



# May/June 2024

## “Radiant People, Brilliant Life, Bright Future”

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### *Pastor's Thoughts*

Hello Carleton family!

May the God of love, the Lord of the seasons, help you feel good and positive this spring. As you may have observed, the gentle caress of a spring breeze, the expansive azure sky, and the inviting warmth of the sun have graced us with their presence. How splendid it is! These moments inspire a sense of wonder and awe, prompting me to sing, “O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder, consider all the worlds Thy hands have made.”

I imagine that all of you have enjoyed the warm weather and seeing yellow dandelions in your garden this spring. How gorgeous it is! Let us appreciate the moments of seasonal beauty that God provides for us, offering praise for His exceptional creation, which He grants us for our delight and inspiration. Experiencing God’s creation is a profound way to elevate His name and offer Him glory.

Ecclesiastes says, “There is a time for everything and a season for every activity under the heaven. A time to be born and a time to die, a time to weep and a time to laugh, a time to mourn, and a time to dance. Spring is the season for laughter and dance. Let us embrace the rhythm of the seasons and fully enjoy the gifts that God has brought for us.

#### ***Remember the Day of Easter***

On Easter Sunday, we had a great time to celebrate in the resurrection of Jesus Christ and proclaimed the triumph of Jesus as He broke the power of death and emerged from the darkest tomb. As an extension of that, I as the spiritual leader of the Carleton faith community encourage you all. Spring 2024 is the time for all faithful members of Carleton to step forward and share the truth that Jesus Christ has conquered death, offering us a life that death cannot touch. Now is the time to decide to take up your cross and walk the path that Jesus Christ taught us to take.

It is a time to see how God is working new things for everyone’s good. Isaiah 43:18-19 says, “Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland.

#### ***Lisa and my favorite vegetable coming***

A few days ago, I had the pleasure of visiting northern Michigan to gather leeks from the natural garden that God has created for me. Now, it is the season of leeks coming. Many of you do not eat leeks, but Lisa and I love to eat them. In Korea, leeks are expensive, but in northern Michigan, we were amazed by the abundance of free, organic leeks that can be found everywhere. We harvest the leeks and use them to make kimchi, a Korean probiotic food. We preserve the kimchi for up to a year and enjoy it regularly. Surprisingly, it has already come out a little earlier than last year. We enjoy this spring routine to collect these high-quality and organic vegetables.

With blessings,  
*Pastor Cloud*



### ***Our 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.*

### **Contact Us**

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carletonumc@gmail.com  
734-654-2833

### **Sunday Worship—**

9:30 a.m.

### **Sunday School—**

10:30 a.m.

### **CHURCH MEMBERSHIP**

If you would like to make Carleton UMC your home church, speak with Pastor Cloud about becoming a member. Also talk with Pastor Cloud if you would like to be baptized or have your infant or child baptized.

### **FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE**

Just a reminder to keep the church office up-to-date if your mailing address, email, or phone number changes. It is vital that the church records are as accurate as possible. The church office is open Tuesday and Thursday from 9am to 2pm. We can always be reached by email at carletonumc@gmail.com. Kathy will be on vacation from June 14th to June 30th, returning to the office on Monday, July 1st. The deadline for the July/August Newsletter will be on Monday, July 1st.

### **CHURCH PRAYER NETWORK**

Don't forget that Carleton UMC has an email *Prayer Network*. If you have a prayer request just email (carletonumc@gmail.com) or call us 734-654-2833. We will do our best to relay your prayer request as quickly as possible.

### **PRAYER CARDS**

As a reminder that if you raise a prayer request in worship on Sundays & want to have a card sent, to please fill out a green prayer card (found in the pews) with the name and address. This will help to continue the much appreciated ministry of letting folks know others are praying for them. You can also leave written notes on Kathy's desk or in the box on the office door.

### **FAMILY NEWS**

Our prayers to the Dennis family on the recent loss of Delton.

