

February 2024

Cass City United Methodist Beacon

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Men's Group will be meeting on Feb 3rd at 9 am at the church. They will be talking about the upcoming Fish Dinners in March and April 2024.



God Knows Everything

but...Your church likes to support you, especially during possible turning points in your life. Since these often involve a stay in the hospital, please be sure to call, or have someone call the church (989) 225-2315 or the parsonage (989) 912-2187 to let us know about you.

Please include the name of the hospital. We want to be supportive so please let us know. *Be sure to call whenever you want to talk with the pastor—whatever the reason.*

Our Church Council will be meeting on The first Monday of every month at 6 pm. Starting on March 4th, 2024.



Message from our Pastor

Dear Beloved Congregation,

As I sit here in the heart of Cass City, Michigan, I can't help but reflect on the incredible impact that Cass City United Methodist Church has had on me, Karla and the community. This remarkable church is a beacon of hope, love, and inspiration for all who seek a sense of belonging and spiritual growth. I invite you to join me as we embark on a journey through the many facets of our planned community center, from its inclusive programs to its unwavering commitment to discipleship.

Building a Strong Foundation: Cass City United Methodist Church has always placed great emphasis on nurturing a vibrant and engaged congregation and community. We believe that a thriving church community starts with fostering strong connections among its members. At Cass City UMC, we encourage active participation and attendance in our services and events, creating an atmosphere that feels like home to all who enter.

Thinking Outside the Box: At the Cass City United Methodist Church, we believe in the power of innovation and embracing change. We understand that in order to meet the evolving needs of our church and community, we must continuously think outside the box. This mindset has led us to develop a twice weekly Community Center within our church complex with new and exciting programs that cater to a diverse range of interests and age groups.

From traditional fish dinners during Lent, our monthly Dorcas Meals starting in April, 2024 and our FREE Food Pantry we feed those within our community. We are welcoming to all who wish to visit, handout and volunteer. From movie screenings, various exercise classes to cooking workshops, we offer a wide array of activities that foster a sense of community and connection. These events not only provide moments of joy and entertainment but also create opportunities for individuals to come together, build relationships, and support one another.

At Cass City United Methodist Church, we firmly believe in the importance of giving back to our community. We are committed to cultivating a culture of generosity and stewardship, encouraging our members and friends to give of their time, talents, and resources. Through our various outreach programs, we strive to make a positive impact on the lives of those around us.

Disciples of Jesus Christ: At the core of Cass City United Methodist Church's mission is our unwavering commitment to being disciples of Jesus Christ. We seek to follow His teachings and emulate His love and compassion in all that we do. This Cass City United Methodist Church Community Center will serve as a space where individuals can deepen their relationship with God, grow in their faith, and find strength and support from fellow believers.

As I conclude this reflection on the Cass City United Methodist Church, I am filled with a sense of gratitude and awe for the incredible impact within our community. This place, filled with love, inclusivity, and unwavering faith, has become a sanctuary for so many.

Through these innovative programs, emphasis on discipleship, and commitment to giving back, Cass City United Methodist Church continues to inspire and uplift those who walk through its doors. It stands as a testament to the power of community and the transformative nature of faith.

Join us at Cass City United Methodist Church and together, let's embark on a journey of love, growth, and service to others. Amen.

Pastor Bob

Rev. Robert Paul Demyanovich, Pastor
Cass City United Methodist Church

Special Music Sunday

Let's Gather to Praise the Lord

Join us for a time of joyful
praise in music with



**Ron
Elrod**

**Cass City United Methodist
5100 Cemetary Rd.
Cass City, MI 48726
Sunday, February 18, 2024
9:30 A.M.**

*I will sing to the Lord as
long as I live; I will sing praise to
my God while I have my being.*

Psalm 104:33

Missions

Mission for the month of February

Native American month/Sunday started in 1988 to serve as a reminder to United Methodists of the gifts and contributions made by Native Americans to our society and in our communities. With more than 20,000 Native Americans within the denomination, this helps to ensure that Native American UMC leaders are recognized and to celebrate their special voice in the United Methodist Church.

The Native American Ministries offering bolsters the work of Native American ministries in annual conferences throughout the United States. These ministries exist in rural and urban settings, including reservations and other communities.

They allow the UMC to partner with existing native ministries to develop new programs on behalf of Native Americans. A portion of the donations remain with the Annual Conference to provide hope to children and youth, hope for a brighter future in impoverished communities and a voice to those who have felt voiceless for years. When giving we equip seminary students, who honor and celebrate Native culture in their ministries.

