
Sunday, March 20, 2022

COLDWATER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Third Sunday in Lent

Rev. Julie Yoder Elmore

Michele Broughman

Administrative Assistant

Office Hours: M-Thur. 9am-3pm

**Please call for an appointment.*

Cindy Garn

Music Ministry

Cheyenne Jonas

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9:00 Traditional Service
9:15 Children's Sunday school
10:30 Casual Service



Mary & Martha Diner

24-Mar	Pulled Pork Sandwiches
31-Mar	Chicken & Biscuits
7-Apr	Beef and Noodles
14-Apr	Easter Dinner
21-Apr	Breakfast for dinner
28-Apr	Goulash



CENTERING THOUGHT

"...blessed are we who stop - okay, maybe not stop entirely, who are we kidding - but who slow down. We who discover rest and new life and renewal when we step off the treadmill (or at least turn it down). We who remember that the world keeps spinning without us. And thank God for that. We who remember we are loved, loved, loved. Just being us."

~ Kate Bowler, Author of Good Enough: 40ish Devotionals for a Life of Imperfection

WELCOME

We are glad to have you with us today.

Hearing devices and large print hymnals are available from the ushers.

Holy Communion is celebrated the first Sunday of every month.

Ways to connect with us

The Options for viewing this Sunday's Service:

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCRGbDaBqke3ctmHq1ctf37w>.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/coldwaterum/>.

Coldwater UMC website

<https://www.coldwaterum.org/>

Coldwater United Methodist Church website Sermons page:

<https://www.coldwaterum.org/copy-of-sermons>

Coldwater United Methodist Church website bulletins page:

<https://www.coldwaterum.org/newsletters-bulletins>

Coldwater UMC updated calendar

<https://www.coldwaterum.org/calendar>

Please note that all *bulletin information & updates* need to be submitted to the Administrative Assistant each **Wednesday by 9:00 am**.

Thank you for your assistance.

9:00 am – Classic Service

- *Prelude* “Creator of the Earth and Skies”
Music: Jeremiah Clark (1707)
Source: United Methodist Hymnal
“A Community in Christ”
- *Gathering Song*
- *Welcome & Announcements*
- *Passing the Peace of Christ **
- *Threshold Moment*
 - ~ *Centering Quote*
 - ~ *“Good Enough” (sing 2x)*
- *Calls to worship*
 - Leader: Holy One, Our Balm, Our Feast,*
 - People: We lift our hands and call your name,
In need of healing - thirsting and hungry.*
 - Leader: Your steadfast love is better than life.
Open us this day to your nourishment*
 - People: in the songs of the land, in the beauty of the sky -
in simple and good enough moments that fill our days.*
- *Opening Hymn** UMH # 92 “For the Beauty of the Earth”
(Vs. 1,3,4,6)
Luke 13:1-9
- *Scripture*
- *Children’s Moment*
- *Message* Rev. Julie Yoder Elmore “Lots of Things Can Be Medicine”
- *Responsive Hymn* UMH # 468 “Dear Jesus, in Whose Life I See”
(to the tune “Abide With Me”) Vs. 1,2,4,5
- *Offering/Tithes*
- *Doxology* UMH # 95 “Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow”
- *Pastoral & Lord’s Prayer*
- *Closing Hymn ** “We Pray for Peace”
(to the tune “Be Still, My Soul”)
Text by Carolyn Winfrey Gillette (words on screen)
- *Benediction **
- *Benediction Response ** UMH # 898 “Amen”
- *Carrying out the Light **
- *Postlude* TBD

