## Mentor United Methodist Church WEEKLY UPDATE

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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, and YouTube.

Fall Greetings Friends,

This weekend in worship we will conclude our sermon series Pray What? and our study of The Lord's Prayer. Our focus during our time together will center on the last word of the prayer "Amen."

The word amen is a Hebrew word that means "may it be so" or "so be it." Together we will consider the impact of praying The Lord's Prayer as individuals and as a community of faith. It is the "amen" of The Lord's Prayer that sends us out from our time of prayer or our time of worship into our community.

In the First Letter of Peter, the writer reminds us that "whoever speaks must do so as one speaking the very words of God." It is Jesus, God incarnate, who gave us the words of The Lord's Prayer. So when we pray it, we are speaking the very words



of God. And it is those words that challenge us, transform us, and send us out into the community that we might serve others and bring glory to God.

We will have opportunity in the days and weeks ahead to serve Jesus and our neighbors and to bring glory to God. From our Community Thanksgiving Dinner, to our Stewardship Campaign, to Christmas gifts, and beyond, we have ways to serve God and neighbor. Each and every day as a community of faith we have ways to not only speak the very words of God, but to allow those words to send us into the community as agents of transformation that bear witness to the good news of Jesus Christ. I challenge you to find a way today or this week or even this month to invest, to serve and to speak the very words of God. Open yourself and allow yourself to be sent forth, transformed by God so that you might, with God's help, transform the world.

May it be so, Pastor Mikayla

#### Stewardship Emphasis - "Help Write the Next Chapter"

We want to thank you for your generous support for the ministry of Mentor UMC.

Our focus this year is "Help Write the Next Chapter." Be on the look-out in your mail for a letter highlighting our goals and needs for 2022. We will receive the commitment cards during worship on November 21. You can also mail your commitment to the church or fill out an <u>online pledge</u> <u>card</u> on our website and church app. Thank you for your continued support of our church.



#### Congregational Care

In our prayers today and in your personal prayer time, please remember the following: <u>Members admitted to the Hospital:</u> Lake West - Joyce Trimble • 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, Dale Snyder, Jeff Klein

Congratulations to parents Shane and Liz Kallay and grandparents Mitch and Lynn Kallay, on the birth of Christopher Michael on November 8.

#### YouVersion

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The YouVersion link for this week is <u>https://bible.com/events/48794598</u>.

#### **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 <u>Winter Sign Up</u>. Please note that all leaders are asked to wear a mask as we LOVE GOD & LOVE PEOPLE.
- 11:00 AM The Gathering (mask required) o Interactive, Intergenerational, and Intentional worship service

There are still some Advent Calendars available. First come, first served. Order Link

MOPS & MOMSnext meets Friday, November 19, from 9:30 AM to Noon at Daniel's Park.

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 <u>tpalermo@mentorumc.org</u>.

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 <u>mentorumc.org/preschool</u> <u>website</u>.

#### 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! <u>Click here</u> to watch our fun promo video.



This classic Christmas tale is the inspiration for our Advent study as well. Our study will be <u>The</u> <u>Heart That Grew Three Sizes</u> 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 <u>tpalermo@mentorumc.org</u> no later than November 21. The study is every Sunday evening in Advent, November 28 through December 19. Sign-up is required at <u>the link</u> on our website and app, or contact the Church Office at 440.255.3496.

#### Creative Prayer Classes - Kathy Dickriede

Join us this week on Monday, November 15, from 7 to 8 PM for our last prayer class. We will learn to pray for our Community and our World with Rev. Kathy Dickriede. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Mikayla at <u>MDoepker@mentorumc.org</u>. Sign up online at <u>this link</u> or call the Church Office at 440.255.3496.

Nov. 15 "Amen" Rev. Kathy Dickriede Praying for our Community/World

#### Giving Trees - A Message from Betsy Iskra

It's that time of year again and we are setting up the trees throughout the church next week. Volunteers are needed to assist with tree set up with completion planned on 11/20/21. If you have any availability please contact me. We will be working during the evening, after dinner, as I am working during the day. Please let me know what days work for you as I am flexible with that. I can be reached at 440-283-6524 or at <a href="https://www.lskra5@aol.com">lskra5@aol.com</a>. Any help would be appreciated as there are a lot of branches to fluff! - Betsy lskra

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

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 <u>dinnerhelp@mentorumc.org</u> with any questions about volunteering.

# 31st Annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner

### Thursday, November 25, 2021 11 AM To 2 PM

Mentor United Methodist Church 8600 Mentor Avenue, Mentor, Ohio

Meals are served as drive-thru only. Meal delivery is available in Lake County to shut-ins.

For Meal Drive Thru and Delivery:

- Please call by 11/22 to reserve your meal
- Delivery is to Lake County only
- Call 440-255-3496 between 9AM and 3 PM
- Email info@mentorumc.org after hours



We look forward to helping you enjoy Thanksgiving!



This dinner is provided for the community by the people of Mentor United Methodist Church.

#### Thank you from United Methodist Women

The Gingerbread House Craft Show returned successfully last weekend, with the help of so many volunteers - new and veterans from past shows. Thank you to all those who helped set up, made bakery or craft items, helped in sales, brought in friends to help and stayed around to clean up. Thanks to Kim Mele who spent time recruiting crafters, setting up their spaces, and working to make the show run so well. Also, thanks to all the shoppers that helped us make almost \$7000 to be used in mission work.

#### Poinsettia Plants for Christmas Eve

It is a tradition at Mentor United Methodist Church to place poinsettias on the altar for Christmas Eve services in the memory or appreciation of a loved one(s) or for the glory of God. Plants are \$7 each. Forms can be found on our app, website, or at the Information Hub.

To make your payment online, choose "Poinsettia" as the fund at <u>this link</u>. Payments may also be dropped off at the church office or mailed to "MUMC c/o Altar Guild Poinsettias, 8600 Mentor Ave., Mentor, Ohio 44060".

Orders are due November 28.

#### 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 <u>https://mumctlp.booktix.com/</u>, or see the app and website.



#### Charge Conference

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

#### Advent Candle Lighters Sign Up

Advent is fast approaching and we need people to light the Advent candles each week and on Christmas Eve. This is a much loved tradition and is so special this year. Use the <u>Sign</u> <u>Up Genius link</u>, call the Church Office or email Tammy at <u>TPalermo@mentorumc.org</u>.