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# Mentor United Methodist Church

## WEEKLY UPDATE

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Sunday, October 18, 2020

[www.mentorumc.org](http://www.mentorumc.org)

This week I want to give a special shout-out to Tammy Palermo and all those who volunteered or donated candy to help "Treat Street" happen. As I write this, I do not know how the event will unfold. We might be tempted to view success as the number of community members who come .... or the number of "trunkers" who participate .... or the amount of candy dispersed. We might reflect on the event's success and base it on good weather or bad weather or chalk it up to the pandemic – people wanted something to do or people didn't want to be out and about.

But our ministry is based on the good news of Jesus ... and when we seek to be faithful and do our part, then Jesus is glorified! So regardless of what happens at Saturday's event ... thank you Tammy and everyone for creatively striving to share the love of Jesus with our community.

The love of Jesus needs to be shared!  
In fact, the harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few.

Our scripture passage this Sunday reminds us that we labor so that all nations – all people - will recognize and experience the Kingdom of God. Jesus sent his followers into the world knowing that the work would not be easy (like lambs among wolves!). Yet he shared that regardless of acceptance or opposition the message remained: The Kingdom of God is at hand! Thus, peace and community can be experienced and offered regardless of circumstances or situations or events.

I encourage you to read Luke 10: 1 – 9 as you prepare for worship this week. Our relationship with Jesus, and our reliance on each other helps us navigate the unknowns of our lives. We don't journey alone! You do not journey alone!

Grace and Peace,  
Pastor Sondra

**Sunday Morning Services**  
The YouVersion link for this week is  
<https://bible.com/events/41830629>

Join us in worship!  
9 AM and 11 AM  
[Facebook](#), [YouTube](#) and our [website](#)

## **Congregational Care**

Members admitted to the Hospital: UH - Don Ference • Lake West - Art Sydow

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:

Dale Snyder, John Proegler, Karen Mancini, Patrick Brennan, Linda Leach,  
Erica Wilmot, Gina Cartagena, Kimi Schmidt, Carl Snyder, Sylvia Bisbee, Marilyn Clark (at her son's home), John Hurley, Tom Knesbeck

Congratulations to Matthew and Jessica Denton on the baptism of their son Jack Douglas today.

Our sympathy to Hugh Samson and family in the passing of his wife Eileen on October 12.

Congratulations to our new members Connie Darrow, Debbie Holin, and Joyce Ragan.

## **Worship October 25**

In-house worship is offered at MUMC! 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](#)

## **Do you know someone who needs the Weekly Update in the mail?**

If you know someone who would benefit from receiving the Weekly Update each week in the mail, please let the Office know. We do our best to reach everyone but we need your input. Please email Carolyn at [cnagy@mentorumc.org](mailto:cnagy@mentorumc.org) or call 440-255-3496 during the hours of 8 AM and 4 PM.

## **Flat Rock Christmas Gift Tags**

Flat Rock is in need of Christmas presents for the children / residents with disabilities at their facility. Specific gifts have been requested for each of the residents via Gift Tags which have been ordered by Missions. These gifts are mostly in the \$25 range, with 3 gifts/resident. Please email Bill Mueller at [muellerhomeoffice@oh.rr.com](mailto:muellerhomeoffice@oh.rr.com) for the Gift Tags to shop for. The gifts are due at the church by Friday, November 13 or can be sent directly to Flat Rock.

**Children & Family Ministries**  
[www.mentorumc.org/children](http://www.mentorumc.org/children)

**MOPS & MOMSnext** meets the second Friday in the morning and/or the fourth Thursday in the evening. The group will be meeting virtually until further notice. The theme is [Decide to Rise](#) and is very appropriate and timely. Contact MOPS at [mops@mentorumc.org](mailto:mops@mentorumc.org) for more information.

**MUMC Family Style Sunday Morning Kids' Journey Groups** is every Sunday morning at 10:10-10:50 AM. Check your email for login details or contact Tammy.

PS, K, 1st gr led by Kate & Abby Colbow

2nd, 3rd, 4th gr led by Cristen Neibecker & Laurie Babcock

5th & 6th gr led by Barb Brown & Leah Nash

**YOUTH 56** meets October 25, at MUMC from 6:00-8:00 PM.

**Positive Parenting Book Club's** next book is yet to be determined. We meet from our own homes virtually. Once you register, you will receive the link to the meeting. Do you have a suggestion for a book? Let Tammy know!

**Thank you** to EVERYONE who made Treat Street a success! Many hands make light work! This event would not happen without YOU!

**Chocolate Advent Calendar** annual sale will be PRE-ORDERS ONLY. Please [ORDER HERE](#) and today is the last day.

**MUM Preschool** has employment opportunities beginning in January. Details are at <http://mentorumc.org/preschool-hiring>.

**Adopt-A-Week Leaf Cleanup**

We have an opportunity to get outside this fall and help with leaf cleanup on our church property. Sign up as a family or a group for a week to rake and spend time together! See the sign up at this link <https://bit.ly/2FxQP8X> for further information.

**Annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner**

This Thanksgiving, we will host our 30th annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner! It will look a little different as we provide drive-thru and delivery of meals only. We will miss sitting down and enjoying food and fellowship with our community, however, this meal will bless many especially with the challenges of this year.

Monetary donations are always appreciated. If giving online, please use the fund "Thanksgiving Dinner".

To sign up to donate food please use this link: <https://bit.ly/3lQ12Nh>

To sign up to work please use this link: <https://bit.ly/3j1L1SS>

This outreach makes such an impact and we look forward to sharing the spirit of giving as we give thanks. Please contact Jim Post at [jpost@ohiotech.edu](mailto:jpost@ohiotech.edu) or 440-477-6130 with any questions.

## ESL Teachers Needed

The Hispanic Ministry of Painesville is in desperate need of ESL teachers. Alan Brown offers these guidelines. Please contact the church office if you would like further information.

1. ESL is an evangelism ministry, so the major requirement is that the teacher be a believer who enjoys people. Many of the students will be non-believers.
2. Classes meet Tuesdays and Fridays from 6:00-8:00 p.m. You can choose one of those nights, which most teachers do, or both to teach.
3. We meet in downtown Painesville, 270 East Main St.
4. It is best not to know Spanish.
5. We use material from Intercambio ([intercambio.org](http://intercambio.org)). It is extremely user friendly for both teacher and student; prep time will be minimal. We provide training, though you really just have to be able to read aloud at a first grade level. This type of teaching does not require in any way having the spiritual gift of teaching.
6. We understand if things come up and you need to cancel for the week.
7. We normally average 15-25 students a night and have 4-5 different levels of English.
8. We follow all Covid-19 requirements from face masks for all, to social distancing, to cleaning, etc.

## Youth Ministry

[lnash@mentorumc.org](mailto:lnash@mentorumc.org)

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

## Meetings

Youth Group meets every week from 6:00-8:00 PM. [SIGN UP HERE](#)

This week we will be having Youth Group at Mentor UMC. Please fill out the Sign Up if your student plans to attend. Drop off and pick up will be at the Gallery entrance.

## Bonfire

Today, October 18, will be our Youth Group Bonfire!! [Sign Up Here](#)

The event will be from 4:00-8:00 PM at 7244 Leroy Thompson Rd., Thompson, 44086. (The entrance to parking is before this address. We will have decorations and signs at entrance.)

This event will be held in Thompson, Ohio at Leah Nash's parents' property. We will go on a creek hike to the waterfall, play in the woods, enjoy a lesson and game, have a fire, and have tacos in a bag for dinner. We will need plenty of adult volunteers and helpers for this event.

Due to the pandemic and maintaining social distancing, we ask that if you are able, please bring your child to the event and stay for the evening. While we will have some rides available, we would like to keep students out of other people's cars as much as possible! Since we know it's a long drive, we ask that you stay, go on the hike, hangout in the field, and have dinner with us.

Please bring:

Water bottle

Lawn chair/blanket

Warm Clothes

Towel in case you get wet at creek

Contact Leah Nash with any questions at [lnash@mentorumc.org](mailto:lnash@mentorumc.org).

## **Food Pantry Donations**

The Food Pantry is in need of monetary donations to replenish supplies. If you are giving online, please use the fund "Food". We are getting ready for our November distribution. Thank you!

## **Pastor Appreciation Month - Thank You**

Philippians 1:3-5, 7-11 is a scripture passage that shows the heart of our pastors at Mentor UMC. *"Every time I think of you, I give thanks to my God. I always pray for you, and I make my requests with a heart full of joy because you have been my partners in spreading the Good News about Christ from the time you first heard it until now."*

This scripture especially rings true when we give thanks to God for all of the amazing pastors he has placed in the life of Mentor UMC. As we celebrate Pastor Appreciation Month, we ask that you join us in thanking Pastor Sondra and Pastor Barb for all of their spiritual guidance, leadership, prayers and loving support they provide to all of us. This year has shown us all many things. We have all been faced with challenges that we would never have expected. One positive thing that 2020 has shown us, is again how truly blessed we are to have amazing pastoral leaders guide Mentor UMC through the ongoing pandemic and ever challenging times.

- Staff Parish Relations Committee

## **Job Posting for Part-Time Custodian**

Mentor UMC is seeking a Part-Time Custodian. This position works under the direction of the Senior Custodian to follow a flexible schedule to maintain the facilities and grounds in a safe, clean, and attractive manner. Must be able to work in a serving capacity with congregational members, staff, and those the congregation serves. The position requires physical activity and moderate lifting. Specific part-time support is needed for Sunday mornings to assist with building openings and snow removal during winter months. Interested parties should send their resume or letter of interest by email to [tsimons@mentorumc.org](mailto:tsimons@mentorumc.org) or by mail to: Mentor UMC, 8600 Mentor Avenue, Mentor, OH 44060.

## **School Supply Collection**

Missions Committee is collecting school supplies for Catalyst Ministries School Partnership Program with Painesville. Items can be dropped 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.