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WEEKLY UPDATE

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CHURCH

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Mentorumc.org, [Facebook](#), and [Youtube](#)

Worship Schedule

9 & 11 AM Modern

9 & 11 AM Traditional

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HAPPY
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Pastor's Letter



Led By God's Spirit

Lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. - Ephesians 4:1-3 NRSV

We are now into our 6th week of our worship series and study, "This is Us: Being United Methodists". This week we focus on the question, "How do United Methodists nurture our spiritual lives?"

In Paul's letter to the church in Ephesus, in the scripture quoted above, he encourages believers to "lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called..." and to "make every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace." Do this, Paul says, "with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love."

Paul's words of encouragement offer Christians in all times powerful advice. Imagine a world where every human being is living this out! That may be asking too much. Imagine a nation where all of its leaders and citizens are living into their calling with humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love! Ok, that might be a stretch for our imaginations too. How about a city? Can you imagine, just for a moment, a city where every resident—high paid, low paid, white collar, blue collar, retired or unemployed, laborer, manager, and CEO—every one of them making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace? What would that look like?

Whether we are able to imagine it or not, clearly this is the world God intends. As Christians, as United Methodist Christians, we each have a calling to do our best to live by God's Spirit in these ways. Can we do it? Is it possible? John Wesley, the founder of the Methodist movement, believed it is possible in this life, by God's grace, to be made perfect in love. But, we cannot do it on our own.

Wesley insisted that the people called Methodists be part of a small group. He called them Classes. Each class consisted of about 12 people from the same community. The purpose was simply to meet weekly for one or two hours and share with one another how each had done that week with the three rules: 1. Do no harm 2. Do good 3. Stay in love with God. Scholars of Methodism agree that the key to the exponential growth of the Methodist movement in the 1700s and 1800s was the structure of these accountability groups.

The third rule, "Stay in love with God" is all about practicing spiritual disciplines such as regular worship and daily devotion, Bible study, prayer, caring for the poor, the sick and imprisoned and holy conferencing. As we begin the last week in our series, "This is Us: Being United Methodists", I pray we will be encouraged and inspired to renew our covenant and walk with Christ. If you are not already participating in a small group or ministry, now is a good time to do so. If you need some help knowing what group or ministry best fits you, contact Pastor Ivy, Pastor Tammy or me. We'd love to help you take the next step on your journey of faith.

From grace to grace,

Pastor Steve

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
Salida Woods - Doris Sturm
Aristocrat Berea - Virginia Gilman
Parker Place - Bill Owen, Bob & Sandy Linsell, Deloris Parsons
Danbury Senior Living - Kathryn Bevacqua
Tapestry - Gloria McFeely
Symphony of Mentor - Lorraine Ahlstrom
Breckenridge/Fairmount - Patricia Laubscher
Danbury Mentor - Dale Porter
Mentor Ridge Rehab - Delores Tackett

Members who are in need of prayer:

Karen Mancini, Marilyn Oliver, Luke Sanvido,
Bill Wolfgang, Georgeanna Allen

**The service for Tommy Gettig with take place on May 28th at
University Circle UMC 1919 E 107th**

In Remembrance

Patricia Bonner
from Davis Bonner

Andrew Jack Champa
U.S. Army WWII

John Hipps
from Liz Grusendorf

Jim Mckinney & Glenn McKinney
from Kay McKinney

William Morgan, United States Air
Force and died in World War II
from Ruth Aplin

Wayne Reese
from Bev Reese

Roy & Marian Sloan, Kenneth Sloan
from Alan Vick

Charles "Carl" Snyder
from Joyce Snyder

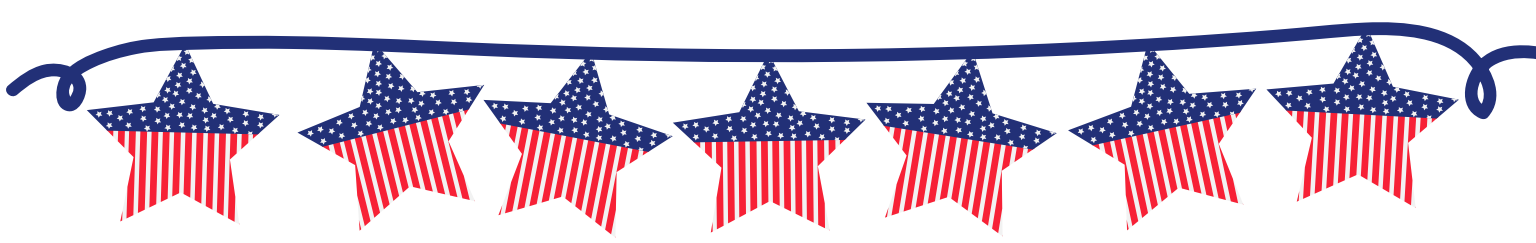
Donald Barton Stearns, Navy Air
veteran of World War II
from Deanna Stearns

Fred and Fritz Van Riper, James
Chidester, Keith Van Riper, and all our
grandparents
from the Van Riper Family

Harry Weaver
from Sara Weaver

Gaza Richard Yambor
U.S. Army WWII





Need to Know

**OFFICE CLOSED
MAY 27th for
MEMORIAL DAY**

Communion Coordinators

Consider serving as a Communion Coordinator for Modern Worship. Please contact Laurie Eppler at Laerainbow427@aol.com

Bread, Broth, Brownies, & Bingo Luncheon

Join Mentor United Women in Faith for another bread, broth, and brownies luncheon! June's menu includes dinner roll mini sandwiches, cold strawberry soup, pasta salad, and peanut butter s'mores no bake brownies. After lunch we will assemble "mission encouragement" treats for our youth summer mission teams, YSP and MSMW. We hope to see you on Wed, June 12th at noon in the MUMC Gallery! Please RSVP to uwf@mentorumc.org, register online [here](#), or find the signup sheet in the Info Hub.