We empower congregations to find fresh and culturally appropriate ways to minister to their communities with Christ's love. The Mission committee hopes that you will join us in donating to this ministry.

“Dear Children...Let us really show love by our actions.” 1 John 3:18

God's blessings to you always!

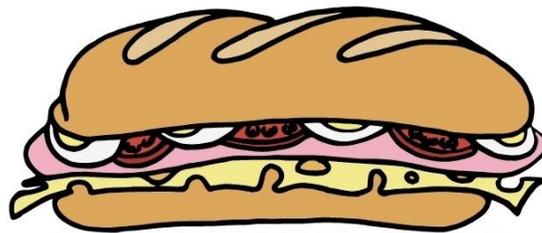
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Superbowl Sub Sale

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WOMEN OF FAITH**

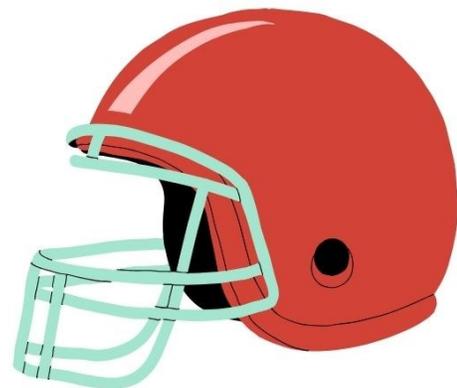
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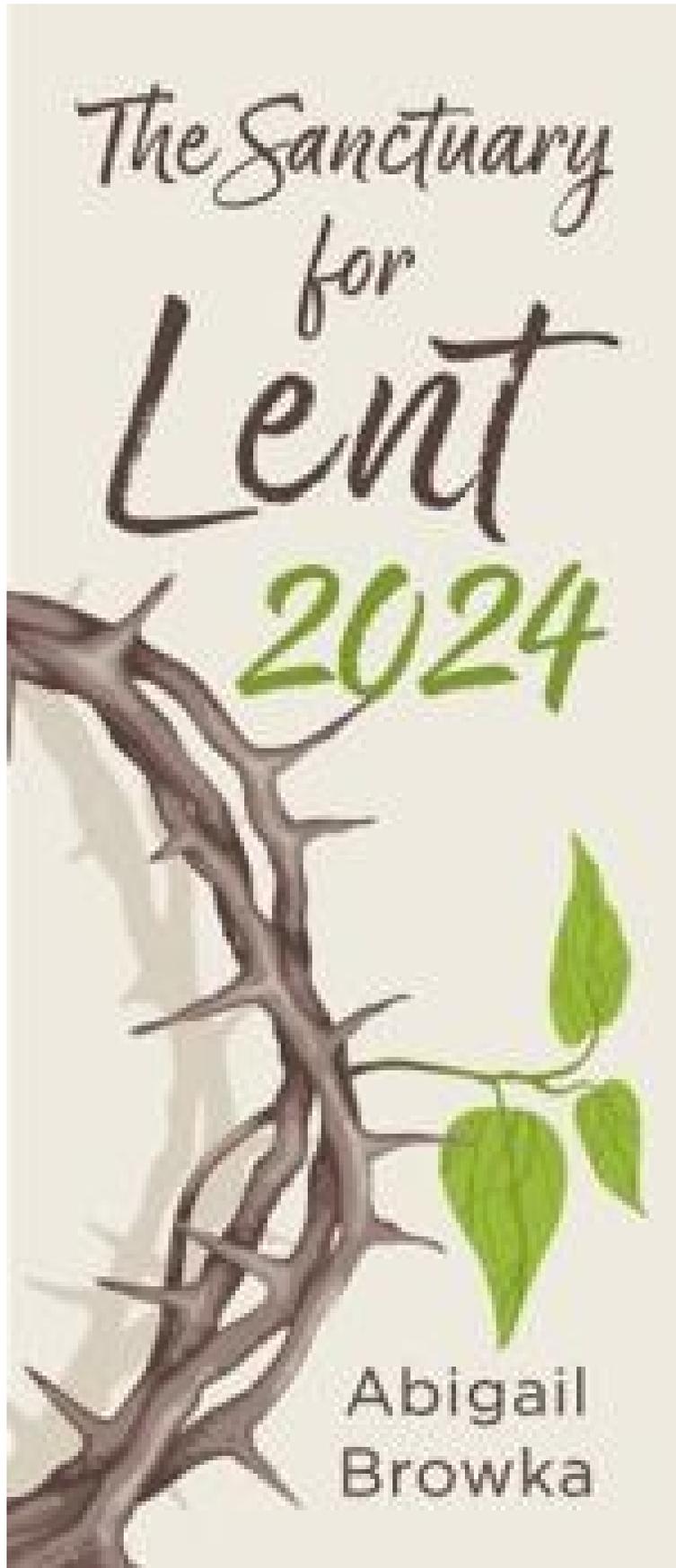
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517-245-2126
PICK UP 9AM-11AM
PLEASE ORDER BY FEB 1**



