



Carleton News

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*With God's guidance,
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Sunday Worship:

8:30 a.m. Traditional
10:45 a.m. Blended

Christian Education:

9:30 a.m. Sunday school

OneUnited Youth

Sub Sandwich sale –
order by Jan. 27th for
Feb. 3rd delivery

Feb. 24 – 12 p.m.-3 p.m.

Ash Wednesday 2019

March 6th at 7pm

Scouting Sunday

March 10th



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

“...From everyone to whom much as been given, much will be required...”
– Luke 12:48

I was reminded of this verse when I watched a Spider-Man movie a while back when Peter Parker's grandfather said to Peter, “With great power comes great responsibility.”

Along the lines of this thought is one that has been a part of my life since I had become a pastor and witnessed the blessings and joys of life, as well as the trials and griefs. That other thought, and I would say one of the outstanding themes in my life, is to make the most of the time and life God has given to us. The 15th and 16th verses from Ephesians, chapter 5, speak to this quite well. “Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time...”

When I look at my wife and three children, I am filled with such great joy and definitely want to make the most of every moment. And when I read of, witness, or have close friends and family experience loss of any kind, I am not only heart-broken and grief-stricken with them, but also reminded of the time we have, the gifts we have, and the relationships we have and to cherish. The night prior to me writing this, Jamie and I went to a visitation for one of Jamie's friends who suffered a terrible loss of her sister and her sister's entire family that included her husband and three children. The five of them all died in a very tragic car accident when another car driving the wrong way on the freeway at 2:30 in the morning hit them head-on. They were driving back from a family trip. It was confirmed that the other driver who hit them was drunk. No doubt this has shaken the entire community surrounding this family.

This not only brings our spirits very low and leads us to think about having no idea when we will be called home, we no doubt are also tempted to live by constant fear and anxiousness. However, this is not what such events should ultimately lead us to, that is to live by fear. Rather we should feel God's Holy Spirit reminding us of how we are to live a life of love for Him and others; to make the most of the time God has granted us, not knowing how much time we have; to live a wise life in seeking God's will and God's kingdom first in everything and every relationship; and to know that with all God has granted us in life that there is great responsibility, as well as a day on which we will give an account to our Creator, Lord, and Savior of the life He granted us and how we used it. Though this may bring some worries, it truly shouldn't. We should have a healthy respect and godly appreciation for life and what will come, knowing we are safe and secure Him and his saving grace and forgiveness.

In light of all that can bring us down and cause us to live by fear, let us remember that Christ is always with us by living within us by his very spirit so that we can live by faith (not by fear), and with his hope, peace, joy, and love!

Blessings,

IN SERVICE FOR FEBRUARY

Liturgist

- 3 8:30 Dan Gardetto
10:45 Trevor Kessell
10 8:30 Madonna Bednarz
10:45 Mary Baker
17 8:30 Ethel Heiss
10:45 Joanne Northey
24 8:30 Madonna Bednarz
10:45 Marvin Stump (Contemporary Worship)



Sound Board

- 3 8:30 Jerry Morin
10:45 Darrell & Julie Riggs
10 8:30
10:45
17 8:30 Jerry Morin
10:45 Darrell & Julie Riggs
24 8:30
10:45 Don Vaughn

Nursery

- 3 Barb Young & Amy Grass
10 Elaine Gasidlo & Virginia Oliver
17 Michelle Rutkowski & Cheryl Southworth
24 Lanette Carmack & Megan Robertson

Junior Church

- 3 Chris Mazur
10 Karen & Trevor Kessell
17 Children in Worship
24 Karyn Vaughn

CONGRATULATIONS

Nik & Alana Schafer welcomed Branch Allan on December 18th. Big sisters Hadley & Ella are very proud of little brother. Branch was baptized on Sunday, January 6th with lots of friends and family in attendance. Congratulations to all and welcome Branch!

GREETINGS FROM YOUR FRIENDS

With heartfelt appreciation,
With a smile or kind word, you spread Christ's love in the best way there is with a gentle spirit and a generous heart. You're a special person (and church) and you're appreciated so very much.

*Thank you,
Shirley Brannon and family*

Friends,
Just when friends are needed you find them always near, just when shadows darken, their comforting words you hear.

*Thank you for your support,
The Dombek family*

IN OUR PRAYERS

The family of Alberta Dombek who passed away on December 24th. She was a truly amazing mom, grandma, great grandma, and friend to everyone she came in contact with and will be genuinely missed.

THANK YOU FROM THE OFFICE

Thank you to Elaine Gasidlo & Chetti Smith for arranging the greens on the Advent wreath this year.

