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MENTOR UNITED WEEKLY UPDATE METHODIST CHURCH AUGUST 4, 2024

Pastor's Letter



Johnathan Alan Burnette Jr.'s baptism date is August 4th! Look at those cheeks, he's so precious! Wow, this is such a special action that his family is taking, and we are so privileged to be the surrounding faith community for him to grow in.

Baptism is a symbol of the new life as a Christian, wherein we bury the "old life" and we live forward to walk in a "new life". For him, his family and us this act is just a wonderful, miraculous like experience! This "new" life happens when the simple act of water and a spiritual blessing come together. "For we were all baptized by one Spirit into one body." —1 Corinthians 12:12-13

Whenever someone makes the decision (or the family does with infants) to be baptized, it is a good thing. And from that day forward, we are to become fully mindful of the presence of the Holy Spirit, guided by God and influenced by the person Jesus Christ. We can live with the Christian lyrics that say:

I have decided to follow Jesus; I have decided to follow Jesus;

I have decided to follow Jesus; No turning back, no turning back.

I would have you to know that sharing Christ with others is a tried and true way to extend the salvation we've been given. You may never know who is watching and listening who are desiring a new life. In the movie, Jesus Revolution, the baptism scene shows young people desiring baptism. They meet at the shoreline of a California beach and like popcorn, they move to give their lives to the Lord. Baptism connects us to the body of Christ, the Christian family, and it is a joy to make new brothers and sisters in the way.

_Pastor Ivy



time to see this movie! You'll like it! -Pastor Ivy

Take



JESUS REVOLUTION WORSHIP SERIES

WEEK 1 Growth in Discomfort James 2:1-9

WEEK 2 Growth Through the Sta Jonah 1:4-17

WEEK 3 Growth Through Serving Matthew 28:16-20



CONGREGATIONAL

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

<u>Members admitted to Rehab,</u> <u>Assisted Living or Nursing Home Facility:</u>

The Enclave - Johanna Kessler, Dee Smith, Mary Lou Haines, John Shetler, Delores Tackett Salida Woods - Doris Sturm Aristocrat Berea - Virginia Gilman Parker Place - Bill Owen, Bob & Sandy Linsell, Deloris Parsons Tapestry - Gloria McFeely Symphony of Mentor - Lorraine Ahlstrom Breckenridge/Fairmount - Patricia Laubscher Danbury Mentor - Dale Porter

Members who are in need of prayer:

Karen Mancini, Marilyn Oliver, Luke Sanvido, Doug Kepp, Lois Dyckman, Pam Crawley, Carol Anderson



Need to Know

Youversion <u>http://bible.com/events/4929</u> <u>6745</u>

Learn more about Sunday's scriptures & worship by visiting this link.

Support for All

Join us on August 19 from 6-8 PM. Anyone with or who has any medical, health, physical, disabilities, mental, emotional, or are caregivers, etc. are invited to meet at MUMC on the third Monday of every month. No RSVP necessary. Contact Alan Vick for more info.

Connection Ministries

We will be hosting "The Listening Church" through Connectional Ministries on August 15th from 2 PM to 4:30 PM. This is a great opportunity led by Rev. Luke Edwards to learn about concepts and skills of being a Listening Church. Learn more and register here.

Journey Groups

For those interested in leading a Journey Group this fall, please get in touch with Pastor Ivy about your schedule ASAP.

Back to School Bash

Join us on August 24th from 1-3 here at MUMC for our annual Back to School Bash! will There he Pelican's. Popcorn, DI, Photo Booth, Bounce Houses, and Pastors in a DUNK TANK! Blessing of the Backpacks, Educators, & Students is at 2 PM. Don't miss this awesome event (and bring your friends)! If you are in a Group, Journey on а just really Committee, or excited for back to school season, reach out to Pastor Tammy or Mackalyn to run a game (or bring your own to run) at the Bash.

Spam Warning

Reminder to read your texts and emails carefully when seeing they are from Pastors or Staff. If you unsure if a message is genuine, contact the church office.

Football Outings

Join us on September 6th for a Mentor Football game and on September 13th for a Riverside game. Arrival time is 6:30 PM (game starts at 7). We will make signs to have at the game and hand out goody bags to the kids.

EOC Bishop Update

East Ohio Conference Bishop Tracy S. Malone has been appointed Indiana to beginning September of this year. Laity and clergy are invited and encouraged to attend The Celebration of Ministry and Farewell Service for Bishop Malone Saturday, August 3 at 11:00 AM at Faith UMC in North Canton (300 9th Street NW). The service followed will be bv а reception at the church. This is your opportunity to offer Bishop Malone blessings and words of appreciation for her eight years ministrv of among us.

On September 1st, Hee-Soo Jung will become East Ohio's Bishop. Learn more and watch videos from both Bishop Malone and Bishop Jung at

https://www.eocumc.com.

