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WEEKLY UPDATE

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Worship with us in-person or online:
Mentorumc.org, [Facebook](#), and [Youtube](#)

Worship Schedule

9 & 11 AM Modern

9 & 11 AM Traditional



PASTOR'S LETTER

WOW, I've been here at Mentor UMC for one whole year! **Hip hip hooray and Happy Anniversary to me!** (and Pastor Steve too) Mentor, the old adage is certainly true: Time flies when you are having fun! Well, just know that I am having a ball. As always, Mentor, I want you to know that I love you, I love this church, and mostly, I love what God is revealing to us as we journey together. I truly believe that this church is a great church, with great people and has great purpose. I am encouraged daily by your office visits, phone calls, cards, emails, texts, and especially worship.

Well, I hope that as we go forth into a new year, we will let our fellowship, praise, service and learning be exemplary.

I thank our ushers, trustees, communion stewards, journey group teachers, sound technicians, choir director, youth, musicians, preschool, Mission team, church staff, liturgists, committee members, Caring Servants, United Women in Faith, Journey Groups, office volunteers, Knitters, Meal Blessings Cooks, Pantry workers, Sunday Gallery Snack Team, Greeters and all who faithfully serve MUMC every week. **THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU** for your giving of time and resources.

My spirit thinks on hymnwriter Johnson Oatman, Jr. who wrote many wonderful Church hymns. One hymn is entitled "Count Your Blessings" and the refrain pinpoints precisely my sentiments at this one-year juncture:

*Count your blessings, name them one by one;
Count your blessings, see what God hath done;
Count your blessings, name them one by one;
Count your many blessings, see what God hath done.*

Like beans and weenies, peanut butter and jelly, ham and eggs, chips and dip. Like Antony and Cleopatra, Fred and Wilma, Mentor, **WE BELONG TOGETHER!** **THANK YOU** for your confidence in me and I am proud to serve as your Associate Pastor! Church, I believe that if we hold on to God's unchanging hand, we will walk into a bright future for this church and our community.

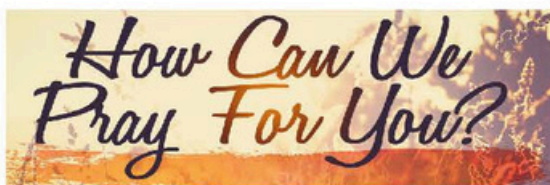
Much Love to all, *-Pastor Ivy*



JOIN A JOURNEY GROUP

STUDY • CONNECT • GROW

Our Journey Groups are strong ways to enhance study in God's word. Any group would be glad to have you join or attend asap! **NOTE** to Journey Group Leaders/Instructors: please contact Pastor Ivy before August 1 to confirm your Fall 2024 Journey Group schedule.



Care CONGREGATIONAL

In our prayers today & in your personal prayer time, please remember the following:

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

The Enclave - Johanna Kessler, Dee Smith,
Mary Lou Haines, John Shetler, Delores Tackett

Salida Woods - Doris Sturm

Aristocrat Berea - Virginia Gilman

Parker Place - Bill Owen, Bob & Sandy Linsell,
Deloris Parsons

Tapestry - Gloria McFeely

Symphony of Mentor - Lorraine Ahlstrom

Breckenridge/Fairmount - Patricia Laubscher

Danbury Mentor - Dale Porter

Members who are in need of prayer:

Karen Mancini, Marilyn Oliver, Luke Sanvido,
Doug Kepp, Lois Dyckman, Pam Crawley, Carol Anderson

Praying for Strangers

SUNDAYS JULY 7 - 21

July 7: Connection
July 14: Recognition
July 21: Turn around

Join us in-person or online
Sundays 9 AM and 11 AM



Need to Know

Youversion

<http://bible.com/events/49287001>

Learn more about Sunday's scriptures & worship by visiting this link.

Support for All

Join us on August 19 from 6-8 PM. Anyone with or who has any medical, health, physical, disabilities, mental, emotional, or are caregivers, etc. are invited to meet at MUMC on the third Monday of every month. No RSVP necessary. Contact Alan Vick for more info.

Softball Teams

MUMC softball teams play every Tuesday at Richmond Park. Regular season comes to an end on July 23rd. Look out for news about playoffs. Go team(s)!

Connection Ministries

We will be hosting "The Listening Church" through Connectional Ministries on August 15th from 2 PM to 4:30 PM. This is a great opportunity led by Rev. Luke Edwards to learn about concepts and skills of being a Listening Church. Learn more and [register here](#).

