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# Mentor United Methodist Church

## WEEKLY UPDATE

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**January 9, 2022**

Modern Worship at 9 AM

Traditional Worship at 11 AM

Worship with us online every Sunday at 9 and 11 AM at [mentorumc.org](http://mentorumc.org), [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/mentorumc), and [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/mentorumc).

Dear Friends,

I know you join me in expressing deep appreciation to Teresa Simons and Carolyn Nagy for their faithful service to Mentor UMC. We pray God will bless them in their new jobs, and use them to increase God's Kingdom.

SPRC is in the process of interviewing candidates for our Office Manager, and for our Communication Specialist. Please pray that God will raise up the persons that will help strengthen our mission. If you are aware of anyone who may be interested in the positions, please have them email: [jobs@mentorumc.org](mailto:jobs@mentorumc.org)

We welcome Carol Burhenne as our part-time Office Assistant. Be sure to stop by the office and welcome Carol!

This week, we continue our Re-Mark-Able journey of discipleship ... reflecting on "A Methodist Rejoices in God". In times of change and challenge we focus on God's love for us and rejoice. Not an easy discipline ... but possible when Jesus is at the center of our lives, and church.

**This week we will return to two Sunday morning worship services**, with both being live-streamed. Join us in person or on-line for **9 a.m. Modern and 11 a.m. Traditional** Worship. This will be our schedule throughout January as we honor the health of each other, including our staff and volunteers.



I encourage you in your faith. And, give thanks for the many ways God brings people together to form the Body of Christ. May you have a Re-Mark-Able week ... full of rejoicing in the Lord!

Pastor Sondra

### **YouVersion**

The YouVersion link for this week is <https://bible.com/events/48822691>.

### **Blood Drive**

Mentor UMC will host a Red Cross blood drive on Tuesday, January 18, from 9 AM to 3 PM. To sign up, make an appointment at [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org).

### **Town Hall Meeting**

We invite you to join us on Wednesday, January 19, at 6:30 for our first "Town Hall" gathering. We will gather to explore our church's vision, and find ways to grow our ministry in the new year. All are invited to this informative meeting, but leaders are especially encouraged to attend. Many of our committees will then meet at 7:15 to discuss their monthly business.

## Congregational Care

In our prayers today and in your personal prayer time, please remember the following:

Members admitted to the Hospital: Lake West - Chuck Tice Hillcrest - Robert Doepker  
TriPoint - Carol Tidy

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

Aberdeen Crossing - Barbara Bradarich • The Enclave - Kay Disbro, Jeanne Babcock  
Vista Springs - Audrey Arslanian  
Continuing Healthcare of Mentor - Virginia Gilman, Doris Sturm  
Parker Place - Bill Owen, Bob and Sandy Linsell  
Danbury Senior Living - Kathryn Bevacqua, Hugh Samson • Grand River - Doris Aplis  
Maple Ridge Sr. Living - Bob Chamberlin • Brookdale Wickliffe - Fran Rose  
Tapestry Senior Living - Gloria McFeely • Symphony of Mentor - Lorraine Ahlstrom  
Breckenridge/Fairmount - Patricia Laubscher, Ann Shetler, Opal Pinasky

Members who are home or homebound:

Karen Scott, Ruth Johnson, Noel Barber, Dale Snyder, Dick Smith, Mike Toth,  
Kathy Rippin, Spike Sudekum, Karen Mancini, Mary Jane Scott

Love and sympathy to the family and friends of Kimi Schmidt who died on January 2, 2022.

As Carolyn Nagy and Teresa Simons move on to new opportunities, they would like to thank the congregation of MUMC for all their support, love, and friendship over the years. Teresa will continue with MUMC as her church home. MUMC is very dear to Carolyn and her boys and she will be back for worship and ministry once her replacement has settled in. Thank you, and as the French say, "à bientôt", "see you soon."

## Children & Family Ministries

[www.mentorumc.org/children](http://www.mentorumc.org/children)

Tammy Palermo [TPalermo@mentorumc.org](mailto:TPalermo@mentorumc.org)

## MUMC Sunday Morning Kids' Journey Groups, mask required in Education Wing and Early Childhood Area

- 9:00 AM at MUMC
  - 0-2 year old & 3-4 Year old sign in at the Early Childhood Area prior to service
  - Kindergarten through 6th grade REMAIN IN worship with their families.
  - **Leaders are still needed in the 5th & 6th grade group** [Winter Sign Up](#).  
Please note that all leaders are asked to wear a mask as we LOVE GOD & LOVE PEOPLE.

Pre-Registration is open for the 2022-2023 school year for **MUM Preschool**. If you know of anyone looking for a preschool next fall, please share the [mentorumc.org/preschool](http://mentorumc.org/preschool) website.

Do you have a 3 and/or 4-year-old and is potty trained? Would they benefit from a preschool experience? Consider enrolling in the Young 3's class starting in January at Mentor UM Preschool. Contact Tammy for more details at [TPalermo@mentorumc.org](mailto:TPalermo@mentorumc.org).

**MOPS & MOMSnext** meets Friday, January 14 from 9:30 AM to noon at MUMC.

### **More Than A Meal**

The next date for More Than A Meal is January 29. It will be drive-thru pick up of a complete meal. Please let anyone in need know that this is a free meal to our community. If you are interested in helping, see the SignUp Genius at [this link](#) or call the Church Office at 440.255.3496.

### **Youth 712 Ski Trip - MLK Weekend**

January 14 - January 16, the Youth Group will be heading to the slopes of Peek 'N Peak. There are several ski packages available, including learning to ski options for students who have never been! Students are VERY welcome to BRING A FRIEND.

We are looking for adult drivers/chaperones, who are welcome to participate in the skiing but are not required. Students who are coming MUST plan on skiing/snowboarding.

If you think you might be interested, please [RSVP HERE](#).

For information about agenda and trip costs, please contact Leah Nash at [lnash@mentorumc.org](mailto:lnash@mentorumc.org).

### **Valentine Boxes**

We will soon be packing Valentine Boxes for our college students. This is a great opportunity to reach out to our young adults. If you have a student in college or know someone who would benefit from a care package, please contact Leah Nash. We need names and addresses by January 30th. Financial donations towards the purchase of goodies will also be appreciated.

### **Hope Chest**

Hope Chest is in desperate need of men's warm winter jackets. Please drop them off in the bin in the Community Center. Thank you!

### **Food Collection**

The Food Ministry is in need of specific items for the March distribution. We are collecting the following items in January:

- paper napkins
- paper plates
- 4 lb. bag of sugar
- zipper (not fold) sandwich bags
- zipper quart freezer bags
- 150 sq. feet aluminum foil
- 300 sq. feet plastic wrap
- 13 gallon trash bags

Please place your donations in the bin in the Community Center through January 31. Keep an eye out for our February list coming next month!

### **Self-Defense Class**

R.A.D = Rape Aggression Defense training for women

MUMC will host a FREE 4-week *Hands on/Reality Based/Self-Defense Class*

(Must be able to attend all 4 classes) February 14,18,21,25 from 6 - 9 p.m.

Contact: Becky Ross @ 440-488-1053 or at [beckyrossrn1213@gmail.com](mailto:beckyrossrn1213@gmail.com)