

Welcome to
Cedar Springs
United Methodist Church

SECOND SUNDAY IN
LENT

Sunday Worship Services: 10:15 a.m.

Food & Faith Wednesdays - 6:00 p.m.

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March 12, 2017
Second Sunday in Lent
Service of Celebration and Worship

Children's Choir: *HA-le-lu-jah*

Praise Prelude: *I Love You, Lord* (TFWS 2068)

***Call to Worship:**

One: God so loved the world...

All: That God gave us light.

One: God so loved the world...

All: That God gave us God's son.

One: God so loved the world...

All: That God gave us eternal life.

One: Let us worship in the light of God's love for the world.

***Hymn of Praise:** *Come, Christians, Join to Sing* (UMH 158)

***Opening Prayer:**

We gather here this morning, O God, like a moth drawn toward light...

Like an animal thirsting for water...

Like a wounded one aching to be healed...

Like an unemployed worker waiting for a call...

Like a beggar asking for bread...

Like a prayer longing to reach heaven's gate...

Like a note waiting to be sung.

You are our light and our salvation and our hearts long to gather, for worship and praise. Amen

Scripture Lessons:

Psalms: Psalm 121 (NIV 965)

Epistle Reading: Romans 4:13-17 (NIV 1752)

*Sing in Preparation: *Praise the Name of Jesus* (TFWS 2066)

*Gospel Reading: John 3:1-17 (NIV 1649)

***Sing of God's Glory:** *Glory Be to the Father* (UMH 70)

Children's Choir: *Rock on Rock*

Children's Moments:

Proclamation of the Word: *Love is the Essence of God*
Pastor Jane Duffey

Time of Prayer:

Prayer Hymn: *O Love That Will Not Let Me Go* (vs.1&2) (UMH 480)

Silent and Pastoral Prayers

The Lord's Prayer

The Community Praises God with our Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology (UMH 94)

*Prayer of Dedication

Dear God, source of light and love, all things belong to you. You generously share with us the blessings of home, food, friends and life itself. This morning we offer back a portion of what you have given us. May our gifts and joyful service sustain and strengthen not only our church, our community, but the larger church and our global community. In all things encourage us to be the light and love of the world. Amen

Sending Hymn: *Jesu, Jesu* (UMH 432)

Benediction:

Serving in Ministry	This Week (03/12):	Next Week (03/19):
Audio	<i>Mark Scooros</i>	<i>Mark Scooros</i>
Video	<i>James Scott</i>	<i>Tim Scott</i>
Choir Director	<i>Sue Harrison</i>	<i>Sue Harrison</i>
Chimes	<i>Jerry VanderWal</i>	<i>Kathy Makowski</i>
Hand Chimes	<i>Bonnie Hitchingham</i>	<i>Bonnie Hitchingham</i>
Kid's Choirs	<i>Nancy Noreen</i>	<i>Nancy Noreen</i>
Organist	<i>Connie Kidder</i>	<i>Janet Avery</i>
Pianist	<i>Bonnie Hitchingham</i>	<i>Bonnie Hitchingham</i>
Greeters	<i>Kathy Anderson & Bob Ries</i>	<i>Sid & Rose Kempf</i>
Nursery Caregivers	<i>Sally Johnson</i>	<i>Sally Johnson</i>
Liturgist	<i>Tom Noreen</i>	<i>Sue Harrison</i>
Fellowship Time	<i>Kathy Anderson & Bob Ries</i>	
Ushers	<i>Dan Davis, Keith Caldwell</i>	<i>Dan Davis, Keith Caldwell</i>

Prayer List: Names will remain on the prayer list for 1 month unless specified otherwise on the prayer card. Thank you.

Prayer Requests: Lois Larson, Helene Caldwell, Tom Decker & family, Beverly Hale, Helen Tibbe, Ann Scott & family, Bud & Helen Gambie & family, Steve & Karen Mueller, Jo Furhoff, Betty Kilts, Casey VanderMaas, Jerry & Lois Collis, Greg & Sally Johnson, Jack & Mary Averill, Albert Abel, Soonja Koole, John & Joyce Hansen.

Friends: Marnie Swan, Kelly Miller, Jack & Mary Averill, Jon Price, Cathy Loder, Gary Tibbe, Dennis Bevier, Linda Smith, Ken Bremer, Monica Todd Family, Dale Waller, Chuck & Sally Haynes, Jordan Cliff & family.

Members and Friends in Care Facilities:

Clark Retirement Community: Jim Scott

Metron of Cedar Springs: Rose Hunter, Lois Larson

Story Point: Oscar Anderson

Homebound: Barb Rowland

Missionaries: Robert & Shirley Amundsen, Thousandsticks, KY
Dr. David Persons, Mulungwishi Theological Seminary, Congo

In Our Country's Service

Jordan Ackerman – Marines, Quantico, Virginia

Jackie Champion – Air Force, Afghanistan

Russell, Janet, (Noreen) Evelyn & Noah Scott – Fort Hood, TX

Ben & Sarah (Noreen) Smith – Fort Meade, MD

Peter Noreen – Fort Wainwright, Alaska

Jenny Mueller – Navy,

Jake Merritt – Marines

Aaron & Ashley Burnside & Kenny Neville– Army Nat'l Guard

Waylon Carlson, Navy Lieutenant – Norfolk, Virginia

Mitchell Phillips -Air Force Base, Oklahoma City

Tyler Hinton – Army, Ft. Leonard Wood, MO

David Segard III – Colorado

Brandon Fisk – Air Force, Minot, ND

Elisabeth Bullen – Navy, Sicily

Timothy Miller – Air Force, Afghanistan

Kids Hope USA mentors, prayer partners, and students

MISSION AT CEDAR SPRINGS UMC

To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world

***OUR VISION AT CEDAR SPRINGS UMC:
We share the love and hope of Jesus Christ...***

- by inviting people of all ages to participate with
- openness and sincerity
- by worshipping through music and fellowship
- by studying God's Word together
- by praying and caring for each other
- by serving each other, our community, and our world
- by giving of our time, talent, gifts, and resources



We have a hearing loop installed in the sanctuary area. To tune to it, turn your hearing aid to the t-coil setting.

