
iConnect Modern Worship

Good morning!

Preaching today is Quincy Wheeler.

Lighting of the Advent Candles
9 AM Shining Grace
11 AM Sarah Wade

Sermon Under Wraps: God Is Expectant

The YouVersion Link is
<https://bible.com/events/514863>.

Please feel free to use your phone during service to take notes.



Download our app!

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Worship Through Music

O Come O Come Emmanuel
(Veni Emmanuel)

- Aaron Shust
For Unto Us A Child Is Born / Open
the Eyes of My Heart

- Paul Baloche
When Love Came Down
- Point of Grace

Hark The Herald Angels Sing /
King Of Heaven
- Paul Baloche

Mentor UMC would like to thank Monica Bucks for her donation of the portable keyboard for the music ministry of Mentor UMC. Our sympathy and prayers are with her and her family as they remember her late husband, James L. Bucks

Weekly Update

Welcome to Mentor United Methodist Church!

440.255.3496
www.mentorumc.org
Lead Pastor
Rev. Kurt Landerholm

Traditional
Worship
Sanctuary
9 and 11 AM

Modern
Worship
iConnect
Fellowship Hall
9 and 11 AM

Communion
Sunday

The mission of Mentor United Methodist Church is to lead all onto a path of Christ-centered discipleship.

December 2, 2018

Visitors

If this is your first visit, please stop by the Welcome Center in the Gallery. We have a gift for you and want to learn how we can help you on your journey.

Fellowship Hour

Join us in the Gallery for Fellowship Hour after services. This week is hosted by Gift Endowment and Memorial Committee (G.E.M.) and Finance Committee.

Weekly Update

Congregational Care

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

Aberdeen Crossing - Barbara Bradarich
Mentor Ridge Health & Rehab - Gloria Meyer
Starkey Place - Ruby Irish
Brookdale Mentor - Norma Kuzik, Patricia Laubscher
Governor's Village Mayfield - Ron McFeely
Heartland - Nadine (Klein) Miller • The Abbey - Debra Jones
Symphony - Alice Zimmerman • Brookdale Wickliffe - Jim Wuerthele
Concord Village - Shirley Drobnick

Members who have returned home or are homebound:

Chris Fletcher, Dale Porter, Joan Evans, Dave Smith, Debbie Snyder

Our sympathy to Lauri and Jack Sinclair in the passing of husband and father Jeff Sinclair on November 22.

Congratulations to Bryan and Shaina Vitantonio on the baptism of their daughter, Everly Rae, today.

At the Information Hub Today

Altar Guild - Christmas Altar Poinsettias
Liberia Mission Trip - MUMC Spirit Wear and Witness Wear



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Children & Family Ministries
www.mentorumc.org/children
www.mentorumc.org/sunday-school



StuCo 56

December 9 & 16, 6-8 PM
mentorumc.org/stuco-56

Christmas Play & Potluck ~ "The Other Wise Man"

Saturday, December 8, 4 PM
Free admission; Tickets required
mentorumc.org/truth-light-players

Prayer Buddies

Adults without children in the home are encouraged to sign up to pray for a child in our church. Children are encouraged to sign up to be the recipient of prayers! All the details and sign up information is at mentorumc.org/prayer-buddy.



MUM Preschool Pre-Registration for 2019-2020

Complete the form to be in the queue for registration at:
mentorumc.org/preschool

Parents' Morning Out

Mondays from 10 AM to 12 PM
Spots still available.
Info and registration at
mentorumc.org/parents-morning-out

Chocolate Advent Calendars \$5

Available at the Info Hub or by contacting Tammy Palermo. Proceeds go to Vacation Bible School. tpalermo@mentorumc.org

MUMC SpiritWear and Witness Wear to Support Missions Trip!

Beginning today, Roxy Beers, Eliana Palermo, and friends will be selling Mentor UMC t-shirts and sweatshirts. Items are specially designed to celebrate our faith and life here at MUMC and share the good news with others. T-shirts will be available in both men's and women's styles and will be \$15 per shirt. Hoodies will be \$30 and crew neck sweatshirts will be \$25. Checks can be made out to MUMC and noted "Liberia Shirts". All proceeds will go to support their planned mission trip to Liberia this coming summer. If you would like to give shirts as Christmas gifts, your order must be received by Sunday, December 3. Orders will continue after December 3, but only those received before then will be guaranteed to be here before Christmas.