The family of Patricia Williams wish to thank our church family and friends for the prayers during her illness. A special thanks to the ladies for the beautiful prayer blanket. She was covered with it when she passed. Also to Pastor Cloud and the people who gave up their Sunday afternoon to prepare a delicious meal for us. It was truly appreciated.

*Blessings to All*

### **CONFIRMATION**

On Sunday, March 17th the 2024 Confirmation Class were received into the membership of the church. Congratulations to Everett, Ella, and Sophia and their families.



### **ASSISTANCE FOR THE ELDERLY**

The Member Care and Outreach Committee would like to offer their services to the elderly or those in need of assistance with small jobs. A few examples are: hanging a picture, help with rearranging furniture, getting boxes down or putting them away. **(This does not include painting, yard care, or large jobs.)**

If you need a ride to the store, or a doctor's appointment, or possibly just need company, we will do our best to help. For assistance, please contact: Cheryl Marlow 313-702-4929 or Kim Baxter 734-731-1544.

### **Carleton United Methodist Church General Fund Income and Expense Statement January 1—April 11, 2024**

#### **Income**

General Fund Income	\$46,761.20
Investment Income	\$ 8.42
Rental Income	\$ 300.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$47,069.62</b>

#### **Expenses**

Our Church Home	\$21,008.93
Our Church Programs	\$ 3,338.91
Our Pastoral Ministry	\$25,730.85
Our Outreach Ministry	\$ 2,890.96
Unpaid Ministry Shares	\$ 5,882.55
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$58,852.20</b>

**General Fund Loss as of 4/11/2024** (\$11,782.58)

### **FROM YOUR FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Thank you for continuing to support the ministries of the Carleton United Methodist Church.

As a reminder your offering envelopes are mailable with a first class postage stamp. Please be sure you are using the 2024 (grey) boxed set as your number in our giving system has changed. If attending worship you may either drop your offering in the plate as you enter the sanctuary or when the Usher's pass the plates during worship.

# RUMMAGE SALE

**May 17th and 18th**

If you are spring cleaning or downsizing the Women's Group at Carleton UMC is hosting a church wide Rummage Sale on May 17 & 18 from 9 a.m.-4pm. both days. This coincides with the Carleton village wide garage sale.

Here are some dates for our Spring Rummage Sale  
**Tuesday**—May 14th drop off rummage sale goods 9-12 & 5-7pm

**Wednesday** May 15th -drop off 9-12 & 5-7pm

**Thursday** May 16th drop off 9-12. No evening drop off.

**Friday** May 17th 9-4 rummage sale begins

**Saturday** May 18th 9-4 last day of sale.

Saturday pack up boxes to keep or to donate to charity

Donation of small and medium boxes are appreciated.

Acceptable donations include: women's shoes, belts, handbags, small kitchen appliances, cookware, kitchenware, crafting items, and other household items and décor.

*We except everything with the exception of the following things: Baby furniture, large furniture, encyclopedias, computers and clothes, personal care items, baby/toddler play pens, cribs, car seats, and high chairs.*

This year we will have individual bags of chips for sale, along with water.

## MOTHER'S DAY BAKE SALE SPONSORED BY THE MISSION COMMITTEE

May 12th

Proceeds will support United Methodist Committee on Relief. Donations of baked goods would be greatly appreciated.

### GAME DAY

Retirees, those living alone,  
or anyone feeling  
the winter blues!

Join friends for Game Day  
Wednesday

**May 1st & June 5th**  
**11:30am to 1:30pm**  
Snacks provided

Park and enter on the North end  
of the church and  
Meet in the classrooms on the  
right as you enter.

#### LITURGIST

May 5	Marvin S
May 12	Youth
May 19	Trevor K
May 26	Brenda S

June 2	Tim B
June 9	Lisa P
June 16	Paul E
June 23	
June 30	Terry B

#### JUNIOR CHURCH

May 5	Karen K
May 12	Youth Led service
May 19	Jennifer L
May 26	Activities will be on the cart

Watch your weekly bulletin for exciting details on Junior Church this summer.



