

# *Welcome to* Cedar Springs United Methodist Church

*MY LORD and MY GOD*



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*Sunday Worship Services: 10:15 a.m.*

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

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**3rd Sunday of Easter**  
**April 30, 2017**  
**Service of Celebration and Worship**

**WELCOME:**

We are so pleased you joined us to celebrate a living God who sustains all life in continually unfolding ways. We encourage you to enter worship with open hearts...open minds... and open ears to God's continually unfolding Word.

**After worship, we invite you to join us in the Fellowship Hall  
for refreshments and lively conversation.**

**Announcements – Life in our Community of Faith:**

*(Fill out the yellow cards with your prayer concerns and hand to an usher.)*

**\*Passing the Peace of God:**

*(Shake your neighbor's hand, offering God's peace and blessing.)*

**\*Praise Response:** *He Has Made Me Glad* (TFWS 2270)

**\*Call to Worship:**

L. Smile, people of God! Let the wrinkles of joy baptize your face.  
Let us celebrate God's presence and each other: It's great to be alive.

**P. IT'S GREAT TO BE ALIVE.**

L. Laugh, people of God! Lose yourself in the sheer delight of God's grace and love and  
of our together-ness in God's house.

**P. IT'S GREAT TO BE ALIVE IN CHRIST.**

L. Then let us sing of our aliveness and joy as we sing a hymn of praise.

**\*Hymn of Praise:** *Easter People, Raise Your Voices* (UMH 304)  
*Oh How He Loves You and Me* (TFWS 2108)

**\*Opening Prayer:**

**We thank you God that you give us new life and freedom in Jesus Christ. Our faith and our hope are in you. Since our earthly lives pass like the flowers of the field, which bloom today and fade tomorrow, we want to be rooted securely in your eternal love. Be known to us as we live from day to day, through the grace of Jesus Christ. Amen**

**New Testament Lesson:** I Peter 1:3-9 (NIV 1886)

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

**CSUMC Choir:** *Think About His Love*

**Children's Moments:**

**\*Hymn of Preparation:** *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* (UMH 384)

**\*Gospel Reading:** **John 20:19-31** **(NIV 1686)**

**Message:** *Easter People Live Within the Breath of God*  
Pastor Jane Duffey

**Prayers for the People followed by the Lord's Prayer:**

**Giving of our Tithes and Offerings:**

**Doxology** (UMH 94)

**\*Sending Hymn:** *Breathe on Me, Breath of God* (UMH 420)

**\*Blessing:**

You have once again heard the story. You have experienced new life in the risen Lord. Christ is among us, now and forever. Peace be with you, dear friends. Peace be with you always. Amen

<b>Serving in Ministry</b>	<b><i>This Week (04/30):</i></b>	<b><i>Next Week (05/07):</i></b>
Audio	<i>Mark Scooros</i>	<i>Mark Scooros</i>
Video	<i>Tim Scott</i>	<i>James Scott</i>
Choir Director	<i>Sue Harrison</i>	<i>Sue Harrison</i>
Chimes	<i>Kathy Makowski</i>	<i>Jerry VanderWal</i>
Hand Chimes	<i>Bonnie Hitchingham</i>	<i>Bonnie Hitchingham</i>
Kid's Choirs	<i>Nancy Noreen</i>	<i>Nancy Noreen</i>
Organist	<i>Janet Avery</i>	<i>Janet Avery</i>
Pianist	<i>Bonnie Hitchingham</i>	<i>Bonnie Hitchingham</i>
Greeters	<i>John &amp; Joyce Hansen</i>	<i>Kathy Makowski</i>
Nursery Caregivers	<i>Sally Johnson</i>	<i>Helene Caldwell</i>
Liturgist	<i>Mary Yuncker</i>	<i>Keith Caldwell</i>
Fellowship Time	<i>Greg &amp; Sally Johnson</i>	<i>Scott &amp; Danielle Phillips</i>
Ushers	<i>Dan Davis, Keith Caldwell</i>	<i>Dan Davis, Keith Caldwell</i>

**\*If you are able, we ask the congregation to please stand at these times during the service.**

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

**Prayer Requests:** Marnie Swan, June Price, Bob Galle, Vera Duzan, Lois Larson, Helen Tibbe, Ann Scott & family, Bud & Helen Gambée & family, Steve & Karen Mueller, Jo Furhoff, Betty Kilts, Albert Abel, Casey VanderMaas, Jerry & Lois Collis, Greg & Sally Johnson, Soonja Koole, John & Joyce Hansen.

**Friends:** Elizabeth VanEss Becker, Nancy Gerlich, Lloyd Hansen, Pat Johnson & family, Mel Zimmerman, Cory Brown, Carrie Bowerman, Family of Brett Harden, Brandon Maat & family, Emma & family (no last name given), Gary Tibbe, Dennis Bevier, Ken Bremer, Dale Waller, Jordan Cliff & family.

