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# Weekly Update— May 27, 2020

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## *Mission Statement*

*With God's guidance, we envision Carleton United Methodist Church as a family, alive and growing in a trusting environment; preparing everyone who enters to live and serve in the world.*

Dear Friends in Christ,

Please continue to pray for one another, our country and our world during these very challenging and trying times. Lift up in prayer our church leaders and me, your pastor, as we plan for the resuming of worship services at our church. There is no doubt we all miss worshipping together. Our Church Council had a video meeting in early May and will meet again in early June continue preparations. Understandably, there are so many factors to consider which makes it even more difficult. We do know that people can have COVID-19 and infect others even though they have absolutely no symptoms (being asymptomatic) and feel completely healthy. That is why we are doing our due diligence in our preparations. We are all earnestly praying for God's guidance as we plan in light of so many factors in our country, our state, and our homes and lives. We also consider those in our church family who have had COVID-19, as well as those grieving the loss of loved ones due to the virus. Though we live by faith in Christ and not fear, we also live by God's Wisdom and Spirit of love and unity, not only by our own wants and desires. I truly know this is very difficult on so many levels. However, I also have hope that we will weather this and other storms well as we do so all together and look to Jesus Christ our Good Lord and Shepherd. As He does, I also seek to keep our flock safely together, even if it means worshipping at home for a bit longer. We will keep you updated as we finalize plans, as well as with when we will resume worship services at church.

In Christ's Love,  
Pastor Taek



As of now, we are still hoping family camp will happen June 26-28 . Word has been received that the campground will open just before the scheduled family camp. Contact Karyn Vaughn (karynjb@yahoo.com) or Chris Mazur (christinemazur@gmail.com) for the most up to date information.

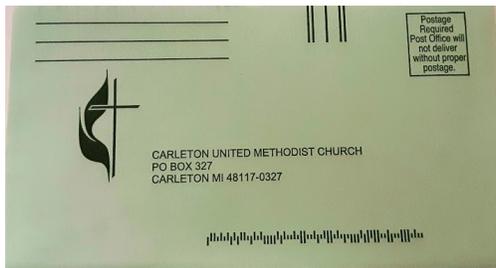


Congratulations to the 2020 Graduates from Carleton UMC. A parade was held on Tuesday, May 19th to honor them. They are:

**Riley Mossburg** graduated from Airport High School. She will be attending Michigan State University in the fall for Elementary Education.

**Halee Grass** graduated from Eastern Michigan University with a bachelor's degree in Elementary Education and Early Childhood Comprehensive.

**Adrianna Smith** graduated from University of Michigan with a Masters of Science and Nursing, and is waiting to take her state boards to be a Certified Pediatric Nurse Practitioner.



### **GIVING TO CARLETON UMC**

The church finance committee would like to thank everyone for their faithful giving, and to also remind everyone that the weekly offering envelopes are mailable with a first class stamp. We appreciate your continued support of the ministries of Carleton UMC during these uncertain and continually changing times. Currently Carleton UMC does not offer electronic giving of any kind. If this is something you would be interested in having access to, we ask that you email the church at [carletonumc@gmail.com](mailto:carletonumc@gmail.com). A list of those interested persons, will be generated for future opportunities.

### **CONTINUE TO COLLECT**

Carleton UMC continues to collect the Prairie Farms caps and bottle caps of all colors and sizes. Please continue to collect your caps at home while we are in the "stay in place, stay safe" quarantine.

The collection of all type of plastic bags will continue as well. Please bring your donations in once we are given the okay to open our doors. These bags will be taken to Chelsea Retirement community where they will continue to make them into sleeping mats.



### **MICHIGAN RETURNABLE'S**

Once we have the all clear to again open the church doors to the general public, we will resume collecting the Michigan Returnable Bottles and Cans in the meantime please continue to save them for the Mission Team outreach efforts.



One way to stop the spread of germs is to be diligent about washing our hands. Not sure if you are washing them long enough to kill the bacteria? Sources say if you recite the Lord's Prayer or sing your favorite hymn while washing your can help to prevent the spread of germs.

### **JUNE BIRTHDAY'S AND ANNIVERSARIES**

- 1 Dave Toth
- 4 Tracey Drouillard
- 5 Jim Sieb
- 6 *Ryan & Courtney Black*
- 7 Jessica King
- 9 Amy Grass, Ella Otter
- 14 Joan Mueller
- 15 Henrik Pinchoff
- 16 Mary Danzeisen, *Todd & Dawn Gray*
- 17 Heidi Ruhlig, *Aaron & Lindsey Vallie*
- 19 Josh Baker, *Trevor & Karen Kessell*
- 20 Adriana Smith
- 21 BJ Smith, Bob Stone, *Paul & Tara Etue*
- 22 Gina Giles, Randy Oleynik
- 23 Corbin Derry, *Jeremy & Erin Otter*
- 24 Andrew Barnhart
- 26 *Earl & Ethel Heiss, Darrell & Lori Mossburg*
- 28 Megan Luciw
- 29 *Randy & Pam Oleynik*
- 30 Jamie Kim

### **IN OUR PRAYERS**

We mourn with our church families who have lost loved ones in the last few months.

John & Michelle Rutkowski & family on the passing of John's mom, Irene.

Shurley & Bruce Lester & family on the passing of her brother, Bob Mell.

Gary & Laurie Breitner & family on the passing of Gary's aunt, Hazel Jedryczka

Ruth & Allen Smith & family on the passing of Ruth's brother, Roy Griffith.

Patricia Madaski & family on the passing of her mother, Julia Helka

Ted & Megan Robertson & family on the passing of Ted's grandmother, Sharon.

### **CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE**

Please remember that you can contact the church office by phone or email with prayer requests. The church phone (734-654-2833) will ring into Kathy's cell when she is not in the office. You can also email prayer requests to [carletonumc@gmail.com](mailto:carletonumc@gmail.com).

If you have an immediate need to speak to the pastor, you can call the parsonage at 734-654-2001.