Good morning!

Preaching today is Rev. Quincy Wheeler. Guest speaker is Alan Brown.

Global Migration Sunday

The YouVersion Link is https://bible.com/events/536797.

Please feel free to use your phone during service to take notes.

Welcome to Mentor United Methodist Church!

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Lead Pastor
Rev. Kurt Landerholm

Traditional Worship
Sanctuary
9 and 11 AM

Modern Worship
iConnect Fellowship Hall
9 and 11 AM

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January 6, 2019

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 Women’s Retreat Committee.

Weekly Update

Congregational Care

Members admitted to Rehab, Assisted Living or Nursing Home Facility:
Mentor Ridge Health & Rehab - Gloria Meyer
Starkey Place - Ruby Irish
Brookdale Mentor - Norma Kuzik
Governor’s Village Mayfield - Ron McFeely
Heartland - Nadine (Klein) Miller • The Abbey - Debra Jones
Symphony - Alice Zimmerman • Brookdale Wickliffe - Jim Wuerthele (hospice)
Fairmont - Barbara Bradarich, Patricia Laubscher

Members who have returned home or are homebound:
Chris Fletcher, Joan Evans, Dave Smith,
Laura Kramer, Tom Patterson, Doug Kepp, Julia Ludwig

Our sympathy to Ida Reynolds and family in the death of her son Joseph on December 28.

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At the Information Hub Today

Sign up for the Listening Post sessions.
Spiritual Parenting Online
Purchase the book Spiritual Parenting by Michelle Anthony from your retailer of choice and register at mentorumc.org/positive-parenting.

Class will be online from your own home Tuesdays, January 15, 22, 29, February 5, 12, 19. We will start at 8:30 PM in order for you to get your kids to bed.

MUM Preschool Pre-Registration for 2019-2020
Complete the form to be in the queue for registration at: mentorumc.org/preschool

Parents’ Morning Out
Mondays from 10 AM to 12 PM, Spots still available. Info and registration at mentorumc.org/parents-morning-out

LAM8 (Learning And Mommy Bonding)
Tuesdays from 9 AM to 11 AM starting January 8
Thursdays from 9 AM to 11 AM starting January 10
Info and registration at mentorumc.org/lamb

Positive Parenting Book Club
Tuesday, January 8, 6:00-8:00 pm
Relentless Parenting by Brian & Angela Haynes
Childcare is available upon request.
Info and registration at mentorumc.org/positive-parenting.

Many parents feel frustrated and a real disconnect with their teens. Briana and Angela Haynes understand those feelings and provide great insight into loving and leading teens. While it may be tempting to step aside from parenting and avoid conflict, the authors encourage parents to do the hard things. This book engages the hearts of parents by providing ideas for how they can stay connected to their teens. Topics include: words of power not what Jesus calls for in the Bible. He wants hearts and souls that are shaped in vibrant faith and love toward God and others. How can parents cultivate this in their children?
In this book Dr. Michelle Anthony shares practical examples and biblical insight on the spiritual role of parenting.

It’s hard enough to train kids to behave, but good behavior isn’t what Jesus calls for in the Bible. He wants hearts and souls that are shaped in vibrant faith and love toward God and others. How can parents cultivate this in their children?

What’s happening Sunday, January 06, 2019
10:00 AM - Confirmation Class- Youth Room
10:00 AM - Adult Sunday School- Adams Parlor
10:00 AM - Boy Scout Troop #280- Fellowship Hall
10:00 AM - MOPS & MOMSnext Meeting- Early Childhood, MUMC - Fellowship Hall
10:15 AM - Cherub Choir Rehearsal- Room 104
10:30 AM - Confirmation Class- Youth Room
10:45 AM - Adult Sunday School- Adams Parlor
10:45 AM - Journey Group - Young Adults - Room 103
11:00 AM - Charter Members Rehearsal- Choir Room
11:45 AM - Cherub Choir Rehearsal- Room 104
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Valentine Boxes for our College Students

Mentor United Methodist Women is collecting monetary donations to purchase items for Valentine boxes (we will purchase the items so all the boxes are identical). Place your donation in the offering plate on Sunday mornings or give to the Church Office. Please be sure to note “Valentine Boxes”. The last Sunday for donations will be February 3.

PARENTS: Please email your college student’s full name and address to Carolyn Nagy at cnagy@mentorumc.org, drop in the offering plate or leave in the Church Office by February 3. We regret that because of the prohibitive cost, we cannot ship packages to locations outside the U.S. All women are welcome to help pack boxes on Monday, February 11 at 10 AM in Fellowship Hall.

More-Than-A-Meal

This is our free community meal served on the last Saturday of the month. We are presently looking for Journey Groups, Committees, or individuals to sign up to prepare and serve the meals on February 23 and throughout 2019. This requires preparing for 100 persons and covering the costs if possible. If some funding is needed, there are limited funds available. Regular workers and experienced persons will be present to assist. If you are interested, contact Jim Post at 440-477-6130.

Informational Listening Posts at Mentor UMC for the UMC’s Special General Conference in Feb. 2019

In advance of the United Methodist Church’s Special General Conference to discuss issues of Human Sexuality and the church on February 23-26, 2019, the pastors of Mentor UMC with the backing of church leadership will present three informational listening posts. The posts are to help any interested persons understand the issues under discussion, the proposed plans under consideration and the possible results of the Conference for the church worldwide, nationwide and on a local level.

