

November/December 2022

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Pastor's Thoughs

The memory of love is stronger than the power of darkness.

I would like to introduce an inspirational story about the loving memory that helps a person overcome the darkness of Alzheimer's. This story encourages us to remember our beautiful memories when we feel we are on dark days.

I watched a moving video that tells the story of a former ballet dancer. The message of this video is to tell us that a loving memory is more vital than fear, despair, and disease. Her name is Marta Gonzalez, and she was a prima ballerina who danced in New York City Ballet in the 1960s. Now she is suffering from memory loss. "Despite developing Alzheimer's later in life, she never forgot her Swan Lake (dancing) routine." When she listens to the music, it brings her the happiest memory back. She beautifully moves her arms and head to the music, her eyes flashing with purpose. Everyone believes that she completely loses her memory, but her loving memory brings her vital spirit back to her.

I encourage you to keep in your heart the loving memory of God. It brings you spiritual vitality again. Loving God is to put the music of love in your heart. The music you put in your heart helps you find God's peace and joy when you are in the dark. "He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God. Many will see and fear and put their trust in the LORD" (Psalm 40:3).

It is my spiritual suggestion for you. If you feel that you are in trouble, please remember the happiest moment in your life with God and sing a song of praise to our God. You can find your peace in His wings. "How priceless is your unfailing love, O God! People take refuge in the shadow of wings" (Psalm 36:7).

Ephesians 5:18 says: "Speak to one another with psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs and make music in your heart to the Lord, and always giving thanks to God." John Wesley said, those are the means of grace by which a Christian could receive the grace of God through reading the words of God, praying, and singing spiritual songs.

Mission Trip plan to South Korea for 2023

In July 2023, there is a plan to send some college students to mission fields (mainly Korea) for mission internships. As a Korean pastor, I can provide our church with the experience of learning about foreign cultures and missions. Our younger generation needs eyes to see and ears to hear how God is working in the world. A missionary trip would be the perfect motivation for them to have an open heart and mind for God and others.

To prepare for a mission trip to Korea, we plan to open a mission school to learn the language, culture, and food in the spring. Short-term mission trip participants can prepare in advance in the United States, and it will be much easier for them to adapt to a new culture.

I firmly believe that the "memory" of a mission trip would be a pleasant memory to remember when an unpleasant situation strikes them. It can help re-energize them and their lives.

Pastor Cloud

1 https://www.shape.com/lifestyle/mind-and-body/ballerina-marta-gonzalez-alzheimers-swan-lake-video



CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

If you would like to make Carleton UMC your home church, speak with Pastor Cloud 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 Cloud at any time.

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

	NOVEMBER LITURGIST
Nov. 6	Terry Brey
Nov. 13	Brenda Stump
Nov. 20	Julie Riggs
Nov. 27	Cheryl Marlow

NOVEMBER SOUND BOARD

Nov. 6 Nov. 13 Nov. 20 Nov. 27 Joan & Judy

NOVEMBER NURSERY

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Nov. 6	Judy Shrewsbury & Amy Grass
Nov. 13	Lori Mossburg & Jean Baker
Nov. 20	
Nov. 27	

NOVEMBER JUNIOR CHURCH

Nov. 6	Karyn Vaughn
Nov. 13	Jennifer Luciow
Nov. 20	Kim Baxter
Nov. 27	Karen Kessell

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 James Baber, Emily Duscheck, McKenzie Duscheck, Rock Otter, Loren Young
- 2 Virginia Oliver
- 4 Cale & Stacey Bodenmiller
- 6 Dawn Gray
- 7 Lyla Lake
- 8 Elaine Gasidlo
- 9 Marissa Manley
- 10 Jackson Vallie
- 11 Austin Etue
- 14 Traci Reno. Dawn Schaller
- 16 Shirley Buckingham, Tonia Grabetz
- 17 Rebecca Miller, Tom Northey
- 18 Todd Grav
- 19 Katelyn Derry
- 20 Erica Lake
- 21 Ryan Black
- 23 John Mazur, Jordan Reno
- 24 Kim Bodenmiller
- 25 Ellie Baker, Gary Toffoli
- 26 Judy Blaser
- 27 Bob Abar, Karyn Vaughn
- 28 Riley Mossburg 29 Truman Gurgul
- 30 Kathie Brazon





GREENS WORKSHOP MONDAY, NOV. 28TH

I-4PM & 6—9PM

This is where the FRESH EVER-GREEN WREATHS are made that will be sold at the Dec. 3rd Bazaar.

