

Courtland-Oakfield United Methodist Church

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Sunday Worship – 11:00 am

Contact Pastor Kim DeLong at (616) 866-4298 or kim.delong.1113@gmail.com

Pastor Kim is available by phone or appointment Tuesdays through Sundays

or at any time by text or email and for pastoral emergencies

Pastor Kim's Rockford-area hours are every other Tuesday (Jan 15, 29; Feb 12, 26) and all day every Friday

Administrative Assistant office hours: Wednesdays, 10:30 am - 3:30 pm; Friday mornings, as needed

Weekly Happenings

Sunday, January 13

Breakfast, 8:00 am to 10:00 am

MiBlood Blood Drive, 8:30 am to 1:00 pm

Glad2 in the Library, 9:45-10:30 am

Worship – Noisy Offering, 11:00 am

Fellowship Coffee Following Worship

Monday, Wednesday, Friday

Senior Fitness, 10:00 am

Monday, January 14

Liturgical Dance Practice, 7:00 pm

Tuesday, January 15

Governance Board Meeting, 6:30 pm

Wednesday, January 16

Breakfast at Kelly's, 356 N. Main, Cedar Springs, 8:00 am

Choir Practice, 7:00 pm

Sunday, January 20

Pastor Kim at Courtland-Oakfield for a Full Morning

Glad2 in the Library, 9:45-10:30 am

Worship – Human Relations Day, 11:00 am

Fellowship Coffee Following Worship

January 20 Town Hall Meeting and Potluck Immediately Following Worship

To Discuss General Conference in February

The Poinsettias in the sanctuary are ready for the taking. Please help yourselves if you'd like to take one home with you.

LARGE PRINT BIBLES AND HYMNALS ARE AVAILABLE FOR USE. SEE ANY GREETER OR USHER FOR A COPY TO USE THIS MORNING.

UPPER ROOM AND

POCKETS: January editions of *Upper Room* and *Pockets* are available at Guest Central and in the Narthex for anyone to take. Please help yourselves.

LOST AND FOUND: The Lost and Found box under our church mailboxes is overflowing. Please look and see if any of these items are yours to retrieve. In addition, we have small items that have been found over the years and brought to the church office. If you have lost jewelry items such as rings, earrings, pins, watches, or keys, please contact

Visit www.coumc.org to view upcoming worship topics, current events, weekly bulletins, and sermon recordings. Find information about our active groups and their activities throughout the year. If you are a first-time visitor, we hope you will complete a Welcome Card for us and receive a free gift. Welcome Cards help us live into our goal of hospitality.



Courtland-Oakfield United Methodist Church Sunday Worship and Praise

Our Vision: To become people who love as God loves

Our Mission: To do what Jesus did – deliver hope, healing, and hospitality to our community

Our Values: Open hearts, open minds, open doors

** Please stand in body or spirit



T-Loop available



AED defibrillator in narthex to right of church mailboxes

January 13, 2019, 11:00 am – First Sunday after Epiphany
The Spirit of the Lord is Upon Us – Guest Preacher: Jane Ellen Johnson

Welcome & Announcements

** **Gathering Hymn**

UMH #77 "How Great Thou Art"

Opening Scripture

Psalm 29

Call to Worship

Liturgist: Gather from East and West, from North and South. God is calling us; listen, for God is naming you.

People: The voice of God thunders through our midst. The voice of God is powerful and full of majesty.

Liturgist: Bow in awe before the one who created you. God knows you completely; yet accepts you.

People: The voice of God commands our attention. The voice of God is like fire and tornado.

Liturgist: God reaches out to strengthen, not condemn us. God brings us through terror to a place of peace.

People: Ascribe to God glory and strength. Worship God in awe, wonder, and joy!

** **Hymn**

UMH #252 "When Jesus Came to Jordan"

Prayers of the People

Anthem

"Jesus, Name Above All Names"

Time with Our Children

Noisy Offering to Support Missions

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Scripture Reading

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Message

“The Spirit of the Lord is Upon Us”

Reaffirmation of our Baptism

UMH, pages 50-53, The Baptismal Covenant IV

**** Hymn**

UMH #347 “Spirit Song”

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

**** Doxology**

UMH #95 “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Prayer of Dedication

**** Closing Hymn**

UMH #393 “Spirit of the Living God”

**** Blessing and Sending**

UM Hymnal 898 “Amen”

BLOOD DRIVE AND

BREAKFAST TODAY: Thank you to all who signed up to donate blood today. If you did not have a chance to sign up, there were still a few slots open the last time we checked, so you just might be able to donate if you make that last-minute decision. One lucky donor will also be chosen to receive a Meijer Gift Card! Please also sign up for our next blood drive happening on Sunday, March 10. Michigan Blood Saves Lives!

