iConnect Modern Worship

Good morning!

Preaching today is Toby Mattern.

The YouVersion Link is https://www.bible.com/events/319753

Please feel free to use this during service and take

It's a Wonderful Life

"You really have a wonderful life, George. Don't you see what a shame it would be to throw it away?" These words from the classic Christmas movie still speak to us today in a world of disillusionment and pessimism. Join us this Christmas season as we celebrate the wonderful life we have received in Jesus!

Worship Through Music

Joy to the World (Unspeakable Joy) - Chris Tomlin

He Has Come (God Rest ye Merry Gentlemen) -Meredith Andrews

What a Glorious Night - Sidewalk Prophets

Mary Did You Know - Pentatonix

O Come All Ye Faithful/Sing to the King - 33Miles

Lighting the Advent Wreath

9 AM Palermo Journey Group 11 AM Lara Proegler, Gabriel, Reid & Paige Crozier

What's happening Sunday, December 10, 2017 08:00 AM - Christmas Food Collection Atrium, Arcade 09:00 and 11:00 AM - Christmas Cantata Sanctuary

09:00 AM - Confirmation Class Youth Room 10:00 AM - Journey Group Conference Room

10:00 AM - Journey Group - Off-Site

10:00 AM - Journey Group - Petrowski Adams Parlor 10:15 AM - Children's Choir Rehearsal Room 112

10:15 AM - Cherub Choir Rehearsal Room 104

06:00 PM - Occupy Youth Ministry 06:00 PM - StuCo 56 Room 112

07:00 PM - Journey Group - Nagle Wesley Room

08:00 PM - After Glow - Off-Site

What's happening this week . . .

Monday, December 11, 2017

09:00 AM - Christmas Food Sorting Fellowship Hall

09:00 AM - MOPS & MOMSnext Food Sorting Fellowship Hall

10:00 AM - Parents Morning Out

10:00 AM - New Day Circle - Asbury Room

10:00 AM - Journey Group - Carr Conference Room

04:00 PM - Christmas Food Box Distribution Fellowship Hall

07:00 PM - iConnect Planning

07:00 PM - Men's Group Meeting

07:00 PM - PATH Planning Team Meeting Conference Room

Tuesday, December 12, 2017

09:30 AM - Journey Group - Palermo

09:30 AM - Journey Group - Ring

12:00 PM - Christmas Food Box Distribution Fellowship Hall

07:00 PM - Emmaus/Journey Group 07:00 PM - Canticle Bell Rehearsal

07:00 PM - Journey Group - Imbler

07:00 PM - Disciple II Room 103

07:00 PM - Journey Group - Schwaller

Wednesday, December 13, 2017

10:00 AM - Mentor UMW Board Meeting

11:00 AM - GS Group Meeting Adams Parlor 01:00 PM - Knitting Group Adams Parlor

07:00 PM - Missions Commission Conference Room

07:00 PM - Fellowship/Evangelism Wesley Room

07:00 PM - Children's Ministry Team Room 103

07:00 PM - Boy Scout Troop #280

07:00 PM - Finance Committee Adams Parlor

07:00 PM - Journey Group - Off-Site

Thursday, December 14, 2017

10:00 AM - Overeaters Anonymous Asbury Room

11:30 AM - Ruth Naomi Circle - Off site

06:45 PM - Charter Member Rehearsal Choir Room

07:00 PM - Journey Group - S.A.L.T. Room 103 07:00 PM - Usher Training Sanctuary - Narthex

07:45 PM - Chancel Choir Choir Room

Friday, December 15, 2017

01:00 PM - Journey Group - Fournier / Korenko Adams Parlor

07:30 PM - Charter Members Christmas Sing XXI

Saturday, December 16, 2017

08:00 AM - iConnect Rehearsal Fellowship Hall 08:00 AM - iConnect - Vocal Rehearsal Chapel

03:00 PM - Troop #280 Eagle Scout Ceremony

What's happening Sunday, December 17, 2017

09:00 AM - Confirmation Class 10:00 AM - Journey Group

10:00 AM - Journey Group - Petrowski

10:15 AM - Children's Choir Rehearsal Room 112

10:15 AM - Cherub Choir Rehearsal Room 104

05:00 PM - Occupy Youth Ministry

07:00 PM - Journey Group - Nagle

Visitor Parking With the holiday season, MUMC will have more visitors. If possible, please try to park off-site to leave room in the parking lots. We are welcome to park behind the Pink Bandana Bakery (formerly Jimmy's Backyard BBQ) and Village Plaza.



Welcome to Mentor United Methodist Church!

440.255.3496 www.mentorumc.org Lead Pastor Rev. Kurt Landerholm

Traditional Worship Sanctuary 9 and 11 AM

Modern Worship iConnect Fellowship Hall 9 and 11 AM

Communion Chapel 10:30 AM

The mission of Mentor United Methodist Church is to lead all onto a path of Christ-centered discipleship.

December 10, 2017

Visitors

If this is your first visit, please stop by the Welcome Center in the Gallery. We have a gift for you and want to learn how

we can help you on your journey.

Fellowship Hour

Join us in the Gallery for Fellowship Hour after services. This week is hosted by Nominating/ Lay Leaders Committees.

Childcare is available at all services in our Education Wing. First Sundays of the month, K-6th grade children join their parents/ auardians in worship.

Need To Know This Week

See the Weekly Update for more information about activities. Go to our website or pick one up as you leave worship.