Community Garden

If you have a love for digging in the dirt and for caring for others, then being part of the "Community Garden" is perfect for you. There will be a meeting to explain and plan for the community garden. It will be held on Monday, December 17 at 7:00 PM in the Conference Room. Many hands make for light work, so we're looking for many interested hands as the gardens at Wildwood are planted, cared for, and harvested, providing fresh produce to many.



What's happening Sunday, December 02, 2018

09:00 AM - Confirmation Class - Youth Room
10:00 AM - Adult Sunday School - Adams Parlor
10:00 AM - Journey Group - Woledge - Room 103
10:15 AM - Children's Choir Rehearsal - Room 112
10:15 AM - Cherub Choir Rehearsal - Room 104
01:00 PM - Christmas Show Rehearsal - Fellowship Hall
05:00 PM - Journey Group - Landerholm - Wesley Room
06:00 PM - Occupy Youth Ministry - Chapel, Fellowship Hall, Youth Room, Youth Room B
06:15 PM - Sunday Night Basketball - Hope Ridge UMC
07:00 PM - Journey Group - Nagle - Conference Room

What's happening this week . . .

Monday, December 3, 2018

10:00 AM - Worship at Brookdale Heisley - Off-Site
10:00 AM - Parents Morning Out - Early Childhood
10:00 AM - Journey Group - Carr - Off-Site
11:00 AM - Worship at Atria Newell Creek - Off-Site
06:30 PM - DivorceCare - Conference Room
07:00 PM - Men's Group Meeting - Library

Tuesday, December 4, 2018

09:30 AM - Journey Group - Ring - Asbury Rm.
09:30 AM - Journey Group - Palermo - Conference Room
07:00 PM - Emmaus/Journey Group - Adams Parlor

Wednesday, December 5, 2018

08:15 AM - Organ tuning - Asbury Room, Wesley Room, Sanctuary
09:30 AM - Young at Heart Meal Prep - Kitchen
10:00 AM - Journey Group - Wednesday Morning Way - Library
12:00 PM - Young at Heart Luncheon - Fellowship Hall
01:00 PM - Knitting Group - Adams Parlor
07:00 PM - Missions Commission - Wesley Room
07:00 PM - Trustee Meeting - Conference Room
07:00 PM - Imbler Journey Group - Room 103
07:00 PM - Journey Group - Wrobel - Off-Site
07:00 PM - Journey Group - Gallagher - Asbury Room

Thursday, December 6, 2018

06:30 AM - Men's Journey Group - Conference Room
10:00 AM - Overeaters Anonymous - Asbury Room
04:30 PM - Journey Group - Lauren Ring - Early Childhood
06:00 PM - Canticle Bell Rehearsal - Wesley Room, Choir Room
06:30 PM - Disciple I - Landerholm - Asbury Room
06:45 PM - Charter Members Rehearsal - Choir Room
06:45 PM - Gingerbread House Planning Meeting - Adams Parlor
07:00 PM - S.A.L.T. - Room 103
07:45 PM - Chancel Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room

Friday, December 7, 2018

01:00 PM - Journey Group - Fournier / Korenko - Conference Room

Saturday, December 8, 2018

08:00 AM - iConnect - Vocal Rehearsal - Chapel
08:00 AM - iConnect Rehearsal - Fellowship Hall
04:00 PM - Christmas Show - The Other Wise Man - Fellowship Hall, Kitchen
06:00 PM - Christmas Show Potluck - Gallery, Kitchen

What's happening Sunday, December 09, 2018

10:00 AM - Adult Sunday School - Adams Parlor
10:00 AM - Journey Group - Woledge - Room 103
10:15 AM - Children's Choir Rehearsal - Room 112
10:15 AM - Cherub Choir Rehearsal - Room 104
06:00 PM - StuCo 56 - Room 112
06:00 PM - Occupy Youth Ministry - Chapel, Fellowship Hall, Youth Room, Youth Room B
06:15 PM - Sunday Night Basketball - Hope Ridge UMC
07:00 PM - Journey Group - Nagle - Conference Room
08:00 PM - After Glow - Off-Site

Shopping on Amazon for the Holidays?

We are registered with AmazonSmile Foundation as a charitable organization. When you shop at smile.amazon.com, 0.05% of the price of the eligible purchases are donated to MUMC. There is no cost to the church and no cost to you.