#### CALLING ALL GRADUATES!

If you or a family member (that attends our church) will or have Graduated from High school or higher learning institute since September of 2023 and would like to be recognized during the June 9th worship service, please turn in their name to the church office by Sunday, May 26th. Please include where they have/or will graduate from and include the degree received with the field of study.

#### NEXT NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:

July 1st. This will be for the July/August Newsletter

**WALKING TALKING**  
 Each evening weather permitting  
 at 6:30pm join friends as we walk  
 around the church property. 5 times  
 around equals 1 mile

# May 2024

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
<p><i>Pray daily:            Sunday: Pray for your church            Family</i></p>	<p><i>Pray daily:            Monday: Pray for your            family &amp; relatives</i></p>	<p><i>Pray daily:            Tuesday: Pray for            your school &amp; job</i></p>	<p>1            11:30 am—            1:30pm Game            Day</p> <p><i>Pray daily:            Wednesday:            Pray for your            country &amp; com-            munity</i></p>	<p>2</p> <p><i>Pray daily:            Thursday: pray            for your friends            &amp; neighbors</i></p>	<p>3</p> <p><i>Pray daily:            Friday: pray for            global mission            and missionaries</i></p>	<p>4            9am-2pm Church            Spruce Up Day.            Lots of help needed</p> <p><i>Pray daily:            Saturday: pray for            the Sunday service            &amp; your pastor</i></p>
<p>5            9:30am Worship            10:30am Sunday School            Coffee &amp; Cookies after worship</p>	<p>6            10:30—11:30am Mon-            day Morning Bible            Study</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8            10-11am Prayer            Hour</p> <p>6:30-7:30pm            Bible Study</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10            10:30-3pm Quilt-            ing with Friends</p>	<p>11            9am United Meth-            odist Men Breakfast            at 5th Wheel Diner</p>
<p>12  <b>MOTHER'S DAY</b>            Youth Led service 9:30 a.m.            Mission Committee Bake Sale to            support UMCOR            2pm Walking with Friends</p>	<p>13            10:30—11:30am Mon-            day Morning Bible            Study</p>	<p>14  <b>Drop off of            donations 9am-            12pm &amp; 5-            7pm</b></p>	<p>15  <b>Drop off of            donations            9am-12pm &amp;            5-7pm</b></p> <p>10-11am Prayer            Hour</p> <p>6:30-7:30pm            Bible Study</p>	<p>16  <b>Drop off of            donations            9am-12pm            and set up</b></p>	<p>17  <b>Rummage            Sale 9am-            4pm</b></p>	<p>18  <b>Rummage Sale            9am- 4pm</b></p>
<p>19  <b>Pentecost Sunday-wear red</b>            9:30am Worship            10:30 Sunday School—Last one            until September</p>	<p>20            10:30—11:30am Mon-            day Morning Bible            Study</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22            Prayer time and            Bible Study will            not meet today as            Pastor Cloud            attends Annual            Conference</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>
<p>26            9:30am Worship            10:30 am Popsicles on the Play-            ground            2pm Walking with Friends</p>	<p>27            Memorial Day</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29            10-11am Prayer            Hour</p> <p>6:30-7:30pm            Bible Study</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p>	

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2 Worship 9:30 a.m.	3 10:30-11:30 Bible Study	4	5 10-11am Prayer Hour  6:30-7:30pm Bible Study	6	7	8
9 Worship 9:30 a.m. Communion, Baptism, and Graduates (Oh my) Followed by Coffee, Cookies, and Fellowship  2pm Walking with Friends	10 10:30-11:30 Bible Study	11	12 10-11am Prayer Hour  6:30-7:30pm Bible Study	13	14  <b>Family Camp @ Waterloo Recreation Area thru 16th</b>	15
16 <b>FATHER'S DAY</b>  Worship 9:30 a.m.	17 10:30-11:30 Bible Study	18	19 10-11am Prayer Hour  6:30-7:30pm Bible Study	20	21	22
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