

## September 2019

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#### PASTOR'S THOUGHTS

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On August 4 our church received 5 new members! In the past 7 years our church has been so blessed with individuals, couples, and families who not only attended regularly but also have decided to plant themselves in our church and grow alongside each of us, their new church family. In total, since 2012 we have been blessed to have received and welcomed 97 members!

God is the one who has blessed us with our church, with each of you who have and continue to support our church with your prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness. From how you greet one another and new people and visitors to how we worship and serve in and outside of our church have all been a part of God's work in caring for one another and those who visit, regularly attend, and choose to join our church.

When I ask individuals and families what led them to decide to join our church, they give various answers. And one of the most common answers is how they were welcomed and befriended by the church. They often remember the individuals, couples, and families, including youth and children, who not only greeted them warmly, opened the door for them, handed them a bulletin, sat with them, greeted them during worship, but also then remembered them and their names the following Sundays!

So I write this with a very grateful heart because of your support of our church, whether you are able to attend regularly or not at all, because your prayers, your gifts, your support, and your love enable us to do the work of God...you are members of the Body of Christ, the Church, no matter the circumstances because we are connected to one another by the love and Holy Spirit of God. I thank each of you who make it a point to welcome newcomers, who grab a welcome bag, and even if you didn't know that a new face was actually not so new (which I admit I have done when someone attended on a Sunday I was away or it had been a long time since I had seen them). But even that is a good thing, to reintroduce yourself rather than not welcoming them and not saying hi at all.

I end with encouraging you to continue being a welcoming ambassador of Christ, and not only on Sunday mornings at church, but all throughout the year, everywhere you go, and with everyone God puts in your path.

In Christ's Love,

Mission Statement

With God's guidance, we envision Carleton United Methodist Church as a family, alive and growing in a trusting environment; preparing everyone who enters to live and serve in the world.

#### **Contact Us**

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#### **Sunday Worship:**

June 2 to Sept. 1st — 9:30 a.m.

Sept. 8th — 8:30 & 10:45 a.m.

#### **Christian Education:**

Sunday school does not meet during the summer.

Sunday School kick off 9:30 a.m. September 8th

Bring a piece of Fruit

Junior church and nursery for children will continue as usual

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#### JUST A REMINDER

Please fill out a green prayer request card for those you have lifted in prayer during worship so we can send a note of encouragement to them. If you do not have their address handy when filling out the green prayer card, that's okay. We can always follow up with you.

### OPPORTUNITY TO RECYCLE



Adding to the ongoing Prairie Farms product bottle caps will be a collection box for any and all caps and lids. Color and size does not matter. All bottle tops, product lids, and the like are being collected for an art project at Grosse Ile school. Please leave your Prairie Farm caps in the milk

jug and the rest of your lids/caps in the orange tub on the bottom.

#### **MICHIGAN RECYCLES**

Michigan returnable cans and bottles can be left in the container by the main doors at any time. Monies raised benefit Mission outreach programs



#### **DONATIONS NEEDED**

The residents at Chelsea Retirement Community have been busy and are in need of supplies.

Donations of new and partial skeins of yarn are needed to make mittens and scarves for the

area shelters. Donations of plastic grocery bags are needed to weave into sleeping mats. If you have any of these items to donate, please leave them by the church office door.

#### THANK YOU

Jodie McEwan, a resident at the Chelsea Retirement Community would like to extend her sincere thanks on behalf of all the residents for the supply of bags and yarn. Jodie said that each sleeping mat takes between 15—17 hundred bags. Wow! One mat was re-



cently raffled off to raise funds for supplies needed to finish the mat. Please keep saving those bags.



As of this month she has made close to 100 pair of wrist warmers for the shelters in the area from the bits and pieces of donated yarn. Thank you so much for donating to that as well.

#### CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

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 OFFICE

The church office is open Monday thru Thursday 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Please feel free to leave a message if you happen to call during office hours but we may have been called away. Bulletin information should reach us by Wednesday if at all possible. Newsletter's are published 10 times a year. Deadlines are always 20th of the month.

Please notify the church office when your contact information changes such as phone numbers (whether land line or cell), and email addresses.



Every year our UMW awards a special mission recognition pin to someone who has gone the extra mile in our church. This year's pin was presented to Nancy Stone for her years of dedicated service.