If you don't have a hearing aid, but would like a headset to hear the worship service better, please ask an usher.

NIV Bibles, hymnals, prayer cards, and giving envelopes are in the rack and pocket of the chair in front of you. Please return them after worship.

Large Print bulletins are available from our ushers.

MISSION & MINISTRY THIS WEEK AT CSUMC...

Sunday, Mar. 12

- 9:00 a.m. Disciple Bible Study – parlor
10:15 a.m. Worship Service
11:30 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship
11:30 a.m. Outreach Meeting - Classroom

March 12--ENGEDI--This after-school program which is held in the Red Hawk building, particularly seeks to serve sixth graders, though older students can be a part of it also. Here there is a safe place where youth can study, get help with homework, meet with mentors and relax and have fun. Later this week there will be an event which will be the major fundraiser for them. There are posters all around town telling about this. By all means go and support them there. All of the offering taken that is indicated for Engedi will help keep their doors open.

Monday, Mar. 13

- 12:30-2:30 p.m. Red Hats - parlor
6:00-8:00 p.m. Adult Wood Carving – parlor

Tuesday, Mar. 14

- 12:00 p.m. Love & Stitches – Cedar Café
1:00 p.m. Love & Stiches – parlor
3:45 p.m. Kids Choir

Wednesday, Mar. 15

- 10:00 am Disciple Bible Study - parlor
6:00 -7:00 p.m. Food & Faith- Fellowship Meal followed by Kids Christian Ed.
Meal: Irish Stew – Mens Group
6:45 p.m. Adult Choir – Sanctuary

****Chimes Newsletter Articles Due****

Thursday, Mar. 16

- 6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts

Friday, Mar. 17

- 6:30-8:30p.m. Community Players – Fellowship Hall

Saturday, Mar. 18

7:00a.m. Lions Pancake Breakfast- Fellowship Hall
9:00a.m. **Mens Group Meeting – Fellowship Hall**
10:00 a.m. **Disciple Bible Study – classroom**
10:00a.m. **UMW Meeting – parlor**
2:00-6:00p.m. Cub Scouts Pinewood Derby–Fellowship H.

Sunday, Mar. 19

9:00 a.m. **Disciple Bible Study – parlor**
10:15 a.m. **Worship Service**
11:30 a.m. **Coffee & Fellowship**

March 19--UMCOR Sunday. All gifts given this day will go to cover the basic costs of running this agency of the United Methodist Church. (That means that when special offerings are taken for disaster relief or any other specific need, ALL those funds go directly to that project.) UMCOR has a 4 Star rating from Charity Navigator, which is the largest charity evaluator. They judge for fiscal responsibility and ethical practices. When you give to UMCOR you can be assured that the money will be well used. (UMCOR is United Methodist Committee On Relief)

Wednesdays - Food and Faith –Our “Food and Faith” Wednesday evenings have been very successful. Thank you to everyone for the support. Meal Schedule for the following dates:

03/15 – Irish Stew – Mens Group
03/22 – Potluck Dinner
03/29 – Dinner provided by Anna & Friend

Chimes Newsletter: Remember that April Chimes articles are due by the 15th of March. It is important that the information is received in the office by the 15th in order to have enough time to create, proof and publish the newsletter before the first day of the month. If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer in the church office.

Church Re-Key: The church re-key is scheduled for Wednesday, March 15th. Those who have been approved for a new key will be able to pick them up the 15th & 16th at the church office – during office hours.

Also, we are in need of an engraving tool to mark the keys. Does anyone have one we could borrow? If so, please contact the office or Trustee John Hansen.

Kids Christian Ed. - Leaders are needed for our Wednesday night Faith classes. Please see Nancy Noreen if you can help. Classes are from 6:30-7:00.

Name Tags: We encourage you to wear your nametags so that visitors and new members to our congregation feel welcomed. If you do not have a nametag, please let the office know and one will be made.

Mens Group: Next Meeting is Saturday, March 18th in the Fellowship Hall during Lions Breakfast.

April Event: Tour of Brewery followed by lunch. More details to come...Contact Tom Palmer at (616) 696-3081 or tom.pal@hotmail.com for more details.

A Big “Thank You” to all the men who helped with the February 22nd dinner. It is greatly appreciated.

Interested in being an Usher? We need four (4) people each Sunday to help take the offering. If you are interested, please see the “Usher” sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. Thank you.

We have been accumulating quite a few items over the last several months that people have left in the church building. We have a box in the office for “Lost and Found” items. Also there are a lot of items on the coat rack (shelf) outside of the office. So if you are missing something, please check in with us during office hours!