5100 Cemetery Rd Cass City

Lent 2024



Pick-up your copy for you and your family of our Lentin Devotionals in the Narthex.

Devotions by Abigail Browka for each day of Lent. The Sanctuary for Lent 2024 contains brief readings for each day in Lent, from Ash Wednesday through Easter Sunday, including a suggested Scripture, a short devotion, and a short prayer or practice--all based on the Revised Common Lectionary. This annual favorite helps readers faithfully journey through Lent as they prepare to experience the joy of the Resurrection. Along with being a great congregational resource, it is an excellent gift for family, friends, and those your congregation connects with through outreach.

Join Pastor Bob every morning at 7 am starting on Ash Wednesday, February 14th through Easter Sunday, March 31st on our web site www.casscityumc.org.

Fish Dinners are coming

Join Us for a Flavorful Lenten Tradition! Men's Group Friday Fish Fries

Indulge your taste buds in a delectable experience as the Men's Group proudly presents the Friday Fish Fries on March 8, March 22, and April 4, 2024.

**Location: Cass City United Methodist Church
March 8th, March 22nd, and April 4th, 2024,
Time: 5:00 pm—7:00 pm**

What to Expect:

- Mouthwatering Fish Delicacies:** Dive into expertly prepared fish dishes, seasoned to perfection.
- Fellowship:** Enjoy the company of friends, family, and community members in a warm and welcoming atmosphere.
- Delicious Sides:** Savor the flavor with our delightful sides that complement the main course.
- Community Spirit:** Embrace the spirit of Lent with a community gathering focused on good food and great company.

Bay Shore Camp and Family Ministries



Quilters' Retreat March 22-24,

IT'S A MYSTERY

A weekend full of sewing, worship, and fine fellowship sprinkled with a little mystery. That is what's in store for you as this year's Spring Quilter's Retreat takes a twist from the ordinary. There will be lots of time to work on personal projects throughout the weekend with Saturday being Mystery Sew Day! And what would a weekend of intrigue be without some mystery guests? Count on lots of other surprises throughout our time together too.

SATURDAY MYSTERY SEW

In for a little intrigue? Plan to take a break from your own UFO (Unfinished Object), and let the committee walk you through a mystery UFO (Unidentified Furnishable Object). Complete one large project *or* 1 to 2 smaller projects. Join us for a fun day unraveling the clues to create a ????????

Bay Shore Camp & Family Ministries

Premier East Michigan Area Camp serving Youth and Families for over 100 years! Christian Camping at its Best!
(989) 883-2501 web: <https://www.bayshorecamp.org>

Dorcas & Progressive

Our next meal will be **April 10th, 2024.**

If you would like to help Please call:

For Desserts: **Suzie Chappel 989-574-8304**

Doris Jones 989-872-2639

For Meal prep Tuesday/Wednesday :

Connie Schwaderer 989-872-2315

For Delivery : **Ardis Monroe 989-798-6764**



Progressive Class

The progressive class met at Sherwood on the Hill, in Gagetown , for their January 18th meeting. Most had Tacos for lunch. Those attending included Judy & Dick Wallace, Eunice Kaufman, Connie Schwaderer, Chris Allen, Keith & Jane Mitchell.

Eunice Kaufman offered the blessing and entertained us with several humorous reading.

We sent out several get -well and sympathy cards along with 9 Valentines cards. The meeting place was changed from the Gathering Place (Revive) due to illness at the restaurant.

Our next meeting is planned for Saturday Feb 17th @ 9:30 am for breakfast at Crossroads Junction.

United Women of Faith

The UWF annual Submarine sandwich sale is scheduled for Saturday February 10, 2024.

Order forms are available and must be turned in on February 1st . Please contact Melinda Kirn to order your Subs if you are not able to get an order form. Her Telephone is 517-245-2126.

You may also email her at mkkirn@charter.net. The sandwiches will sell for \$7.00. All proceeds from the sale are designated for the Sherry Seeley scholarship fund.