In the past Nancy has been active in teaching and organizing VBS, organized the breakfast for graduation Sunday, set up communion, and occasionally given the children's message. She was also involved in military mom's prayer group, worked the bazaar, and arranged the flower pots at the end of our church driveway. She is currently sending out "miss you" cards and cards for shut-ins. We appreciate your spirit of volunteerism, Nancy, thanks for all you do!

Join the United Methodist Women as they began again on Monday, September 16th at 6:30pm here at Carleton UMC.



The United Methodist Men will start another year of fellowship when they meet on Saturday, September 14th for breakfast at the 5th Wheel Diner on N. Telegraph Road beginning at 9am. All men

and high school age boys are welcome to attend and bring a friend. Plans for the October 6th after church Pasta Lunch will be finalized as well as future events and service projects. Bring ideas to be discussed. If you would like more information, please talk to Jim Sieb (734-309-8297 or 734-639-1212).

Thank you to the Men for cooking and serving the hot dogs on the last night of Vacation Bible School. We appreciated it very much.



#### SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Gary Breitner, Nancy Stone
- 2 David & Jenni Conn
- 3 Clarence & Lisa Beidler, Bill & Carolyn Trainor
- 4 Paisley Bodenmiller, Mike & Kim Baxter
- 6 Randy & Chetti Smith
- 7 Kim Baxter
- 8 Theresa Miller
- 9 Bob Young
- 10 Ethel Heiss, Mark & Bev Buell
- 12 Nancy May, Cole McBeath
- 13 Ivy Stump
- 14 Chetti Smith, Bruce & Shurley Lester
- 15 Dave & Tracey Drouillard
- 16 Nick Gardetto, Rich Stahl
- 17 Max VanWashenova
- 18 David Drouillard
- 19 Grace Anson
- 21 Cheryl Southworth
- 24 Peggy Hornberger
- 25 Isabel Conn, David & Michelle Toth
- 26 Ed Blaser, Loren & Barb Young
- 27 James & Laura Jennings
- 28 Jeff Miller, Nik & Alana Schafer
- 29 Kristen Hause, Dave & Mellissa Vallie
- 30 Diane Brey, Kathy Jones, Ellen Rees, Jim Sweeney, Tyler Vaughn

#### IN SERVICE FOR YOU

#### **LITURGIST**

Sept. 1 9:30 Marvin Stump

8 8:30 Madonna Bednarz 10:45 Greg Baker

15 8:30 Dan Gardetto

10:45 Julie Riggs 22 8:30 Diane Brey

10:45 Megan Robertson

29 8:30 Terry Brey

10:45 Marvin Stump

#### **NURSERY** (BIRTH TO AGE 3)

Sept. 1 Open but not staffed

- 8 Barb Young & Lana Baas
- 15 Michelle Rutkowski & Ruth Smith
- 22 Cathy Umbarger & Cheryl Marlow
- 29 Elaine Gasidlo & Lori Mossburg

#### JUNIOR CHURCH AGE 4 TO 4TH GRADE

Sept. 1 Children in Worship

- 8 Karyn Vaughn
- 15 Children in Worship
- 22 Karen Kessell
- 29 Children in Worship



#### IN OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS

Several families within our congregation have recently suffered the loss of loved ones. We are grieving along with them.

Bill, Aaron, & David Vallie and families on the June 26th passing of Bill Senior.

Mike, Joyce, & Jessica King on the July 11th passing of Michael.

Gary & Laurie Breitner & family on the July 15th passing of Millie.

All will be missed by their church families and the community.

#### **FAMILIES ARE GROWING**

Babies have arrived! Welcoming little ones to their homes are Chris & Avery Brown (Bodenmiller) with the June 29th birth of son, Ezra Randall.

Ryan & Liz Stone (son of Nancy & Bob) with the July 4th birth of Hannah Grace. Ryan and family are stationed in Germany with the Army.

Nicole Mooney welcomed daughter Tessa Reann on July 12th.

Carrie & Kyle Bentley welcomed daughter Elliana Elaine on July 17th. Proud grandma is Elaine Gasidlo.

#### **NEW MEMBERS**

Not only have many of our church families welcomed new faces this summer but Carleton's congregation is growing as well. Joining our church family as full members on August 4th were: Makenzie Jacobs, Emily Jo James,

Hailey Nolan, & Ilidia & Ray Wiles. We welcome them with open arms.



Lyla Jaye Lake, daughter of Erica & Joe Lake was baptised on August 18th. Congratulations to all.

#### THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone for the many calls, prayers, and cards I received after my knee repair surgery. I am on the road to regaining mobility that I lost with during years of pain.