BRING GLOVES AND CLIPPERS IF YOU HAVE THEM.

Never helped before ;;;;not to worry. You will be shown what to do. There will be a Bake Sale on Sunday, November 6th sponsored by the Men's Fellowship. Donations of baked goods would be greatly appreciated. Proceeds from this sale help the Men support local charities and outreach projects.



MISSION COMMITTEE

There is a sign up sheet posted in the lobby to sign-up to donate turkeys and hams for the Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets. Please help. There will also be a basket to receive your free-will donations to purchase items needed to fill the baskets. We know that everyone is stretch in these times of everything going up in cost but if everyone gives a little, we can make a difference in our community.





ANGELS UNITED GIVING TREE

The Angels United Giving Tree will be ready by Sunday, November 20th. The idea is to take a "tag" or two. Shop



for that requested gift and then return it to church UNWRAPPED by Sunday, December 11th. This date is very important as it takes time to sort and catalog all the family requests. Distribution will take place on Thursday, December 15th.

DECEMBER LITURGIST

The Liturgist list for December will be available very soon. Email the church office (carletonumc@gmail.com) if you would like to pick a date. We will also need a liturgist for Christmas Eve.

DECEMBER SOUND BOARD

Sound board volunteers will also be needed throughout the month including Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Sign up at the Sound board.

DECEMBER NURSERY

The list is coming. If you are able to volunteer for nursery (we need at least one adult), please see Jean Baker.

DECEMBER JUNIOR CHURCH

Dec. 4 Karyn Vaughn Dec. 11 Jennifer Luciow

Dec. 18 Children's Christmas Program

Dec. 25 Activities on the cart

DECEMBER BIRTHDAY'S & ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Don Vaughn
- 3 Brooke Giedlin
- 4 Lanette Carmack
- 5 Jerry & Melissa Morin
- 6 Michelle Rutkowski, Lonnie Stump, Barb Young
- 8 Melissa Leslie
- 10 Shirley Zlatos, Henry & Gina Giles
- 11 Michael Sweeney, David Vallie
- 12 Marvin Stump, Aaron Vallie
- 14 Brandon Gautz
- 15 Nancy Young, Barb Abar, Pastor Cloud & Lisa
- 18 Branch Schafer
- 19 Jodie Bean
- 22 Paul Oleynik (93)
- 23 Bill Umbarger
- 25 Lana Baas
- 28 Darrell Mossburg
- 30 Renee Derry
- 31 Justin Giles

ADVENT WREATHE

The Advent Wreathe readings and lighters will be available very soon. If asked, please say yes. You will not have any prep work to do. Simply come forward at the beginning of the worship service after the Liturgist does the announcements and welcome. The readings will be provided and the lighting taper will be on the altar. Light the taper from the altar candle to light the candle or candles on the wreathe.



CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP

Christmas Eve worship will begin at 6:15pm with Carleton Brass Christmas from Around the World. Worship will begin at 7:00pm. We will have candles for the adults and glow sticks for the children.



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: 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School— 10:30 a.m.

Carleton United Methodist Church General Fund Income and Expense Statement January 1 - October 25, 2022

Income		
General Fund Income	\$ 145,025.19	
Investment Income	\$ 118.94	
Rental Income	\$ 375.00	
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 145,519.13	
Expenses		
OUR CHURCH HOME	\$ 51,960.81	
OUR CHURCH PROGRAMS	\$ 8,147.88	
OUR PASTORAL MINISTRY	\$ 64,578.76	
OUR OUTREACH MINISTRY	\$ 12,137.50	
UNPAID APPORTIONMENTS	 \$ 9,352.00	
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 146,176.95	
GENERAL FUND SHORTAGE	\$ 657.82	

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

Congratulations to Joe & Erica Lake on the birth of Logan Jett on August 26th. Logan joins Liam & Lyla at home.

