
Mentor United Methodist Church

WEEKLY UPDATE

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November 7, 2021

Traditional Worship at 9 AM and 11 AM

Modern Worship at 9 AM

The Gathering 11 AM, Fellowship Hall, mask required

Worship with us online every Sunday at 9 and 11 AM at mentorumc.org, [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/mentorumc), and [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/mentorumc).

Dear Friends,

The first snowfall of the season happened this week. Although really not measurable or a lay-on-the-ground-and-pile-up-event, the slush building up on my windshield left me muttering. Even the inevitable signs of a season can leave us a bit befuddled, and teetering on a bad mood.

As we make our way through The Lord's Prayer we come to the petition: Lead us not into temptation (Luke 11). Matthew's account of the prayer goes on to say: "but deliver us from the evil one." (Matthew 6:13)

Jesus has us acknowledge that temptation exists; the evil one is lurking; we can teeter; we can be led down a dangerous path. Jesus teaches us to ask for deliverance ... for strength to follow his lead. And as we journey with Jesus, we discover his path and guidance empowers us to overcome temptation, defeat the evil forces of wickedness, and experience the riches of his Kingdom.

Yes, challenges and struggles exist. We continue to live in the world ... yet we are not of the world. Jesus does not leave us befuddled. As Jesus' followers, we are overcomers. Jesus redirects us when we have wandered down a dangerous path. Jesus delivers us. Jesus teaches us to pray for ... and believe in his power to lead.

So, Lord lead us! It is my prayer for you, and for the ministry we engage in together. Only then will we be delivered from the challenges and struggles that threaten to undo us and those around us. Only then will we experience God's Kingdom in our midst.

Trusting the Lord to lead me -
Pastor Sondra

Beginning Today, at 11 AM in our Fellowship Hall, we will offer "The Gathering". This worship opportunity will not be a duplicate of the 9 AM Modern Worship, thus we are calling it "*The Gathering*".

The Gathering will be an interactive, intergenerational, and intentional worship experience. There will be music, scripture, a message, an opportunity to be in community, and will be a mask required service. *The Gathering* will be offered for a season...that is, for at least November and December.

Modern Worship will be at 9 AM

The 9 AM Modern Worship service will continue to be livestreamed.

Traditional Worship will be at 9 AM and 11 AM

The 11 AM Traditional Worship service will continue to be livestreamed.

November 7, at 11 AM, The Gathering, an interactive, intergenerational, intentional worship experience will begin.

Congregational Care

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

Members admitted to the Hospital: Cleveland Clinic - Dale Snyder • UH - Mary Jane Scott

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

Aberdeen Crossing - Barbara Bradarich • The Enclave - Kay Disbro, Jeanne Babcock
Vista Springs - Audrey Arslanian • Continuing Healthcare of Mentor - Virginia Gilman
Parker Place - Opal Pinasky, Bill Owen, Bob and Sandy Linsell
Danbury Senior Living - Kathryn Bevacqua, Hugh Samson • Salida Woods - Doris Sturm
Maple Ridge Sr. Living - Bob Chamberlin • Brookdale Wickliffe - Fran Rose
Tapestry Senior Living - Gloria McFeely • Symphony of Mentor - Lorraine Ahlstrom
Breckenridge/Fairmount - Patricia Laubscher, Ann Shetler

Members who are home or homebound:

Karen Mancini, Karen Scott, Beverly Rhoades, Ruth Johnson, Noel Barber

YouVersion

The YouVersion link for this week is <https://bible.com/events/48790945>.

Charge Conference

November 17, 7 PM, at Mentor United Methodist Church in the Sanctuary. Our Administrative Council meeting will include Charge Conference for MUMC.

Advent Lighters Sign Up

Advent is fast approaching and we need people to light the Advent wreath each week and on Christmas Eve. This is a much loved tradition and is so special this year. Use the [Sign Up Genius link](#), call the Church Office or email Tammy at TPalermo@mentorumc.org.

Children & Family Ministries

www.mentorumc.org/children

Tammy Palermo TPalermo@mentorumc.org

MUMC Sunday Morning Kids' Journey Groups, mask required in Education Wing and Early Childhood Area

- 9:00 AM at MUMC
 - o 0-2 year old & 3-4 Year old sign in at the Early Childhood Area prior to service
 - o Kindergarten through 6th grade begin worship with their families. You will be dismissed from there to go to the Education Wing.
 - o Leaders are still needed [Fall Sign Up](#). Please note that all leaders are asked to wear a mask as we LOVE GOD & LOVE PEOPLE.
 - **5th & 6th Grades—1 adult or youth helper**
- 11:00 AM The Gathering (mask required)
 - o Interactive, Intergenerational, and Intentional worship service

Advent Calendar PRE-orders are due TODAY. [Order Link](#) or use the link on the app and website.

