

CEDAR SPRINGS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Service Times

Sunday Worship @ 10:15 a.m.

- ››Supervised Nursery Care
- ››Children's Church 2nd & 4th Sundays
- ››Holy Communion 1st Sunday

Wednesday Food & Faith @ 6:00-7:00 p.m.

- ››Dinner for All
- ››Kids' Christian Ed & Youth Group

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See an Usher for Assistance



November 26, 2017

W E L C O M E

we're glad you're here

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP (congregation in bold)

Come, open your hearts to the Lord!

We are grateful to be here, remembering all that Christ has done for us.

Friends and family – all are welcome in the house of the Lord.

Those who are new to our church, those who seek, those who feel lost and alone.

Christ meets us here; he breaks the bread of salvation for us.

He embraces us with his transforming and forgiving love.

Dear friends, let us rejoice in God's love.

We are called to receive that love and reach out in compassion to others.

*OPENING HYMN "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" **UMH 154**

CALL TO CONFESSION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Sovereign God, we confess before you that we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have lied to ourselves and excused our actions. We are too busy taking care of ourselves and our families. We'll have time later. We don't have enough resources to help ourselves and others. Someone else will do it. Forgive us for skirting our own responsibility, for making excuses, for not following your commandments. Help us to come to you. Help us to end our excuses and instead to pick up the cross, put to death the things that are holding us back, and follow you. In your name, the blessed name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

CHOIR ANTHEM "People Need the Lord"

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON "The Image of the Invisible"

Rev. Karen Sorden

Luke 23:33-43

NIV 1641

*HYMN "Jesus Shall Reign" **UMH 157**

THIS WEEK'S PRAYER CONCERNS AND PRAISES

CALL TO PRAYER "Cares Chorus" **TFWS 2215**

A MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE 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

*THE DOXOLOGY **UMH 95**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*CLOSING HYMN "O How I Love Jesus" **UMH 170**

*BENEDICTION

*Please stand as you are able.

UMH=United Methodist Hymnal

TFWS="The Faith We Sing" Hymn Supplement

SOMETHING I WANT TO REMEMBER...

SCRIPTURE I WANT TO READ...

A PRAYER I WANT TO PRAY...

CEDAR SPRINGS UMC IN SERVICE

Putting our faith into action is at the very heart of our Christian calling. Every person has the opportunity to serve and to live out their calling more faithfully. Volunteers embody Christian love in action by bringing their diverse talents to our worship service, educational offerings, mission programs, and local outreach ministries. Sign-up sheets are available on the bulletin board in the hallway outside the Sanctuary or you may talk to Pastor Karen.

	<u>This Week (11/26/17)</u>	<u>Next Week (12/03/17)</u>
Audio	Mark Scooros	Mark Scooros
Children's Church		--
Choir Director	Sue Harrison	Sue Harrison
Fellowship	Greg & Sally Johnson	
Gathering Music	Jerry VanderWal	Kathleen Makowski
Greeters	Audrey Cavner & Marnie Swan	Ken & Louise Shaw
Kids' Choir	Nancy Noreen	Nancy Noreen
Liturgist	Mari Anne Jones	Keith Caldwell
Nursery	Sally Johnson	Sally Johnson
Organist	Janet Avery	Janet Avery
Pianist	Bonnie Hitchingham	Bonnie Hitchingham
Ushers	Keith Caldwell Dan Davis	Keith Caldwell Dan Davis
Video	Tim Scott	James Scott

CEDAR SPRINGS UMC MISSION

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

CEDAR SPRINGS UMC VISION

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, talents, gifts, and resources

CEDAR SPRINGS UMC IN PRAYER

Prayer is the primary work of God's people. It is a vital connection to God where we can hear from, listen to, and respond to God. We encourage you to pray as part of being a healthy disciple. Here are some folks you can pray for this week...