*Stand as able

10:30 am – Casual Service

- *Gathering Song* *“A Community in Christ”*
- *Welcome & Announcements*
- *Passing the Peace of Christ **
- *Threshold Moment*
 - ~ *Centering Quote*
 - ~ *“Good Enough” (sing 2x)*
- *Opening Hymns** *W&S # 3002* *“Blessed Be Your Name”*
- *W&S # 3112* *“Breathe”*
- *Scripture* *Luke 13:1-9*
- *Children’s Moment*
- *Message* *Rev. Julie Yoder Elmore* *“Lots of Things Can Be Medicine”*
- *Responsive Hymn* *W&S # 3042* *“Shout to the North”*
- *Offering/Tithes*
- *Doxology* *TFWS # 2036* *“Give Thanks”*
- *Pastoral & Lord’s Prayer*
- *Closing Hymn ** *“We Pray for Peace”*
(to the tune “Be Still, My Soul”)
Text by Carolyn Winfrey Gillette (words on screen)
- *Benediction **
- *Benediction Response ** *TFWS # 2280* *“The Lord Bless and Keep You”*
- *Carrying out the Light **
- *Postlude* *“Sanctus”*
Music: Mark A. Miller
Source: The Faith We Sing

**Stand as able*

Announcements

Faith & Food - A Bible Study for those in their 20's, 30's & 40's— The group is now meeting the first and third Wednesdays monthly from 6:00-7:15 pm. The next gathering is Wednesday, March 23rd.

FAITH & FOOD

Rev. Julie leads Daily Devotions via Facebook Live. To participate, simply go to the church's Facebook page, "Coldwater United Methodist Church," and you will find a devotional video Monday through Saturday at 6:45 am. Rev. Julie is leading from *Disciplines: A Book of Daily Devotions 2022* published by Upper Room Book of Nashville, TN.

All God's Children meets on the first Monday of each month at 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Please come and find out what we are all about. Please bring a friend.

Chancel Choir rehearsals have resumed and will be held on Wednesday evenings from 6:45 pm to 8 pm in the sanctuary. Masks are required. I do have singer's masks available for those who would like one. There's always room for more people! If you are interested, please let me know - thank you! Cindy Garn, Music Ministry

MISSION NEWS—The Mission Committee is planning for their annual Potato Bar and Auction to be held on Sunday, May 1st. We are looking for donations for the live and silent auction as well as baked goods. If you can donate, please let give that information to Sherry Dart.



Coffee/Tea/Chai with the Pastor – Mondays in March—Come connect with Rev. Julie for light conversation at the Jeannie's Diner on Mondays in March between 10:30 am & noon. All welcome! Next gathering is March 28.

Needed: A Few Good Jokes—The Worship Team is looking for a few good Bible, faith, and religious jokes to include in is year's Holy Humor Sunday services the week after Easter. Please submit the jokes you find or create to Michele in the church office by April Fools' Day (April 1)



This year's Easter Offering will be going to the Jacob's Well Ministry. You can help our ministry by helping our neighbor's right here in Branch County with short term emergency needs in the areas of: Energy, Housing, Medical & Transportation. Working together we show the Love of Christ to those in our community.

Announcements

Registration for 2022 Summer Church Camp Has Begun! It may be snowing outside, but it's already time to think about church camp for this summer. Coldwater UMC is very blessed to have a trust fund gifted to us from the Faulkner Estate that will pay for 100% of church camp fees for children and adults who attend our church. Camping isn't just for school age children. There are adult camps, family camps and camps for young children with an adult. The Endowment Committee would love to send everyone to camp who wishes to attend.

Check out the following websites for camp information and how to sign up:

- Michigan Conference Camps: <https://umccamping.org> = Wesley Woods, Lake Michigan Camp & Retreat Center, and Lake Huron Retreat Center. Includes camping programs for elementary, middle school, high school, adults, and families
- Lake Louise Christian Community: <https://lakelouisecommunity.org> – includes Teddy Bear Camp (beginning at age 4) and camps for elementary, middle school and high school ages

Here is what to do:

1. Register for camp and pay the camp deposit, which will be reimbursed to you later.
2. Fill out a Camp Scholarship Application form and return it to church by Monday, April 18. The forms will be in the Endowment mailbox or contact Michele for a form.
3. The Endowment Committee meets later that week to vote on funding camp scholarships.
4. Coldwater UMC will pay the balance of your camp fees directly to the camp.
5. Enjoy camp this summer!
6. Coldwater UMC will reimburse you for your camp deposit after you return.

