
Mentor United Methodist Church

WEEKLY UPDATE

Sunday, January 17, 2021

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It seems like we are always waiting on something. Just a few weeks ago, we were waiting on Christmas and the New Year. If you are like me, you're usually waiting on an Amazon package, a food delivery, or a Target pickup. While those things seem trivial, others of us are waiting on much more serious things. We're waiting on answers to our questions, test results, relationships, and the list goes on.

In our season of waiting, we can grow weary and frustrated. We can be filled with doubts and feel distant from God. We are reminded by the prophet Isaiah that "those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint." (Isaiah 40:31, NRSV)

This week in worship, we will be continuing with our sermon series New Year, New Life: Lessons from Jonah and looking at a time when Jonah is forced to wait. We'll discover how God is at work while Jonah waits, and consider how God is at work while we wait too. I encourage you to read through the Book of Jonah, join us for worship Sunday mornings at 9 or 11 AM, and reflect on your own seasons of waiting in life.



Be reminded that even in your season of waiting, God is with you!
Pastor Mikayla

Sunday Morning Services

The YouVersion link for this week is
<https://bible.com/events/48222601>

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

Membership Class

Plans are underway for Pastor Sondra to lead a Basic Membership Class using Zoom, beginning in February. If you are interested in exploring your faith development and finding out more about the ministry of Mentor United Methodist Church, please contact Pastor Sondra at the church office by January 24. You can call 440.255.3496, email ssnode@mentorumc.org or fill out the connection card online at this link <http://bit.ly/39rSxtL>.

Mentor Mondays

In an effort to live into our church's core value of being a "prayer-driven congregation" tomorrow we will launch Mentor Mondays. Throughout the day, pray for our church and its ministries, and whatever else God lays on your heart. Each week we will unite on a common prayer focus and occasionally our church leadership will offer a short video to guide us. This week, our prayer focus is our nation. Let us join together in praying for the inauguration of President-Elect Biden and the peaceful transfer of power.

Congregational Care

Members admitted to the Hospital:

TriPoint - Jim Lodge • Cleveland Clinic - Sarah Wade, Barb Zimmerman

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

Aberdeen Crossing - Barbara Bradarich • Ohman Family Living - Jeanne Babcock
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 McFeely
Fairmount - Patricia Laubscher, Art Sydow
Continuing Healthcare of Mentor - Virginia Gilman

Members who have returned home or are homebound:

Dale Snyder, Linda Leach, Karen Mancini, Val Hardy, John Proegler
John Hurley, Tom Knesbeck, Noel Barber, Russ Lancaster

Happy 100th birthday to Kay Disbro on January 23. As a church family, we would like to shower her with cards. Please send them to The Enclave 7900 Center Street Rm 221, Mentor, OH 44060. Happy Birthday, Kay!

Journey Groups

Start 2021 off right! Join a Journey Group for connection, learning and growing together. Contact Pastor Mikayla at mdoepker@mentorumc.org.

YSP Update

Letters of intent for YSP 2021 are due February 7. Please fill out the form to submit your intent to join our trip this year! For more information about YSP 2021, please reach out to Leah Nash at lnash@mentorumc.org

YSP Letter of Intent can be found at this link <https://forms.gle/B5DRpAzH9C5cdmbNA>.

Our next information meeting will be January 31 at 4:00 PM online. Email Leah for the meeting link at lnash@mentorumc.org.

Valentine Boxes for our College Students

Mentor United Methodist Women is collecting monetary donations to purchase items for Valentine boxes (we will purchase the items so all the boxes are identical). Donations may be made through online giving (select "other" for the fund and email tsimons@mentorumc.org to let her know the donation is for "Valentine Boxes") or may be mailed or dropped off at the Church Office. Please be sure to note "Valentine Boxes."
The last Sunday for donations will be February 7.

Please complete the form at this link <http://bit.ly/39BIJQ> with your college student's full name and address by February 2. We regret that because of the prohibitive cost, we cannot ship packages to locations outside the U.S. You can also email your student's full name and address to Carolyn Nagy at cnagy@mentorumc.org or Leah Nash at lnash@mentorumc.org.



Children & Family Ministries
www.mentorunc.org/children

MUMC Family Style Sunday Morning Kids' Journey Groups are 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 Eliana Palermo & Ryan Poje
5th & 6th gr led by Barb Brown & Leah Nash

The Talks Study: A parent's guide to critical conversations about sex, dating and other unmentionables is being offered starting January 19 online. Registration is currently open at this link <http://bit.ly/3mE9LIK>. Every parent knows about "the talk." What many parents fail to realize is that one conversation isn't enough. Your kids desperately need help to navigate the rapidly changing sexually-charged culture in which they live. Packed with solid research and practical tools, The Talks provides you with the help you need to get comfortable having some critical conversations in your home. It covers both "what to know" and "what to do." Whether your kids are 6 or 16, you'll be equipped to help your kids make wise choices now and to prepare them to experience God's gift of sexuality in the right time and in the right way.

YOUTH 512 is going **Snow Tubing** on Sunday, January 31. We will meet at Boston Mills Brandywine to tube from 1:30 to 3:30 pm. Cost is \$25 per person. Contact Tammy at tpalermo@mentorunc.org or Leah at lnash@mentorunc.org for more information or to sign up. **Parents should check their email for more details!**

Positive Parenting Book Club's next book is Lisa TerKeurst's book, It's Not Supposed to Be This Way: Finding Unexpected Strength When Disappointments Leave You Shattered. We will read and then meet to discuss the book biweekly starting on January 21 at 7:30 PM.

MOPS & MOMSnext meets Thursday, January 28 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@mentorunc.org for more information.

Blood Drive

MUMC will hold a Red Cross Blood Drive each month. The next drive is February 1, from 9 AM to 3 PM in the Asbury and Wesley rooms. You can schedule an appointment at www.redcrossblood.org.

Middle School Mission Week 2021

It's time to begin planning our MSMW Service Project for 2021! Our first information meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 27, at 7:00 PM. Following meetings will be on the 4th Wednesday of every month. If you are interested in helping plan the event or have questions about MSMW, we invite you to join us! Please email Leah at lnash@mentorunc.org for the meeting link and password.

Please consider making this mission week part of your Summer plans and help our youth find ways to serve!