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# Mentor United Methodist Church

## WEEKLY UPDATE

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Sunday, March 22, 2020

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

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,



As news of the pandemic continues to impact all of us, we encourage you to continue to walk with Jesus. God is faithful! As we journey through Lent, our spiritual disciplines will help us discover the depth of God's love for us revealed in Jesus! Remember to pray, fast, read scripture, give, worship, and find ways to serve.

At this time, all activities at our church facility have been cancelled or postponed through April. Our office will remain open to answer the phone, and be a resource to you. We will keep you posted if the hours are adjusted.

Worship services at our facility are cancelled for Sunday, March 22, 2020. Be sure to tune in and worship with us on Facebook or our [website](#), live-streaming at 9 and 11 AM. Follow our church app for up-to-date information, as well as ways to grow in your faith.

We will keep you posted regarding details for future Sundays, however it is likely we will not be meeting together for several weeks. We support CDC recommendations to limit our physical contact with others. PLEASE PHYSICALLY DISTANCE YOURSELF FROM OTHERS. The more we do in limiting contact with others, the less impact the virus will have on all of us. And, the sooner we can be back together. STAY WELL AND SAFE! It is a challenging time for all of us. Please reach out to us if you have a concern or need or a celebration to share. We are available to you!

Remember: We are still the Church!

Even if we cannot meet together in person, we are developing plans to assure that we can worship, have access to family activities, and care for congregational needs. Do not stop your connections!

Please let the church office know:

If you have a need we can perhaps assist you to handle.

If you are willing to assist with well-check phone calls.

If you are willing to assist with grocery or pharmacy pick-up.

If you are willing to assist with our Community Meal on March 28. We do not know for certain, but we hope that we will still be able to provide something for those who rely upon us. This will involve preparing the food – and handing it out per drive-up service.

Please continue to financially support our ministry – because we are still the church! You can give online or mail your contributions. Click this link for online giving [www.mentorumc.org/onlinegiving](http://www.mentorumc.org/onlinegiving). The address for mail is 8600 Mentor Ave., Mentor, Ohio, 44060.

Now is the time to watch for God's grace to be at work. And, be those who extend God's grace to others.

The world is watching ... and we are striving to trust and honor Christ together!

Remember you are loved!

Pastor Sondra and Pastor Quincy



**Children & Family Ministries**  
[www.mentorunc.org/children](http://www.mentorunc.org/children)  
[www.mentorunc.org/sunday-school](http://www.mentorunc.org/sunday-school)

**Annual Easter Egg Hunt has been canceled.**

**Sunday Morning Kids' Journey Groups, Cherubs, Children's Choir, and Youth 56 are suspended until further notice.**

### **Spiritual Parenting One & Done**

March 24 from 6:00 - 8:00 PM from YOUR HOME  
Read Spiritual Parenting by Dr. Michelle Anthony then join Tammy online for a virtual meetup to discuss the book.

### **Positive Parenting Book Club**

Masterminds & Wingmen by Rosalind Wiseman  
Thursdays, April 2, 16, 30, May 14  
6:30 - 8:30 PM in YOUR HOME  
Read Masterminds & Wingmen by Rosalind Wiseman then join Tammy online for a virtual meetup to discuss the book.

MUMC Kid MeetUp each day at 11:30 AM  
[meet.google.com/jxv-qwjs-xuj](https://meet.google.com/jxv-qwjs-xuj)

**SUMMER 2020 PROGRAMS are still being planned!**

[mentorunc.org/summer-programs](http://mentorunc.org/summer-programs)

**Vacation Bible School:** Knights of the North Castle ~ June 8-12 for kids 4 as of 1/1/2020 thru 6th grade

**Get Out Doors (G.O.D.) Camp:** Follow the Way ~ June 8-12 for students who have completed 5th or 6th grade

**Middle School Mission Week** ~ July 6-10 for students who have completed 6-8 grades

**Theatre Arts Camp:** Shrek, Jr. ~ July 13-17 AND 20-24 / Performances July 24 & 25 for students who have just completed K-8 grade

### **Sunday Morning Services**

The YouVersion link is <https://bible.com/events/7061236>.



YOUTUBE.COM

March 15 2020 Livestream 11 AM

Watch our livestream of service on Sunday, March 15 at 11 AM with...

