

## Christmas Eve Schedule

Sunday morning  
9:00 AM Sanctuary and iConnect worship  
11:00 AM Sanctuary and iConnect worship

### Christmas Eve\*

3 PM Traditional Service, Communion Served - Rev. Quincy Wheeler  
5 PM Traditional Children's Service Led by Children Featuring Children's Choirs and a Special Reading of "It's a Wonderful Life" - Tammy Palermo  
7 PM Traditional Service Featuring the Charter Members Choir - Rev. Kurt Landerholm  
7 PM Modern Service iConnect Worship Team - Rev. Quincy Wheeler  
9 PM Traditional Service Featuring Chancel Choir and Canticle Bells - Rev. Kurt Landerholm  
11 PM Traditional Service Featuring Chancel Choir - Rev. Kurt Landerholm

\*All Christmas Eve services will have candle light with the option of candles or glow sticks.

What's happening Sunday, December 24, 2017  
10:00 AM - Journey Group - Petrowski Adams Parlor  
10:15 AM - Children's Choir Rehearsal Room 112

What's happening this week . . .

Tuesday, December 26, 2017  
07:00 PM - Journey Group - Imbler Conference Room

Wednesday, December 27, 2017  
11:00 AM - GS Group - Off-Site  
01:00 PM - Knitting Group Adams Parlor  
07:00 PM - Journey Group - Off-Site

Thursday, December 28, 2017  
10:00 AM - Overeaters Anonymous Asbury Room  
10:00 AM - Theatre Arts Camp Watch Party & 2018 Show Reveal Fellowship Hall  
06:45 PM - Charter Member Rehearsal Choir Room  
07:00 PM - Journey Group - S.A.L.T. Room 103  
07:45 PM - Chancel Choir Room

Friday, December 29, 2017  
02:30 PM - Bowling - Occupy & StuCo56 - Off-Site

Saturday, December 30, 2017  
08:00 AM - iConnect Rehearsal Fellowship Hall  
08:00 AM - iConnect - Vocal Rehearsal Chapel  
04:30 PM - More than a Meal Prep Fellowship Hall, MUMC - Kitchen  
05:30 PM - More than a Meal Fellowship Hall

What's happening Sunday, December 31, 2017  
10:00 AM - Journey Group - Petrowski Adams Parlor



## CHILDREN & FAMILY MINISTRIES

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

StuCo 56, 5th & 6th grade youth group  
FRIDAY, December 29, 2:30-5:00 PM - BOWLING  
[www.mentorumc.org/stuco-56](http://www.mentorumc.org/stuco-56)

### MUM Preschool Registration 2018-19

MUM Preschool registration is currently open to all Mentor UMC families. Visit [www.mentorumc.org/preschool-forms](http://www.mentorumc.org/preschool-forms) for all of the information. Turn in completed packet to Colleen Judson. Questions can be directed to Mrs. Judson at [judson.preschool@mentorumc.org](mailto:judson.preschool@mentorumc.org).

### Christmas Day Invitation

Kurt and Nancy Landerholm invite you to our home on Christmas Day for food and fellowship. If you, or you and your spouse will be alone on Christmas Day, we welcome you to spend part of the day with us. Even if you will be with family or friends before or after Christmas, but will be alone on December 25th, we invite you to come.

We will serve food between 1:00 and 5:00 PM Christmas Day, so you could come anytime during those hours and stay as long as you like! Our address is 7929 Newell Creek Drive in Mentor (Take the first left off of Johnny Cake Road heading west from the Center Street, we're about 3 blocks down Newell Creek Drive.)

Please RSVP to Nancy at [noochylee@gmail.com](mailto:noochylee@gmail.com) or 330.524.3882.

### Newsletter

The newsletter for January and February will be combined. Deadline for submissions is January 8th.



## Welcome to Mentor United Methodist Church!

440.255.3496  
[www.mentorumc.org](http://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 24, 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

Because of the holidays, Fellowship Hour will resume January 7.

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

## Need To Know This Week

### Offering Envelopes

Offering Envelopes are available in the arcade. Please feel free to take yours!

*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.