Charler Members Sing XXI
Bring family and friends for this evening of sacred music. A frée-will offering will be taken. Refreshments will follow in the Gallery. December 15 at 7:30 PM in the Sanctuary.

Christmas Eve Ushers Volunteers are needed for ushering during the 5 Christmas Eve Sanctuary services.

Please consider serving your congregation, and meeting new people, by ushering! A sign-up sheet is at the Sign Up table by Fellowship Hall.

If you are interested, but have further questions, please contact Chris Meldrum at (440) 220-0824. Training sessions are available in the Narthex at 7PM on Thursday, December 14 and Tuesday, December

Giving Tree

Donafions are due today. For any questions, contact Betsy Iskra at Iskra5@aol.com or call/text 440-283-

Tree of Forgotten Toys Donations are due today. For any questions, contact Joan Sadler at 440-257-5522.

Food Pantry

Christmas Food Basket donations are due today. If you can help with sorting, please contact Mike Cosmo at 440-255-7452 or m.cosmo@sbcglobal.net.

At the Sign Up Table Today Christmas Eve Ushers

Congregational Care



Hospitalized: Hillcrest - Aquilla Yagoda

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

Fairmount Health Center - Patricia Laubscher Starkey Place - Ruby Irish; Heartland - Debra Jones Brookdale Mentor - Norma Kuzik, Janette Kester Mentor Ridge - Gloria Meyer

Members who have returned home or are homebound:
Art Sydow Alice Zimmerman
Joan Evans James Cherny Dave Smith

Congratulations to Al and Nancy Pacosky on the birth of granddaughter Kaitlyn Eleanor Boch on November 30 to Rachel and Chris Boch.

Congratulations to Evan and Lily Strang on the birth of Sadie Dylan Strang on December 6. Grandparents are Mark and Debra Strang.

Our Sympathy to Nancy Pacosky and family in the passing of her father, Frank Busam, who went to be with the Lord and be reunited with her mother on December 3.

Our Sympathy to the family of Eleanor "Davie" Weil in her passing on November 30.

If you know of someone for whom our Prayer Chain members should pray or would like to share good news, please fill out a "Prayer Request" card in the pew racks, call the church office or visit www.mentorumc.org/prayerrequests.

Relirement Announcement -

After serving for 15 years as senior custodian and 5 years as part-time custodian, Mike Mele has announced his plans to retire effective December 15. He has been a faithful and loyal employee to the church and the many outside groups that use the facilities. We will want to express our gratitude and appreciation.

Sanctuary Order of Worship

Second Sunday of Advent

GATHERING

Prelude "Of the Father's Love Begotten" Amy Bender, organist Wilbur Held

Lighting of the Candles

Presentation of God's Holy Word

Please sign and pass the attendance pad that you find at the end of each pew.

If you are joining us for the first time today, please complete the blue sheet.

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Kurt Landerholm

Opening Hymn 211 vs.2

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

VENI EMMANUEL

McGee

Lighting of the Advent Wreath, Second Week of Advent

9:00 Laurie & Cori Babcock & Carol Haines

11:00 Mike & Ruthie Cosmo

As we light the second candle of advent, we remember the faithfulness of Jesus' mother Mary. In Luke 1:38 we read her words of confidence in you: "I am the Lord's servant," Mary answered. "May your word to me be fulfilled." Though she was young, she believed your Word and trusted in Your Goodness.

God of Strength, we pray that your Holy Spirit would give us an unshakeable faith in you and your promises and that we would be quick to obey your Word. Amen.

*Advent Hymn 204 "Emmanuel, Emmanuel"

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Sharing Joys & Concerns

Morning Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Presentation of Our Tithes and Gifts

Offertory

*Doxology UMH 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Prayer of Dedication

Hymn 234 vs. 1-3 "O Come All Ye Faithful" ADESTE FIDELES



Night of the Father's Love The Awe and Mystery of God with Us

Created by Pepper Choplin with Orchestration by Michael Lawrence and Mark Hayes.

Mentor United Methodist Church Chancel Choir & Orchestra

Amy Bender, Chancel Choir Director

Painesville United Methodist Church Choir

Fritz Streiff, Director

Liese Vito, Ken Vito, Dana Ludwig

Narrators

(We ask that you hold your applause for the very end of the Cantata. Thank you,)

The Coming of the Lord

Waiting

Angels are Making Their Rounds

Night of the Father's Love

The Shepherd's Song

Seeking the King

Fall on Your Knees

Christ Is Born, Nowell!

*Pastoral Benediction

*Postlude "From Heaven Above"

Wilbur Held

*Members of the congregation stand if able

Altar flowers are presented by Marye Etta Fairchild-Reed in loving memory of her granddaughter, Holly Flynn for her birthday.

If you would like to order flowers in memory of loved ones, to celebrate an anniversary,or offer them to the Glory of God, please contact Kathy Fellows at 440-255-5899.

There are openings for January 14, 21 and 28.

The Orchestra

Flute: Judy Elias, Heather Rice

Tuba: Brad Leyrer

Oboe: Jeff Kish

Percussion: Laurie Kunes Jake Szabo

Clarinet: Tracy Paroubek

Debbie Deal

Piano: Sharyl Verbsky

Bassoon: Carol Chenoweth

Violin: Sarah Peters Davison Yon

Trumpet: Amanda Alafi Olivia Shelton

Jack Donahue

Viola: Kira Kosatka Kate Weaver

Trombone: Patricia Humphrey Melissa Lichtler

Cello: Elizabeth Weaver

French Horn: Debbie Haviland

Laura Poje