



THE CHURCH WINDOW



First Congregational
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

February 2020



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CALENDAR / SCHEDULE	10-11

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SOUPER BOWL

Souper Bowl of Caring is the time for us to tackle hunger in Grand Ledge. On **February 2, 2020** (which is Super Bowl Sunday) our young people will be collecting for the Grand Ledge Food Bank. In addition to our monthly food collection, they will be holding soup pots to collect money that is used to purchase items that are not donated.

Watch for the soup pots and help us fight hunger right here at home!

CONGREGATORS

For once we beat the ice storm by a day! Eleven Congregators had a merry time catching up with each other since we hadn't been together since November. We celebrated three birthdays, singing Happy Birthday to Jim, Joan and Kathy in very musical fashion! Everyone was glad to hear that Gerry is back home and doing well. We plan to celebrate her 100th birthday at Congregators in February! It doesn't take much to spur memories of the way we did things as kids...eating popcorn in milk, enjoying a bowl of blueberries or bananas with milk and a sprinkle of sugar and pouring a little maple syrup on vanilla ice cream. The next date for lunch at **1 p.m. at the Log Jam is Friday, February 14, 2020**, weather permitting. **Please be sure to get in touch with Jim (517.627.7968), Sandy (517.420.2121) or Charlene (517.281.5019) to reserve your spot!**

BIRTHDAY'S

Cheryl Mattson
Virginia Schiefelbein
Gary Burt
Vicki McWilliams
Jenna Kay Patrick
Mariah Cosper
Marcia Kent
Tim Kent
Ben Kent
Vicki Hunter
Mary Lou Prevost
Gerry Arnold
Bethany Posey



If your birthday has been inadvertently missed, please contact the church office at 627-2336 or office@grandledgeucc.org

SISTERS OF RUTH

The Sisters of Ruth Circle would like to thank you for the generous donations for the Baby Jesus Tree. Many articles of clothing and diapers were taken to the Grand Ledge Food Bank to help the precious little children of Grand Ledge. Without your support, many would go without. Thank you once again for your generosity.

Peace and Happiness, Fay



We have a condensed version of the newsletter this month due to the 2019 Annual Report. You will find more detailed information there. Thank you.

February 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat.
January 26 10:30 am Worship / Choir Sings	27	28	29 6:00 pm AA 7:30 pm AL ANON 8:00 pm AA	30 7-8:30 pm Choir Practice 8:00 pm AA	31 OFFICE CLOSED	1
2 SOUPER BOWL OF CARING 10:30 am Worship Communion & Food Drive / Choir Sings	3 7:00 pm Bell Practice	4	5 6:00 pm AA 7:30 pm AL ANON 8:00 pm AA	6 7-8:30 pm Choir Practice 8:00 pm AA	7 OFFICE CLOSED	8
9 10:30 am Worship / Bells Play	10 12:15 pm SOR 7:00 pm Bell Practice	11 9-11 am Pastor Laura's Drop-In Hours at FCUCC 6 pm Congregational Life	12 6:00 pm AA 7:30 pm AL ANON 8:00 pm AA	13 7-8:30 pm Choir Practice 8:00 pm AA	14 OFFICE CLOSED 1:00 pm Congregators Lunch @ LogJam 6:00 pm Square Dance Caller Wayne Pelmeear	15
16 10:30 am Worship / Choir Sings	17 President's Day OFFICE CLOSED 7:00 pm Bell Practice	18 6:00 pm WGOD	19 6:00 pm AA 7:30 pm AL ANON 800 pm AA	20 7-8:30 pm Choir Practice 8:00 pm AA	21 OFFICE CLOSED	22
23 10:30 am Worship / message by Chad Frost Newsletter Available	24 7:00 pm Bell Practice	25 9-11 am Pastor Laura's Drop-In Hours at FCUCC 10:15 am Southside Comm. Kitchen 6:30 p.m. Executive Board	26 ASH WEDNESDAY 6:00 pm AA 7:30 pm AL ANON 8:00 pm AA	27 7-8:30 pm Choir Practice 8:00 pm AA	28 OFFICE CLOSED 6:00 pm Square Dance Caller Wayne Pelmeear	29