With a week of camp costing about \$400, this is a wonderful opportunity for our youth.

Please contact, Ruth Proctor, Endowment Chair: (517) 741-3817 ruth@accountingtaxpros.com or Pastor Julie: (517) 279-8402 (church) jyelmor@gmail.com

Easter Lilies and Tulips are now being ordered in memory or in honor of your loved ones. Please fill out the order form and return to the office with your check no later than the morning of Monday, April 4th.



Announcements

Good Enough: 40ish Devotionals for a Life of Imperfection by Kate Bowler & Jessica Richie—This year's Lenten Study is *Good Enough: 40ish Devotionals for a Life of Imperfection* by Kate Bowler & Jessica Richie



There will be several sessions of this study offered as follows:

- Daytime In-Person ~ Rev. Julie Elmore
 - Wednesdays 1:30 to 3:00 pm until April 13.
- Evening via Zoom ~ Rev. Julie Elmore
 - Thursdays 6:45 to 8:15 pm until April 21. We will skip April 14 for Maundy Thursday.
- Faith & Food
 - Wednesdays, March 23, April 20, May 4 & 18, June 1 from 6:00 to 7:15 pm.
- Sunday Mornings at 9:00 am ~ Chuck Lillis ~ until April 10

Books can be ordered now by contacting Michele in the office at 279-8402 or coldwaterum@gmail.com

Help Support the Humanitarian Response in Ukraine—The General Board of Global Ministries of The United Methodist Church is deeply troubled by the conflict between Russia and Ukraine and the ominous implications it has for escalating tensions between Russia and Western nations. We pray for the peace and security of United Methodists in Ukraine and Russia and for all of their neighbors, and that tranquility will prevail over their lives and countries.

The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR), the humanitarian relief arm of Global Ministries, is in communication with partners in the region and actively exploring the coordination of humanitarian response in Ukraine.

If you would like to support the humanitarian response in the Ukraine, please write a check to "Coldwater UMC" and write in the memo line "Humanitarian Response Ukraine."

Please note that blood pressure checks will be held on April 24th instead of Easter Sunday, April 17th.



UMW NEWS— The United Methodist Women are planning on hosting their annual Lenten Luncheon on Wednesday, April 13th at 12:00. Everyone is invited to attend. Please sign up outside of Friend's Place by April 11.

Announcements

COVID-19 Current Protocols—The Omicron Variant of COVID-19 continues to affect our community, state, and country right now. In consultation with the CUMC COVID-19 Task Force, below is what is currently happening.

- Meeting virtually is left up to each committee and group to decide.

Thank you to all who have been flexible to during this Season of COVID. May we continue to lean into God's strength, patience, and peace as we navigate these times together as a community in Christ serving all God's children.

Worship Assistants

	13-Mar	20-Mar	27-Mar	3-Apr	10-Apr
				Communion	ONE SERVICE - Easter Music Special
Liturgist 9:00 am	Ruth Proctor	Karen Eyster		Kathy Rockey	Kendra Shook
Liturgist 10:30 am	Tony Garn	Carol Tinervia	Chuck Lillis	Diane Godfrey	Beth Karney
Usher 1 - 9:00 am	Gail Widener	Sherry Dart	Sherry Dart		
Usher 2 - 9:00 am	Jim McDaniels				
Usher 1 - 10:30 am					
Usher 2 - 10:30 am					
Coffee Set up 1	Rick Furney	Tom Shenefield	Cork and Carol Tinervia	Cheryl Robison	Tom Shenefield
Coffee Set up 2	Pat Furney	Sharon Shenefield		Dottie Young	Sharon Shenefield
Fellowship Clean Up 1	Rick Furney	Tom Shenefield	Cork and Carol Tinervia	Linda Luce	Tom Shenefield
Fellowship Clean Up 2	Pat Furney	Sharon Shenefield			Sharon Shenefield

