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# Mentor United Methodist Church

## WEEKLY UPDATE

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**September 26, 2021**

Traditional Worship at 9 AM and 11 AM

Modern Worship at 9 AM

Family Park Worship at 11 AM at Garfield Park

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

Dear Shining Stars,

We conclude our "ReCapturing Church" series and a look at Paul's letter to the Philippians by reimagining our lives fully in step with Jesus; fully attune; fully developed; fully transformed. "Then you will shine among them (the world or those who aren't in step with Jesus) like stars in the sky ..."

One of the things I miss about country living is a clear, dark sky. Even in my quiet neighborhood there are many street lights and house lights, and even a glow of the city. Traveling beyond the city limits or to the lake for an evening view of a dark sky does not happen very often. Yet I still can experience the effects of a star's twinkle or the moon's glow. Light years away, their shine still makes a difference.

Jesus makes a difference. He is light – and no darkness can overcome him. As Jesus takes up residence in us he shines through us. Or he wants to shine. The world or those who aren't in step with Jesus have an opportunity to see Jesus ... be impacted by Jesus .... be transformed by Jesus .... by those willing to be open to Jesus' transforming love and power.

The hungry are fed – More than a Meal; food distribution

Immigrants are welcomed – food; diapers; encouragement

Children are nurtured – tutors; playground equipment; school supplies

Mentor UMC finds ways to do these things and much more ... because followers of Jesus are committed and engaged, ready and willing to shine for Christ.

May you be open to Jesus' transformation because then you will find ways to shine. Let's reimagine the difference Jesus' light shining through us can make! That's the church Jesus is calling us to be together ... one shining light joining with others ... until Jesus' light is recognizable in our community.

Pastor Sondra

### **Service Schedule September 19 - October 31**

9 AM Traditional Worship and Modern Worship at MUMC

11 AM Traditional Worship at MUMC and Family Park Worship at Garfield Park

Livestreaming is every Sunday at 9 AM for Modern and 11 AM for Traditional Worship.

### **YouVersion**

The YouVersion link for this week is <https://bible.com/events/48766584>.

### **Confirmation 2021-2022: Registration is Open and Due TODAY September 26**

Confirmation classes will begin October 3. If you have a student in 6, 7, or 8 grade and they would like to participate in confirmation, you can complete the online registration form. If you have any questions about confirmation or need more information, please contact Leah Nash at [lnash@mentorumc.org](mailto:lnash@mentorumc.org).

[Register at this link.](#)



## **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 • Lake West - Bev Rhoades, Jane Ortiz

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

Aberdeen Crossing - Barbara Bradarich • The Enclave - Kay Disbro  
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 • Lake Med - Lorraine Ahlstrom  
Breckenridge/Fairmount - Patricia Laubscher, Ann Shetler

### Members who have returned home or are homebound:

Sarah Wade, Marty Ellsworth, Joan Barnum, Don and Ginny Stein, Karen Mancini,  
Joan Evans, Connie Sterner, Carol Anderson, Karen Scott, Glenn Beaver, Nancy Markell,  
Spike Sudekum

Congratulations to Mike and Angela (Mather) Hope who were married in our MUMC Chapel on September 25, 2021.

## **Children & Family Ministries**

[www.mentorumc.org/children](http://www.mentorumc.org/children)

Tammy Palermo [TPalermo@mentorumc.org](mailto: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 at Garfield Park
  - o Family worship time

**[YOUTH 56](#)** meets TODAY from 1:00 to 3:00 PM at Mentor UMC. We will plan to be outside unless the weather prevents us.

**[Spiritual Parenting](#)** will be offered on Zoom this fall. You will watch the videos on your own and then meet on Tuesdays at 8:30 PM starting September 21 for six weeks. [Register HERE](#).

**MOPS & MOMSnext** will be Friday, September 24 from 9:30 am to Noon at Daniel's Park.

Looking ahead to TREAT STREET!!! Mark your calendars for Saturday, October 16 from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. [TRUNKER SIGN UP](#) is open! All of the details are at [www.mentorumc.org/trunk-or-treat](http://www.mentorumc.org/trunk-or-treat).

