

# CEDAR SPRINGS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## Service Times

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### Sunday Worship @ 10:15 a.m.

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

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

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

## Contact Us

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### Office...

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### Office Hours...

Tuesday – Friday 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.



**T-Coil Hearing Loop Available in the Sanctuary**  
**See an Usher for Assistance**

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December 31, 2017

# W E L C O M E

*we're glad you're here*

## PRELUDE

\*PRAISE SONG "Shine, Jesus, Shine" (refrain-2x's) TFWS 2173

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 148 UMH 861

\*HYMN OF PRAISE "Joy to the World" UMH 246

## OPENING PRAYER (in unison)

Shine in our hearts, Lord Jesus.

Shine in our lives.

Shine in the Word now read and proclaimed,  
and we, children of your light, shining for all people,  
will follow. Amen.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION (congregation in bold)

We have opposed your ways, O God. *(Based on Luke 2:22, 51-55, NRSV)*

**We have not loved you with our whole heart.**

**We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**We have avoided the hard truths of your prophets.**

*Silence*

Your Spirit reveals our innermost desires.

**And we are pierced as with a sword.**

*Silence*

Show us your mercy, O God.

**And grant us your salvation.**

By your light,

**may we see light.**

*Silence*

## WORDS OF ASSURANCE

## CHOIR ANTHEM

"There's a Song in the Air"

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 61:10-62:3

NIV 1158

## EPISTLE READING:

Galatians 4:4-7

NIV 1813

\*HYMN OF PREPARATION "There's Something About That Name" UMH 171

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

## \*GOSPEL READING

Luke 2:22-40

NIV 1591

## \*GLORY BE TO THE FATHER

UMH 70

## MESSAGE

"What's In a Name?"

Keith Caldwell

## RESPOND TO THE WORD

Apostles' Creed

UMH 882

## PASTORAL PRAYER

## 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

## \*DOXOLOGY

UMH 95

## \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Magnificent God, you created the universe, and your wisdom shines through the laws of nature that we discern. In the incarnation of your Son Jesus Christ, you worked a miracle to bring salvation. Through your awesome deeds, you light an inextinguishable hope in our hearts. Help our congregation to work together in new ways to tell others your amazing good news. May our tithes and offerings support your work through our outreach ministries. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen

## \*CLOSING HYMN

"Go, Tell It on the Mountain"

UMH 251

## \*BENEDICTION

\*Please stand as you are able.

UMH=United Methodist Hymnal

TFWS="The Faith We Sing" Hymn Supplement

## 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 (12/31/17)</u>	<u>Next Week (01/07/18)</u>
Audio	Mark Scooros	Mark Scooros
Children's Church	--	--
Choir Director	Sue Harrison	Sue Harrison
Fellowship	Diane Bengtson Tom & Hazel Palmer	--
Gathering Music	Jerry VanderWal	Kathleen Makowski
Greeters	Jo Furhoff & Shirley Neff	Tom Decker
Kids' Choir	Nancy Noreen	Nancy Noreen
Liturgist	Mary Yuncker	Keith Caldwell
Nursery	--	--
Organist	Janet Avery	Janet Avery
Pianist	Bonnie Hitchingham	Bonnie Hitchingham
Ushers	Dan Davis	Keith Caldwell Dan Davis
Video	James Scott	Tim 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:

Metron of Cedar Springs: Rose Hunter, Lois Larson

The Sanctuary at St. Mary's: Helen Tibbe

Homebound: Barb Rowland

<b>Members</b>		
Darcey Raymond	Bud & Helen Gambee	Mary Smith
Tim & Dorothy Scott & family	Greg & Sally Johnson	Lawrence Reyburn
Ann Scott & family	<b>Friends</b>	Dale Waller
Randy & Suzanne Neiderheide and family	Barbara Hickam & family	Dee Cyom
Letha Gebhardt & family	Family of Brison Ricker	Chloe Mason
Chris Segard	Family of Elayna Durso	Lori Ostrom
Bill & Mary Yuncker	Nesbit Family	Lyn Berkompas
Christian Covell	Jim Everly	Ed Johnson
Fred & Carollee Gunnell	Sandy Mayo	Mallory Johnson
Helen Tibbe	Allyn Abel & family	Nancy Gerlich
Jackie & Madaline Harvey	Marily Stetson	Tim Price
Jerry & Lois Collis	Dave Hamacher	Mel Zimmerman
Albert Abel		Randy Truman
John & Joyce Hansen	Family of Bob Townes	Kathy Morris
Soonja Koole	Dee Koopman	

Missionaries: Robert & Shirley Amundsen, Thousandsticks, KY

Kids Hope USA: Mentors, Prayer Partners, and Students

### In Our Country's Service:

Jordan Ackerman	Elisabeth Bullen	Aaron Burnside
Kenny Neville	Wayne Carlson	Jackie Champion
Nick Segard	Tyler Hinton	Jake Merritt
Jenny Jo Collin	Peter Noreen	Mitchell Phillips
David Segard, III		
Ben & Sarah (Noreen) Smith		
Russell & Janet (Noreen) Scott:	Evelyn, Noah	

**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 (12/31)

Worship Service (Sanctuary) 10:15 a.m.  
Coffee Hour (Fellowship Hall) 11:15 a.m.

### MONDAY (01/01/2018)

**Happy New Year!**  
Church Office & Food Pantry Closed

### TUESDAY (01/02)

Church Office & Food Pantry Closed  
Love & Stitches (Parlor) 1:00 p.m.  
NO Women's Bible Study (will resume Jan. 9)  
NO Youth Hand Chimes or Kids' Choir (will resume Jan. 9)

### WEDNESDAY (01/03)

NO Kids Christian Ed. (will resume Jan. 10)  
Adult Choir Practice (Sanctuary) 6:45 p.m.

### THURSDAY (01/04)

### FRIDAY (01/05)

### SATURDAY (01/06)

Lions Pancake Breakfast (Fellowship Hall) 8:00 a.m.

### SUNDAY (01/07)

Worship Service w/Communion (Sanctuary) 10:15 a.m.  
Coffee Hour (Fellowship Hall) 11:15 a.m.

## NEWS & EVENTS AT CEDAR SPRINGS UMC

### December 31<sup>st</sup> Mission Offering: Community Food Pantry

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**Sympathy** to Ann, Tim & Dorothy Scott and their families on the passing of Ann's husband, Jim. Please keep them in your prayers.

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### **Year End Contributions:**

Anyone wishing to make a final contribution for the year 2017 will need to have it turned into the church office by 12:00 p.m. December 31<sup>st</sup>. Contributions received after that time will be posted to 2018.

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### **UMW Funeral Luncheon Coordinator:**

UMW Funeral Luncheon Food Coordinator: After several years of taking care of the funeral luncheon meals, Marge Covell has decided to retire. We thank her for her service of this wonderful mission we have for the community. We are looking for someone to take her place going forward. This would include making phone calls to the church family to see if they can provide salads, cakes or veggie trays for the luncheons. This would only need to happen when we have a funeral luncheon at our church. She has notes and is willing to train as needed for the first luncheon that our church would provide after someone takes over. This person wouldn't be expected to work the luncheons or call for helpers. Betty VanderWal is still in charge of that. Thank you for your consideration. You can contact Mari Anne Jones for more information.

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### **Adult Wood Carving:**

Wood carving with Dan Davis and Gary Brooks will begin on Monday, January 8<sup>th</sup>. Classes will be Monday nights from 6:00-8:00 p.m. in the parlor. If you have any questions, please contact Dan Davis at 616-696-1939.

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