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>.

August 15, 2021

Greetings Friends,

I am looking forward to worshiping with you this weekend as we continue our August sermon series "The I in Why." We'll be challenged to reflect on and live into Mentor UMC's new vision C.R.E.W. (Connect, Reach, Engage, Welcome). In worship, we will focus on "engage" and consider what this looks like and means for our own lives and our communal life together as Mentor United Methodist Church.

To engage or not to engage is the choice that we are presented as followers of Jesus. Will we engage in relationship with Jesus? Will we engage in the life of our church community? Will we engage in discipleship and growing in our faith? Will



we engage with our neighbors and those who we don't yet know? Will our congregation engage with our community and our world? These are the questions before us.

Each of us must decide for ourselves if we will engage and if we will be a part of the C.R.E.W. at Mentor UMC. Certainly, we can learn from the model of the early church and the first disciples what it means to engage not only with God, but in discipleship, with the gathered church community, and with the world. Anthony Gittins writes, "Our responsibility is to seek, to discover, and to be committed to the demands of discipleship in the daily circumstances of our own lives" (Called to Be Sent: Co-Missioned as Disciples Today, 17). And to take that responsibility, to discover, and to be committed is to engage as one of the C.R.E.W.

With You, Pastor Mikayla

Sunday Schedule July 11 through August 29

- Modern Worship, 9 AM in Fellowship Hall, Children's Sunday School at MUMC
- Traditional Worship 11 AM in the Sanctuary (no Sunday School at MUMC)
- Family-style, Sunday school/worship called 'MUMC in the Park', 11 AM at Garfield Park
- Livestream of Modern and Traditional services at 9 and 11 on our YouTube channel, Facebook page, and website home page, <u>www.mentorumc.org</u>.

YouVersion

The YouVersion link for this week is <u>https://bible.com/events/48745327</u>.

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 The Preserve - Adda Porter • Continuing Healthcare of Mentor - Virginia Gilman Parker Place - Opal Pinasky, Bill Owens, Bob and Sandy Linsell Danbury Senior Living - Kathryn Bevacqua, Hugh Samson • Heartland - Joan Evans 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

<u>Members who have returned home or are homebound</u>: Dale Snyder, Glenn Beaver, Spike Sudekum, Marty Ellsworth, Joan Barnum, Carol Marrott, Richard Smith, Don and Ginny Stein, Judy Tirpak, Karen Mancini

Our sympathy to Karolyn and Kayla Osborne in the passing of Jeanne Mervar on August 4.

Congratulations to Sondra and Tom Snode on the birth of grandson Fletcher Eli born on August 11 to parents Katherine and Eli Snode.

Congratulations to Jamie and Ryan Stephens on the baptism of their son Ryder Jameson today.

Our sympathy to Kathy and Doug Koman, Matt, Jenn, Franklin, Lucy, and Theodore Koman, Carrie, Jimmy, and Adrienne Ward in the passing of Kathy's mother Ruth Smith on August 11.

Children & Family Ministries

www.mentorumc.org/children

MUMC 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.

If your child is entering THIRD GRADE this year, you should have received an email from Tammy regarding the Third Grade Breakfast and Bible presentation Sunday. Please contact at <u>tpalermo@mentourmc.org</u> her if you have not received the information.

Life Changers Needed

Looking ahead to September, the plan is for Kids' Journey Groups to return to INSIDE. This can ONLY happen if there are enough leaders. Here is the <u>Fall Sign Up</u>. Please note that all leaders are asked to wear a mask as we love God and love people.

Choirs Return with Music and Fellowship

You can join our Chancel Choir, Canticle Bells Choir, and Charter Members Men's Choir in Traditional Worship and special performances. Every voice and bell ringer are welcome! These are dynamic groups that promise a lot of fun and great music. Contact Amy Bender at <u>abender@mentorumc.org</u> for more information.

The "Scoop" on our Food Ministries

More Than a Meal is a food ministry of MUMC that gives a sense of connection as well as a meal. Many of those who need food are also in need of seeing a smile and hearing a kind word.

On the last Saturday of each month, we cook a meal, pack individual servings, and offer drive-thru pick-up for anyone who would like a meal. You can help cook, pack meals, clean up, or hand out meals while interacting with guests.

Often a group will get together to work the meal and enjoy fellowship while giving back to the community. The time commitment is four hours. The gift of your time and energy is much needed!

Please use this link to sign up online through SignUpGenius. The link can also be found on our website and app.

CREW T-Shirts - Order Today!

Everyone can be a part of the MUMC CREW! Order your CREW shirt to wear as a proud part of our vision to Connect, Reach, Engage, and Welcome.

We are like stage crew, construction crew, etc. We work alongside each other bringing the love of Christ to all.

Cost is \$9.50 plus tax (extended sizes extra and shipping charge if delivered to your home.) Kids' sizes and women's cut available. See <u>this link</u> for details and to place your order. The link is also on our website, app, and Facebook event.

All items are purchased through Vector online and the deadline to order is today, August 15. You can pick up your order at the church after services on September 5 or in the Church Office starting September 7. The office is open Monday-Friday from 8 AM-4 PM. You may also choose to pay for delivery to your home.



Cornerstone Tour Of Stan Hywet Hall And Gardens

Cornerstone is back! Our first trip is scheduled for Tuesday, August 31. We will carpool from church at 9 AM for a tour of Stan Hywet Hall in Akron; the Tudor mansion of F.A. Seiberling, co-founder of the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company. The tour will begin at 10 AM. We will have lunch at a local eatery at 1 PM and arrive home by 4 PM. Tour price is \$9.50 (check made out to MUMC and include Cornerstone in the memo). Lunch is an additional cost. To sign up, call Jo Ann Greiner (255-8449) or Larry Hoon (255-6569 / <u>larryhoon@yahoo.com</u>). For anyone wanting to participate in carpooling, we ask that you be vaccinated.

Annual Conference Report

Our lay delegates have put together a video report of the 2021 Annual Conference. See it at this link or on our website and app.

Community Service Opportunity

See our website at <u>mentorumc.org/community-service-opportunities</u> for information about volunteering with The Salvation Army. There are many ways you can help!

Memorial Opportunity

MUMC is excited to announce that the Choir Loft Renovation project is underway! The pews in the Choir Loft are being replaced with solid wood upholstered chairs. While the cost of the chairs will be covered by GEM funds that were designated for Music Ministry, this is a unique opportunity for a memorial. If you would like to purchase a chair in honor of or in memory of a special person, please contact Amy Bender for details at <u>abender@</u> <u>mentorumc.org</u>.

