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WEEKLY UPDATE

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Worship Schedule

9 & 11 AM Modern

9 & 11 AM Traditional



TREAT STREET



Pastor's Letter

Hello Siblings in Christ,

The past four weeks have flown by! I cannot believe that October is about to end. I've thoroughly enjoyed the prolonged warm days although I know many are looking forward to wearing sweaters and flannel shirts. I also realize that soon those clothing items will become the norm.

Last week's message centered around Laity Sunday, the official Sunday the United Methodist Church recognizes and celebrates the ministry and witness of laypersons everywhere. You may be wondering who are these laypersons that make up the laity of the church, and I will be happy to let you know that is Y-O-U! In our United Methodist tradition, John Wesley pointed out that every person in the church community is a layperson. Pastor Ivy and Sarah Ring did an excellent job of explaining the importance of what each and every one of you are called to do to be a thriving part of our church family.

This Sunday our focus will be on vocational ministry. This includes all of us who work in the church as our employment. This is not limited to clergy but includes those who work in the office, who take care of the facilities, who minister to others through faith formation or music. We hear the story of a young boy named Samuel who thought he was being called by the priest Eli in the middle of the night. We learn that the voice Samuel heard was the Lord's. Maybe you are hearing a voice or a nudge from God in your life. Will you answer with the same words of Samuel?

Looking forward to worshipping together,

Pastor Tammy

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ANNOUNCING A NEW BEGINNING AT MUMC

I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? - Isaiah 43:19

Effective Sunday, December 1st, Mentor United Methodist Church will transition from four services to two. Our Modern Worship Service will be at 9:00 AM and our Traditional Worship Service will be at 11:00 AM each Sunday, both will also be livestreamed. The MUMC Administrative Council, with affirmation from our Church Ministry teams and staff, proactively embraces the impacts of the pandemic, staff and member transitions, and General Conference emphasis that all who seek Christ are seen and valued in our church. This decision has gone through several stages of discernment involving many leaders, prayer, and conversations since July 28th.

It is our prayer that this new schedule will provide the most impactful Worship Services to inspire and transform our faith. Our Leadership team understands this change will have an impact on each of our schedules and preferences. Please reach out to our Pastors or leaders so that we can be of support during this time of adjustment.

We look forward to seeing you in Worship and for your continued volunteer and financial support of our church family. We are excited to Worship with each other in our much-anticipated Advent Season. Look for future communications and the many exciting opportunities planned around this change!

Blessings siblings in Christ!

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 - Delores Tackett, Johanna Kessler, Dee Smith, Mary Lou Haines,
John Shetler, Carol Anderson, Doug Kepp

Salida Woods - Doris Sturm

Aristocrat Berea - Virginia Gilman

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

Grand River Health & Rehab - Beverly Hill

Tapestry - Gloria McFeely

Symphony of Mentor - Lorraine Ahlstrom

Breckenridge/Fairmount - Patricia Laubscher

Village of St. Edward: Dale Porter

Holly Hill - Floyd Richards

Brookdale - Bill Wolfgang

Members who are in need of prayer:

Karen Mancini, Marilyn Oliver, Luke Sanvido, Lois Dyckman, David Fell,
Carol Anderson, Pam Crawley, Bob Linsell, Patrick, Russ Lancaster,
Dick & Nancy Smith, Jack Zimmerman, Roy, Andy Champa,
Georgeanna Allen, Suzanne Dubeansky

Need to Know

Youversion

<https://bible.com/events/49336715>

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

Hospitality and Refreshments

Join us on Sunday, October 27th, 12:30 PM and/or Wednesday, October 30th, 6 PM to talk about enhancing our Fellowship time after service in the gallery on Sunday mornings. Please come to one of these meetings if:

- You like to cook or bake
- You like to buy refreshments
- You like to greet people
- You enjoy setting the table
- You don't mind cleaning things up after the party is over
- You want to meet other people in the church and be part of a team that is sharing God's love with others.

With enough people involved in this ministry, we can enhance our fellowship time.

Lancaster Thank you

The Lancaster Family wants to thank all for the prayers and cards for Russ Lancaster as he recovers from his fall. They are very much received with love.

- Joan Lancaster

Healthy Congregations Workshop

Join us on Sat, Nov 9th from 9-4 PM at Mayfield UMC. This East Ohio Conference sponsored event is designed to equip leaders to respond to the presence or potential threat of anxiety in a congregational system in ways that prevent destructive conflict and help the church stay focused on its unique mission and purpose. Cost is \$15 and can be paid through our online giving. [Click here.](#)

Bread, Broth, Brownies, & Bingo

Join Mentor UWF for another bread, broth, and brownies luncheon! November's menu includes blueberry muffins, cream of turkey soup, deviled eggs, salad, and pumpkin swirl brownies. With the holidays approaching, we will celebrate food with "How Did the Devil Get in Deviled Eggs and Other Fun Food Stories." We hope to see you on Wednesday, November 13th at noon in the MUMC Gallery! Please RSVP to uwf@mentorumc.org, register [online here](#), or find the signup sheet in the Info Hub.

Charge Conference

Leaders and members are invited to attend Charge Conference on November 3rd at 3 PM at First UMC in Geneva.

Finance Update

The Finance Committee has 2024 financial results year-to-date through September 30, 2024. At this time, there is a \$50,447 shortfall. All members of MUMC are encouraged to be faithful and generous in their giving throughout the remainder of the year.

CWC Luncheon

The next Christian Women's Connection of Lake Co. Luncheon is on Tuesday, November 19th from 11:15 to 1:30 PM (doors open at 10:30 AM). Neil Stein, executive director at Lake Co Visitors Bureau will speak as well as Jackie Drake, booklover. RSVP by noon on November 14th to cwcstonecroft@yahoo.com or call Dee at 440.488.4351.