NEXT SUNDAY - TOWN HALL MEETING & POTLUCK:

Please bring your dish to pass and join fellow Courtland-Oakfield members at a Town Hall Meeting and Potluck immediately following worship on January 20. We will discuss the upcoming General Conference that will be held February 23-26, 2019, in St. Louis, Missouri.

NEXT SUNDAY – HUMAN RELATIONS DAY: Envelopes will be in next Sunday’s bulletin for a Special Sunday Offering on Human Relations Day, January 20. Your donations will help support the Community Developer’s Program and the United Methodist Voluntary Services Program administered by Global Ministries, as well as the Youth Offender Rehabilitation Program administered by the General Board of Church and Society.

WELCOME, REV. JANE ELLEN JOHNSON!

Jane Ellen attended COUMC before serving as pastor for 16 years at Farwell UMC and Lansing Grace UMC. We are grateful for Jane Ellen’s return to lead us in worship. We are also grateful to have Jane Ellen be our Guest Speaker for each of the Sundays this year in which Pastor Kim will be spending a full morning at Wyoming Park UMC.

QUARTERLY PRESENCE IN 2019: In order to develop deeper relationships with all of us at COUMC, Pastor Kim will begin spending a full morning with us for one Sunday of each quarter this year. Pastor Kim can then take part in the early morning activities she is unable to participate in regularly. Likewise, Pastor Kim will spend a full morning at Wyoming Park for one Sunday of each quarter, at which time COUMC will host a guest speaker. A schedule showing which Sundays this year Pastor Kim will be at Courtland-Oakfield for a full morning has been posted next to the church office. The first full Sunday morning at COUMC will be January 20.

COUMC CARES THANK YOU'S

♥ Wow, thank you so much for thinking of us with the wonderful Christmas bag filled with goodies to eat, lotions, socks to keep my feet warm, copies of the Upper Room and the lovely cards that you all signed. Your thoughtfulness and spirit of generosity are appreciated. We miss you all and hope to return soon. Blessings, Kary [Scheiern] and Bill [Martin]

♥ It's difficult to put into words our gratitude for your prayers, cards, calls, and visits during Jerry's surgery, rehab, and continued healing at home. Your Christmas basket brought even more smiles and appreciation for such a caring family — namely you! God bless, Jerry and Marybeth [Rardin]

♥ Thanks for the home-made Christmas card and thanks for all the people that wrote their name in it. Happy Love. Thanks to all my friends that signed the card and thanks for the flowers. With love, Kenneth [Becker]

♥ Many thanks to my church family for the thoughtful gift bag. May the Lord bless each of you. Thank you to my church family for your visits, prayers, cards, and notes of encouragement. Also thank you for the beautiful prayer shawl. I will be covered with warmth and love while I am recovering. May the Lord bless you, Peggy Avery

♥ [Note: sadly, Leona Post passed away on December 30.] Thank you for the nice gift bag filled with goodies that I received this Christmas. It is nice to be remembered by you all, but you need not continue to do this because I am not a shut-in. I have become a member of Camp Lake Baptist Church in Sparta and attend worship services and mid-week prayer meetings there. Thank you again for your kindness and generosity, but perhaps another more needy individual can be the recipient in the future. Sincerely yours in Christian love, Leona Post

♥ Dear Friends, I cannot thank you all enough for the “goodies” delivered to me! Thank you Jeannette for being a wonderful and helpful person! It did take a while for me to get through all the “surprises” and boy, the treat's were great!! God Bless you all! In Christ — love, Jeannette R. Batitis

♥ Thank you for the gift bag. Marilyn and Mike Reeb

For easier reading, the actual Thank-You Cards are posted on the bulletin board next to the church office.

Sunday, January 13, 2019

Pastor: Kim DeLong | Music Director: Karen Postema

Liturgist today:

Don Chandler

Liturgist next week:

Tonya Mata

Head Usher today and for January:

Dave Scramlin

Greeters today:

Fred and Debbie Galloway

Greeters next week:

Fred and Debbie Galloway

Coffee today:

Dawna Ames
and Diane Harvey

Coffee next week:

Paula Sanders and
Jeannette Greeb

Nursery volunteer today:

Mary Scramlin

Nursery volunteer next week:

Ruth Nelson

Junior Church

Volunteer today:

Melissa Schippers

Junior Church

volunteer next week:

Brenda Galloway

A/V for today and for January:

Cam DeLong

Communion Steward

February 3: TBD

Communion Server

February 3: TBD

2019 volunteer sheets are available at Guest Central. If you are planning on volunteering for 2019, please take and complete a sheet, and return it to Jeannette Greeb as soon as possible. Everyone's help is sincerely appreciated.