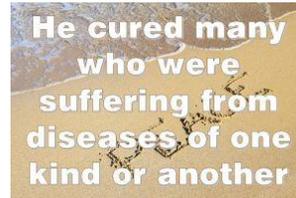


**Cedar Springs
United Methodist Church
February 7, 2021
9:30 a.m.**



Prelude

Greeting

Scripture: Psalm 147:1-11, 20c – Tom Noreen

Opening Prayer: Tom Noreen

Call to Worship: Larry French

Have you not known?
Our God is the everlasting God, Creator of the ends of the earth.

Have you not heard?
God does not faint or grow weary.

Have you not known?
God's understanding is unsearchable.

Have you not heard?
God gives power to the faint and strengthens the powerless.

Have you not known?
**Those who wait for God will renew their strength
they shall mount up with wings like eagles.**

We come to hear.
**We come to know.
Thanks be to God.**

Together with Kids:
"Jesus Loves Me! This I Know" (UMH 191, vs. 1) - Scott Family

Music "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" (UMH 474)
Bonnie Hitchingham

Scripture Mark 1:29-39 (NRSV) - Larry French

Jesus Heals Many at Simon's House

²⁹ As soon as they^{ἔβη} left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. ³⁰ Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. ³¹ He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

³² That evening, at sunset, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. ³³ And the whole city was gathered around the door. ³⁴ And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

A Preaching Tour in Galilee

³⁵ In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. ³⁶ And Simon and his companions hunted for him. ³⁷ When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." ³⁸ He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." ³⁹ And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

Message: "Hunting for Jesus" - Pastor Larry French

Music: "He Touched Me" (UMH 367)
Bonnie Hitchingham

The Offering

Benediction

Postlude

Worship Participants:

Tom Noreen, Liturgist
Larry French, Pastor

Bonnie Hitchingham, Pianist
Cassidy Mayo, Scott Family, Together with Kids

Cedar Springs in Prayer

If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please contact the church office @ 616-696-1140 or email: office@cedarspringsumc.org. Names will remain on the prayer list for 1 month unless notified. Thank you

Members	Friends	In Care Facilities
Woody & Jan Avis	family of Nancy (Wesche) Gerlich	The Brook of C.S.-
Pete Kribbet	Soonja Koole	Albert Abel
Gerry & Lois Collis	Ken Miner	Bev Wesche
Dan & Diane Christie	Raymond Joseph Lacrosse	Spectrum Hospital
Wayne & June Price	Family of Gene Waller	Frances Abel
Hal Ringler	Family of Phil Wesche, Sr.	Metron of C.S. -
Fred & Carollee Gunnell	Family of Dick Tice	Rose Hunter
Bud & Helen Gambee	Ken Miner	
	Cathy Detz	
	Teresa Tibbe	
	Ron Tennant & family	
	Dale Waller	
	Tim Price	
	Randy Benedict	

Kids Hope USA:

In Our Country's Service:

Jordan Ackerman	Aaron Burnside	Tyler Hinton
Mitchell Phillips	Elisabeth Bullen	David Segard III
Nick Segard	Peter & Mikelle Noreen	
Jenny Jo Collin (Mueller)	Russell & Janet (Noreen)	Scott-Evelyn, Noah
James & Jackie (Champion) Finley	Ben & Sarah (Noreen)	Smith- Kate, Jessica

Our Sympathy to John & Joyce Hansen on the passing of Joyce's sister, Nancy (Wesche) Gerlich. Please keep them in your prayers.

Church Building Use: If you have a need to enter the church building during this time, please use the office entrance and remember to sign in so that we know who and where in the building people have been. This will help us to keep areas sanitized and safe for all our staff, members and volunteers.

Church News

Welcome & Care Committee – This committee is looking for a volunteer to take over the role of sending care cards out to church members/families whenever there are special occasions/events. If you are interested, please give the church office a call.

Ash Wednesday / Lent Meditation

Lent is a time when we prepare ourselves for Easter. This season of preparation takes a measure of commitment from the start, and while it certainly is a serious time, it doesn't have to be somber. This year is different than most, and so we will do the imposition of ashes that kicks off our Lenten season a little differently as well:

- You will be able to pick up ashes in the main entrance foyer at the following dates/times:
 - Wed., Feb. 10th 9am-1pm
 - Thu., Feb. 11th 11am-1pm
 - Tue., Feb. 16th 11am-1pm
 - Wed., Feb. 17th 9am-1pm
- We will have an online Ash Wednesday service available for viewing at 7pm on Wed., Feb. 17th
- During the service you will have a time to impose ashes on yourself or your family members in your household.

Photo-a-Day Meditation: When you pick up your ashes you can pick up a sheet that will have word/themes for each day during Lent (Monday-Saturday). This spiritual practice asks you to focus on the word or theme for the day and share a photo related to the theme on our Public Group Facebook page – “Cedar Springs United Methodist Church”, or you can email the photos to office@cedarspringsumc.org. Our photos will be displayed during the Sunday Service each week. (Please ask family or friends to help you send photos in if you have never done so before – or contact the office.)

Our hope is that we can all participate together in this preparatory season that ends in a time of celebration of new life in Jesus Christ. This photo meditation can be a fun time – involve the kids or grandkids. Send message to each other encouraging participation. Let your creative side out. However you decide to participate, we hope you will enjoy this season and have an opportunity to reflect on what it means to be part of a community that is getting ready to receive the risen Christ!

Blessings of peace and love to you all.

Pastor Larry

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