



# COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

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## DATES TO REMEMBER

**February 10th**  
Progressive Dinner  
Starting at 4:00pm

**February 11th**  
Scout Sunday with  
Pancake Breakfast  
Between Services  
(10am-11am)

**February 14th**  
Ash Wednesday

### PROGRESSIVE DINNER

You're invited to a progressive dinner Saturday, February 10th starting at 4:00pm. The evening starts with appetizers at Pastor Jeremy and Tamara's home (2317 Marquard). The main meal will be at George and Sandi Harryman's home (725 Mariwood) followed by dessert at Doug and Kim Wood's home (507 Loerie). This is a FREE event. Sign up is on the bulletin board in the gathering room or contact Kim Wood at 670-3969 or kimwood131517@gmail.com

### SUB SANDWICH SALE

The UMW is having a "Super Sub Sale" just in time for Super Bowl Sunday. Subs will be freshly made and distributed on Saturday, Feb 3rd from 9am-11am OR Sunday, February 4th before and after both services. Place your order by seeing the signup sheet on the bulletin board. There is a limited supply so sign up early. Subs are \$6/ea or 3 for \$15.

### SMALL GROUP OPPORTUNITY

If you've been looking for a small group to join, consider our Tuesday morning group. Starting February 6th, ALL are invited to a small group gathering that meets every Tuesday morning at 9:30am in the room behind the kitchen. Led by Diane Tennant, the group does various Bible studies and supports one another in all areas of life.

### SCOUT SUNDAY AND BREAKFAST

We're celebrating Scouts on Sunday, Feb 11th! Support them by attending their pancake breakfast between the two services (10-11am). Stay after the first service or come early to the second service.

### SAVE THE DATE

Mark your calendars...Our 2018 Vacation Bible School (VBS) is scheduled for Monday, June 18th - Thursday, June 21st! Volunteers are always needed and wanted. If you'd like more information about how you can be involved, please contact Angie Friesner at 740.5879 or angie-friesner@gmail.com

### ONLINE GIVING

We offer a more convenient way for you to give your regular tithe or a one-time gift. Available on our website ([www.communitychurchumc.org](http://www.communitychurchumc.org)) we offer giving online. Use your credit card, debit card, savings or checking account to make secure, convenient regular or one time gift to the church.

### KIDS CAMPS and CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS

Everyday, United Methodist camps are changing lives. At camp, kids discover new friends, grow in Christ, and experience the wonder that nature offers. Unplugged from the constant buzz of computers, t.v., and cell phones, kids discover God's grace. There are multiple opportunities for kids to experience a camping experience. If you are interested in learning more about camps for your kids, check out the 2018 UMC Camping Guide on the bulletin board.

**If you are interested in receiving financial support to send your child(ren) to camp, please contact Wendy in the office. Camp scholarships are available.**

## Collection of Clothing for M.A.P.

Through the beginning of February, the Sarah circle will coordinate the collection of items for the clothing pantry at Mission for Area People (MAP). Especially needed are new men's underwear, new socks, and winter clothing and boots. There is a real shortage of men's coats in size XL. The whole congregation is encouraged to participate in this outreach. There will be a collection bin in the gathering room. Thanks for helping those who are less fortunate.

## ATTENDANCE

Here are attendance figures for December 2017 and January 2018 (and Dec 2016 and Jan 2017)

|            | 1st Service | 2nd Service | 2017/18<br>Totals | 2016/17<br>Totals |
|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 12/3/17    | 100         | 46          | 146               | 181               |
| 12/10/17   | 106         | 68          | 174               | 146               |
| 12/17/17   | 107         | 74          | 181               | 192               |
| 12/24 9am  |             |             | 83                |                   |
| 12/24 11am |             |             | 50                |                   |
| 12/24 7pm  |             |             | 115               | 196               |
| 12/24 11pm |             |             | 60                | 92                |
| 12/31/17   | 55          | 44          | 99                | 90                |
| 1/7/18     | 76          | 41          | 117               | 161               |
| 1/14/18    | 85          | 43          | 128               | 155               |
| 1/21/18    | 83          | 64          | 147               | 138               |
| 1/28/18    | 92          | 65          | 157               | 157               |

