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CUMC NEWS



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

January and February have been difficult months for several of us. On January 14 we had a service for Delores Lamb, mother of Deb Kessell and, among those from our church she was the grandmother of Trevor Kessell and Erin Otter. On January 21 we had a very special and personalized service for Dory Drouillard, Dave's sister. On January 27 we had a service for Mary Pitock, wife of Ed and mother of Sarah and Krissy. And on February 10 we had a service for Marie Bitel, Jim Marlow's mother and, among our church she was the grandmother Angie VanWashenova and Jason Marlow, and the sister-in-law of Jean Baker. As we have done well in ministering to each of these families, let us continue to do

so in the near and distant future as they have many firsts without their loved one...first birthdays, holidays, and other family events.

In the midst of grieving, remembering, and giving thanks for those who have passed away, we are grateful for the good news we have had throughout the beginning of this year. And one of the highlights was the wedding of Klarissa (LaFlure) and Aaron Eichler on January 28! As they begin their new chapter of life together we continue to pray blessings upon them and their families that have come together, becoming part of a new and bigger family tree.

As in church each Sunday, during which we share reasons to give thanks and celebrate and reasons to lift up prayers of care and concern, giving thanks and lifting up your cares and concerns are parts of prayer and conversation that are good to have in your relationships with others and with God. Begin the habit of talking with God and others by sharing what is not going well and what is going well. You can ask yourself and others such questions as: "How is it going with you?" "What has been on your mind lately?" "What's been hard for you?" As well as "What's something good that happened to you today?" or "What's the best thing that happened to you today?" You can ask others those questions. And you can also ask yourself those questions. In Christ, we not only able to face the challenges of life well, we can also make sure to not forget to look for the blessings and reasons we have hope and a thankful heart.

Though I do not do this often, I am asking you to do something in the coming weeks and months. In fact, it would be good to do throughout the year. As I give thanks for all who worship each week in our church, all who lead studies, committees, and other events such as adult, family, and children activities, I also want you to contact those who you haven't seen in church in a while OR haven't connected with in a while. We have leadership that help keep in touch with those we have not seen in a while, and I do my part as I am able. However, though there are times when people go on vacations (which are well-deserved and need to be taken), there are some who may have not attended in a while. Please take a moment and contact those you have not seen in a while, and let them know you wondered how they were doing and that they're missed. You may learn that they have a new job or other obligation that requires them to work on Sunday mornings. Try to put yourself in their shoes and how you'd feel if you got a call or a card or letter asking how they are doing, that you were thinking of them, and that they are missed. Of course, there may be the little embarrassing moment of a response like "I was there just a week ago!" Well, you can say that you missed that service (if you did) or that next time you'll look more carefully. But better that minor mistake of not having seen someone who actually was in church than the mistake of not seeing how someone is doing when we haven't seen them in a while. For those of you who are shy about making calls or speaking to people, consider writing and sending a note. I know this is one of the many ways we can be in ministry with one another as the Body of Christ. Prayerfully consider doing this and see who God puts on your mind and heart!

Finally, mark your calendars...this year we begin Lent on March 1st with Ash Wednesday with a worship service at 7 p.m. As you are able, I invite you to journey with Christ through Lent by attending our Ash Wednesday service.

In Christ's Love,

FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Just a reminder from the Finance Committee:

Did you know that when you seal your offering envelope that your giving is covered so no one can see it thus ensuring your donation remains private? Did you also realize that if you miss a Sunday you can mail your offering envelope with a first-class stamp?

To help our counters and finance team give you proper credit they would like to ask you to do two things:

- 1) enter your giving amount in the giving box, and
- 2) enter at least your last name on the "name" line. This will ensure you are receiving proper credit for your 2017 giving.

Also just a reminder everyone should be using the 2017 GOLD envelopes. If you are using a pew envelope or previous year (leftover) please black out the envelope number and be sure to WRITE your name on the giving envelope.

General Fund Income & Expense Statement January—February 19, 2017

Income

General Fund Income	\$ 23,427
Rental Income	150
Total Income	\$ 23,577

Expenses

Our church home	\$ 12,253
Our church programs	1,082
Our pastoral ministry	11,597
Our outreach ministry	1,252
Unpaid apportionments	4,363
Total Expenses to date	\$ 30,547

Net Loss as of 2-28-2015 (\$6,970)

Pension apportionment payments have been made to date.. No other 2017 apportionment payments have been made.

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

We were so sadden to learn of the January passing of Irene Shaffer, a resident of Fountain View of Monroe.

The Mary Pitock family on her January, 23rd passing. She will be missed by husband, Ed and daughters Sarah & Krissy.