Madonna Bednarz has kindly offered to take over the task of changing the road sign on a more timely basis. I, Kathy, truly appreciate her offer.

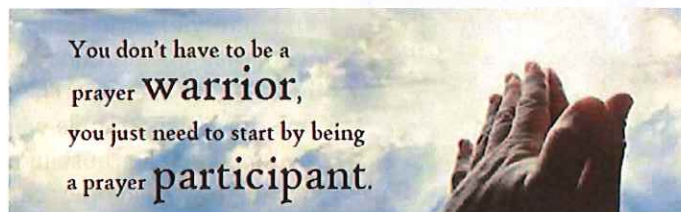
ANGELS UNITED Hope for tomorrow

At Thanksgiving 30 families were supplied with food baskets for a Thanksgiving dinner and lots of non-perishable items.

For Christmas 41 families, 146 children, were given a better Christmas when they were supplied with toys, coats, clothes, hats, gloves, socks and more. Hams or turkey breasts, and many non-perishable food items were also given out.

Thank you to all from Carleton UMC who helped by purchasing a gift, supplying funds to purchase the food items, and for the many drivers who took the time to help with deliveries. This ministry outreach would not be able to function without you.

CARLETON PRAYER NETWORK



Did you know that Carleton UMC has an email Prayer Chain? When we receive a request for prayer during the week we send out an email Prayer Chain. If you have email and would like to receive prayer requests for church members and their family and friends, please provide us with your email address, and please let the church office know if your email has changed so we can update our file. If you have provided your email address and are not receiving Prayer Chain requests, please contact us so we check our records.

Also, beginning this year we will send out a weekly "prayer list" that are all the prayer requests from Sunday's worship services to keep everyone (especially those who are away during various times of the year) in the loop as to who among us is in need of additional prayers. For example: a person attends the 8:30 service may not know of the prayer needs of someone in the 10:45 service or vice versa. The weekly "prayer list" will keep everyone up to date and informed. Please make sure the church office has your email address to be included on this list.

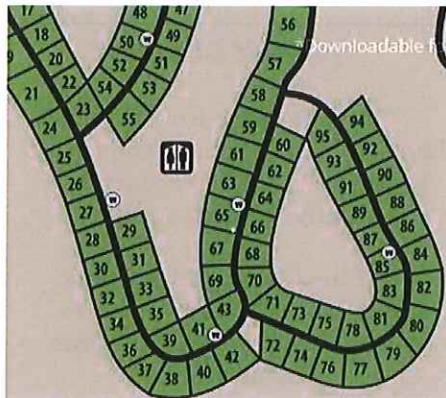
FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Jake Redburn
- 2 Chuck LaFlure, David Liechti, Lindsey Vallie
- 3 Dennis Finnerty, Dakota Reno
- 4 Tara Wells, Darrell Riggs
- 5 Ivy Ankenbauer
Don & Karyn Vaughn
- 7 Pastor Taek, Jeremy Otter
- 8 Bob & Mary Redburn
- 10 Matthew Uchtorff
- 11 Corinne Barnhart, Megan Duscheck, Mike King,
Katy McLaughlin
- 12 Cindy Goode
- 14 Bob & Vicki Ewald, Jason & Heidi Ruhlig
- 15 Jean Baker, Patti Finnerty, Henry Giles,
Wyatt Kessell
- 16 Tyler Baker, Carol Sieb
- 17 Wanda Miles
- 18 Nick Mazur, Tori Mazur
- 19 Megan Robertson
- 20 Hannah Breitner, Lindsay Metzger, Pam Oleynik
- 21 Callie Eaton, Rebekah Kim
- 24 Abbott Otter
- 25 Mike Baxter
- 26 Del Dennis (97), Anna Gurgul
- 27 Earl Duby
- 28 Chandler Toth

COME CAMPING WITH US!

June 28-30th

The location has changed to Pontiac Lake Recreation Area (Michigan State Park) 7800 Gale Road, Waterford which is about an hour from Carleton. Activities will include camping, swimming, hiking, mountain bike trails, shooting, small aircraft field, equestrian, and playgrounds.



Close to other local parks with nature center for more activities. Group meals will be planned as well as some of the activities. Book your campground reservation in the west loop around site 40, 42, 43 and

71, 72 which are now booked with church families.

Not a camper? Come up on Saturday and hang out with those camping to enjoy some fellowship and fun.

Feel free to contact Chris Mazur (coordinator) with any questions at 734-626-6525.