Volunteers are needed to help with preparing sandwiches on Friday , February 9 between 9am-12pm. And Saturday morning. Starting at 8am. Sandwich pick up is on Saturday morning between 9am-11am. Volunteers are also needed to cashier and to help clean up. The UWF thanks you for your support of this project.

Regular UWF meeting will start on April 1. We will meet on the first Monday of each month from April– December. Watch the March newsletter regarding information for the next meeting

All women in the Church are encouraged and invited to attend.

Sincerely
Melinda Kirn
UWF President.

Ash Wednesday



Ash Wednesday will be February 14th. Pastor Bob Demyanovich will be offering Ashes at numerous locations throughout Cass City. Later in the afternoon then we will be administering ashes from 2:00 - 3 pm. The start the Lent season.

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY

Birthday & Anniversary



February 4	Mariah Henne, Madelyn Thick, Liam Cooklin
February 9	Bette Lou Hurford
February 10	Brent Baker and Brad Baker
February 11	George Wilson
February 12	Heather Henne, Sophia Williams
February 14	Mary Jane VanVliet
February 15	Jack Gallagher
February 16	Julie M. Czekai
February 17	Barbara Tuckey
February 18	Mary Damm, Don Green
February 22	Sawyer Thick
February 23	M.J. Wilkins
February 29	Hank Janik

Happy Anniversary

February 2	Ed & Judy Profit (55)
February 6	Lynn & Bette Lou Hurford (59)
February 13	Don & Rita Green (53)
February 14	Jack & Pam Burns (16)

February Calendar 2024

February 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1		3 Men's Group 9am
4 Worship 9:30am	5	6	7	8	9	10 Sub Sandwich pick up 9am-11am
11 Worship 9:30am	12	13	14 Ash Wednesday Valentine's day Ash Wednesday Service 3pm	15	16	17
18 Noisy Bucket Worship 9:30am Ron Elroy	19 President's day	20	21	22	23	24
25 Worship 9:30am	26	27 Missions 1pm	28	29 Leap Year		

LET ALL
THAT
YOU DO
BE DONE
WITH
LOVE.

1 CORINTHIANS 16:14 NKJV



Sharing the Word of Christ



ATTENDANCE

Worship
Attendance &
Views
Online & Church
& Parking Lot

Jan 2024 17,601

The above counts
come from our
five worship
platforms
Facebook,
YouTube,
LinkedIn, our
website
and Twitter.

154 of our
church families
receive our
letters and
updates by mail
or email.

VALENTINE'S DAY WORD SEARCH



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Valentine	Cupid	Be Mine	Pink
Candy	Cuddle	Hearts	Red
Chocolate	Hug	Card	Roses
February	Kiss	Love	I Love You
Flowers	Love	Arrow	Sweet



In our thoughts and Prayers

Please keep in your Prayers and Thoughts

Pastor Fred Bowden
Linda & Dailey Parrish
Linda & Roger Marshall
Lorraine Bowden
Dick, Judy Wallace,
Opal Schneeberger
Kathy & Phil Nichols
Charles Tuckey
Janis Seeley
Ed & Judy Profit,
Bob Montgomery
Roy & Kathy Tuckey
Floy Arnold
Jack & Lois Gallagher
Morris Powell
Melt Pewee—Liberia
Gerry Auten



Karen Simpson
Rick Tait
Rick Dillon
Harlin Tuckey
Leslie Seeley

Our Family Members at:

Northwood Meadow 6086 Beechwood, Cass City 48726

Jan Kritzman Evelyn Whitaker
Ellen Stoutenburg Barb Stickle Eleanor Truemner

Those Serving us spiritually :

Pastor Bob Demyanovich, our ministry here in Cass City and beyond, East Winds District Superintendent Rev. Margie Crawford, Bishop David A. Bard, and The United the Methodist Area Conference and all churches.

In Service to Our Country

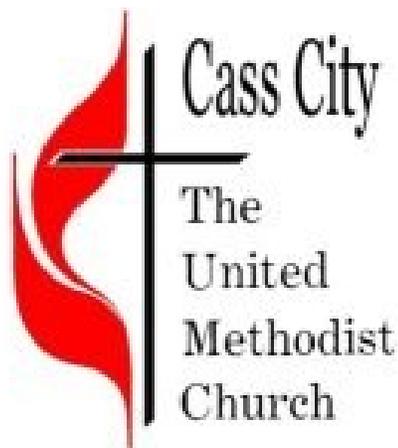
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