

Sunday, January 29, 2023

Coldwater United Methodist Church

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany



"Without Love, everything we have, do, and suffer is without value in the sight of God. Furthermore, the love of neighbor accounts for nothing unless it springs from our love for God. This fact requires us, therefore, carefully to examine the foundation on which our love for our Neighbor rests. We must determine if our love for others is really built upon our love for God and if "we love because he first loved us." God's love alone is the basis of our becoming "pure in heart"." - John Wesley's Sermon "Upon Our Lord's Sermon on the Mount Discourse 3"

Pastor Scott Marsh

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

Michele Broughman ~ *Administrative Assistant*

Cindy Garn ~ *Music Ministry*

Tony Garn ~ *Multimedia coordinator*

Cheyenne Jonas & Rasha Nasser ~ *Nursery Care*

Services

9:00 Traditional Service

9:15 Children's Sunday school (*school year*)

10:30 Casual Service

***Special One Service Sundays are at**

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 Sermon's page:

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

Coldwater United Methodist Church website bulletins/newsletters page:

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

Coldwater UMC updated calendar

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

Amplify Media

<https://my.amplifymedia.com/amplify>

Access Code: YMDBXS

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Monday-Thursday 9 am – 3 pm

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.

10:30 am – Casual Service

- *Gathering Song* "A Community in Christ"
- *Welcome & Announcements*
- *Passing the Peace of Christ **
- *Threshold Moment*
- *Opening Hymns ** W&S # 3008 "Open the Eyes of My Heart"
W&S # 3103 "Purify My Heart"
- *Scripture* 1 Corinthians 1:18-31; Matthew 5:1-12
- *Scripture Reading Response* W&S # 3009 "Praise God for This Holy Ground" Vs. 2
- *Children's Moment*
- *Message* Pastor Scott Marsh "A Fool's Heart"
- *Responsive Hymn* TFWS # 2155 "Blest Are They"
- *Offering/Tithes*
- *Doxology* TFWS # 2036 "Give Thanks"
- *Offertory Prayer*
- *The Lord's Prayer*
- *Closing Hymn ** TFWS # 2190 "Bring Forth the Kingdom"
- *Benediction*
- *Benediction Response ** TFWS # 2280 "The Lord Bless and Keep You"
- *Carrying out the Light **
- *Postlude*

**Stand as able*

Announcements

SUB SANDWICH SALES have begun! Young Michigan Dances are once again selling subs for Super Bowl Sunday, February 12. Subs are only \$10 each. Please complete one form per sub sandwich and place in the designated box in the narthex along with your payment. Envelopes are available. Sales will continue through Sunday, February 5th and then you may pick up your sandwich(es) between 9:30 am-12:00 noon on Sunday February 12th.

The Visioning Team will continue to meet Feb 1, Feb 13 as they work on the Visioning Process. They will be working with Laura Witkowski, Associate Director of Lay Leadership Development for The Michigan Conference. The group hopes to present some information soon after the meetings.

We are looking for saltshakers for our altar display on February 5th. Please bring in your saltshakers on or before that date and have your name labeled on them so we know who to return them to when we are done. They can be brought to the office or to the bench outside of Pastor Scott's office. Thank you.

Bible Study beginning in February. "Getting Involved with God" by Ellen F. Davis "This is a book about getting, and staying, involved with God—what it takes, what it costs, what it looks and feels like, why anyone would want to do it anyway. It is at the same time a book about reading the Old Testament as a source of Good News and guidance for our life with God. The key piece of Good News that the Old Testament communicates over and over again is that God is involved with us, deeply and irrevocably so." —from the Introduction

*** Option One for this Study will be led by Diane Godfrey on Sundays following the second service from 11:30-12:30 pm Feb. 26, Mar. 5, 12, 19 and 26.**

*** Option Two for this Study will be led by Kathy Rockey on Monday evenings from 6:00-7:00 pm Feb. 27, Mar. 6, 13, 20, and 27.**

February 22, Ash Wednesday—Ecumenical Service with Concord, Girard, Quincy UMC churches, and Presbyterian and St. Marks Episcopal Churches. Service times are 12:00-12:15 pm and 6:00-6:30 pm

Tommy's House current grocery list is available on the table outside of Friend's Place. Please take one.