On Sunday, January 13 from 2-3:30 PM, Monday, February 11 from 7-8:30 PM, and Wednesday, February 20 from 7-8:30 PM, we will hold a 90-minute session in the Chapel. We will spend 30 minutes describing the two basic positions of United Methodists on the issue of human sexuality and the Biblical issues at play and have 15 minutes of questions regarding the information we have shared and responses. Then we will spend 30 minutes describing the three plans proposed to the Special General Conference and the possible results from the Conference for the church, followed by another 15 minute session of informative questions-and-answers.

To attend these listening posts, you will need to sign-up at the Information Hub or online via Sign-Up Genius. Each session will be limited to 60 participants. We encourage you to sign-up for one of these events so that you can be prepared and informed on this important time in the UMC.

Stewardship Notice

If you have bill pay set up or online giving for your Stewardship Pledge, please confirm with your bank or account that the amount is updated to your 2019 pledge.

Also, if you have not turned in a pledge card, there are three ways to do that:
1. Fill out the online pledge card at http://mentorumc.org/current/pages/pledge-card or on the app.
2. Fill out and drop off a paper card in the office or put in the offering plate.
3. Email your pledge details to tsimons@mentorumc.org.

Thank you!

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We hope everyone had a wonderful and safe New Year holiday. Launching into our 201st year we want to continue to build on our ministry and mission as we faithfully live out our discipleship call to stewardship. As we return to our normal routines, the stewardship committee wants to emphasize that our alignment of resources is a key component to living into our mission. Through faithful giving of our personal finances we are investing in the important ministry of the Mentor United Methodist Church. Together we make Mentor United Methodist Church’s mission a reality through our prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness. This is the Path of Discipleship.

As of this date, we are short of fulfilling our 2019 pledge commitment for the Operating Budget. We need your help in order to continue the work of our church. If we have not received a response from you for the 2019 campaign, please remember:
• Mentor United Methodist Church ministries are available to everyone regardless of pledge commitments.
• Pledge commitments are confidential with only the Financial Secretary having access to details.
• A commitment in any amount contributes to the achievement of our mission.
• Pledge commitments may be adjusted at any time.
• Pledge commitments can be cancelled or suspended if circumstances arise.

We ask you to take the time for prayerful reflection and seriously consider your contribution to this ministry. Stewardship is really a way of life. Ultimately, pledging is our commitment to help spread the word of God as Jesus taught us.

Yours in Christ,
Rich Elwell, Jack Oliver and Gary Brown
Stewardship Committee
Coat Ministry
A sincere thanks to everyone who donated coats or funds to make this year’s coat ministry a huge success!! Between the Thanksgiving Meal and the Christmas Distribution, 127 coats were handed out. This is a simple but clear reminder of just how great the needs are of the community in which we live. May God bless you and keep you warm this holiday season.
-Maggie Goats

The Coat Ministry will be accepting donations of warm, winter coats until the end of March. Please place lighter weight coats in the bin for Hope Chest or donate them to the Rummage Sale in the spring. Thank you!

Pastoral Announcement
Last Sunday it was announced during our worship services that Pastor Kurt Landerholm will be retiring on June 30, 2019. He is in his 7th year at Mentor and will be age 67 when he retires. Pastor Kurt is deeply appreciative of the congregation and the privilege to serve this great church. He and Nancy have been profoundly blessed to be part of your lives.

Please be prayerful for the Bishop and Cabinet as they seek a new senior pastor to begin service on July 1.

Cornerstone Karaoke
Sunday, January 27, 12:30 PM. Join us for karaoke for all ages with Cornerstone! There will be a soup and chili lunch and then a fun time of singing. Please RSVP to Michelle Park at mpark@mentorumc.org that you are coming and let her know your song request. Songs should be Christian music or uplifting selections.

January Prayer Focus
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Jesus wants us to talk to him about our temptations. We can tell him about our darkest thoughts and emotions and every destructive desire that would lead us into evil. He already knows what we are thinking and the battles that rage within our minds. We can tell Jesus about our resentful attitude, our adulterous thoughts, our negativity, our lust, our jealousy, our “dirty” mind, our selfish desires, our hatred toward a neighbor, and on and on the list goes. Only Jesus can give victory and has the power to win the battle! (Some battles of the mind are so strong that we need to seek out someone to pray with us and we need to be accountable to that person).

2019 Offering Envelopes
Offering envelopes are available in the Arcade for you to pick up.

Liberia T-Shirt Fundraiser - This week sweatshirts!
MUMC Sweatshirts are available for purchase in the Information Hub today! Grab a shirt to wear to show your love for Jesus and our church. $25 for crew-neck sweatshirts and $30 for hooded sweatshirts. Checks can be made out to MUMC and noted “Liberia Shirts”. All proceeds go to benefit Roxy Beers and Eliana Palermo in their upcoming mission trip to Liberia.

Committee Contact Information
Need to contact a committee in the church? Use the emails below:

Administrative Council aoboard@mentorumc.org
Adult Discipleship/Journey Groups discipleship.journey@mentorumc.org
Communications communications@mentorumc.org
Evangelism & Fellowship evangelism.fellowship@mentorumc.org
Finance finance@mentorumc.org
Library library@mentorumc.org
Membership membership@mentorumc.org
Missions missions@mentorumc.org
Staff Parish Relations sprc@mentorumc.org
Trustees trustees@mentorumc.org
United Methodist Women umw@mentorumc.org
Worship worship@mentorumc.org

Prayer Buddies
Adults without children in the home are encouraged to sign up to pray for a child in our church. Children are encouraged to sign up to be the recipient of prayers.
All the details and sign up information is at mentorumc.org/prayer-buddy.