

# *Welcome to* Cedar Springs United Methodist Church



A Woman with Great Faith  
*Matthew 15:21-28*

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

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

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Cedar Springs United Methodist Church  
August 20, 2017  
Service of Celebration and Worship

**GATHERING MUSIC**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*SONG OF PRAISE**                      **“Standing on the Promises” v. 1**                      **UMH 374**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP (congregation in bold)**

In the gathering of school supplies,  
in the harvesting of backyard gardens:

**God blesses us beyond imagination.**

In the simple acts of daily chores,  
in the kindness shared by a stranger:

**God is gracious to us.**

In the rapture of a child watching a firefly,  
in the inquisitive look of a senior wondering where they left their keys:

**God's face shines upon us.**

We praise you, O God!

**We praise you!**

**\*OPENING HYMN**                      **“My Faith Looks Up to Thee”**                      **UMH 452**

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)**

In almost every opportunity, O God, we choose not to follow you. From our hearts to our mouths flow words that hurt others, come thoughts that lead us away from you. We are richly blessed, but think others should be grateful for the crumbs we offer to them. Our claims to have great faith are disputed by our inability to trust you in all things. We come to you, Helper of the weak, for you are gracious and forgiving. You offer us the fullness of your love, not just a few dollops. You refuse to let us go, but sweep us up with arms of joy. You send Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, to lead us into your kingdom. Amen.

**\*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (congregation in bold)**

I ask you, has God rejected us?

**No! By God's grace, God's gifts and God's calling are never taken back.**

I ask you, again, has God rejected us?

**No! That Love we know as God will never let us go.**

This is good news, dear friends, believe it.

**Thanks be to God. We are forgiven. Amen.**

**SPECIAL MUSIC**                      **Pastor Karen**

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

“Crumbs of Faith”  
Matthew 15:21-28

Rev. Karen Sorden  
NIV 1522

\*HYMN

“Victory in Jesus”

UMH 370

## THIS WEEK'S PRAYER CONCERNS AND PRAISES

### A MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER

### PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

## OFFERING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS TO GOD

\*SONG AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

UMH 95

\*CLOSING HYMN

“This Is a Day of New Beginnings” vs. 1-4

UMH 383

\*BENEDICTION

<b>Serving in Ministry</b>	<b><i>This Week (08/20):</i></b>	<b><i>Next Week (08/27):</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>
Special Music	<i>Pastor Karen Sorden</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>Helene Caldwell &amp; Liz Becker</i>	<i>Phil &amp; Sari Wesche</i>
Nursery Caregivers	<i>Sally Johnson</i>	<i>Sally Johnson</i>
Liturgist	<i>Sue Harrison</i>	<i>Karen Ringler</i>
Fellowship Time		<i>Tom &amp; Hazel Palmer</i>
Ushers	<i>Dan Davis, Keith Caldwell</i>	<i>Dan Davis, Keith Caldwell</i>

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

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

<b><u>Members</u></b>	<b><u>Friends - continued</u></b>
Esther VanDerMaas	Evelyn Veltkamp
John Teusink	Randy Truman
Carolle Gunnell	Steve Biehn
Chuck & Tonnie Smith	Mr. Bartrum
Jack & Mary Averill	Clinton Ogden
Albert Abel	Syd Sapp
Helen Tibbe	Ed & Nancy Johnson
Alice Powell Anderson & family	Melanie Cochrell
Jerry & Lois Collis	Chris Dobkey & children
Ken Brooks	Chloe Mason
John & Joyce Hansen	Tom & Barbara Mickam
Bud & Helen Gambiae & family	Kathy Morris
Betty Kilts	Tim Price
Greg & Sally Johnson	Mallory Johnson
Soonja Koole	Nancy Gerlich
	Pat Johnson & family
<b><u>Friends</u></b>	Mel Zimmerman
Jennie Ringler	Dennis Bevier
Brisson Ricker	Ken Bremer

**Members and Friends in Care Facilities:**

Clark Retirement Community: Jim Scott  
 Green Acres – Standale: Helen Tibbe  
 Metron of Cedar Springs: Rose Hunter, Lois Larson

**Homebound:** Barb Rowland

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

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

**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

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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...***

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- 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, talents, gifts, and resources
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**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 do not 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...***

**Nursery for Pre-School kids and under is available during worship.**

**Beginning September 10 every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday following the Children's Message all kindergarten thru 5<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to meet downstairs for a Bible lesson and activity.**

**Altar Flowers given by Tim & Dorothy Scott in celebration of Jimmy & Allison Scott's Birthdays.**

**Sunday, Aug. 20**

**10:15 a.m.**

**Worship Service**

**11:15 a.m.**

**Coffee & Fellowship – Fellowship Hall**

**Aug. 20 – General Fund** -- Please continue to support the General Fund so that we can meet our obligations, including Ministry Shares. You may designate gifts for payment of Ministry Shares as well as any other committed giving.

Thank you for bringing in all the school supplies! We can fill more than 200 kits, which will be used in so many places where disaster or war interrupt normal lives. We will use whatever you bring to help meet the needs.

Heifer Project is "over the top" and we are SO excited that you caught the excitement of the VBS children. To date we have nearly \$600. We will make our choices and send our money in early September.