Thank you for all the thoughts, cards, prayer lap blanket and especially the prayers. Everything happened so suddenly I didn't have time to get too anxious about the surgery until the day of. Knowing I had so many praying for me I was at ease going to the operating room. Thank you Pastor Cloud and Lisa for sitting with Ron and family during the surgery and then the visit at home bringing the delicious sesame chicken.

Thank you everyone, Marsha Metz



PRAYER CARDS

As a reminder that if you raise a prayer request in worship on Sundays & want to have a card sent, to please email (carletonumc@gmail) or call us 734-654-2833 with the name and address. This will help to continue the much appreciated ministry of letting folks know others are praying for them. You can also leave written notes on Kathy's desk or in the box on the office door.

FROM YOUR FINANCE COMMITTEE

Thank you for continuing to support the ministries of the Carleton United Methodist Church.

As a reminder your offering envelopes are mailable with a first class postage stamp.

All year end giving for the **2022 Tax year** should reach the church office by Friday, December 30th. If you are unable to meet this deadline, please call Bill Vallie or Dan Gardetto to make other arrangements.

2023 envelopes will be available very soon. It is very possible that your giving number has changed this year. Please dispose of any envelopes left from previous years.

FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE

Just a reminder to keep the church office up-to-date if your mailing address, email, or phone number changes. It is vital that the church records are as accurate as possible.

Newsletters are now published bi-monthly for the following two months. The next Newsletter deadline is Monday. December 18th for any new coving January & February 2023.

November 2022

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
WALKING TALKING Each evening at 6:30pm join friends as we walk around the church property. THANKSGIVING BASKETS Distribution will be on Monday, November 21st. Donations of turkeys will be needed.		Todays' reading: Luke 19-21	2 Wednesday Prayer Fellow- ship 10-11 am Gospel Q & A 6:30pm Today's reading: Luke 22-24	Today's reading: John 1-3	4 Today's reading: John 4-6	5 Today's reading: John 7-9
6 Communion Loose Change collection for food baskets Christmas Program practice 10:30 am Today's reading: John 10-12	7 Monday Morning Bible Reading 9:30 am Today's reading: John 13-15	Today's reading: John 16–18	9 Wednesday Prayer Fellow- ship 10-11 am 2pm Member Care & Out- reach Today's reading: John 19-21	Today's reading: Acts 1-3	Today's reading: Acts 4-6	Today's reading: Acts 7-9
Loose Change collection for food baskets Today's reading: Acts 10-12	14 Monday Morning Bible Reading 9:30 am 6:30pm SPRC 7pm Trustees 8pm Church Council Today's reading: Acts 13-15	Today's reading: Acts: 16-18	16 Wednesday Prayer Fellow- ship 10-11 am Today's reading: Acts 19-21	Today's reading: Acts 22-24	Today's reading: Acts 25-28	19 Today's reading: Rom 1-4
20 Bible Sunday 12noon Bowling @ Monroe Sport Center Angels United Giving Tree will be ready. Take a Tag or Two. Today's reading: Rom 5-8	21 Monday Morning Bible Reading 9:30 am Distribution of Thanksgiving Baskets Women's Fellowship 6: 30 pm Today's reading: Rom 9-12	22 Today's reading: Rom 13-16	23 Wednesday Prayer Fellow- ship 10-11 am Today's reading: 1 Cor 1-4	Thanksgiving The office will be closed. Today's reading: 1 Cor 5-8	25 Today's read- ing: 1 Cor 9-12	26 Today's reading: 1 Cor 13-16
11:30am Hanging of the Greens luncheon for all those willing to help decorate the church and grounds for the Advent Season. Today's reading: 2 Cor 1-3	Monday Morning Bible Reading 9:30 am Greens Workshops— times to be announced Today's reading: 2 Cor 4-6	Today's reading: 2 Cor 7-9	30 Wednesday Prayer Fellow- ship 10-11 am Today's reading: 2 Cor 10-13		Dec. 2 Drop off of all bazaar donations. Remember that baked goods must be on covered plates or in Zip-lock bags.	DEC. 3 10AM-2PM CHRISTMAS BAZAAR *there will not be a cookie walk