Please keep the Marie Bitel family in your prayers. Marie passed away on Feb. 6th.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Klarissa (LaFlure) & Aaron Eichler who were married here on January 28th.

BABY NEWS

Mike & Tara McLaughlin welcomed baby girl Katy Rose on February 11, 2017. Everyone is doing well.

NOTES RECEIVED

Dear Carleton UMC,

Thank you so much for the thoughtful card and well wishes! Each and every one of your prayers has been felt and appreciated. Thankfully I am regaining strength, healing and doing much better. Thanks again for all of your kind thought, words, and prayers.

*Sincerely and God bless,
Linda VanHouten.*

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for all the cards & prayers during my unexpected surgeries. They definitely hit me harder than expected but I can't imagine how much harder it would have been without the prayers. The warm sunshine (in Florida) is a healing blessing as well!

*Thank you again,
Jodie Bean*

You're such a blessing. Thank you for everything. A big thank you to our wonderful church family here at CUMC. Thanks for all the prayers, hugs, food, & luncheon. It was so wonderful and made our memorial to Dory just perfect. Thanks to the luncheon crew. It was awesome. Lots of work for a big event. Thanks again.

*Love,
Dave, Tracey & the Drouillard families*

PLEASE REMEMBER TO CALL US

Just a reminder if you know of someone connected to this church who is sick or has been hospitalized, please call or email (carletonumc@gmail.com) the church office so we can pray for or add them to Pastor Taek's home visit list. Hospital privacy laws prohibits them from calling us unless the patient specially requests this. Please do not assume we know, call us.



**SPRING AHEAD
1 HOUR**

SUNDAY MARCH 12

**BE SURE TO SET
THOSE CLOCKS BEFORE YOU
GO TO BED
SATURDAY NIGHT**

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

3 Matthew Derry, Brent Mossburg
5 Christine Mazur
6 Lori Giedlin
7 Florence Greer, Courtney Black, Alana Schafer
8 Ivan Brooks, Joe Lake
9 Cliff Uchtorff
10 Ian Ankenbauer
11 Francine Herzog
12 Ella Schafer
13 John Brazon
14 Kate Giedlin
16 Emmett Gray, Lydia Gray, Madeline Gray
17 Avery Brown
18 Amy Eaton
19 Jerry Sweeney
20 Adolph Jedryczka, Marian Whiteaker
23 Angie VanWashenova
24 Halee Grass, Nik Schafer
27 Julia Galloway, Rachael Ankenbauer, Leland Morin
30 Chelsea Mossburg

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

8 Michael & Bethany Sweeney
11 Renee & Cliff Uchtorff
27 Jim & Beth Young

WANT TO JOIN OUR CHURCH FAMILY?

If you would like to make Carleton UMC your home church, speak with Pastor Taek Kim about becoming a member. All adults interested in learning more about being a Methodist or about joining the church membership are invited to speak with Pastor Taek at any time.

Also talk with Pastor Taek if you would like to be baptized or have your infant or child baptized.

CHURCH PHONE DIRECTORY

A new church Phone directory is now available in the lobby. Please pick one up today. There are several changes to listings with cell phones now replacing most landlines in the area. .

MISSION COMMITTEE

Due to popular demand the Mission Committee will once again be selling pastys. Orders will be taken on February 26th and March 5th with deliveries on March 11 & 12th. Since there are only 5 members on the committee they are asking for your help. Volunteers will be needed on Friday, March 10th from Noon until 3PM and Saturday, March 11th, (in 4 hours shifts) from 9AM to about 5PM. Since the pastys have to be taste tested...lunch will be provided. See Tom or Joanne Northey for details.

Order forms are available at the church. Orders can also be emailed to Tom (swshtomn@yahoo.com) or Joanne (jmom3north@gmail.com). Cost is just \$5 each.

Liturgist

Mar. 5 8:30 Ethel Heiss
10:45 Marvin Stump
Mar. 12 8:30 Dan Gardetto
10:45 Morgan LaFlure
Mar. 19 8:30 Melissa Morin
10:45 Tracey Drouillard
Mar. 26 8:30 Madonna Bednarz
10:45 Marvin Stump



Sound Board

Mar. 5 8:30 Dan Gardetto
10:45 Don Vaughn
Mar. 12 8:30 Jerry Morin
10:45 Bill & Cathy Umbarger
Mar. 19 8:30
10:45 Darrell Riggs
Mar. 26 8:30
10:45 Aaron Gurgul

Nursery

Mar. 5 Alana Schafer & Michelle Rutkowski
Mar. 12 Kathy LaFlure & Madonna Bednarz
Mar. 19 Gina Giles & Joan Mueller
Mar. 26 Barb Young & Amy Grass