Join us in worship!  
9 AM and 11 AM

[Facebook live](#) and on the [website home page](#)



## Congregational Care



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

The Lantern - Jim Reed • Aberdeen Crossing - Barbara Bradarich  
Enclave of Newell Creek - Kay Disbro  
Mentor Ridge - Gloria Meyer • Brookdale Mentor - Norma Kuzik  
Tapestry Senior Living - Gloria & Ron McFeely • Brookdale Wickliffe - Fran Rose  
Fairmount - Patricia Laubscher • Maple Ridge Sr. Living - Bob Chamberlin  
Danbury Senior Living - Ross & Kathryn Bevacqua  
Concord Village - Shirley Dessner

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

Randy Scott, Linda Leach, Carole Elwell, Susan Rimes, Pam Crawley  
Carl Snyder, Horace Nembhard, Don Ference, John Proegler, John Reno

Our sympathy is extended to the family of Julie Urankar (daughter of Ron and Pat White) who died on March 8, 2020 in Philadelphia, PA.

Our sympathy to Denise Small in the passing of Bill Small on March 10.

## Easter Flowers

We are not going to order flowers for Easter. Please contact the office to let us know how you would like to direct the refund. We can refund your money, put it toward your giving, or apply it to another fund.

We would still like to honor our loved ones at Easter. We will have a video tribute on our website with their names on Easter Sunday. Any forms that have already been turned in will be used unless you indicate otherwise. Please email your name and the names you would like to mention to Carolyn at the Church Office at [cnagy@mentorumc.org](mailto:cnagy@mentorumc.org). Also, please let Carolyn know if you do not want to have your names on the website. The deadline is Sunday, April 5, to submit names.

## Food Pantry Update

The food pantry Easter distribution will be adjusted for the current situation. The families we serve through this ministry have children in the Mentor schools. As they are home for three weeks and will miss assistance with school breakfasts and lunches, we feel Aldi gift cards will help them the most to purchase what they need.

Monetary donations are being accepted to purchase the cards. Checks can be made out to MUMC and noted "Food Pantry" or you can give online and choose "Food" as the fund. Please do not drop off any food for our general pantry or for this distribution. Thank you for your generosity towards these families that really need our help.

## Hope Chest Closed

Hope Chest is closed until further notice. We are not accepting any donations until they are up and running again. Please hold on to your items at home. Thank you!

## Emails from the Church

If you know of someone who is not receiving emails from the church, they probably opted out of our newsletter. This means they must resubscribe through Mailchimp. Because of privacy, we are not able to just resubscribe them. Please direct them to our [webpage](#) to fill out the Mailchimp form. If you have any questions, please contact Carolyn in the office at [cnagy@mentorumc.org](mailto:cnagy@mentorumc.org) or 440-255-3496.

Also, if you receive a paper newsletter and only need an email version, please email Carolyn and she will adjust the mailing list. Thank you!

## Youth Ministry

[lnash@mentorumc.org](mailto:lnash@mentorumc.org)



Follow the Youth on Instagram for all Youth Activity Updates at MUMCYouth712

### Confirmation

Confirmation classes will resume virtually through Google Meet video conferencing. The classes will take place for the normal length of time on March 29, April 5, and April 19. This will conclude our classes.

There is not a definitive date planned for our confirmation retreat or confirmation Sunday. More information on those events will be released at the beginning of April. If you have any questions, contact Leah at [lnash@mentorumc.org](mailto:lnash@mentorumc.org).

### Youth Group

Please stay tuned for information regarding our Youth Group Hangout. We will be meeting remotely through Google Hangouts from approximately 6:00-7:00 PM on Sundays to share a brief message, prayer, and maybe sing a few songs.

Other activities to look out for:

Hiking at Holden, a nice walk through the woods while we stay 6 feet apart

[Netflix Parties](#)

Bible Lessons through the YouVersion App

Weird Instagram challenges

### We now have a Minecraft Realm!

All students are welcome to join our MUMC Server. This is a safe, closed environment where students can come together, create, and talk to one another from home. To join, simply email [lnash@mentorumc.org](mailto:lnash@mentorumc.org) your Username and Leah will send you an invite.

\*Note, you must send the username since this is a closed server and you have to be invited to join.

Students are welcome to play at any time, however we will have designated times where we try to get as many players to join at a time. Please keep an eye out for these designated times.



### Youth Group: Senior High

Students in grades 10-12 are welcome to join our Google Hangout Chat <https://hangouts.google.com/group/89S7EbidCwyKZGaK8>.

We will use this chat to keep in contact with one another, plan virtual activities, and share prayers and concerns while we practice our social distancing.

We will be having our next Senior High Night on Sunday March 29 at 8:30 PM. This event will be a Netflix Party where we watch a movie together and chat as it plays. Please join our Google Chat so that we can pick a movie.

### Youth Service Project

At this time, YSP is still planned for June, however, we will have more information in the coming weeks. The Big Event continues to be postponed, but we will be updating you as we are able.