
Mentor United Methodist Church

WEEKLY UPDATE

Sunday, November 29, 2020

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I pray your Thanksgiving was full of gratitude for God's many gifts! I offer my heartfelt appreciation to ALL THOSE who assisted with our Thanksgiving Meal. Even in the midst of a challenging year and changing plans and safety protocols we served Christ together! We extended Jesus' love to our community! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Now we begin the season of Advent – we prepare our hearts for Christ's arrival so that we will not miss anything God has to offer to us. I invite and encourage you to connect with us. We are seeking to embrace the reality of 2020 in creative ways ... even as we share in our traditions. Check out our website for opportunities to serve (our Giving Tree ministry needs you) and to worship (note our Drive-In "Travel to Bethlehem" experience is December 20, and Christmas Eve worship will be on-line at 3,5,7,9).

This Sunday – we will focus on TRADITION. We will share some of our church family traditions – like stars or angles; favorite Christmas movie; most popular cookie – did you fill out the survey? We will also consider the importance of what we pass on to the next generation. The most important belief being: Jesus left his heavenly home to bring you God's love.

Prepare your hearts for Christ's arrival! Because Jesus always comes!

Pastor Sondra

Sunday Morning Services

The YouVersion link for this week is
<https://bible.com/events/47526218>

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

Come And Worship As A Church Family - "Travel to Bethlehem"

December 20, Drive-In Worship Experience

- 4:45 – 5:30 PM Drive past Christmas Scenes along the Ed Wing
Listen to our Modern Worship Band on our FM Station
Pick up candles and glowsticks under the portico for Christmas Eve
Bring snacks, and candles or flashlights
Find a spot in our parking lot to be ready for singing and story telling
- 5:30 Worship over the FM Station and Seeing each other "car-to-car"
We will hear the familiar story
We will sing favorite carols to our organ accompaniment
We will end the evening with "Silent Night"
We receive a Christmas Blessing



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Congregational Care

Members admitted to the Hospital: UH - Evelyn Scott

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 • Cedar Wood Rehab - Art Sydow

Members who have returned home or are homebound:

Dale Snyder, Karen Mancini, Linda Leach, Erica Wilmot,
Gina Cartagena, Kimi Schmidt, Carl Snyder, Sylvia Bisbee, John Proegler
John Hurley, Tom Knesbeck, Ken Ireland, Noel Barber

Advent Calendars have arrived!

If you preordered, please contact Tammy at tpalermo@mentorumc.org to arrange pick up. There are still some available.

If you didn't pre-order, you can still order [HERE](#).

Blood Drive

MUMC will hold a Red Cross Blood Drive on December 1, from 9 AM to 3 PM in the Asbury and Wesley rooms. You can schedule an appointment at www.redcrossblood.org.

Giving Tree Choose "Tags" on SignUpGenius - UPDATE! - Gift due next Sunday

The Giving tree mission needs your help! We are doing it virtually this year! Each year we get between 250 and 300 kids. This year is no different. Thank you to all who have used the sign up genius and selected names. **We still have about 100 children that need to be shopped for.** The names continue to trickle in and are added to the list. Just scroll all the way through the list to find the child that is right for you. Please consider taking an extra child. We have funds available to cover the cost of gifts if you would like to shop but need to be reimbursed. You can use the sign up genius, take a name and put in the comments that you will be submitting for reimbursement.

We have the SignUpGenius link ready to use! Click here <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0c48acae2daafe3-giving> to choose your "tags". Gifts are due by December 6. Families are indicated by the number and then each child is a letter. If you would like to shop for siblings, you can easily identify them.

When using SignUpGenius, be sure to select the slots you would like, then go to the bottom of the page and click, "Submit and Sign Up" to complete the process.

Please feel free to contact me at 440-283-6524 or lskra5@aol.com.
Betsy Iskra, Missions Commission



Children & Family Ministries
www.mentorumc.org/children

Annual Christmas Play

Mark your calendars for Friday, December 11, at 7:30 PM for the Annual Christmas Play! It will be livestreamed for you to enjoy from the comfort and safety of your own home. We have two plays this year in one livestream. You can order your tickets at mumctlp.booktix.com. Cost is \$5.00 per device.

MOPS & MOMSnext meets the second Friday in the morning and/or the fourth Thursday 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.

MUMC Family Style Sunday Morning Kids' Journey Groups is 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 Cristen Neibecker & Laurie Babcock

5th & 6th gr led by Barb Brown & Leah Nash

Positive Parenting Book Club's next book is *The Hideaway* by Laura K Denton. We will read this work of fiction on our own and then meet on December 3 via Zoom at 7:30 PM.

Community Thanksgiving Dinner

Thank you to all our volunteers and those who donated for the Community Thanksgiving Dinner. We especially want to thank Jim post, Katelynn Gurbach, Rich and Katie Elwell, and Don and Ginny Stein. This outreach was a tremendous success and truly blessed our community.



Stewardship Pledge

Your pledge cards help us plan the finances of MUMC. Please return your pledge cards by mail, fill out the online form at this link <https://bit.ly/2KiFiw2>, or drop them off at the Church Office. Thank you for supporting the mission and ministry of Mentor United Methodist Church!