## Youth Group 712: September Schedule Bonfire Tonight!

This fall our schedule for Youth Group will look a little different. We will meet from 6 - 8 PM on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Sunday of the Month. We will meet from 1 - 3 PM on the 2nd and 4th Sundays. \*\* Some special events will be announced and may have different times.  
Sunday Sept. 26: 2-7 PM in Thompson for our Bonfire.

Please check our link to see where and when the Youth Group will be. You can sign up for all weekly Youth Group activities on our Sign Up Genius [HERE](#).

## Catalyst Ministries School Partnership Program

This September, our Mission focus is Catalyst Ministries, a local organization run by Neal Nelson, whose mission is to connect churches with the needs of the Painesville community. Their main ministries are the Painesville School Partnership Program (SPP) and Woodlawn, both of which are supported by MUMC.

While other agencies (such as Salvation Army) donate school supplies to children in the summer, this is the only donation of school supplies during the school year. These supplies go to the teachers to help their students. (Teachers often use their own money to provide these replacement supplies). MUMC collects these supplies in Sep, Oct, Feb, and March. Place your donations in the bin in the Community Center.

Pocket folders with prongs	Pink Pearl Erasers
24 pack Crayola Crayons	Dry Erase Markers
Highlighters (varying colors)	Glue Sticks (not purple please)
Supply Boxes	Fiskars Blunt Tip Scissors
Earbuds	Post-It Notes
Ziploc bags (quart size)	Composition notebooks
Ziploc Bags (gallon size)	Jump ropes Basketballs Soccer balls
Playground Ball – rubber kickball style, rugged	Playball - smooth ~15" Snow toys

Adult volunteers are a vital part of the ministry. Volunteers don't need to be professional teachers to assist in the classroom or tutor. Your kindness and willingness to help can make all the difference to a student.

Register to be a Classroom Volunteer with Catalyst Ministries SPP at [www.CatalystMinistry.org](http://www.CatalystMinistry.org) by Monday 9/20/21 to participate in a September Orientation. For other volunteering information or orientation and training dates in October, contact Neal Nelson at [neal@catalystministry.net](mailto:neal@catalystministry.net).

Woodlawn Homes is made up of 70 units of townhouse apartments for low-income families located in Painesville. Catalyst Ministries reaches out to these residents with practical help and fun for the kids throughout the year. Some of the 2021-2022 planned activities include:

Christmas party Winter apparel distribution Easter Party School meal kit distribution

Box fan distribution BBQ School shoes Fall Party

MUMC participates in many of these so watch the Weekly Update or contact Neal Nelson at [neal@catalystministry.net](mailto:neal@catalystministry.net).

## Creative Prayer Classes

To accompany our October and November sermon series on The Lord's Prayer, we will be engaging in creative prayer. Each week of the series, we will focus on a different creative element as it connects to the different parts of The Lord's Prayer. Join us on Monday nights from 7-8 PM to pray in creative and unique ways.

Sign up is required to ensure we have enough materials. Please note the painting class on October 11 requires a small fee. Once you sign up, you will be contacted regarding payment.

If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Mikayla at [MDoepker@mentorumc.org](mailto:MDoepker@mentorumc.org). Sign up online at [this link](#) or call the Church Office at 440.255.3496.

Oct. 4	"Our Father"	Revs. Gerald & Sheena Cameron	Praying with Scripture
Oct. 11	"Hallowed"	Kate Szakacs	Paint Class *requires small fee
Oct. 18	"Thy Kingdom"	Rev. Lauren Clawson	Prayer Cards
Oct. 25	"Give Us"	Gretty Myers	Prayer Beads
Nov. 1	"Forgive Us"	Tammy Palermo	Praying through our senses
Nov. 8	"Lead Us"	Alison Magyari	Prayer Yoga
Nov. 15	"Amen"	Rev. Kathy Dickriede	Praying for our Community/World

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**CREATIVE PRAYER CLASS**  
OCTOBER 4-NOVEMBER 15, 7-8 PM

October 4, 2021	"Our Father"	Revs. Gerald & Sheena Cameron
October 11, 2021	"Hallowed be thy Name"	Kate Szakacs Paint Class*
October 18, 2021	"Thy Kingdom Come"	Rev. Lauren Clawson Prayer Cards
October 25, 2021	"Give Us This Day"	Gretty Myers Prayer Beads
November 1, 2021	"Forgive Us... As We Forgive"	Tammy Palermo Praying Through Our Senses
November 8, 2021	"Lead Us"	Alison Magyari Prayer Yoga
November 15, 2021	"Amen"	Rev. Kathy Dickriede Praying For Our Community & Our World

\*Indicates that this class will include a small fee for each participant for supplies and require a reservation.