Sunday Schedule for FEBRUARY 2020					
Date	February 2nd 4th Sunday after Epiphany Green	February 9th 5th Sunday after Epiphany Green	February 16th 6th Sunday after Epiphany Green	February 23rd 7th Sunday after Epiphany White or Green	
Text	Mic 6:1-8 Matt 5:1-12	Isa 58:1-9a Matt 5:13-20	Deut 30:15-20 Matt 5:21-37	Ex 24:12-18 Matt 17:1-9	
Head Usher	Leah Horn	Chris Cypher	Lisa Reed	Kim Dible	
Greeters	Tina Lamer and Julie Wilkinson	Kim Dible and Anna Miller	Jane Cosper and Charlene Avery	Gary and Chris Cypher	
Ushers	Gary and Kathy Burt	Rich Brown and Tony Bray	Charlynn and Karen Walker	Patty Curtis and Cheryl Mattson	
Liturgist	Karen Ramthun	Lily Wilson	Anita Calcagno	Patty Curtis	
Crucifer	Bruce Ramthun				
Soundboard	Julie Wilkinson	Charlynn Walker	Mae Clark	Charlynn Walker	
Coffee Hour	Elva Maguire and Terry Bouck	Fay Schroeder and Mae Clark	Marcia Kent and Sarah Robinson	Joy Leonard and Beth Posey	
Altar Flowers	CALL THE OFFICE IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO RESERVE A DATE OR SIGN-UP ON THE SHEET IN THE HALLWAY				
Nursery Care	Nicole Finney	Nicole Finney	Nicole Finney	Nicole Finney	
Sunday School	Marcia Kent	Sarah Robinson	Marcia Kent	Marcia Kent	
Sunday Schedule for MARCH 2020					
Date	March 1st 1st Sunday of Lent Violet	March 8th 2nd Sunday of Lent Violet	March 15th 3rd Sunday of Lent Violet INSTALLATION	March 22nd 4th Sunday of Lent Violet	March 29th 5th Sunday of Lent Violet
Text	Gen 2:15-17, 3:1-7 Matt 4:1-11	Gen 12:1-4 John 3:1-17	Ex 17:1-7 John 4:5-42	1 Sam 16:1-13 John 9:1-41	Ezek 37:1-14 John 11:1-45
Head Usher	Lisa Reed	Kathy Burt	Leah Horn and Kathy Burt	Chris Cypher	Tina Lamer
Greeters	Joe and Jane Gilson	Fay Schroeder and Mae Clark	Joy Leonard and Ron Erskine	John and Freida Schneeberger	Sue Sackett and Bruce Ramthun
Ushers	Jim and Sarah Robinson	Terry Bouck and Elva Maguire	Sue Sackett and Anna Miller	Ben Banks and Kim Dible	Rich Brown and Tony Bray
Crucifer	Karen Walker				
Liturgist	Nate Oliver	Lily Wilson	Lisa Reed	Freida Schneeberger	Marcia Kent
Soundboard	Mae Clark	Charlynn Walker	Karen Walker	Charlynn Walker	Julie Wilkinson
Coffee Hour	Gary and Chris Cypher	Gla’ Spayde and Charlene Avery	Pat and Lisa Reed	Lon and Sheila Wilkinson	Bruce and Karen Ramthun
Altar Flowers	CALL THE OFFICE IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO RESERVE A DATE OR SIGN-UP ON THE SHEET IN THE HALLWAY				
Nursery Care	Nicole Finney	Nicole Finney	Nicole Finney	Nicole Finney	Nicole Finney
Sunday School	Marcia Kent	Paul Oatman	Paul Oatman	Paul Oatman	Paul Oatman



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by building an inclusive community
where uplifting worship and relevant messages deepen spirituality
and inspire acts of justice, service, and compassion.*

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Sue Sackett, Custodian	Lisa Reed and Kim Dible, Congregational Life
Nicole Finney, Nursery Care Provider	Chris Clark, Christian Outreach
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