Stewardship Season: Love Begins at Home

Save the following dates:

November 10th: *Fellowship Hall dedication* - join us in FH around 10:10 to experience the dedication of the recently renovated worship space.

November 17th: *Home craft* - start saving your cardboard, plastics, and other reusable CLEAN items to make a "house" building craft after services in the Gallery.

November 24th: *Stewardship Sunday* - join us in and after services to dedicate pledges, enjoy fellowship, and a ministry fair.

Thanksgiving Day Meal

Mentor UMC will once again serve a traditional Thanksgiving turkey dinner for our community on Thanksgiving Day. We will be dining in Fellowship Hall together and delivering meals to those who are unable to come to the church. [Check out our site](#) to learn more about the dinner and how to donate or volunteer. You can also stop by the table in the Gallery to sign up in person.

Gingerbread Craft Fair

Join us on Friday, November 8th from 4 to 8 PM and Saturday, November 9th from 10 to 3 PM. Your donations of handmade crafts for UMWF Craft Room, items for Attic Treasures Room (mini-rummage sale), Bake Shop & Country Cupboard homemade bake goods and snacks are needed. We also need shopping bags and packing paper. Please pick up a Volunteer Signup sheet today on one of our posters, in the Info Hub, or go to the Church website. More info on donation and drop off dates can be found [online](#).

What's Your M.O.? Mission Opportunities



Woodlawn Homes

As the weather starts to cool, we need to think about the kids from Woodlawn who will need new winter apparel. UWF will again be purchasing coats and boots for all children who need new ones. Members and friends of MUMC are encouraged to help by donating hats and gloves/mittens so that children may receive them. Distribution of all winter wear is on November 21st. [Deadline to drop off items is Sunday, November 17th.](#) You can drop off in the Narthex/Gallery.

Project Hope

PH for the Homeless is hiring a full-time Finance Director. The position requires an accounting degree. There is also a preference for non-profit experience. Check out their website or our socials for details. If interested, send a resume to Judy Burr: director@projecthopeforthehomeless.org

Royal Family Kids Camp

The RFK Leadership team is asking for support through \$25 donations in order to purchase grocery gift cards for the families of our Royal Family Kids campers. These cards will help augment their grocery budget and provide for a plentiful Thanksgiving Day dinner. Drop off a cash/check to the church office or designate your online giving to RFK.

Birthright Cards for a Cause Fundraiser

Make a difference for a mom in need while treating yourself to 30 beautifully embellished cards in a decorative box for just \$30! Each purchase supports Birthright with a \$13 donation. Order at <https://bit.ly/birthrightCFAC24>. Boxes available for pick-up at Birthright on November 8th. For more info, email hello@morewithmary.com.

Paper Recycling

For those looking to recycle paper and cardboard, you can find three bins at St. Mary's (the church just to the west of us).

Hannah's Home Update

Each year Hannah's Home does a baby bottle coin collection from Mothers Day to Fathers Day. Their budget comes directly from donations and this fundraiser is critical to their budget. The goal this year was to raise \$130,000. They exceeded their goal and collected \$149,707.52! Mentor United Methodist Church contributed \$1,356.72. They send a huge THANK YOU to our church. Checkout their website for additional ways to support this worthwhile mission. www.hannahshome.org

Hope Chest

Hope Chest is in need of men's gloves. Donations can be dropped off in the Community Center at MUMC.



WHAT ARE THEY UP TO?

Sunday Morning Kids

9:00 & 11:00 AM at MUMC for all services.

- ALL ages are encouraged to check in at the Early Childhood Center (or Gallery, if available).
- Grades K-5 begin in worship with their families and then be dismissed to the Education Wing.

Sunday Morning Signup

MUMC'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 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

There are still a few openings for 2024-2025 Preschool. If you have questions or wish to register, please contact State Manager, Brittany Jones at bjones.preschool@mentorumc.org.

Pre-Reg for 2025-2026

Pre-register for the 2025-2026 school year at MUMP: [link here.](#) Get in touch with Brittany Jones to learn more: bjones.preschool@mentorumc.org

MOMCo

MOMCo is November 1st. Moms join us in the Gallery from 9 AM - 12 PM. Check our [website](#) for more dates.

Child & Caregiver Class

Age 2 ½ to 3 ½

9:15-10:45 AM in the Early Childhood Area

- FALL: Oct 30, Nov 6
- WINTER: January 15, 22, 29, February 5, 12, 19, 26, March 5
- SPRING: March 26, April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, May 7, 14

Cost is \$60 per 8 week session (prepaid, non-refundable). [Apply here!](#)

Spiritual Parenting class

Join us on Tuesdays: October 22, 29, & November 5, 12 from 6-7 PM for a new Spiritual Parenting class using the book by Michelle Anthony. [Check out the book here](#) and [find the registration here.](#)

Camp Wanake

Youth are invited on November 22nd - 24th to the Camp Wanake Retreat. It is \$100 to register. Scholarships available, just ask Mackalyn!

Middle School

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

Tea Time

Youth are invited to meet at MUMC in the Library between Sunday services (around 10 AM). We'll enjoy drinks and snacks, talk, do devotions, and more. No need to RSVP, just pop in!

YSP Meeting

The next Youth Service Project is Sunday, October 27th at 12:15 PM. Youth and parents are invited to meet after service to discuss the upcoming 2025 trip, fundraising, and more.

Project Feed

Youth are invited to participate in Project Feed at North Hampton UMC from 4-6 PM on November 10th. We will pack meals for those experiencing meal instability. Get in touch with Mackalyn to learn more.

