
Mentor United Methodist Church

WEEKLY UPDATE

Sunday, December 27, 2020

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Dear Friends,

I pray your Christmas celebration was a time to reflect on and remember God's great love for you revealed in Jesus! **THANK YOU** to all those who worked to pull together all the parts to help our worship be meaningful. WOW – there were a lot of parts! Yet each one ... from Sunday night's Drive-In, to all four online Christmas Eve services were beautiful offerings that led us closer to Emmanuel.

I know you join me in thanking our staff and many volunteers for their tremendous effort. A special thanks to Carolyn Nagy and Andrew Ring, who made sure our Christmas Eve livestreaming worship took place!

We end 2020 by looking back and giving thanks! It was a challenging year in many ways. Yet we can see God at work in our midst. We do have reason to celebrate. Great is God's Faithfulness!

May the Good News of Jesus continue to guide and direct us throughout the coming year. I give thanks for the opportunity to journey with you as we seek Christ together. Happy New Year!



Pastor Sondra

Sunday Morning Services

The YouVersion link for this week is
<https://bible.com/events/48067750>

Join us in worship!
9 AM Modern and 11 AM Traditional
[Facebook](#), [YouTube](#) and
our [website www.mentorumc.org](http://www.mentorumc.org)

Christmas Cantata 2019 Online until Epiphany Sunday, January 3, 2021

We are pleased to offer an opportunity to listen to the 2019 Christmas Cantata on YouTube. The link is unlisted to comply with copyright requirements. Please use this link to access it <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T7oAk1ITHP4>. You will not see the video appear on our YouTube Channel or be able to search for it. Thank you for understanding as we navigate online copyright issues. If you have any difficulty, please call or email Carolyn in the office at 440.255.3496 or cnagy@mentorumc.org. She can email the link directly to you.

Holiday Office Hours

Please note that in observance of the holidays, the church office will be closed on December 31 and January 1.

Blood Drive

MUMC will hold a Red Cross Blood Drive on January 5, from 9 AM to 3 PM in the Asbury and Wesley rooms. You can schedule an appointment at www.redcrossblood.org.

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Congregational Care

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

The Lantern - Jim Reed • Aberdeen Crossing - Barbara Bradarich
The Enclave - Kay Disbro • Brookdale Mentor - Norma Kuzik
Mentor Ridge - Gloria Meyer • Parker Place - Opal Pinasky
Danbury Senior Living - Ross & Kathryn Bevacqua
Maple Ridge Sr. Living - Bob Chamberlin • Brookdale Wickliffe - Fran Rose
Tapestry Senior Living - Gloria & Ron McFeely
Fairmount - Patricia Laubscher • Continuing Healthcare of Mentor - Virginia Gilman

Members who have returned home or are homebound:

Dale Snyder, Linda Leach, Jeanne Babcock, John Proegler
John Hurley, Tom Knesbeck, Ken Ireland, Noel Barber, Evelyn Scott, Art Sydow

Help the Homeless – Volunteer for Project Hope

Since 1993, more than 8,000 children and adults experiencing homelessness in Northeast Ohio have received shelter, care, and guidance through Project Hope for the Homeless, the only emergency shelter in Lake County.

Volunteers are key to Project Hope's ability to provide shelter and care. Opportunities include prepping, serving and cleaning up after meals, providing dinners, packing lunch bags for shelter guests, shelter ministry and much more.

To get started, visit www.projecthopeforthehomeless.org and click on Volunteer, or contact Missy Knight, volunteer services director, at (440) 354-6417 ext. 106, or volunteer@projecthopeforthehomeless.org.

Children & Family Ministries

www.mentorumc.org/children

MUMC Family Style Sunday Morning Kids' Journey Groups are every Sunday morning at 10:10-10:50 AM. Check your email for login details or contact Tammy.

PS, K, 1st gr led by Kate & Abby Colbow
2nd, 3rd, 4th gr led by Eliana Palermo & Ryan Poje
5th & 6th gr led by Barb Brown & Leah Nash

The Talks Study: A parent's guide to critical conversations about sex, dating and other unmentionables is being offered starting January 19 online. Registration is currently open at this link <http://bit.ly/3mE9LIK>. Every parent knows about "the talk." What many parents fail to realize is that one conversation isn't enough. Your kids desperately need help to navigate the rapidly changing sexually-charged culture in which they live.

Packed with solid research and practical tools, The Talks provides you with the help you need to get comfortable having some critical conversations in your home. It covers both "what to know" and "what to do." Whether your kids are 6 or 16, you'll be equipped to help your kids make wise choices now and to prepare them to experience God's gift of sexuality in the right time and in the right way.

Positive Parenting Book Club's next book is Lisa TerKeurst's book, It's Not Supposed to Be This Way: Finding Unexpected Strength When Disappointments Leave You Shattered. We will read and then meet to discuss the book biweekly starting on January 7 and concluding on March 18 at 7:30 PM.

MOPS & MOMSnext meets Friday, January 8 in the morning and Thursday, January 21 in the evening. The group will be meeting virtually until further notice. The theme is [Decide to Rise](#) and is very appropriate and timely. Contact MOPS at mops@mentorumc.org for more information.