Members and Friends in Care Facilities:

Clark Retirement Community: Jim Scott

Metron of Cedar Springs: Rose Hunter, Lois Larson, Carollee Gunnell

The Sanctuary at St. Mary's: Helen Tibbe

Green Acres: Bob Townes

Homebound: Barb Rowland

Members	Friends	
Bill & Mary Yunckers	Mary Smith	Lyn Berkompas
Christian Covell	Bob Townes & Dee Koopman	Donna Livingston
Bud & Helen Gambee	Sue Andrews	Brison Ricker
Family of Betty Kilts	Margie Lovell	Ed Johnson
Ivan Opperman	Lawrence Reyburn	Mallory Johnson
Ann Scott	Bev Wesche	Nancy Gerlich
Fred & Carollee Gunnell	Ken & Sharon Pierce	Tim Price
Helen Tibbe	Dale Waller	Mel Zimmerman
Jackie & Madaline Harvey	Powell Family	Randy Truman
Jerry & Lois Collis	Jon Houghtaling	Kathy Morris
Betty Kilts	Kirby Minnick	Tom & Barbara Mickam
Albert Abel	Pat Brehem	
John & Joyce Hansen	Dee Cyom	
Greg & Sally Johnson	Chloe Mason	
Soonja Koole	Lori Ostrom	

Missionaries: Robert & Shirley Amundsen, Thousandsticks, KY

Kids Hope USA: Mentors, Prayer Partners, and Students

In Our Country's Service:

Jordan Ackerman Elisabeth Bullen

Kenny Neville Wayne Carlson

Nick Segard Tyler Hinton

Jenny Jo Collin Peter Noreen

David Segard, III

Ben & Sarah (Noreen) Smith

Russell & Janet (Noreen) Scott, Evelyn & Noah

Aaron Burnside

Jackie Champion

Jake Merritt

Mitchell Phillips

Names will remain on the prayer list for one month unless specified otherwise on the prayer card. Thank you.

THIS WEEK AT CEDAR SPRINGS UMC

SUNDAY (11/26)

Adult Bible Study (Parlor) 9:00 a.m.
Worship w/Children's Church (Sanctuary) 10:15 a.m.
Coffee Hour (Fellowship Hall) 11:15 a.m.

MONDAY (11/27)

Acoustic Music (Sanctuary) 7:00 p.m.

TUESDAY (11/28)

Women's Bible Study (Parlor) 10:00 a.m.
Love & Stitches (Parlor) 1:00 p.m.
Youth Hand Chimes (Sanctuary) 2:45 p.m.
Kids' Choir 3:40 p.m.
Scouts #3220 (Classroom) 6:00 p.m.
Sewing Group (Parlor) 6:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY (11/29)

Fellowship Meal –provided by UMW (Fellowship Hall) 6:00 p.m.
Kids Christian Ed. (classrooms) 6:20 p.m.
Adult Choir Practice (Sanctuary) 6:45 p.m.

THURSDAY (11/30)

Cub Scouts (F.Hall, Classrooms, parlor) 6:30 p.m.

FRIDAY (12/01)

SATURDAY (12/02)

SUNDAY (12/03)

Adult Bible Study (Parlor) 9:00 a.m.
Worship w/Communion (Sanctuary) 10:15 a.m.
Coffee Hour (Fellowship Hall) 11:15 a.m.
UMW Advent Event (Sanctuary) 3:00 p.m.
Bethlehem Express Family Advent Event (F. Hall, Parlor) 5:00 p.m.

NEWS & EVENTS AT CEDAR SPRINGS UMC

November 26th Mission Offering: Cleaning Buckets

Hanging of the Greens:

Everyone is invited to be a part of this holiday tradition of decorating the church for the Christmas Season- Thursday, 11/30 @ 2:00p.m.

Poinsettia Orders:

We are ordering Poinsettias again this year “In Remembrance” or “In Honor” of loved ones or special persons in your life. Order forms included are in the bulletin, on the upstairs table or in the Church Office. This year's poinsettias are 6 1/2” pots for \$7.00 each.

Poinsettia colors are: Red or White

Orders will be taken from 11/26/17—12/03/17.

Please fill out the forms and return them with the payment to the Church Office or place in the offering basket during service.

“Tree of Hope” North Kent Connect Christmas gift program:

NKC has redesigned their Star Child Christmas program from the past years and renamed it Tree of Hope. Sheets explaining what they want to accomplish and what they are asking are located in the church office. Items are due 12/11. You have been most generous in past years supporting the holiday program of North Kent Connect and are encouraged to help meet the needs of many this year.

Advent Events - Sunday, December 3rd :

UMW will be holding our annual Advent Event with Harpist, Jill Hoffman. Mark your calendars for 3:00 p.m. that day and join us for some beautiful music. What a joyful way to start your holiday season!



All Aboooooard the Bethlehem Express!

A free family event with crafts, carols, snacks, and the Christmas story.

Great for young and old, families and singles!

Sunday- 12/03 from 5-7pm in the Fellowship Hall