FROM YOUR FINANCE TEAM

Below is the income and expense report for the 2018 giving year. With the support of everyone Carleton UMC met all of the budget requirements and our obligations were paid in full. Thank you to all for your continued support of the ministries of this church.

Carleton United Methodist Church	
Income and Expense Statement	
January 2018 - December 2018	
	January - December 2018
INCOME	
General Fund Income	201,494.34
Investment Income	191.76
Rental Income	2,330.00
Advertising Income	400.00
TOTAL INCOME	204,416.10
EXPENSES	
OUR CHURCH HOME	
Church Utilities	15,493.73
Church Maintenance	10,354.06
Caretaker	8,550.00
Secretary	16,558.78
Organist/Pianist	6,596.17
Payroll Taxes	2,425.57
Insurance	6,488.25
Staff Training	175.00
Property Tax Assessment	623.40
Miscellaneous	409.65
Subtotal Our Church Home	67,674.61
OUR CHURCH PROGRAMS	
Music	-
Worship	641.46
Office/Computer Supplies	4,036.04
Postage	822.48
Upper Room	95.28
Offering Envelopes	621.39
Advertising	176.00
Vacation Bible School	509.16
Christian Education	1,981.14
Annual Conf. Delegate	-
Pulpit Supply / Speaker	300.00
Pastor Emergency Fund	200.00
Subtotal Our Church Programs	9,382.95
OUR PASTORAL MINISTRY	
Pastor Salary	51,984.24
Pastor's Travel	2,366.82
Pastor Health Insurance	23,880.23
Parsonage Utilities	4,904.46
Parsonage Maintenance	859.07
Continuing Education	1,000.00
Subtotal Our Pastoral Ministry	84,994.82
OUR OUTREACH MINISTRY	
Conference Pension	6,170.00
Common Bgt Apportionment	22,059.00
Christian Ed Appmnt	38.00
Youth Service Appmnt	10.00
District Apportionments	628.00
Subtotal Our Outreach Ministry	28,905.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	190,957.38
EXCESS INCOME TRANSFERRED TO CAPITAL FUND	13,458.72



Escape Rooms!!!

Fun for ALL ages!

February 9th



6:30 Escape the Nursery! Hunts and puzzles for toddler, preschoolers and their parents.

7:00 Escape Rooms for elementary, middle School and high School students – and any interested adults! Work together to solve puzzles, riddles, and explore your environment for clues that are your key out of the room!

Please sign up by **February 3rd** so we know how many to expect is NOT a mystery!!!



YOUTH2019

Fundraising efforts have begun for YOUTH2019, the national gathering for United Methodist youth and their leaders this July (10-14) in Kansas City that promises four days of discipleship, worship, Bible study, service opportunities and life-changing fun.

YOUTH2019, with the theme *Love Well*, will feature big-name musical artists, excellent United Methodist speakers and many learning opportunities for youth grades 6-12 and their leaders. The event is sponsored every four years by Young People's Ministries (YPM), a unit of Discipleship Ministries.

Questions should be directed to Jamie Kim or Karyn Vaughn.

PASTIES FOR SALE! GET YOUR PASTIES!

This year, the Missions committee and OneUnited Youth will be teaming up to make and sell pasties. Proceeds will benefit both missions and the Youth2019 gathering in Kansas City. Pasties will be available for purchase in late February and early March, and will be ready on March 23rd and 24th for pick up.

FAMILY BOWLING

In light of the fire at Nortel Lanes in Monroe a new venue will be needed for the February 24th Family Bowling outing.

Your Christian Education team has been busy trying to locate someplace local that can accommodate us.

Please watch your weekly bulletins for more information as the date draws near.



February 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUES DAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDA Y	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3 Communion Youth Choir Sings (10:45) Sub Sandwich Orders can be picked up after both worship services	4	5	6	7	8 Friday Quilting Friends 10:30am	9 Escape Room 6:30 pm
10 Joyful Noise Choir sings (10:45) Girls Scouts 6pm	11 Worship committee 6:30pm Mission Committee 7:30pm	12	13	14	15	16
17 Children's Hand Bells play (10:45)	18	19	20 Newsletter materials due 9am 4-H Group 7pm	21	22	23
24 OneUnited Youth Noon – details to come Family Bowling 1-3pm – location to be announced Girl scouts 6pm	25	26	27 Swan Creek Garden 7pm			

PASTA LUNCH

The United Methodist Men's Annual Pasta Lunch will be held March 17th. Watch your weekly bulletins for more details.

ASH WEDNESDAY

*Ash Wednesday is March 6th
Carleton UMC's Service is at 7pm*



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