



# May/June 2025

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## *Pastor's Thoughts*

**“After his suffering, he presented himself to them and gave many convincing proofs that he was alive. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and spoke about the kingdom of God.”**

**Acts 1:3 NIV**

Dear Siblings in Christ,

The awe and joy of Easter Sunday compel us to live out the resurrection of Jesus Christ in our daily lives. That is why we are called “Easter people” - those who appreciate the miracle of Jesus’ resurrection and anticipate our own resurrection, modeled after our first fruits, Jesus Christ (1 Cor. 15:22–23).

As we enter a new season after Easter, it is a perfect time to explore the traces of Jesus before his ascension to heaven.

For forty days, Jesus Christ engaged in an intensive ministry to prepare his disciples for a new era. They were to receive the Holy Spirit, establish new churches and ministries, and reach out to the Gentile world to proclaim the Gospel (Matt. 28:18–20; Mark 16:15; Luke 24:47–49; John 20:21; Acts 1:8). Jesus knew they would face persecution because of him. The birth of the Church would continually reflect Jesus’ suffering, as they participated in his suffering and death.

What they needed was Jesus’ continued ministry to them. That is why he appeared to his disciples and many others, including even Saul - a former persecutor of the Church. Jesus never hesitated to reveal his presence to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time after his resurrection (1 Cor. 15:6). Many witnesses testified that he was alive. Why? Because his resurrection is the key to their faith and to the message that had to be shared with the world.

Jesus also continued teaching his disciples about the Kingdom of God, where the crucified Christ is at the center, represented as the slain Lamb (Rev. 5:6). The Kingdom of God was the central message Jesus proclaimed and taught. His parables all point to this Kingdom.

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Jesus forgave and reinstated Peter and the other disciples (John 21:15–17). He prepared a fire of burning coals, with fish and bread for them. He called them “friends.” Then, in their one-on-one time, Jesus asked Peter, “Do you love me?” three times. He did not begin with “Why?” “Why” is not the language of forgiveness but “love” is. Peter knew that Jesus had forgiven him and loved him.

Because true love is never hidden. Jesus then commissioned his disciples and promised them the coming of the Holy Spirit, who would empower them for the mission to which they were called.

Finally, Jesus ascended into heaven from the Mount of Olives near Jerusalem. This was the fulfillment of the prophecy in Zechariah 14:4, which foretold that the Messiah’s feet would stand on the Mount of Olives when he comes to establish God’s Kingdom. The Mount of Olives overlooks Jerusalem, the city of God. It is a vantage point from which he could be seen, emphasizing the bodily nature of his ascension. Jesus was faithful to the end, fulfilling the prophecy that was spoken about him.

In summary, Jesus stayed with his disciples for forty days after his resurrection and before his ascension. He appeared to many, continually preaching about the Kingdom of God, forgiving and reinstating Peter and the disciples, and commanding them to carry out the mission he had begun, empowered by the Holy Spirit. He then ascended into heaven from the Mount of Olives, right before the eyes of his disciples.

Imagine you were one of the disciples who spent forty days with the risen Lord before his ascension. How would that shape the way you live today? How shall we live as Jesus’ Easter people? Easter is not a seasonal event but an ongoing message we must hold onto and live out.

Blessings,  
Pastor Jung Yum

### **SPECIAL MUSIC**

If you would like to offer Special Music this summer during the Offertory, please call the church office. We welcome all types.

### **ALTAR FLOWERS**

Altar flowers to honor a special event in your families life are welcomed. Please plan on getting your arrangements to the church by 9:00 a.m. Call the church office to sign up for a Sunday.

### **Our 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**

www.carletonumc.com  
carletonumc@gmail.com  
734-654-2833

### **Sunday Worship—**

9:30 a.m.

### **Sunday School—**

10:30 a.m. thru May 18th

### **CHURCH MEMBERSHIP**

If you would like to make Carleton UMC your home church, speak with Rev. Yum about becoming a member. Also talk with Rev. Yum if you would like to be baptized or have your infant or child baptized.

### **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. The church office is open Tuesday and Thursday from 9am to 2pm. We can always be reached by email at carletonumc@gmail.com.

### **CHURCH PRAYER NETWORK**

Don't forget that Carleton UMC has an email *Prayer Network*. If you have a prayer request just email (carletonumc@gmail.com) or call us 734-654-2833. We will do our best to relay your prayer request as quickly as possible.

### **PRAYER CARDS**

As a reminder that if you raise a prayer request in worship on Sundays & want to have a card sent, to please fill out a green prayer card (found in the pews) with the name and address.



### **FAMILY CAMP**

The weekend of June 14-15 is the Annual Church Family Camp. This year it is at Holly Recreation Area.

If you have not made your reservations, please see Karyn Vaughn to see if there are still sites available.

Can't camp the whole weekend? Come up on Saturday for just the day. We would love to have you.