MOPS & MOMSnext meets Friday, November 12, from 9:30 AM to Noon at Daniel's Park.

YOUTH 56 meets Sunday, November 14 from 1:00 to 3:00 PM at Busy Bee's.

MOPS Kids is in need of a few more **paid caregivers**. If you are interested in watching some children on Friday mornings, please contact Tammy at tpalermo@mentorumc.org.

Pre-Registration is open for the 2022-2023 school year for **MUM Preschool**. If you know of anyone looking for a preschool next fall, please share the mentorumc.org/preschool website.

Annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner

This Thanksgiving, we will host our 31st annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner! It will look like last year as we provide drive-thru and delivery of meals only.

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/3lXQZsl>

To sign up to work please use this link: <https://bit.ly/3vpTOG1>

This outreach makes such an impact and we look forward to sharing the spirit of giving as we give thanks. Please contact Jim Post or Katelyn Gurbach at dinnerhelp@mentorumc.org with any questions about volunteering.

All Ages Movie Night and Advent Study

On Sunday, November 21 at 6 PM, we will host a movie night. We are viewing a Christmas classic that involves someone's heart growing three sizes and a cute little dog named Max. Bring your own beverage and we will supply the popcorn!

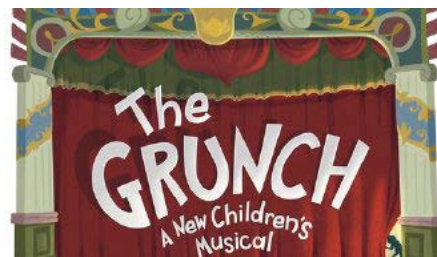
This classic Christmas tale is the inspiration for our Advent study as well. Our study will be The Heart That Grew Three Sizes by Matt Rawle.

This is open to ALL ages and will be Sunday evenings from 5:00-7:00 PM and will include dinner. If you prefer to participate from home via Zoom, please email Tammy Palermo at tpalermo@mentorumc.org no later than November 21. The study is every Sunday evening in Advent, November 28 through December 19. Sign-up is required at [the link](#) on our website and app, scan the QR code, or contact the Church Office at 440.255.3496.



Christmas Play Tickets

Truth & Light Players will present their annual Christmas production. This year is "The Grunch" on December 11 at 4 PM. Tickets are necessary to obtain prior to the show. Please go to <https://mumctlp.booktix.com/>, or see the app and website.



Creative Prayer Classes

Join us this week on Monday, November 8, from 7 to 8 PM. We will learn to pray through yoga with Alison Magyari. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Mikayla at MDoepker@mentorumc.org. Sign up online at [this link](#) or call the Church Office at 440.255.3496.

Nov. 8	"Lead Us"	Alison Magyari	Prayer Yoga
Nov. 15	"Amen"	Rev. Kathy Dickriede	Praying for our Community/World

Blood Drive

MUMC will hold a Red Cross Blood Drive on November 10, from 9 AM to 3 PM in the Asbury and Wesley rooms. You can schedule an appointment at www.redcrossblood.org.



It is a tradition at MUMC to place poinsettias on the altar at Christmas in the memory or appreciation of a loved one(s) or for the glory of God.

Plants are \$7 each and can be picked up after the last service in each space on Christmas Eve. Please indicate if you will be picking up flowers or donating them to the church. Contact Carolyn in the Church Office with questions at 440-255-3496.

Checks can be made out to MUMC or Mentor United Methodist Church with "Poinsettias" as the memo. Please return form and check to:

Mentor United Methodist Church
c/o The Altar Guild
8600 Mentor Avenue
Mentor, Ohio 44060

You may fill out an online form at [THIS LINK](#)

Online payment can be made at [THIS LINK](#)

Choose the fund "Poinsettias."

Poinsettia Order Form 2021- Due Nov. 28

I will be picking up my plants Please donate my plants to the church

(PLEASE CLEARLY PRINT YOUR INFORMATION)

NAME OF PERSON ORDERING AS IT WILL APPEAR _____

IN MEMORY OF _____

IN APPRECIATION OF _____

TO THE GLORY OF GOD _____

FLOWERS ARE DESIGNATED FOR ___ SANCTUARY ___ FELLOWSHIP HALL

TOTAL NUMBER OF PLANTS ORDERED _____ X \$7 EACH = \$_____

___ CASH ___ CHECK ___ ONLINE