

**Cedar Springs
United Methodist Church
Sunday – May 2, 2021
9:30 a.m.**



Prelude

Greeting

Scripture: Psalm 22:25-31 – Chris Segard

Opening Prayer: Chris Segard

Praise Song: “Even If” – Mercy Me

Call to Worship: Larry French

We are branches, rooted in the vine of Christ.

We come because we seek to abide in Christ.

The branches that remain in the vine bear much fruit.

We come because we long to be spiritually vibrant, alive, productive.

If we abide in Christ, then Christ’s words will abide in us.

We come because we strive to be faithful disciples.

We gather for worship now to the glory of the One God:

Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer.

May we grow wildly as God tends us lovingly.

Together with Kids:

“Jesus Loves Me! This I Know” (UMH 191, vs. 1) – Nancy Noreen

Music: “Life-giving Bread” (Vs. 1-4 TFWS 2261)

Scripture: John 15:1-8 (NRSV) - Larry French

Jesus the True Vine

15 “I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. **2** He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes^[a] to make it bear more fruit. **3** You have already been cleansed^[b] by the word that I have spoken to you. **4** Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. **5** I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. **6** Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. **7** If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. **8** My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become^[c] my disciples.

Message: “Bearing Good Fruit” - Pastor Larry French

Community Prayers

Music: “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” (Vs.1-3 UMH 384)

The Offering

Send Off

Postlude

Worship Participants:

Chris Segard, Liturgist

Larry French, Pastor

Bonnie Hitchingham, Music

Nancy Noreen, 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
Helen & Bud Gambee	Mark Price	The Brook of C.S.-
Steve & Karen Mueller	Family of Cindy Caldwell	Bev Wesche
Chris Segard	Jean Anderson	Albert Abel
Darcey Raymond	Jack Dunaven	Pilgrim Manor
Keith Caldwell	Jeff Hansen	Frances Abel
Judy Murray	Cathy Redman	Metron of C.S. -
Woody & Jan Avis	Tim Price	Rose Hunter
Gerry & Lois Collis	Randy Benedict	
Dan & Diane Christie		
Wayne & June Price		
Fred & Carollee Gunnell		

Kids Hope USA: Mentors, Prayer Partners, and Students

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)
James & Jackie (Champion) Finley		
Ben & Sarah (Noreen) Smith- Kate, Jessica		

Church News

Missions Reminder: The Mission Committee has earmarked May's designated offerings for mission trips. Please prayerfully consider supporting our mission projects by donating during the month of May. Please refer to the May Chimes for details on May Mission giving.

Church Building Use: If you have a need to enter the church building during this time, please use the office entrance and remember that masks are to be worn inside of the church at all times. We also ask that you 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.

Habitat for Humanity Mission Trip: The Habitat Mission Trip for this summer is scheduled for the dates of June 6-12. We have moved it to an early date this year and want to get the word out and encourage anyone who is interested to please contact Tom Noreen with questions and to get more information. Email him at: tomnoreen@aol.com

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Church Office Hours:

Phone Hours: Mon-Thurs. 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

In Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday – 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Treasurer's Hours: Thursdays – 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Pastor Larry's Office Hours:

Tuesday – 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Wednesday – 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Thursday – 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