Holly Recreation Area  
8100 Grange Hall Road  
Holly MI 48442  
248-634-8811

[Michigan State Parks Reservation System](https://www.michiganstateparks.com/reservation)

[www.michigandnr.com](http://www.michigandnr.com)

### **Carleton United Methodist Church General Fund Income and Expense Statement January 1—April 13, 2025**

#### **Income**

General Fund Income	\$54,982.75
Investment Income	\$ 9.15
Rental Income	\$ 550.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$55,541.90</b>

#### **Expenses**

Our Church Home	\$26,674.28
Our Church Programs	\$ 3,731.03
Our Pastoral Ministry	\$27,928.59
Our Outreach Ministry	\$ 3,000.00
Unpaid Ministry Shares	\$ 7,823.40
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$69,157.30</b>

**General Fund Loss as of 4/11/2024** **(\$13,615.40)**

### **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. Please be sure you are using the 2025 (BLUE) boxed set as your number in our giving system may have changed. If attending worship you may either drop your offering in the plate as you enter the sanctuary or when the Usher's pass the plates during worship.

# RUMMAGE SALE

**May 16 and 17**

If you are spring cleaning or downsizing the Women's Group at Carleton UMC is hosting a church wide Rummage Sale on May 16 & 17 from 9 a.m.-4pm. both days. This coincides with the Carleton village wide garage sale.

Here are some dates for our Spring Rummage Sale  
**Tuesday**—May 13th drop off rummage sale goods 9-12 & 5-7pm

**Wednesday** May 14th -drop off 9-12 & 5-7pm

**Thursday** May 15th drop off 9-12. No evening drop off.

**Friday** May 16th 9-4 rummage sale begins

**Saturday** May 17th 9-4 last day of sale.

Saturday pack up boxes to keep or to donate to charity  
The Fellowship Hall must be reset for Sunday's Retirement Banquet

Donation of small and medium boxes are appreciated.

Acceptable donations include: women's shoes, belts, handbags, small kitchen appliances, cookware, kitchenware, crafting items, and other household items and décor.

*We except everything with the exception of the following things: Baby furniture, large furniture, encyclopedias, computers and clothes, personal care items, baby/toddler play pens, cribs, car seats, and high chairs.*

## LITURGIST

May 4	Paul E
May 11	Youth
May 18	Marvin S
May 25	Julie R

June 1	Terry B
June 8	Grace M
June 15	Brenda S
June 22	Cheryl M
June 29	Paul Etue

## JUNIOR CHURCH

Watch your weekly bulletin for exciting details on Junior Church this summer. Leaders (should be two people) will be needed throughout the summer to offer Junior Church to those who attend worship. Please see Karyn Vaughn to sign up for a week. As a reminder all material is provided. Please do not bring in snacks as we have several children with severe allergies.

## MOTHER'S DAY BAKE SALE SPONSORED BY THE MISSION COMMITTEE

May 11th

Once again missions will have a Mother's Day Bake sale. Proceeds will help sponsor a student at Sew Hope's school in Guatemala. Donations of baked goods would be appreciated.

## GAME DAY

Retirees, those living alone,  
or anyone feeling  
the winter blues!

Join friends for Game Day  
Wednesday

**May 7th & June 4th**  
**11:30am to 1:30pm**

Snacks provided

Park and enter on the North end  
of the church and  
Meet in the classrooms on the  
right as you enter.



## CALLING ALL GRADUATES!

If you or a family member (that attends our church) will or have Graduated from High school or higher learning institute since September of 2024 and would like to be recognized during the June 8th worship service, please turn in their name into the Cheryl Marlow by Sunday, May 25th. Please include where they have/or will graduate from and include the degree received with the field of study.

## NEXT NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:

**June 19th. This will be for the July/August  
Newsletter**

# May 2025

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
				1 3pm National Day of Prayer gathering at Flat Rock Community Park (near Library) on Gibraltar Rd.	2	3 Marlow parlor rental
4 Pulpit: Trevor Kessell Coffee & Fellowship in Fellowship Hall after worship 10:30am Prayer Stations available	5	6	7 11:30am Game Day	8	9 10:30am—3pm Quilting with Friends	10
11 Youth Led Service with Children's Hand Bells	12 6:30pm SPRC 7pm Trustees 8pm Church Council	13 Drop off of donations 9am-12pm & 5-7pm	14 Drop off of donations 9am-12pm & 5-7pm	15 Drop off of donations 9am-12pm and set up	16 Rummage Sale 9am-4pm	17 Rummage Sale 9am– 4pm  4pm boxes and trucks needed to pack up and deliver leftover items to local charities. 5pm Set up for Sunday Banquet.
18 Rev. Yum return to pulpit 10:45am Retirement celebration for Kathy LaFlure This is a Potluck dinner with meat and beverages provided. 11:30 Youth Kayaking \\	19	20	21 Noon—Member Care Committee in Parlors  Noon—Men's Lunch Fellowship at Station 24	22	23	24
25 Abar baby baptism  Deadline to submit names of your graduates	26 Memorial Day	27	28	29	30	31 Rutkowski rental

Rev. Yum to Annual Conference thru Sunday, June 1st

# June 2025

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
<b>1</b> 9:30 a.m. Worship Pulpit: Marvin Stump	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> Rev. Yum returns Worship with Communion 9:30am Grad Sunday— please wear your cap and gown Coffee & Fellowship in the Fel- lowship Hall Pentecost Birthday Party	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Family Camp @ Holly Recre- ation 14th & 15th
<b>15</b> 9:30a.m. Worship Family Camp wraps up	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> 12noon Men's Monthly Lunch at Station 24	<b>19</b> 9am Newsletter material due	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b> 9:30 a.m. Worship with Quilts of Love Dedication	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b> 9:30 a.m. Worship	<b>30</b>					