family in Christ. Thank you, Jesus. We rejoice that even when we are parted here, we know that we will someday be united before the throne of our Father and in the embrace of His Son, our Lord, through the unity of His Spirit. Amen.

Pastor Quincy

Congregational Care

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 • Parker Place - Opal Pinasky
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

Members who have returned home or are homebound:

Linda Leach, John Reno, Sylvia Bisbee, Carl Snyder, Karen Mancini, John Hurley,
Sandy Linsell, Kimi Schmidt, Gina Cartagena, Julie Helmick,
Ken Ireland, Patricia Bonner, Erica Wilmot, Tom Erbaugh, Marilyn Clark (at her son's home),
Art Sydow, Karen Preston, Dale Snyder, Wilfred Sudekum

Our sympathy to family and friends of Susan Rimes in her passing on September 7.

Our sympathy to family and friends of Jean Lewis in her passing on September 8.

Sunday Morning Services

The YouVersion link for this week is
<https://bible.com/events/38184087>

Join us in worship!

9 AM and 11 AM

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

Altar flowers are presented by Gloria Meyer in loving memory of Jack Meyer, husband, father and grandfather and grandparents Helen and Howard Meyer and Fanny Ulch, and brother, Jack Ulch.

Pulpit flowers are presented by Kurt Hinkley in loving memory of Linda Hinkley, wonderful wife.

Worship September 20

In-house worship is offered at MUMC! Obviously, things can change quickly ... so stay tuned! Our online service will continue, and we encourage you to connect with us online. If you wish to join us in-house, you must register per Sign-Up Genius through our website or Church App, or by calling the church office at 440-255-3496. We are limiting the numbers to 50% capacity in each space. Until we can secure all the needed items for sanitizing, only one service will be offered in each space.

Sign up at these links:

[Modern Worship at 9 AM](#)

[Traditional Worship at 11 AM](#)

Virtual Fellowship Time September 20

Fellowship and Evangelism Committee will host virtual fellowship on September 20, 2020, from 10:15 AM to 10:45 AM.

Sign up at this link <https://bit.ly/3k4aU5b>.

MUMC Family Style Sunday Morning Kids' Journey Groups will start today, September 13, at 10:10 AM. Be sure to check your email for the details!!!

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 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.

MOPS & MOMSnext meets Thursday, September 24 for those moms who couldn't make the Friday morning meeting. The group will be meeting virtually until further notice. The theme is [Decide to Rise](#) and is very appropriate and timely.

YOUTH 56 meets tonight at Veterans Park from 6:00-8:00 PM. Use the link to sign up <https://bit.ly/3iiOyvv>.

If you are interested in having your first through sixth grader join **Children's Choir**, please contact Tammy at tpalermo@mentorunc.org. She would like to have children participate via video recordings but first needs to see if there is any interest.

SpiritualParenting by Michelle Anthony will begin September 21. It is a virtual meeting. Contact Tammy at tpalermo@mentorunc.org if you are interested.

Table Talk

Pastors Tom and Sondra Snode invite you to join them around their table for Bible Study. Beginning on Monday, September 21, and running for 6 weeks, join in the conversation as we look at John 17, Jesus' Priestly Prayer. Jesus prayed for you!

This study is open to anyone who wants to join in. We're calling it, "Table Talk" ... and we hope you will join us from 6:45 – 8 PM each week. Please call the church office at 440-255-3496 or email Carolyn at cnagy@mentorunc.org to register.

A Zoom link will be sent to you prior to the start of the study. Remember, you can phone in to Zoom also ... so you don't have to have a computer to join in the study.

School Supply Collection

Missions Committee is collecting school supplies for Catalyst Ministries School Partnership Program with Painesville. Items can be placed in the Community Center bin by the Gallery entrance. On Sunday mornings we will also have a basket in the Narthex. Please use the list below and donate your items by October 31.

Recess equipment: Sidewalk chalk, jump ropes, basketballs, soccer balls, and frisbees.
Classroom items: plug in headphones(dollar store), crayons, dry erase markers, coloring books, tissues.

Youth Ministry

lnash@mentorumc.org

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

Youth Group Kick-Off

Sign Up At this Link <https://bit.ly/3brJRO3>

All youth in grades 5 through 12 are invited to the ANNUAL KICK-OFF
Sunday, September 13 from 6:00-8:00 PM for grades 5 and 6
6:00-8:30 for grades 7 through 12.

We will meet at Veterans Park, 5730 Hopkins Rd, Mentor, OH 44060.
In order to adhere to safety protocols, masks are required and ADULT LEADERS will be needed!!!

Each person needs to bring their own water bottle. A light snack will be provided.

Welcome Back! We have missed you all so much. This year things will look a little different, but we can't wait to be back together to worship and fellowship safely. Below are outlined the changes coming to our ministry.

NEW Youth Group Times

We will meet every Sunday

6:00-8:00 PM Jr. High (7-9th)
7:00-9:00 PM Sr. High (9th-12th)

Students will overlap for one hour for worship and snack time. 9th graders are welcome to choose which group (or both) to participate in. This will allow our students to grow as a whole group and with students their age.

Safety Guidelines

All students must wear a mask.

Our plan is to have our Youth Group outside as much as possible to ensure safe practices and distance.

Students will typically be in groups of 8 with 2 adults.

In Search of Volunteers!

Do you love creating disciples of Christ? Do you enjoy working with youth, being active and creative? Please consider becoming a Youth Group volunteer. We can't do this ministry without you.

Email Leah if you are interested at lnash@mentorumc.org.

Confirmation

Confirmation Classes will begin October 11 for students in grades 7, 8, and 9. Please email Leah Nash at lnash@mentorumc.org for questions or if you intend to participate. There will be a parent information meeting on October 4 at 12:30 PM at Mentor UMC.

Please complete your registration form by Monday September 28 using this link <https://forms.gle/AF5HgHvoMk7i5UuU9>.