## NEW ADDRESS

Dave Cribbs  
1826 Mills North Muskegon, MI 49445.  
His phone has not changed. (215-1767)

## Ash Wednesday Service

You're invited to an Ash Wednesday service at Central United Methodist Church (1011 2nd St., Muskegon) on Wednesday, February 14th at 7:00pm. This is an important time of solemn worship to begin the Lenten Season. Area clergy will offer the imposition of ashes and prayer of anointing.

## Thank You

To all the members and friends of CUMC ---Thank you so very much for the "love gift" you gave us during worship on the 17th. What a lovely and generous surprise! Thanks for remembering us at this time of the year. We're looking forward to sharing 2018 with God and with you!  
Pastor Jeremy and Tamara

## February Birthdays & Anniversaries

1—Bob Duplissis  
2—Julie Cutler  
3—George Harryman, Bryan Patrick, Helene Landon  
9—Debbie Gale  
10—Ben Hoffer, Fred & Ann Bleakley\*  
14—Herb Bevelhymmer, Doug & Kim Wood\*  
15—Andy Blastic  
18—Jeep Osborn  
20—Deb Boes, Judi McIntyre  
23—Dawn Dick  
26—Jean Mary Duplissis  
28—Dan Hoffer  
29—John Beck

\*denotes anniversary



## Volunteer Opportunity for 1st or 2nd service

Are you looking for a way to get involved in the church? If so, we're looking for volunteers to help in both our media and sound booth. You don't have to be super techy to help. We'll train you in everything you need to know. For more information, contact any of these people:  
Doug Wood at 231-578-1463 or dwood1952@gmail.com  
Nick Zelinsky at 231-215-3928 or nzelinsky@msn.com  
Nick Bartman at 812-927-0218 or nebartma@mtu.edu  
Matt VanderVelde at 231-903-9127 or mjvanderv@hotmail.com

## Coordinator Needed

The mission team would love to find a captain to help organize a 5K Fun Run next summer or fall. If you are interested, please contact Wendy in the office or Ric Fritz (cumcric@hotmail.com). This would be a sub-committee of missions and would simply be responsible for this one event.

If you would like to include news into the monthly newsletter, please submit an announcement form to the church office by the 20th of each month by dropping it off or emailing to:

wendy@communitychurchumc.org

## Return Service Requested

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**Helping Hands:** Wayne Halpin (744.2817)

& George Harryman (744.7325)

**Junior High Leaders:** Matt & Stacie Vander Velde (903.9127)

**Lay Leader:** Marjean Fritz (766.8614) & Doug Wood (578.1463)

**Lay Member to Annual Conference:** Doug Wood (894.9677)

**Member Care:** Debbie Gale (744.0115)

**Missions:** Ric Fritz (766.8614)

**Mission for Area People (MAP):**

**Nominations:** Pastor Jeremy (720.5422)

**Senior High Leaders:** Doug Wood (894.9677) & Kim Zelinsky (215.3927)

**Scouts:**

**Staff Parish Relations:** Roy Beetham (286-9393)

**Treasurer:** Wendy Hodgin (744.4491)

**Trustees:** Steve Schultz (744.5571)

**United Methodist Men:** George Harryman (744.7325) & Dick Hammond (719.2724)

**United Methodist Women:** Sandy Reynolds (766.3306)

**Vision Team:** Pastor Jeremy (720.5422)

**Worship:** Shirley VanHees (744.4547)

**Young Adult Committee (YAC):** Deb Boes (744.9035) and Becky Fairfield (744.9669)

**Youth Council:** Nick Zelinsky (215.3928)