Announcements

Giving Envelopes there has been a delay from the manufacturer on our giving envelopes. Please utilize any unused envelopes, making sure your name and number are listed on them. If you need more, we have old unused ones that we could recycle. Just let Ruth Proctor or the office know. Thank you.

Rehearsals for Chancel Choir are on Wednesday evenings from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm

All God's children invites all youth to the Friday night fun night every Friday from 6:30-8pm. **Youth Friday night fun night** is looking for donations of drinks and snacks, please! They be may left in the 2nd floor kitchen or near the elevator door.

Pastor Scott's office is open to walk-ins on Tuesday's from 9 am -12 pm. No appointment needed.

All God's Children meets on the first Monday of each month at 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

Faith & Food - A Bible Study for those in their 20's, 30's & 40's— The group is now meeting the first and third Tuesdays monthly from 6:00-7:15 pm. We need approved childcare workers for these nights. Please contact the office to volunteer.

Thank you for your donations to the Backpack Buddies Program. They are still in need of supplies. They are currently serving over 40 children every week. They purchase food packets for \$5 each to send home. If you would like to donate monetary funds, please make the check out to "BCCADSV" (Branch County Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence) with a note in the memo "for Backpack Buddies" and place in the offering plate or drop off in the office.

Backpack Buddies is in need of plastic Meijer/Walmart bags so they can distribute food each week. If you have hole free plastic grocery bags please drop them off at the church.

Calendar

Sunday, January 29—Pastor Scott Marsh

9:00 am Classic Service

9:15 am Children's Church

10:00 am Casual Service

Monday, January 30

12:30 pm Prayer Group

Tuesday, January 31

Wednesday, February 1—Bulletin Deadline

7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, February 2

7:00 am Rotary

4:00 pm M&M Diner

5:30 pm SPRC Meeting

Friday, February 3—Offices are closed

10:00 am Knits Wits (check with Nora)

6:00 pm Kids Safe Space

Saturday, February 4

10:00 am Worship Team Meeting

Sunday, February 5—Pastor Scott Marsh

*Communion

9:00 am Classic Service

9:15 am Children's Church

10:00 am Casual Service

Calendar beyond this week

Sunday, Apr 2 Easter Cantata/one service

Lent, Holy Week, and Easter 2023

February 22 Ash Wednesday

April 2 Palm Sunday

April 6 Maundy Thursday

April 7 Good Friday

April 9 Easter Sunday

Prayer List

Annette

Jack Ferguson

David & Carol Hindenach

Bente Howe

Rich & Jan Johnson

Ron Lovell

Cathy Marbaugh

Al Miller

Heath Morrison

Cindy Paul

Co-worker of Kathy Rockey

Beau Siler

Jeff Streets

Sue Wassenberg

Ashley Wilcox

Carolyn Yoder

*Those diagnosed with COVID-19

*Our leaders, our nation, our world

*The leaders within our church, committee meetings, and groups that gather

Please submit your Prayer request's by filling out the prayer request cards located in the pews, send an email to the church office or pastor, or call the office. *Please note that due to confidentiality the church will not publish prayer requests without permission of the individual being added to the prayer list/chain

2023 Special Sundays

Mar 19 UMCOR Sunday

Apr 23 Native American Sunday

May 14 Golden Cross Sunday

Jun 4 Peace with Justice Sunday

Aug 20 Christian Education Sunday

Sep 10 Rural Life Sunday

Oct 1 World Communion Sunday

Oct 15 Disability Awareness Sunday

Nov 26 UM Student Sunday