It is easy to get started visit smile.amazon.com and select Mentor United Methodist Church.



GriefShare Surviving the Holidays

Monday, December 10, 6:30-9:00 PM

Register by emailing blwrobel@mentorumc.org or call 440-255-3496.



December Prayer Focus - Nancy Landerholm

"And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one." This phrase, of the Prayer Jesus taught us to pray, will be our focus for December and then again in January. We need to understand that to be tempted is common to all. James 1:14-15 gives us the steps that temptation takes. First, there is a desire. Often the desire is a normal desire that goes out of control (ex: the desire for sex out of control leads to adultery, fornication, pornography, etc.). Next, we start to doubt God's goodness and think that God is holding out on us if we cannot have our desires met, how and when we want them to be met. Now, God's truth is replaced by a lie of Satan.

Satan knows our areas of weakness and knows just the right bait to use to lead us into giving into the temptation. Once we have given into temptation, we have sinned. We suffer the consequences of our sin. This is a battle we all fight and we CANNOT win on our own. We need the help of God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. That is why we NEED to pray this daily. More on this next month.

Christmas Eve Services



- 3 PM Traditional Service, Communion Served
- 5 PM Traditional Children's Service Led by Children, Featuring Children's Choirs and a Special Reading
- 7 PM Traditional Service Featuring the Charter Members Choir
- 7 PM Modern Service iConnect Worship Team
- 9 PM Traditional Service Featuring Chancel Choir, Canticle Bells, Hallelujah Chorus
- 11 PM Vesper Service in the Chapel

All Christmas Eve services will have candle light with the option of candles or glow sticks. The 11 PM service will be a quiet, reflective service in the Chapel.

Hope Chest is in Need of Towels and Blankets

Please consider donating new or gently used towels, washcloths and blankets to Hope Chest. Place them in the bin at the Community Center. (Please no home made afghans.) Thank you!



Joseph Ministry Volunteers Needed

Joseph Ministry is a group of MUMC volunteers that will help local residents with "fix it" projects around the house. However, the list of volunteers has dwindled and is in need of new members. Work as your personal schedule permits. If you like to do home repair projects, you could be of great help to your neighbors. Contact Larry Hoon at larryhoon@yahoo.com if you think you could be of assistance in this ministry.

Feed Your Soul

In today's busy world, it's important to take good care of yourself. Eating well, getting enough sleep, and exercising are all part of keeping your body healthy; but what are you doing for your soul? Volunteering is a great way to nurture your soul. When we are focused on helping another, we put our own lives in perspective. We find that our own troubles are not so overwhelming. We feel a sense of gratitude for the many blessings in our lives. Lake County Council on Aging is seeking volunteers to deliver meals on wheels, prepare meals in the kitchen, grocery shop, visit and more. See the flyer in the Community Center to get details.

Christmas Food Distribution

This year, Missions Commission is trying something new for the Christmas Food Pantry Distribution. We will give double the amount of gift cards from ALDI, instead of boxes of food. Therefore, instead of filling a brown bag with food this holiday, Missions is asking for monetary donations. Envelopes for this purpose will be available after services on December 9 from the ushers. They can be returned in the offering the following week or to the Church Office by Sunday, December 16. Families will receive the gift cards in order to purchase the meats and fresh produce, dairy and bakery foods of their choice. They will also receive the gifts so generously donated by you from the Caring Trees and an invitation to join us at one of our Christmas Eve services. Thank you for your continued support of this most important ministry. If you have any questions, please contact Mike Cosmo at 440-488-4566.

Ruth Naomi Circle

December 13, 11:30 AM at Marie Scramblers.

Join us for the Christmas Lunch at Marie Scramblers! Bring a wrapped white elephant gift to share and knitted hats, scarfs and gloves to donate. There will not be a meeting in January. Contact Georgeanna Allen with any questions at (440) 255-5515. Ruth Naomi Circle will not meet if the Mentor Schools are closed due to bad weather. Feel free to call the church office to confirm at 440-255-3496.



Sally Carr Study

Join Sally Carr for the Fred Rogers documentary *Won't You Be My Neighbor* on December 3 and 10. The meeting is at North Mentor Centenary UMC at 10 AM. For more information contact Sally at slscarr@roadrunner.com.

Young at Heart Luncheon

Wednesday, December 5 • Noon in Fellowship Hall • \$5
Hosted by Mentor United Methodist Women

All those 62 years and older are invited to enjoy a Christmas lunch and program with your church staff and friends at the Young at Heart Luncheon.