Monday Morning Bible Reading 9:30 am - Noon

Wednesday
Prayer Fellowship
10- 11 am





Every Evening
(weather permitting)
Walking Talking
6:30 pm



WOMEN'S NEWS Submitted by Brenda Stump

We are under new leadership! At our meeting in September we elected Kim Bodenmiller as president of the women's group, Denise Toffoli as vice-president, Wanda Miles as treasurer, and I will try my hand at being recording secretary. Thank you for saying yes! We also voted to support a new seminary student. Trisha Farrell is the children and youth minister at the First United Methodist Church in Saline. She was recommended to us by our former student, Amy Triebwasser, who is now the pastor at that church. Trish has already completed one year of studies from the United Theological Seminary in Ohio. We look forward to meeting her in person and hearing about her walk with God.

At this writing I would like to say thank you for your generous donations to our 'Sock'tober collection of socks and underwear during the month of October for elementary children in our school district! Also we still collect new or gently used sweatpants, sizes 5-9, in the basket in the entryway year round. Why sweatpants? Because they can stretch to fit many sizes and boys or girls can wear them. From my years of working in the school I know how much those things are appreciated by the school and the children who would have to wait in wet or soiled clothes until their family came with replacements. Sadly, sometimes no one was available to bring them.

Our next scheduled meeting is Monday, November 21st at 6:30 pm. We will collect our Thank Offering that night but please know that it's not required.

On Sunday, November 27th, after Sunday School, a Soup 'n Salad luncheon will be held for the Hanging of the Greens. The women of the church provide soups, salad, and desserts. The Hanging of the Greens is when we all work to decorate the church for the Christmas season. Look for a signup sheet if you would like to help with the food.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The (almost) Annual Christmas Bazaar will be on, Saturday, December 3rd, 10 -2!

I know, I know, this is supposed to be women's news, but we need EVERYONE to help with the different jobs for our Bazaar to be a beautiful success!

OUR BAZAAR WILL OFFER:

Beautiful fresh green arrangements and wreaths (Greens workday will be announced)

Homemade baked goods and cookies by the plate (please pre wrap your donations of baked goods, we will price these)

Handmade crafts of all kinds (please put a price on your crafts)

Grandmother's Attic is gently used Christmas items (your donations can be brought in any time, we will price them) A Hot Dog lunch with sides will be available!

I hope you food something on this list that makes you say, "I can do that!"





Carleton United Methodist Church Annual Christmas Bazaar

Sponsored by: Women's Fellowship Society

11435 Grafton Road, Carleton, Michigan

Saturday, December 3, 2022

10:00 AM TO 2:00 PM

FRESH GREENS- SWAGS, WREATHS, & ARRANGEMENTS

HANDMADE CRAFTS OF ALL KINDS

TABLES OF BAKED GOODS

CHRISTMAS TREASURE'S FROM GRANDMA'S ATTIC

LUNCHEON AVAILABLE

Proceeds support WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP outreach projects