**Tuesday, Aug. 22**

**10:00-11:30 a.m.**

**Women's Bible Study (Luke 17 & 18) – Parlor**

**7:00 p.m.**

**Finance Committee Mtg. - Parlor**

**Wednesday, Aug. 23**

**12:30 p.m.**

**C.S. Community Players – Fellowship Hall**

**Thursday, Aug. 24**

**11:00 a.m.**

**Christian Ed. Work Bee – classrooms**

**6:30 p.m.**

**C.S. Community Players – Fellowship Hall**

Looking for volunteers to join us in sprucing up our classrooms before our Christian Education classes begin. If you can give of your time & talents - we would love to have the help!

**Friday, Aug. 25**

**6:30 p.m.**

**C.S. Community Players – Fellowship Hall**

**Saturday, Aug. 26**

**4:00 p.m.**

**Max Hoven Memorial & Luncheon – F. Hall**

**Sunday, Aug. 27**

**10:15 a.m.**

**Worship Service**

**11:15 a.m.**

**Coffee & Fellowship – Fellowship Hall**

**Aug. 27 –The Community Food Pantry.** This place of full shelves and caring volunteers is a blessing to many. Your continued support means that Christ's command to "Feed the hungry" is consistently showing your love and God's love right here in Cedar Springs.

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**Adult Classes:**

Starting September 10 on Sunday mornings at 9 AM there will be a study of the New Testament in the parlor. Childcare will be provided. If you are interested please let me know so we can order the study guides. Tom Noreen – (616) 696-5186 or [tomnoreen@aol.com](mailto:tomnoreen@aol.com).

A Women's Bible study of *Luke* will continue on Tuesday mornings at 10 AM in the parlor.

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**Nursery and Sunday School – Disciple Making Opportunities:**

At Cedar Springs UMC, our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ who transform the world around them. When you sign up to staff our nursery or offer to teach a Sunday (Wednesday) school class, you are joining with God to love and nurture our children, expressing God's grace to them, and helping them to grow and mature in their faith. We thank you for your part in helping make disciples of Jesus Christ! You may sign up to staff our nursery on the bulletin board outside the Sanctuary or speak to Sally Johnson. Nancy Noreen is currently seeking Sunday school teachers/helpers for the 2017-18 school year. Please consider these disciple-making opportunities!

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**College Boxes:**

College boxes are coming! As you shop, please keep your eyes open for items that our college students can use. (No pens, please; we have enough from last year.) We expect to send about 10 boxes. Thank you!

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**Attention Youth:**

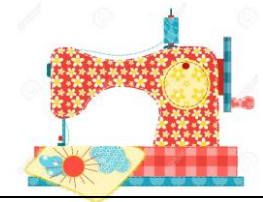
Refuge Youth Network meets Tuesdays from 6:00 pm – 8:30 pm at the Cedar Rock Sports Plex located at 4758 Cornfield Drive. Each weekly meeting includes games, food, music, teaching, small groups, free time, or tutoring.

Fliers are on the table outside the door to the sanctuary. For more information, see Tom Noreen.

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**Sewing Group:**

The sewing group will start meeting twice per month on the second and fourth Tuesdays. Bring a project and come join us for the evening from 6:00-8:00 p.m. The September dates are: 09/12 & 09/26.



### **Walking With Christ:**

Do you want to get some exercise or maybe just spend some time with friends while staying active? Starting September 11<sup>th</sup> we invite you to join our group walking laps in the Fellowship Hall (or if the weather is good – outside) from 3:00-4:00 p.m on Mondays and Wednesdays.

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### **Food & Faith:**

Our Wednesday night Food & Faith will be starting back up on September 6 with a picnic meal. If you can donate a salad or dessert to go with the main course, please contact Sally Johnson @ 616-788-8225.

The Kid Christian Education classes will start the next Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup> from 6:20-7:00 p.m. following a pizza dinner.

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### **Calling All Men:**

If you love to cook and have some tasty recipes, the Men's Group would like to hear from you!

The Men's Group is publishing a cookbook and they are looking for men to send them their favorite recipes.

Therefore, men please send your recipes in electronic format (Word documents) to Keith Caldwell or Tom Palmer as soon as you can. Their goal is to have the cookbook published in time to sell at the Red Flannel Festival lunch. September 1<sup>st</sup> is the last day they will be accepting recipes, but the sooner you get them in, the more time they have to put the book together.

Email recipes to Keith Caldwell: [pastorkeithcaldwell@gmail.com](mailto:pastorkeithcaldwell@gmail.com) or to Tom Palmer: [tom.pal2010@gmail.com](mailto:tom.pal2010@gmail.com).

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### **UMW Business:**

The next UMW meeting is September 16 at 10:00 a.m. in the parlor.



**We love our Rummage Sales!** Wednesday, August 30 & Thursday, August 31.

Sign-up sheets are located on the table outside of the Sanctuary. Please place items for the sale on the porch. We do ask that a 3 ft walkway be left in the center of the porch! If you can place your items in boxes, it makes them much easier to stack. We will be donating all leftovers from this sale to North Kent Connect.

Thank you so much for your donations! We ask that you do not bring older large computer monitors or tv's with the deep backs for the sale. Unfortunately, they do not sell and the donation centers no longer accept them. Thank you for understanding!

If you have questions please contact Teresa at 616-799-0081, call or text. Email [tertib@gmail.com](mailto:tertib@gmail.com) or through the church's Facebook group.