

CEDAR UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Pastor Cliff Nelson

JANUARY



2025

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A NOTE FROM PASTOR CLIFF



Happy New Year! For many persons, tis the season for new years resolutions. It's a time of recognizing those areas in our lives that we need to make improvements, set new goals. How well we keep those resolutions is yet to be seen. the truth is we won't do it perfectly but it's a ritual worth pursuing as it moves us from being stuck in the past to accepting that things can be different, that things can improve. Someone has said that the sure sign of an authentic relationship with God is that we believe more in the future than the past. That may be worth remembering as we make our resolutions this year. For past mistakes God offers forgiveness and give us the gift of a new beginning. He gives us the gift of excitement and expectation that things can be different. That growth is indeed possible. May God bless you as you open yourself to Gods future plans for your life.

Our Ad Council has been working diligently during the past year and we believe God is opening doors to an exciting future here at Cedar United Methodist Church. Please join us at our annual church conference following our worship service on January 26th.

*In Christ,
Pastor Cliff*



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MISSIONS

Thank you all for a very successful collection of nonperishable food during November and December for NACE Food-shelf. Our Noisy Sunday collection on Nov. 24 was \$276.75 which was also given to NACE. During January we will be looking at the possibility of providing a meal for the residents at Simpson Shelter in Minneapolis. Our church has done this in the past and found it to be very rewarding. We will be providing more information about this during the month. Our Noisy Sunday on January 26th will be for Simpson Shelter as well. Thank you all for your continued interest in our Mission projects.

We wish you the best in the New Year.
Junelle and Sue

UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH (UWF)

Our January UWF meeting will be on January 14th at 5:30 in the Fellowship Hall. All women are invited to join us. We will be discussing projects and events that we would like to take part in. All ideas are welcome! We will be continuing our collection of books, games and toiletries for nursing home residents.

We wish you all a Happy New Year and hope to see you on Jan. 14th.
Connie and Junelle

FELLOWSHIP

Chili Cook-Off

We will have a chili cook-off following worship on Sunday, January 19th. There will be prizes for the top 3 winners so get your competitive hats on and let's do this!

Watch for sign-ups.

The Fellowship Committee



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MEMORIAL

DID YOU KNOW.....

The communion sets were given by Rev. and Mrs. Jay Wilson, Mable Pontius Day family and George and Leona Williams family. Over the years many have changed but the originals were given in memory of these families.

We cherish and respect every gift.
The Memorial Committee



SOCIAL MEDIA

Cedar is on a journey to share the God's love with our community. When we have events at the church, it is obvious that it is what we are doing. But when we do things away from the church like Feed my Starving Children, Hope For Youth, leaf raking, offsite youth activities, or maybe even a local hayride, it would be good for us to be recognized as Cedar UMC. Our current logo is a cedar tree, albeit from Lebanon and not Cedar Mn, or the Methodist flame & cross. We would like to leverage the talent within the congregation to explore ideas for a logo that will readily connect with the church and able to be reproduced onto banners, signs, t-shirts etc. If you have any interest in discussing ideas, please contact Lisa in the church office and let her know. We will let you know when the group will meet.

BIRTHDAY'S

Have we missed your birthday?

Please contact the church office if we have missed you or a family members birthday so we can get it in our system!

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JANUARY BIRTHDAYS



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| 1/9 | Vicki Heavirland |
| 1/10 | Tammy Holdsworth |
| 1/16 | Ben Sheffield |
| 1/17 | Gavin Snyder |
| 1/19 | Karlene Wicklander |
| 1/22 | Merilee Doll |
| | James Zagaros |
| 1/27 | Amy Gustafson |
| | Bob Heavirland |
| 1/30 | George Patton |

CARING & SHARING

SAVE THE DATE: SATURDAY APRIL 26, 2025

The Ladies Luncheon for our ladies, other churches ladies is going to be open to the community and see how that works! We will still have our gentlemen servers, they are very popular! The theme is 1940s with emphasis on APRONS, our mothers and grandmothers wore, all the time ! There are many iconic events to show, WW11, women at work, in pants not dresses, music, big bands, Andrews Sisters, Rosie the Riveter etc, etc!! Look forward to seeing you all here again, enjoying the 40s life! Sure there will specials from many folks, getting excited already!!!

Lorraine and Caring & Sharing Ladies



JANUARY 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1. New Years Day	2.	3.	4.
5. Epiphany Sunday 10:00 am Worship 10:00 am Sunday school	6. 6:00 pm Caring & Sharing	7.	8. 2:30 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm Choir	9. 7:00 pm Piecemak- ers	10.	11.
12. 10:00 am Worship 10:00 am Sunday school	13. 6:00 pm Trustee Meeting	14. Valentines Day 5:30 pm UWF	15. 2:30 pm Bible Study	16. 6:30 pm Ad Council meeting	17.	18.
19. 10:00 am Worship 10:00 am Sunday school Chili cook-off fol- lowing worship	20. 6:00 pm Caring & Sharing	21.	22. 2:30 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm Choir	23. 7:00 pm Piecemak- ers	24.	25.
26. 10:00 am Worship & Sunday school Noisy Sunday 11:00 am Church Conference	27. 6:00 pm Caring & Sharing	28.	29. 2:30 pm Bible Study	30.	31.	