This Week at CUMC

Sunday, March 20—Rev. Julie Yoder Elmore

9:00 am Lenten Study w/Chuck Lillis

9:00 am Classic Service In-person & virtual

9:15 am Children's Sunday School

Blood pressure checks

10:30 am Casual Service In-person & virtual

Monday, March 21

6:45 am Online devotions on CUMC

Facebook Page

10:30 am Coffee with the Pastor at Jeannie's

12:30 pm Prayer Group via Zoom

6:30 pm Care & Outreach Mtg.

Tuesday, March 22

6:45 am Online devotions on CUMC

Facebook Page

Wednesday, March 23—Bulletin Deadline

6:45 am Online devotions on CUMC

Facebook Page

1:30 pm Lenten Study w/Rev. Julie

6:00 pm Faith & Food

6:45 pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, March 24—Newsletter deadline

7:00 am Rotary

4:00 pm M&M Diner

6:45 pm Lenten Study via Zoom

Friday, March 25—Offices are closed

6:45 am Online devotions on CUMC

Facebook Page

Saturday, March 26

6:45 am Online devotions on CUMC

Facebook Page

Sunday, March 27—Rev. Julie Yoder Elmore

9:00 am Lenten Study w/Chuck Lillis

9:00 am Classic Service In-person & virtual

9:15 am Children's Sunday school

10:30 am Casual Service In-person & virtual

Worship Series

Fourth Sunday in Lent ~ March 27

Scriptures: Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Message Title: "We Often Believe We are the Problem"

Fifth Sunday in Lent ~ April 3

Scriptures: John 12:1-8

Message Title: "We Are Fragile"

Special: Communion

Sixth Sunday in Lent ~ April 10 ~ One Service

Scriptures: TBA

Message Title: TBA

Special: Chancel Choir will sing a variety of songs from past Easter Cantatas.

Flowers

To purchase altar flowers, please sign up outside of Friend's Place. The cost is \$25

Attendance

Mar 13	In-person	62
	Virtual	97

Special Sundays

- ✓ **April 10** *Easter Music Special*
- ✓ **April 24** *Service with Our Neighbors*
- ✓ **July 24** *Worship in the Park*

Looking ahead...

- April 10** *Palm Sunday*
- April 14** *Maundy Thursday*
- April 15** *Good Friday*
- April 17** *Easter Sunday*

Regular Offerings

Mar 13 **\$2,580.00**

(\$4,800.00 Needed for weekly for our Operating Budget)

Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. And thereby put me to the test, says the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need. (Malachi 3:10)

At this time, you may mail your contribution to the church or contact financial institution to do bill pay.

Giving Sundays

- UMCOR Sunday—March 27, 2022***
- Native American Ministries—May 1, 2022***
- Peace With Justice—June 12, 2022***
- World Communion—October 2, 2022***
- United Methodist Student Day—Nov 27, 2022***

Prayer List

Annette
Dick Aker
Dinah Bauman
Ann Boltz
Lee & Jean Brayton
Kenneth & Phyllis Briggs
Ann Carlisle
Tom Clark
Irene Frambes
Nikki Fullbright
Cheyanne Jonas
Rich Johnson
Lisa H.
Kim K.
Henrietta Kerkstra
Cathy Marbaugh
Jim Miller
Cindy Paul
Jenna Purdy
Ann Smoker
Ruthie Richards
Ashley Wilcox
*Family of Mary Lou Mahood
*Those diagnosed with COVID-19
*Our leaders, our nation, our world
*People of Israel and Palestine
*People of Afghanistan
*People of Haiti
*People at the Texas/Mexico Border
*People of Ukraine
*Schools—students, teachers, school secretaries, paraprofessionals, custodians, administrators, volunteers, bus drivers, social workers, lunch personnel, school counselors, and school board