December 2022

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
WALKING TALKING Each evening at 6:30pm join friends as we walk around the church property.				Today's reading: Gal 1-3	Drop off of all donations for tomorrow's bazaar. Today's reading: Gal 4-6	3 CHRISTMAS BAZAAR 10AM to 2PM Lunch available. There will NOT be a cookie walk this year. Today's reading: Eph 1-3
4 Communion Sunday Today's reading: Eph 4-6	5 Today's reading: Phil 1-4	6 Today's reading: Col 1-4	Wednesday Prayer Fellow- ship 10-11 am Gospel Q & A 6:30pm Today's reading: 1Thess 1-3	Today's reading: 2Thess 1-3	9 Today's reading: 1Tim 1-3	Today's reading: 1 Tim 4-6
All Angel United Giving Tree items are due today Today's reading: 2Tim 1-4	Today's reading: Titus 1-3	Today's reading: Philem 1	Wednesday Prayer Fellow- ship 10-11 am Today's reading: Heb 1-3	Distribution of Christmas Bas- kets Today's reading: Heb 4-6	Today's reading: Heb 7-9	Today's reading: Heb 10-13
Children's Christmas Program 9:30am Today's reading: James 1-5	19 January/February News due into the church office 9AM Today's reading: 1Pet 1-5	20 Today's reading: 2 Pet 1-3	21 Wednesday Prayer Fellow- ship 10-11 am Today's reading: 1 John 1-5	22 Today's reading: 2 John 1	23 Today's reading: 3 John 1	24 Christmas Eve 6:15pm Carleton Brass 7pm Worship Today's reading: Jude 1
Christmas Day Worship 9:30am Sunday School will not meet today. Enjoy your family Today's reading: Rev 1-3	26 Today's reading: Rev. 4-6	Today's reading: Rev. 7-9	28 Wednesday Prayer Fellow- ship 10-11 am Today's reading: Rev. 10-12	Today's reading: Rev. 13-15	30 All donations for 2022 Tax year must be postmarked by Dec. 30th. Today's reading: Rev. 16-18	Today's reading: Rev. 19-22

A Peak into Junior Church and Children's Sunday School...









Every week the children are invited to come back to Junior Church during the remainder of the service and Sunday School is from 10:30-11:30. Did you ever wonder what we're doing? Just like the adults, we share joys and concerns and pray the Lord's Prayer. We praise God with music - some favorites are King of Kings, Father Abraham, and a version of the Doxology that we will share with you someday! We have read the stories of Hannah, Samuel, Saul, and David. Every week, we open the Wonder Box and find an object that relates to the Bible story of the week like a phone to remember that God listens.

As we transition into Sunday School, there are puzzles and coloring sheets, games, and crafts related to the story. We use games to help us memorize Bible verses. The first verse we learned was "Speak Lord, your servant is listening". During Choice Time, the whole room is available - blocks, art materials, books, puzzles, games. The only rule is that whatever is chosen must have something to do with the lesson. The children have become master designers and block builders and have created a zoo (which they tied into what makes a good leader like David) and a mall (where friends go together like Jonathan and David). If you are in adult Sunday School, you know that sharing their creations with the youth and adults has become a thing. This fellowship has been an excellent way to build relationships between generations and to let the older elementary children see themselves as leaders for our preschoolers and as a valued part of the church family!



Youth Group News

Did you know...

Our youth are an awesome, busy, bunch of "kids". They work at Scoops, Subway, Calder's, DG South Gymnastics and here at church. They are involved in cross country, robotics, marching band, volleyball, dance, musical, Girl Scouts, and more. Around the church, our youth serve on Church Council, Worship and Missions. They acolyte, run powerpoint, work in the nursery, and serve as liturgists. Despite their busy lives, we have had two youth gatherings so far this year. We had a pool party and planning meeting at the end of summer and an outing to Kackleberry Farm. October means helping with Trunk or Treat and in December we plan on going to the Toledo Zoo and Aquarium. We are also making plans to go to Daytona Beach, Florida this summer for Youth23, the national gathering for UMC Youth! Look for a Parents Night Out December 16th and a "Hire a Youth" board soon where you can hire our youth to do odd jobs for you in return for a donation to our Youth23 trip!

GET OUT THOSE CALENDARS! Family and Youth events are listed below!

11/6 Christmas Program Practice begins 10:30 am

11/20 Bible Sunday - Bible presented to 3rd graders

11/20 Let's Go Bowling! All ages meet at @ Monroe Sports Center at Noon

12/4 Cookie Decorating All ages welcome to decorate Christmas Cookies @ 11:30 am

12/11 Youth Group Toledo Zoo Lights/Aquarium (3-9pm?)

12/16 Parents Night Out - Youth Fundraiser 5:30-8:30 pm

12/18 Christmas Program 9:30 am Service

1/1 First Walk (tentatively at Crosswinds 1-3pm)



Parent's Night Out

December 16 5:30-8:30 PM

The Youth Group is raising money to go to Youth23 this summer. For a donation to our trip, we will take great care of your children at the church while you have a bit of free time. We will provide dinner, games, crafts and fun!