**Members and Friends in Care Facilities:**

Clark Retirement Community: Jim Scott

Green Acres – Standale: Helen Tibbe

Metron of Cedar Springs: Vera Duzan, 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

Elisabeth Bullen – Navy, Sicily

Aaron Burnside & Kenny Neville– Army Nat'l Guard

Waylon Carlson, Navy Lieutenant – Norfolk, Virginia

Jackie Champion – Air Force, Afghanistan

Brandon Fisk – Air Force, Minot, ND

Tyler Hinton – Army, Ft. Leonard Wood, MO

Jake Merritt – Marines

Jenny Mueller – Navy

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

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

Peter Noreen – Fort Wainwright, Alaska

Mitchell Phillips -Air Force Base, Oklahoma City

David Segard III – Army, Colorado

Nick Segard – Army, Atlanta, GA

**Kids Hope USA:** mentors, prayer partners, and students

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## ***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, Apr. 30**

**10:15 a.m.                   Worship Service**  
**11:15 a.m.                   Coffee & Fellowship**  
6:30-8:30 p.m.               Community Players – nursery

**April 30---Community Food Pantry** -We are committed to the continuing support of the Community Food Pantry located in our building. Many volunteers shop, stock, and meet with clients each month. Our monetary support means that the shelves, freezers and refrigerators are full of food and household supplies so that those who come are able to go away with supplies their family needs to be healthy. Knowing that you care enough to provide this support helps meet the clients' needs beyond physical hunger.

## **Tuesday, May 02**

**1:00 p.m.                   Love & Stiches – parlor**  
**3:45 p.m.                   Kids' Choir – upstairs**  
**6:00 p.m.                   Fellowship Meal – Pizza Dinner**  
6:30-8:30 p.m.               Community Players – parlor  
**7:00 p.m.                   Trustee Meeting - parlor**

## **Wednesday, May 03**

**6:45 p.m.                   Adult Choir – Sanctuary**  
7:00-9:00 p.m.               Community Players – parlor

## **Thursday, May 04**

6:30 p.m.                   Cub Scouts  
6:30-8:30 p.m.               Community Players – parlor

## **Sunday, May 07**

**10:15 a.m.                   Worship Service**  
**11:15 a.m.                   Coffee & Fellowship**  
**11:30 a.m.                   Evangelism Meeting - parlor**

**May 07---Amundsens-** Our mission offering is for support of the Amundsens who pastor the UMC in Thousandsticks, KY. Robert, Shirley and Jordyn can lead this church and be active in this community because we reach beyond ourselves. They are part of the Red Bird Conference which carries out various ministries in this very low income part of our country. The vitality of the ministry of Thousandsticks UMC is an encouragement to those there who are seeking to live out Christ's directive to make disciples and change the world.

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**Liturgists** – Do you like public speaking? Have a desire to lead? We have an opportunity for you! We are looking for volunteers to be Sunday Liturgists. If interested, please contact Sue Harrison or the church office.

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**Wednesdays - Food and Faith** –Our last two meals will be 05/03 & 05/10. Thank you to everyone who has given their time, assistance, and/or financial support to this mission. We have had a wonderful year and look forward to seeing everyone in the fall.

**05/03 – Pizza**

**05/10 - Potluck**

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**Guitar Boot Camp:** What? Basic Training on the guitar for ages 11-16.

Registration: May 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 7:00 p.m. in the upstairs parlor at CSUMC. Please use the south entrance on Church Street. Bring a parent or guardian because their signature is required. Class size is limited to 12 students. Registration fee: \$60.00 includes a guitar and all supplies.

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**UMW Information:** I am updating the email list for the United Methodist Women. If you would like to be added, please send your email address to [bhitchingham@aol.com](mailto:bhitchingham@aol.com). We email minutes of meetings, and occasional reminders about events. We'd like to include all the women of the church. Thanks! Bonnie Hitchingham

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**The Outreach Committee** is providing support and hope to a family of seven in our community. If you are able to donate an item or help us in meeting the needs of the family we have adopted, please contact the church office or Sally Johnson (616-788-8225) for a list of items/necessities and pickup/delivery information – or you can pick-up a tag from the table outside of the sanctuary. Thank you for your support and donations.

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**Church Conference:** Sunday, May 14th at 11:30 a.m. in the church sanctuary there will be a Church Conference held to set the salary for Pastor Karen Sorden. All church members are welcome to attend.

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**VBS 2017 - “Hero Central” July 24<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>**

Come and discover your Super strength with us!

We'll have lots of fun – including crafts, games, stories and much more.

Watch for more information in May.

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**Communion Stewards:** If you would like to learn to give communion to church members who are homebound or living in care facilities, please see Pastor Jane or Keith Caldwell.

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**Church Camp:** Believe it or not, it's time to think about registering for camp! Brochures for United Methodist camps and Pine Ridge Bible Camp are available in the office. Various church groups set aside money to pay a portion of each person's camp registration fee, and extra financial help is available, so don't let the cost be a deterrent to registering for camp. Camp changes lives!

If interested please see Nancy Noreen – (616)696-5186 or [nanoreen@aol.com](mailto:nanoreen@aol.com).

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**Graduation:** Our congregation would like to recognize and celebrate graduation milestones. Please call or email the church office with names of first graders, high school or college graduates to be sure that we don't miss anyone. Please have information to us by May 2nd.

Also, if you are graduating from high school or college, please give us information about what activities you have been involved in, any honors you have received, and what you are planning to do next year so that we can share it with our church family. Thank you!

Office email: [office@cedarspringsumc.org](mailto:office@cedarspringsumc.org) or (616) 696-1140.

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**College News:** The Dr. and Mrs. J.H. Teusink Loan was established to help students pay for educational costs. Loan fund are available to students connected with our church family. More information and applications are available in the church office.

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Spring Cleaning: Volunteers are needed for sprucing up the parsonage! If you can help out in any way, we would really appreciate it. Please contact John Hansen, Trustee Chair for information and dates.

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**Little Dresses for Africa:**

We have fabric donated and are looking for volunteers to sew the dresses. If you can help us out, please see Ann Scott or contact the church office.