Open Positions @ MUMC

Check out our website to learn more about our open positions, Modern Worship Director, Pastor of Visitation, and Youth Director. Please pray for excellent candidates to apply and tell everyone you know about the openings—especially through word of mouth and social media. [Click here](#).



Follow Us!

If you like staying in the know, hearing about worship, and giggling then follow us on TikTok! We have lots of fun sharing this church's ministry with the world. Find us at [@mentorumchurch](#) or click the [link here](#).

Exchange Students

The International Student admissions program at Lake Catholic High School is looking for families to take exchange students in. Stay starts August 15 and they would depart the first week of June 2025. The host family is paid a monthly stipend. They can contact Nate Skonieczny nskonieczny@lakecatholic.org OR call 330.612.7183

Dog Days Family Night

UWF would like to invite you and the family to "Dog Days of Summer Family Night".. Don't miss out on learning about some of the ways our canine companions can help us! The evening will include a hot dog supper, a chance to meet some therapy dogs, an opportunity to make a dog tug toy, and more! ***This is a great event for kids and it is free!*** RSVP to uwf@mentorumc.org, register online [here](#), or find the signup sheet in the Info Hub. See you on Wednesday, July 31st from 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM in the Gallery.

Back to School Bash

The Salvation Army of Lake County is collecting supplies and monetary donations for the 2024-25 school year. Supplies will be distributed to families in need at the 2024 School Supply Distribution at Harvey High School on Saturday, August 3, 2024.

Drop off items to the display in the Gallery by Wednesday, July 31st. You can also make a monetary donation. [Visit our website](#) to see what items are needed, how to donate, and more.

Project Hope

Project Hope for the Homeless is in need of bottled water-16oz, Sunscreen, and disposable coffee cups. Donations can be dropped off directly at the shelter, Monday through Friday 9-2. Volunteers are also needed, particularly those serving IN the shelter with our staff and guests. Learn more by visiting Project Hope's [website](#).



What's Your M.O.?

Mission Opportunities

Community Assistance

A Community assistance ministry would expand on the ways we are currently helping people with needs in our community. Reach out to Pastor Steve if you:

- have passion for helping people in need
- have flexible schedule that permits you to respond to requests during weekdays
- have some knowledge about community resources or willingness & interest in learning about community resources.

Blood Drive

The next Blood Drive will be on Tuesday, August 6th here at MUMC. Our goal is to collect 32 units of blood for hospital patients in need. You can [sign up on our website](#).

Hope Chest

Hope Chest is in need of bath towels and 13 gal plastic garbage bags. Donations can be dropped off in the Community Center (between Fellowship Hall and the Gallery)

Food Ministry

Help support our ongoing food missions by designating your giving to Food Ministry. There are special Food Ministry envelopes available in the Info Hub. Mail your giving, drop it off in the offering boxes/church office, or give online through our website or app.

More Than a Meal

The next MTAM is on Saturday, July 27th. You can help cook, clean up, or hand out meals while interacting with guests. Please use [this link](#) to sign up online or visit our Missions page on our website!

UWF Donations

Mentor United Women in Faith is collecting clean, gently used t-shirts and bath towels for an upcycling project. Donations may be left in the church office through July 21. Thank you!

WHAT ARE THEY UP TO?

Children & Family Ministries
www.mentorumc.org/children

Sunday Morning Kids

9:00 & 11:00 AM at MUMC for all services. Join us for our current curriculum, "Celebrate Wonder".

- [Check-In Instruction Video](#)
- Ages 0-2 and 3-4 sign in at the Early Childhood Area before service
- Grades K-5 will begin in worship with their families and then be dismissed to the Education Wing.

Sunday Morning Signup

Mentor United Methodist Church's mission is to lead all onto a path of Christ-centered discipleship. Here is a great place to do just that! [Click here for SUMMER leader signup.](#) There are spots for various ages/levels, so check out what section works for you:)

"Worship one, serve one!"

2024-2025 Preschool Reg

Registration for the 2024-25 school year is open to YOU, our church families. Click here for the: [Pre-Registration Link](#). If you have any questions, please contact our State Manager, Brittany Jones at bjones.preschool@mentorumc.org.

NextGen Youth & Family

Join us for an exciting outing on August 18th to the Lake County Captains' Faith Day at 1 PM. Please be sure to sign up as soon as you can using this [link](#). Meal included with ticket.

Middle School

Grades 6-8 are welcome Sundays from 9:15-10 AM in the Youth Room. Join us as we explore the Re:form curriculum.

Theatre Arts Camp

Seussical, the Musical, Jr.

SHOWS: July 26 and 27

TICKETS ON SALE NOW

[Click here or visit our website](#)