Youversion

<https://bible.com/events/49238927>

Learn more about Sunday's scriptures and worship by visiting this link each week.

Softball Teams

Both MUMC softball teams play every Tuesday with the regular-season finale scheduled for July 23rd.

We could still use more players, particularly on the new team. And, we always appreciate having some MUMC "fans" come out to cheer us on throughout the season.

Support for All

New group coming soon! Anyone with or have any medical, health, physical, disabilities, mental, emotional, caregivers, and helpers of those etc. are invited to meet once a month at MUMC. Look for details in the coming weeks.

Summer Programs

Children, Youth, and Adult Volunteers JOIN US for a summer of fun! You can register for ALL [summer programs](#) and more here or by [visiting our website](#).



Vacation Bible School

June 17-21, 2024

Camp Firelight

\$15 per child

Servant Sign Up:

Adult Crew Leaders, Youth Jr. Crew Leaders, Music Assistants, Recreation/Craft Assistants,

Get Out Doors (G.O.D.) Camp

June 17-21, 2024

9:30 AM to 4 PM

\$70 per kid

Middle School Mission Week

July 8-12, 2024

See the World...

on Earth as it is in Heaven

\$70 per kid

Theatre Arts Camp

July 15-19 AND 22-26, 2024

Seussical, the Musical, Jr.

SHOWS: July 26 and 27

\$90 per CAST MEMBER

\$60 per CREW MEMBER



Royal Family Kids

It's that time of year when Royal Family Kids is gearing up for another year of camp. The number of kids that can have a potentially life-changing experience this summer depends on the number of teens (age 16+) & adults who volunteer their time to create positive memories for children who have experienced neglect and abuse. Camp is scheduled to begin for staff on Friday, June 7. Children ages 6-11 arrive on Saturday, June 8 and stay through the afternoon of Wednesday, June 12. At camp children receive positive attention and encouragement as they engage in many activities. Volunteers are needed both full and part time to have fun and make moments matter in a child's life. Volunteers are interviewed and receive a background check for the safety of the children. Also, all volunteers receive training before the start of camp. Learn more on their site by [clicking here](#). For more info speak with Johanna Martin johannamartin@sbcglobal.net or [visit our website](#) for more.



What's Your M.O.?

Mission Opportunities



VBS helpers needed

[Click here](#) to see when and where you can help out with VBS this June (or visit our website)!

Hannah's Home Bottles

Beginning on Mother's Day, you can pick up a bottle to fill with cash or a check to go towards Hannah's Home. Bottles can be dropped off in the main office. Deadline to drop off bottles is Father's day. [Visit our website](#) to learn more about Hannah's Home.

More Than a Meal

The next MTAM is on Saturday, June 29th (last Saturday of each month). We cook free a meal open to the community and serve in our Fellowship Hall. You can help cook, clean up, or hand out meals while interacting with guests. The time commitment is about four hours. The gift of your time and energy is much needed! Please use [this link](#) to sign up online.

Food Ministry

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

Next Distributions:
July 15 & 16
September 16 & 17

Find current Food Ministry needs in the Info Hub or on our website under the Local Missions page, [click here](#).

Buy a YSP Stock!

Buy a "YSP Mission Trip Stock" to support our trip to Reelfoot Rural Mission in Obion, TN. Purchase one of three classes: Class C \$35, Class B \$75, and Class A \$125. [Click here](#) or visit our website to learn more about what you receive for your stock!

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.

MOMCo.

MOMCo (The Mom Community) will meet on Friday, May 24th at MUMC.

YSP Meetings

Youth Service Project meetings are on the following Sundays at 12 PM in the Wesley Room: May 5, June 9. Email ysp@mentorumc.org for more info or [click here.](#)

Youth Mornings

Every Sunday between services from 10 AM-11AM Youth are invited to come hangout in the MUMC Youth Room for fun, fellowship, and refreshments.

Youth Evenings

Every 1st and 3rd Sunday from 6pm-7:30pm. Dates are as follows:, April 21, May 5, May 19, June 2, and June 16. [RSVP here.](#)

Middle School

Grades 6-8 are welcome Sundays from 9:15-10 AM in the Youth Room.



NextGen Youth & Family Night

On June 14, we would like to invite parents and their youth to the Lake County Captains' Faith Night at 7pm. Please be sure to sign up as soon as you can using the [link](#). Meal included with ticket.

Youth Sunday:

Faith & Family Fest

On Sunday, July 14th, the youth will host Youth Sunday at 9AM Modern and 11AM Traditional services. After services, NextGen Youth Ministries and Lake County Faith Leaders will host a family-friendly faith event from 6pm-10pm. If you and or your youth are interested in helping out with these events on Youth Sunday, please reach out to Briyant Hines.

Scholarship & Grad Recognition Sunday

If you want your picture featured in the Grad/Scholarship video, please submit a picture to Kenna Tanner by June 2nd. If you're a graduate, also share your post-graduation plans if you are comfortable. If you are a recipient currently enrolled in school, share where at.