Love & prayers, Kathy LaFlure



#### **CHURCH CONFERENCES**

Carleton UMC is part of the Heritage District of the Michigan Area United Methodist Church. Please make a note of the following meeting dates for the 2020 Church Conferences.

Carleton Staff Parish Relations will meet with District Superintendent Elizabeth Hill on Tuesday, October 22nd at 6pm here at Carleton UMC.

Carleton UMC will be the host site for other area churches for their meetings with DS Hill as well. We will need a building host to direct the other churches as they arrive and offer refreshments on Tuesday, October 22nd, Wednesday, October 23rd, & Thursday, October 24th from about 5:45 to 9pm each evening. Please call the church office if you are able to volunteer for one of the above evenings.

Carleton UMC SPRC and church members are invited to attend the Church Conference to be held at 1st UMC in Belleville (417 Charles Street) on Sunday, October, 27th beginning at 2pm.

## Carleton United Methodist Church General Fund Income and Expense Statement January 1 - August 14, 2019

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Income					
General Fund Income	\$ 95,060.28				
Investment Income	166.32				
Rental Income	1,620.00				
Advertising Income	500.00				
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 97,346.60				
Expenses					
OUR CHURCH HOME	\$ 39,678.19				
OUR CHURCH PROGRAMS	6,160.92				
OUR PASTORAL MINISTRY	53,228.39				
OUR OUTREACH MINISTRY	6,023.40				
UNPAID APPORTIONMENTS	13,503.90				
TOTAL EXPENSES TO DATE	\$118,594.80				
NET LOSS AS OF 6/18/2019	\$ 21,248.20				

Thank you for your continued support of the ministries of CarletonUMC. If you are using a pew envelope; please write your name on the outside of the envelope so that you can receive proper credit for your giving. If you are not using numbered envelopes (just the pew ones) and would like a set, please call the church office.

#### LAY LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE

The Lay Leadership Committee will meet on Thursday, September 5th from 7-8pm to start the process of filling the slate of officers and committee members for the 2020 calendar year and beyond. Some committee members rotate on a yearly basis, some have a longer term. Please prayerfully consider serving if you are called. Without active leadership and committee members this church would not be able to operate.

#### CHURCH COMMITTEE FORMS DUE

In preparation for the October church meetings and charge conference, committee chairs should have their budget requests into Dan Gardetto or Bill Vallie by Sunday, September 29th This applies to any church committee that relies on a line item in the church budget to plan activities and events that are sponsored by the church. If you do not submit a budget line item for the 2020 calendar year the Finance committee will assume you do not have any changes to be made.

There will be a Finance committee meeting on Monday, September 30th at 7pm.

The following committees should have their "year in review" paragraphs ready to submit to the church office by Sunday, October 6th: Church Council, Christian Education, Finance, Mission, Trustees, United Methodist Women, United Methodist Men, & Worship. These reports do not have to be long. Just a brief overview of what your committee did in the past year to support the ministry of the church.



September 8th — resume two worship services.

8:30 a.m. is a more traditional style

9:30 a.m. Sunday School begins (bring a piece of fruit)

10:45 a.m. the praise band Impact is added in

September 15th — communion offered at both worship services

September 29th — 10:45 a.m. service will be a full *Impact* style worship service

October 6th — United Methodist Men will sponsor a Pasta Lunch immediately at the 10:45 service



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SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
1 WORSHIP 9:30 A.M.	2 Labor Day– Office closed	3	4	5 7-8pm Lay Leader- ship Committee	6	7 9am-1pm Carleton Farmers Market @ Ash Park
8 WORSHIP AT 8:30 & 10:45 SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30 A.M. Girl Scouts 6pm	9 6:30pm SPR 7pm Trustees 8pm Church Council	10	11	12	13 10:30am Friday Friends Quilt Group	14  9am United Methodist Men Fellowship Breakfast at 5th Wheel Diner
15 Communion Sunday	16 6:30pm United Methodist Women	17	NEW DAY 10 to Noon Quilts of Love Group	19	20	21 9am-1pm Carleton Farmers Market @ Ash Park
Noon– Destination Unknown for grades 3-5th  6pm Girl Scouts	9am Newsletter material for October due	24	25 7pm Swan Creek Garden Club	26	27	28
29 8:30am Traditional Worship 10:45 Contemporary Worship 2020 BUDGET NEEDS DEADLINE	30 7pm Finance team					DON'T FORGET THAT THE UMM WILL HOST A PASTA LUNCH ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6 <sup>TH</sup>





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