Mentor United Methodist Church WEEKLY UPDATE

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Modern Worship is at 9 AM in Fellowship Hall and Traditional Worship is at 11 AM in the Sanctuary. 11 AM MUMC in the Park is at Garfield Park Worship with us online on at <u>mentorumc.org</u>, <u>Facebook</u>, or <u>YouTube</u>.

"Jesus, friend of sinners, open our eyes to the world at the end of our pointing fingers. Let our hearts be led by mercy. Help us reach with open hearts and open doors. Jesus, friend of sinners, break our hearts for what breaks Yours." Lyrics from Jesus Friend of Sinners

Summer Road Trip Greetings,

I've had so much fun looking through pictures of your many travels this summer and finding out the many miles that our flat Jesus has traveled. We are nearing the end of our summer sermon series, Summer Road Trip.

In worship this weekend we will travel with Jesus to visit a



friend. Jesus' visit to his friend is no regular trip though. The friend that Jesus goes to visit is Zacchaeus. Zacchaeus served as a chief tax collector. Tax collectors were often despised by the communities that they worked in and were seen as an enemy to the people. It is shocking, then, when Jesus invites himself to visit and stay in the home of Zacchaeus. Jesus was a friend to even the one seen as an enemy to the people, the one who was cast out, the one who was despised.

This weekend in worship we will discover that Jesus is still a friend to the outcast, the despised, and the enemy. We will be reminded that Jesus visits us, who are also unworthy. And we will be challenged, as Jesus' disciples, to visit with the marginalized, the outcast, the enemy, the rejected in our own lives and community. Like the other disciples before us, we might be surprised by the faith of those Jesus has called friend.

May our hearts be led by mercy, Pastor Mikayla

YouVersion The YouVersion link for this week is <u>https://bible.com/events/48730952</u>.

Mentor Mondays

Our prayer focus this week is Theatre Arts Camp.

Congregational Care

In our prayers today and in your personal prayer time, please remember the following:

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

Aberdeen Crossing - Barbara Bradarich • The Enclave - Kay Disbro Mentor Ridge - Gloria Meyer, Adda Porter Parker Place - Opal Pinasky, Bill Owens, Bob and Sandy Linsell Danbury Senior Living - Kathryn Bevacqua, Hugh Samson Maple Ridge Sr. Living - Bob Chamberlin • Brookdale Wickliffe - Fran Rose Tapestry Senior Living - Gloria McFeely • Lake Med - Lorraine Ahlstrom Fairmount - Patricia Laubscher, Nora Kieser • Kirtland Rehab - Nancy Markell Continuing Healthcare of Mentor - Virginia Gilman

Members who have returned home or are homebound:

Karen Mancini, John Hurley, Dale Snyder, Joan Evans, Noel Barber, Glenn Beaver, Joyce Ragan, Bob Williams, Spike Sudekum, Marty Ellsworth, Nancy Stack, Shirley Drobnick, Ed Rhoades, Richard Carpenter, Adda Porter

Nursing Home Worship Ministry

Our nursing home worship ministry will begin again this fall. We are meeting in August for a "post-COVID" meeting. Interested in lending a hand? Contact Mary Jane Scott at mis@ncwb.com or Pastor Barb at bholzhauser@mentorumc.org.

Children & Family Ministries

www.mentorumc.org/children

MUMC Family Style Sunday Morning Kids' Journey Groups

- 9:00 AM at MUMC outside
- 11:00 AM at Garfield Park WITH families
- There is still a need for <u>SUBSTITUTES</u>
- FAMILY SUNDAY is the first Sunday of every month. Children and Youth are encouraged to sign up to be an active part of worship on September 6.

<u>MOPS & MOMSnext</u> meets Thursday, July 22 at 8:30 PM on Zoom. The theme is <u>Decide to</u> <u>Rise</u> and is very appropriate and timely. Contact MOPS at <u>mops@mentorumc.org</u> for more information.

Preschool / Kindergarten Summer Enrichment Opportunity

- Four weeks of curriculum, "Basic Training", created by our preschool teachers.
- Families can use the materials for one or more children for the cost of \$50 per family.
- In order to register your child for Boot Camp the week of August 9-13 from 9:00 to 11:00 AM, you will need to submit completed assignments no later than July 31.
- All questions can be directed to Tammy Palermo at <u>mumcpreschool@mentorumc.org</u>.
- <u>Click here to register</u>

Theatre Arts Camp presents Shrek, Jr. for two performances, Friday, July 23 at 7:30 PM and Saturday, July 24 at 1:00 PM. Tickets are \$5.00 each and are on sale at <u>mumctlp.booktix.</u> <u>com</u>. Performance are in-person here at MUMC!



2021 School Supply Drive

There is a bus in the Community Center to collect needed supplies for the Salvation Army School Supply Bash. Let's see if we can stuff the bus every week in July! Donations accepted until August 1.

Items needed: 3 ring binders, backpacks, blue/black pens, bottle glue, 12 pk. colored pencils, 24 pk. crayons, dry erase markers, glue sticks, highlighters, index cards, large pink erasers, pencil pouches, pencils, pocket folders with prongs, red pens, children's pointed scissors, supply box, washable markers, wide rule loose leaf paper, wide rule notebooks.

Monetary donations can be made to MUMC and noted "School Supplies". For online giving, use the fund "School Supplies - Back to School Bash".

Help pack school supplies at the Salvation Army with others from MUMC on Monday, August 2, from 9 AM until noon. Advance registrations are necessary. Please contact Donna Bullis at <u>donna.bullis@use.salvationarmy.org</u> or 440-357-2008 to register.

Drive-thru donation days are July 31 and August 1 from 10 AM to 2 PM. Just swing by the church during those times, drive up to the portico by the Gallery, and drop off your donations!

Over 1,600 children were helped last year so your donation of time and supplies <u>will</u> make a difference!

MUMC in the Park

We invite you and your family to join Mentor UMC for MUMC in the Park. Every Sunday, July 11 through August 29, we will gather at Garfield Park at 11 AM for an outdoor, family-style worship service.

Once at the park, follow the signs for MUMC in the Park. You can expect an engaging time of worship with activities for both children and adults, a time of reflection, music and more. This is a great opportunity to connect with MUMC, engage in worship and service, reach new people, and welcome all into a relationship with Jesus. This service is in addition to our 11 AM Traditional Service in the Sanctuary.

To learn more about our church, this new worship opportunity, or to volunteer at MUMC in the park please email Pastor Mikayla at <u>mdoepker@mentorumc.org</u>.

Blood Drive

MUMC will host a Red Cross Blood Drive on August 10 from 9 AM to 3 PM. Sign up for an appointment at <u>redcrossblood.org</u>.