

Sunday, March 27, 2022

COLDWATER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Fourth 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

Rasha Nassar

Nursery Care

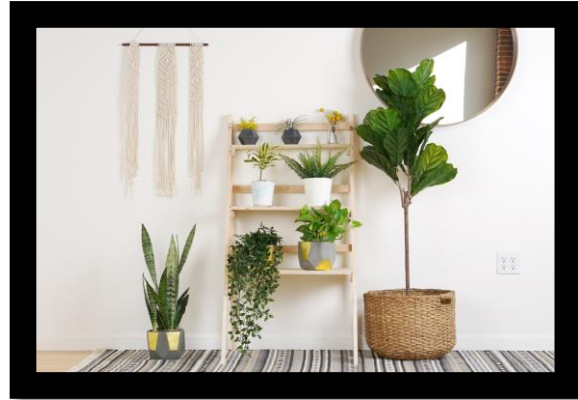
26 Marshall Street
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9:00 Traditional Service
9:15 Children's Sunday school
10:30 Casual Service



Mary & Martha Diner

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 you who do not despise your realness. It may hurt. You may not recognize yourself in the mirror. But this is what we hoped for, right? To live and love. To be loved. To have our experiences show on our faces and in our cells. It is the real life of Jesus in us, being made visible, as all our seams show."

~ 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* *“How Like a Gentle Spirit”*
Music: Alfred Morton Smith (1941)
Source: United Methodist Hymnal
“A Community in Christ”
- *Gathering Song*
- *Welcome & Announcements*
- *Passing the Peace of Christ **
- *Threshold Moment*
 - ~ *Centering Quote*
 - ~ *“Good Enough”*
- *Calls to worship*
 - Leader: Holy One, God of Forgiveness,*
 - People: We call out to you and*
And you surround us with deliverance.
 - Leader: You love us infinitely more than we love ourselves or others.*
Open us this day to your counsel
 - People: helping us be more merciful, more grace-filled,*
so that we might rejoice in simple and good enough moments
That fill our days.
- *Opening Hymn** *UMH # 378* *“Amazing Grace”*
(Vs. 1,2,3,6)
- *Scripture* *Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32*
- *Children’s Moment*
- *Message* *Rev. Julie Yoder Elmore “We Often Believe We are the Problem”*
- *Responsive Hymn* *UMH # 357* *“Just As I Am” (Vs.1,2,3,5)*
- *Offering/Tithes*
- *Doxology* *UMH # 95* *“Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow”*
- *Pastoral & Lord’s Prayer*
- *Closing Hymn ** *UMH # 418* *“We Are Climbing Jacob’s Ladder”*
(Vs. 1,2,4,5)
- *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”*
- *Opening Hymns** *W&S # 3148* *“There’s a Spirit of Love In This Place”*
TFWS # 2055 *“You Are My Hiding Place”*
- *Scripture* *Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32*
- *Children’s Moment*
- *Message* *Rev. Julie Yoder Elmore* *“We Often Believe We are the Problem”*
- *Responsive Hymn* *TFWS # 2154* *“Please Enter My Heart, Hosanna”*
- *Offering/Tithes*
- *Doxology* *TFWS # 2036* *“Give Thanks”*
- *Pastoral & Lord’s Prayer*
- *Closing Hymn ** *W&S # 3104* *“Amazing Grace/My Chains Are Gone”*
- *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 Wed., April 13.

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 are Wednesday evenings from 6:45 pm to 8 pm in the sanctuary. Masks are not required but are strongly recommended. I have singer's masks available for those who would like one. If you are interested, please let me know! 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.

Holy Humor **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 Apr 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.

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.



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.

An Ecumenical prayer Vigil is being planned for Sunday April 3rd, 4:30 pm at First Presbyterian Church for those in the Ukraine

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.

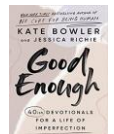
Please contact, Ruth Proctor, Endowment Chair: (517) 741-3817 ruth@accountingtaxpros.com or Pastor Julie: (517) 279-8402 (church) jyelmore@gmail.com

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, 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.

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

- Daytime In-Person ~ Rev. Julie Elmore: Wed. 1:30 to 3:00 pm until April 13.
- Evening via Zoom ~ Rev. Julie Elmore: Thurs. 6:45 to 8:15 pm until April 21. We will skip April 14 for Maundy Thursday.
- Faith & Food: Wednesdays, 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. Contact Michele in the office at 279-8402 or coldwaterum@gmail.com



Worship Assistants

	27-Mar	3-Apr	10-Apr	17-Apr
		Communion	ONE SERVICE - Easter Music Special	Easter
Liturgist 9:00 am	Ruth Proctor	Kathy Rockey	Kendra Shook	Beth Karney
Liturgist 10:30 am	Chuck Lillis	Diane Godfrey		Tony Garn
Usher 1 - 9:00 am	Sherry Dart			
Usher 2 - 9:00 am	Curt Proctor			Bev Zeluff
Usher 1 - 10:30 am				
Usher 2 - 10:30 am				
Coffee Set up 1	Cork and Carol Tinervia	Cheryl Robison	Tom Shenefield	Rick Furney
Coffee Set up 2		Dottie Young	Sharon Shenefield	Pat Furney
Fellowship Clean Up 1	Cork and Carol Tinervia	Linda Luce	Tom Shenefield	Rick Furney
Fellowship Clean Up 2			Sharon Shenefield	Pat Furney

Giving Sundays

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

Looking ahead...

April 10 @ 10 am Palm Sunday
April 14 @ 7 pm Maundy Thursday
April 15 @ 7 pm Good Friday
April 17 @ 9 & 10:30 am Easter Sunday

Special Sundays-One Service

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

Flowers

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

Worship Series

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: Luke 19: 28-40
 Special: Chancel Choir will sing a variety of songs from past Easter Cantatas.

Attendance

Mar 20 In-person 67
 Virtual 104

This Week at CUMC

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

Monday, March 28

6:45 am Online devotions on CUMC

Facebook Page

12:30 pm Prayer Group via Zoom

Tuesday, March 29

6:45 am Online devotions on CUMC

Facebook Page

Wednesday, March 30—Bulletin Deadline

6:45 am Online devotions on CUMC

Facebook Page

1:30 pm Lenten Study w/Rev. Julie

6:00 pm Education Committee Mtg

6:45 pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, March 31

7:00 am Rotary

4:00 pm M&M Diner

6:45 pm Lenten Study via Zoom

Friday, April 1—Offices are closed

6:45 am Online devotions on CUMC

Facebook Page

Saturday, April 2

6:45 am Online devotions on CUMC

Facebook Page

Sunday, April 3—Rev. Julie Yoder Elmore

Communion at both services

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

Regular Offerings

Mar 20 \$3,954.00

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

Prayer List

Annette

Dick Aker

Dinah Bauman

Ann Boltz

Lee & Jean Brayton

Kenneth & Phyllis Briggs

Ann Carlisle

Tom Clark

Nelda Frederick

Nikki Fullbright

Cheyenne 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 Irene Frambes

*Those diagnosed with COVID-19

*Our leaders, our nation, our world

*People of Israel and Palestine

*People of Afghanistan

*People of Louisiana affected by tornados

*People of Ukraine

*Schools—students, teachers, school

secretaries, paraprofessionals, custodians,

administrators, volunteers, bus drivers, social

workers, lunch personnel, school counselors,

and school board