GO TO MENTORUMC.ORG  
OR SCAN TO SIGN UP

## Afghan Humanitarian Parole Relief program

September 27 is the deadline for donations at MUMC and they will be delivered to Nehemiah Mission on the 28.

diapers (all sizes), feminine hygiene disposable products (pads preferred), new bed pillow and blanket, rice (20-25 pound bags), dried beans (20 pound bags), tomato puree #10 cans  
Cleaning Kit: reusable gloves, scrub brush, liquid concentrate household cleaner, liquid laundry detergent, dish soap, reusable wipes, heavy-duty trash bags in 5 gallon bucket, 2 kitchen towels.

Hygiene Kit: (new items only) bath towel, washcloth, nail clippers, comb, bar of soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, disposable razor, in one-gallon ziplock.

Contact Becky Trout at [BeckyLTrout@gmail.com](mailto:BeckyLTrout@gmail.com) or Debbie Smith at [scrolledit@aol.com](mailto:scrolledit@aol.com) with questions or to sign up to volunteer. Donations can be marked "Afghan Relief".

**TREAT STREET**

**OCTOBER 16, 2021  
4 - 6 PM**

**Wear your favorite family-friendly costume!**

**Games • Food • Trunk or Treat • Ice Cream Truck**

**Fun for the whole family!**

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### **Community Service Opportunities**

[See our website](#) for opportunities to help in our community, especially with the YMCA.

### **Gingerbread House Craft Fair**

This year's annual GINGERBREAD HOUSE CRAFT FAIR will be held on Friday, November 5, 4 PM to 9 PM and Saturday, November 6, 10 AM to 3 PM. This annual event is sponsored by the United Methodist Women. All proceeds benefit Mentor United Methodist Women's local, national, and international mission projects.

Keep our Country Cupboard needs in mind as you gather in your fall harvest. We would love to have some of your homemade pickles, jellies, applesauce, etc. Homemade snacks, candies and any of your kitchen specialties will also be welcome as donations for us to sell.

We have an Attic Treasures Room and will be accepting donations of small appliance, pots & pans, bakeware, kitchen items, knick-knacks, crystal, dishes, jewelry, etc. the week of November 1. Please do not bring items in before then as we do not have storage. If you have any questions please contact Kim Mele at [gingerbread@mentorumc.org](mailto:gingerbread@mentorumc.org).



### **Job Posting from Project Hope for the Homeless**

Project Hope is looking for a Morning Family Residential Assistant from 5 AM to 7 AM, Sunday and Wednesday. For information, contact Rene Cruz at [development@projecthopeforthehomeless.org](mailto:development@projecthopeforthehomeless.org). The job is posted in our Community Center as well. Resumes are due by October 1.

# Healthy Boundaries Workshop



**Rev. Laura Berg**

OCTOBER 9, 2021  
10:00 AM to Noon  
8600 Mentor Ave., Mentor  
Mentor United Methodist Church

Contact Pastor Barb by October 2 at  
[bholzhauser@mentorumc.org](mailto:bholzhauser@mentorumc.org) or call 440.255.3496.  
Event is in-person but Zoom option is available.



## **Boundaries Training October 9, 2021, 10 AM to Noon at MUMC (Zoom option available)**

Boundaries training is a common practice in the church as a way to give clear definition to what we can and cannot do in our ministry with and to others. We are all caring disciples who have meaningful ministry connections, both internally and externally, through Mentor UMC. Here is a basic way to understand the importance of boundaries in the life of the church:

*"Boundaries are the limits or borders we place on relationships that allow us to balance closeness and freedom. Boundaries can exist to safeguard as well as to delineate what is acceptable and unacceptable behavior. When you are ministering to another person, not only do you need to respect their boundaries, you must also set boundaries for your relationship with them. Remember, as a pastor or lay minister, you are considered to be a person with authority and responsibility, which means you need to consider your interactions with others."*

Please consider joining us for this worthwhile training event. Email Pastor Barb to register at [BHolzhauser@mentorumc.org](mailto:BHolzhauser@mentorumc.org).