Open Positions @ MUMC

Check out our website to learn more about our open positions, Modern Worship Director and Pastor of Visitation. Please pray for excellent candidates to apply and tell everyone you know about the openings especially through word of mouth and social media. <u>Click here.</u>

Project Hope

Project Hope for the Homeless is in need of bottled water-16oz. Sunscreen, and disposable coffee cups. Donations can be dropped off directly at the shelter. Monday through Friday 9-2. Volunteers are needed, particularly also those serving IN the shelter with our staff and guests Learn more by visiting Project Hope's website.

School Supplies Update

A blue SUV traveled to the Painesville Salvation Army filled with bags and bags of school supplies donated by the generous congregation of Mentor United Methodist Church. The staff there were very glad to accept all these donations to help serve the students who need the supplies to start school this August. Thank you so much.



What's M.O.? Your Mission Opportunities

Community Assistance

A Community assistance ministry would expand on the ways we are currently helping people with needs in our community. Reach out to Pastor Steve if you:

- have passion for helping people in need
- have flexible schedule that permits you to respond to requests during weekdays
- have some knowledge about community resources or willingness & interest in learning about community resources.

Blood Drive

The next Blood Drive will be on Tuesday, August 6th here at MUMC. Our goal is to collect 32 units of blood for hospital patients in need. You can <u>sign up on our website</u>.

Hope Chest

Hope Chest is in need of bath towels and 13 gal plastic garbage bags. Donations can be dropped off in the Community Center (between Fellowship Hall and the Gallery)

Food Ministry

Help support our ongoing food missions by designating your giving to Food Ministry. There are special Food Ministry envelopes available in the Info Hub. Mail your giving, drop it off in the offering boxes/church office, or give online through our website or app.

More Than a Meal

The next MTAM is on Saturday, August 31st. You can help cook, clean up, or hand out meals while interacting with guests. Please use this link to sign up online or visit our Missions page on our website!

Meal Blessing

The first week of each month is our Meal Blessing. Volunteers get together at MUMC to cook, pack, and deliver meals to those in the community who need it. If interested you are in volunteering get in touch with the church office or Nancy Leyden. If you would like to donate to Food Ministry, visit the Info Hub for more details.

CHILDREN & FAMILY MINISTRIES. YOUTH MINISTIRES. JOURNEY GROUPS. WHAT ARE THEY UP TO?

Sunday Morning Kids

9:00 & 11:00 AM at MUMC for all services. Join us for our current curriculum, "Celebrate Wonder".

- Check-In Instruction Video
- Ages 0-2 and 3-4 sign in at the Early Childhood Area before service
- Grades K-5 will begin in worship with their families and then be dismissed to the Education Wing.

Sunday Morning Signup

Mentor United Methodist Church's mission is to lead all onto a path of Christ-centered discipleship. Here is a great place to do just that! <u>Click</u> <u>here for SUMMER leader</u> <u>signup.</u> There are spots for various ages/levels, so check out what section works for you:)

"Worship one, serve one!"

2024-2025 Preschool Reg

Registration for the 2024-25 school year is open to YOU, our church families. Click here for the: <u>Pre-Registration</u> <u>Link</u>. If you have any questions, please contact our State Manager, Brittany Jones at

bjones.preschool@mentorum c.org.

Middle School

Grades 6-8 are welcome Sundays from 9:15-10 AM in the Youth Room. Join us as we explore the Re:form curriculum.

Chalk fest

Youth are invited to the Cleveland Museum of Art for their Chalk Festival on September 15th after church. We plan to be back around 4-4:30 PM.

Meet our new Youth Director!



Mackalyn Figgins is from Fayette, OH and attended Ohio Northern University before getting her Masters of Divinity at Methodist Theological School. She is passionate about Youth Ministry, community, and spiritual growth. She also enjoys gardening, reading, music, and more.

Get in touch: 440.255.3496 ext 114 mfiggins@mentorumc.org

Third Grade Bibles

To mark your child's promotion to Third Grade, MUMC would like to give them the gift of a Bible on August 25. Parents, grandparents, and godparents are all invited to witness this special occasion.

There will be a breakfast and practice on Saturday. August 24 from 9:00-10:30 AM. Following the meal, we will run through the worship service so that you will know how the Bible presentations will go. Please sign up, so that we can make the necessary arrangements for the morning and for the service. If interested vou are in participating in this special day, please choose the service that best suits your day either the 9:00 in the Modern Service or 11:00 in the Traditional Service. We are asking everyone who is planning on participating to sign up no later than August 18. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Pastor Tammy: tpalermo@mentorumc.org.

If you do not or can not participate in the Bible presentations, you can still receive one for your third grader by getting in touch with Pastor Tammy.