\$5 (paid in advance or at the door) covers your meal, beverage, dessert AND fun!

Please call the church office at 440-255-3496 by November 30, and ask to be added to the Young at Heart luncheon list! Let us know when you call if you need a ride. We will be happy to arrange one for you!



"The Other Wise Man" Christmas Play and Potluck

Saturday, December 8, 4 PM, Free admission; Tickets required

Join us for the story of a wise man who misses the birth of Christ and spends his life seeking Jesus. The gift is in his journey and those he meets along the way.

Go to this link mentorumc.org/current/christmas-play-tickets, or on the homepage look under Around Our Church, or see the app under Register. You can sign up for the potluck at the same link. Feel free to call the office as well at 440-255-3496.



Christmas Cantata

"The Glory of Christmas" Sunday, December 16 at 9 AM and 11 AM

Presented by the combined choirs of MUMC and Painesville UMC and accompanied by a full orchestra. In a panoramic view of Christmas, we see the majesty, the color, the sounds, and even the solemnity of this glorious season! We witness the anguish of God's chosen people as it gives way to joy in the fulfillment of an eternal promise - that God would send a Messiah to save them. The entire spectrum of God's love and grace is on full display in the story of Christmas.



Charter Members Men's Choir Annual Christmas Sing

Friday, December 14, 7:30PM

Bring family and friends for this evening of sacred music. A free-will offering will be taken and refreshments will follow in the Gallery.

Giving Trees

The Christmas trees in the Gallery and outside the Chapel are decorated with different giving ornament tags. Select an ornament and show Christ's love. Gifts are due back by noon on December 16 and should be wrapped with the tag securely attached.



Green Trees: GIVING Gifts for children in need. Gifts are due back by noon on Sunday, December 16 and should be wrapped with the tag securely attached. There is a 2-part tag. Please fill out one and place it in the box below the tree. This gives us your contact information. The second tag is to be placed on the gift.

If you would like to shop for a whole family, please contact Betsy Iskra as soon as possible at iskra5@aol.com or call/text 440-283-6524.

Red Hearts: SHARING Monetary donation to a charity may be placed in the envelope provided and placed in the box at the Information Hub. For security, the box will be in the Office during the week. Charities are : Ohio Guidestone , Royal Family Kids Camp, Project Hope and Flat Rock.

Yellow Angels: PRAYING Pray for the name or group listed throughout the holiday season.

Blue Bells: CARING Suggestion for something you can do to help others.

Christmas Eve Ushers

Volunteers are needed for ushering during the five Christmas Eve Sanctuary/Chapel services. Please consider serving your congregation, and meeting new people, by ushering!

A sign-up sheet will be at the Information Hub starting today. You can also sign up through the website and app. Go to our homepage and look under Around Our Church at www.mentorumc.org or look under Register on the app.

If interested in ushering but hesitant, training will be provided on Tuesday, December 11 or Wednesday, December 19 in the Narthex from 7- 8 PM. If you have further questions, please contact Chris Meldrum at (440) 220-0824.



More-Than-A-Meal

This is our free community meal served on the last Saturday of the month. We are presently looking for Journey Groups, Committees, or individuals to sign up to prepare and serve the meals on January 26 and February 22. This requires preparing for 100 persons and covering the costs if possible. If some funding is needed, there are limited funds available. Regular workers and experienced persons will be present to assist. If you are interested, contact Jim Post at 440-477-6130.





Altar Guild is selling Poinsettias for the Christmas altar displays. The last date to order is December 2. Checks can be made out to MUMC or Mentor United Methodist Church. If returning your check and form by mail, please address as: Mentor United Methodist Church
c/o The Altar Guild
8600 Mentor Ave. Mentor, OH 44060

Altar Guild will be at the Information Hub on the Sundays of November 4, 11, 18 and 25. Forms and payments may be completed at that time.

Plants designated for the Sanctuary may be picked up after the 9:00 PM service on Christmas Eve.

Plants designated for iConnect may be picked up after the 7:00 PM service on Christmas Eve.

(PLEASE CLEARLY PRINT YOUR INFORMATION)

NAME OF PERSON ORDERING: _____

IN MEMORY OF: _____

IN APPRECIATION OF: _____

TO THE GLORY OF GOD _____

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