Junior Church

Mar. 5 Chris Mazur
Mar. 12 Trevor & Karen Kessel
Mar. 19 Activities available at the cart
Mar. 26 Karyn Vaughn & Joyce King

EASTER SERVICES TO MAKE NOTE OF:

Ash Wednesday—March 1 worship at 7:00PM
Palm Sunday—April 9 worship at 8:30 & 10:45AM
Maundy Thursday—April 13 worship at 7:00PM
Good Friday—April 14 worship at 1:00PM
Easter Sunday—April 16 (only one worship service)
Breakfast at 8:45AM
Worship at 10:00AM



*Worship
March 1st
7:00PM*

Carleton United Methodist Church Pallet Painting Fundraiser

Tuesday, March 14th at 6:00

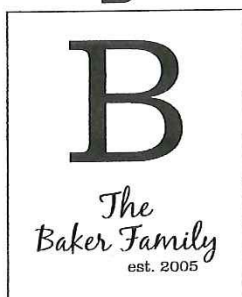
Cost: \$50.00

Design Choices:

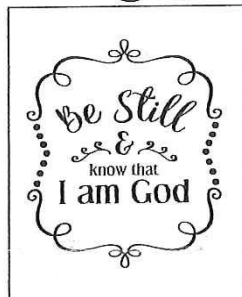
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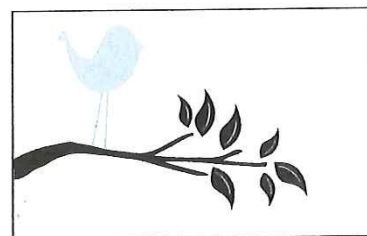
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Please visit The Painting Barn on FB and sign up
and pay using the "Carleton Methodist" event link.

OR

Fill out the bottom portion of this flyer
and return it along with your payment to Kimberly Baxter
by **TUESDAY, MARCH 7th.**

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

DESIGN CHOICE: _____

****Choice B customization:**

family name: _____

est. year: _____

Please attach your check for \$50 payable to **Monica Baker**.
All sign ups must be done on or before Tuesday, March 7th.

EASTER WEEK SPECIAL WORSHIP TIMES



Palm Sunday

***SUNDAY, April 9th
Palm Sunday
Sunday School 9:30_{AM}
Worship 8:30 & 10:45_{AM}***



***Thursday, April 13th
Maundy Thursday
Worship begins at 7_{PM}***

MAUNDY
Thursday



***Friday, April 14th
Good Friday
Worship begins at 1_{PM}***

***Easter Sunday—April 16th
8:45_{AM} Breakfast sponsored by
the UMM***

***If you would like to provide a
Breakfast Casserole (pans pro-
vided) please sign up
at the office***

***10:00_{AM} Worship (just one worship service today.
Sunday school will not meet.***





MARCH 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
YOUR MICHINGAN RETURNABLE BOTTLES AND CANS WILL HELP WITH MISSION PROJECTS. PLEASE LEAVE CLEAN DEPOSIT BOTTLES IN THE CAN AT THE MAIN ENTRANCE.			1	2 6:30 ^{pm} Glory Ringers 7:30 Impact	3	4
5 (Easter Plant order forms available) 8:30 Traditional Worship 10:45 Contemporary Worship 12 Noon Christian Education Meeting 7 ^{pm} Disciple Class	6	7	8 7 ^{pm} 4H	9 6:30 ^{pm} Glory Ringers 7:30 Impact	10 Mission Committee Pasty work day Noon-3 ^{pm}	11 Pasty workday 9-5 ^{pm} Set your clocks AHEAD 1 hour tonight
12 (Easter Plant orders deadline) DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME END Pasty's delivery day 7 ^{pm} Disciple Class	13 6:30 ^{pm} Staff Parish Relations 7 ^{pm} Trustees 8 ^{pm} Church Council	14 Pallet Painting Party, Reservations required	15 6:30 ^{pm} Quilts of Love	16 6:30 ^{pm} Glory Ringers 7:30 Impact	17	18
19 7 ^{pm} Disciple Class	20 9 ^{am} Newsletter material due	21	22 7 ^{pm} Swan Creek Garden Club	23 6:30 ^{pm} Glory Ringers 7:30 Impact	24 Pajama Party 6-8 ^{pm}	25
26	27	28	29	30 6:30 ^{pm} Glory Ringers 7:30 Impact	31	APRIL 1 9am United Methodist Men at the 5th Wheel Truck Stop on Telegraph Road.

PAJAMA PARTY

Friday, March 24th

6:00-8:00

Pizza-Crafts-Games-Fun!!!

All Ages Welcome!



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