### Missions Lunch

You are invited to attend a soup and dessert lunch sponsored by Missions Commission. Come and hear inspiring stories from Jordan Martin, Dan Martin and Liese Vito who traveled to Liberia in August. We are also expecting Kathy Dickriede to join us for updates from Camphor Mission Station. You don't want to miss this!  
Right after the 11 AM service on January 7 in Fellowship Hall.

### Inclement Weather

Tune in to WEWS Channel 5 for notice of the church canceling services in the event of inclement weather.

### Security Notice

To help secure safety on Sunday mornings, a number of measures have been implemented. Please know that any inconvenience is to help assure the safety of all. Thank you!

### SPR Announcement

Rob Lewis has submitted his letter of resignation from the position of part-time custodian effective December 31. Rob has been a familiar face around the church during evenings and Sunday morning. Please express your gratitude to Rob when you see him.

### Congregational Care



#### Hospitalized:

Hillcrest - Aquilla Yagoda  
TriPoint - Dawn Myers

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

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

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

Art Sydow Alice Zimmerman  
Joan Evans Dave Smith James Cherny

Our Sympathy to Ginny Keller and family in the passing of Bill Keller on December 19.

Our Sympathy to Tracey Webber and family in the passing of her grandmother, Betty Hollingsworth December 22.

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/prayer-requests](http://www.mentorumc.org/prayer-requests).

### Coal Ministry

Thank you for your donations for 2017. This was a very successful year with 93 coats distributed at the Thanksgiving Day dinner, 89 with other distribution and 78 to Hope Chest.

# Sanctuary Order of Worship

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Prelude **GATHERING**  
"The First Noel" arr. Wilbur Held  
Amy Bender, organist

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. Beverly Wrobel

Drama "It's A Wonderful Life"

Hymn 211 vs.4 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" VENI EMMANUEL

Lighting of the Advent Wreath, Fourth Week of Advent

9:00 Mark Landerholm Family  
11:00 Janice Robinson and Jo Ann Greiner

As we light the fourth candle of advent, we remember the perseverance of Joseph. Mary being chosen as the mother of the Son of God did not keep Joseph from being a good husband to her. In Matthew 1:24 we read, "When Joseph woke up, he did what the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took Mary home as his wife."

**God of Peace, we ask that you would give us the endurance to believe you are good and to listen to your voice even when it's hard. Amen.**

Hymn 204 "Emmanuel, Emmanuel" McGee

## PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Sharing Joys & Concerns

Worship through Music "O Holy Night" Adolphe Adam  
Melanie Lyttle, soloist

Morning Prayer

The Lord's Prayer  
**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,  
for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever.  
Amen.**

Presentation of Our Tithes and Gifts

Offertory "In The Bleak Midwinter" Mary E. Caldwell  
Melanie Lyttle, soloist

\*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 249 "There's a Song in the Air" CHRISTMAS SONG

Scripture Reading

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Matthew 1:18-25

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.  
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

"Joseph Says 'Yes'"

Rev. Kurt Landerholm

## SENDING FORTH

\*Hymn 230

"O Little Town of Bethlehem"

ST. LOUIS

\*Pastoral Benediction

\*Postlude

"From Heaven Above to Earth I Come"

arr. Wilbur Held

*\*Members of the congregation stand if able*

Altar flowers are presented by Ray and Jeanne Babcock  
in loving memory of our parents Glenn & Irene Babcock,  
Jim & Carrie Wood and Lynn Kreger Wood

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 28th.

## iConnect Modern Worship

*Good morning!*

Preaching today is Rev. Quincy Wheeler.

The YouVersion Link is  
<http://bible.com/events/325235>  
Please feel free to use this during service and take notes.

The link for the 7:00 PM iConnect service tonight is  
<https://bible.com/events/327154>

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*

O Come O Come Emmanuel (Veni Emmanuel) - Aaron Shust

For Unto Us A Child Is Born/Open The Eyes Of My Heart - Paul Baloche

Angels We Have Heard On High - Chris Tomlin

Silent Night (Emmanuel) - Matt Maher

What A Glorious Night - Sidewalk Prophets

*Lighting the Advent Wreath*

9 AM The Rhoads Family  
11 AM Betty & Sean McArthur

7 PM Andrew Ring & Sarah Murphy