

Caton United Methodist Church Messenger

April 2018

A Note From Pastor Chad

Dear CUMC Family,

We are officially through 1/4th of 2018!! Can you believe it?!?!? God has started our year out with a bang—crazy weather, great mission projects, and a call upon our lives together to draw nearer to the God who loves us unconditionally! Friends, we are blessed in so many ways.

While some of you were asking me questions, I realized that I have yet to address you regarding the upcoming kitchen project. So, I would like to take a few sentences to clear up a few questions:

As part of the salary package for any pastor that is called to serve the CUMC, the church is required to either provide a house or pay the pastor an additional 25% of his/her salary to cover the cost of housing. For some this might seem like a lot but, due to the way our system is set up, it is really difficult for a UM pastor to own/maintain a house because you never quite know where we will end up. Some of you walked with us through the end of our house selling adventure—we had a house that was on the market for 5 years and we moved twice before we were able to sell it!

In just a couple of weeks the parsonage (your parsonage) kitchen will be replaced along with a few modifications of the living space. I have heard some of you ask me why the ‘new parsonage’ needs a kitchen or why I would be getting a new kitchen when you would like one yourself. Friends, I want to remind you that the ‘new parsonage’ is now over 40 years old and the current kitchen is very tired; the cabinets are falling off the walls, the floor is falling apart and coming up, and many drawers don’t work. Like it says in the book of Ecclesiastes, for everything there is a season—in Caton, it’s kitchen season!

The total expense for the parsonage renovation is around \$18,000. The Leadership Team has made a responsible financial plan of pulling \$9,000 from investments and asking the congregation to support the other \$9,000. As you prayerfully consider donating to this fund please do not think of it as buying me or my family a new kitchen—for the time being, yes, it will be our new kitchen...but the kitchen that you fund will go beyond our tenure at CUMC and it will be an investment into the Caton community for the pastors that are yet to come.

God has big plans for CUMC. When we, together, invest in the resources that God has blessed us with, God will return blessing a hundred-fold. My prayer is that you will be a part of what God is doing through the CUMC and that you will be involved in this project and in the ones to come. With you in the Journey, Pastor Chad.

Church Family News

April Birthdays

4/3 Larry Blanchard
4/7 Tim Jenkins
4/14 Lillian Crossley
4/24 Megan Clark
Helen Tobey
4/26 Lucretia West
4/27 Iva Jenkins

April Anniversaries

4/8 Jerry and Marge Hess
Wendell and Kim Snyder
4/25 Bryon and Joni Kehoe



Come and Join Us on Monday April 9th at 1:00 p.m.

Salvation Army Dinner

We served approximately 30-35 persons on Sunday – March 18th.

Thank you to Kathy and Ron Begell, Roy and Sandy Ginnan, Pastor Chad and his family and John and Brenda Swanson for volunteering.

If you have never volunteered, it is a great opportunity to see how much those being served appreciate the time and effort.

Next Salvation Army Dinner is Sunday – May 20th at 4:00 p.m.

*“Duct tape may patch a lot of things but
Three (3) nails fixed everything”*

Mission Projects

Toilet Paper Outhouse

Big bird finally got his privacy and was covered in toilet paper and we were able to send an entire truckload of TP to the food pantry!! Thank you for your support and the Pantry of Angels gratefully appreciates your generosity!!

Painting For A Purpose

Saturday – April 14th 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Cost: \$45.00 (includes all supplies)

Everyone is welcome to participate

To Sign Up – See Brenda

Benefit Potter's Hands

Drive Thru Chicken Bar-B-Que

Once, again we will be having a “drive thru” chicken bar-b-que.

Wednesday – April 18th from 4:00 pm until gone.

Cost: \$9.00

Drive up – pay for dinner

Drive forward – pick your meal up

Drive away (No fuss/No muss)

BLOOD DRIVE

Our next blood drive is Monday – May 7th

Volunteers to work, provide snacks and give blood are needed

For information please see Kathy Force or Joan Haussener

“Bread is like the sun, it rises in the yeast and sets in the waist”

Do You Know What Is Happening in 2018? CUMC will be celebrating its 185th Birthday

The Methodist church burned to the ground due to an overheated chimney on March 5, 1904. In a month the area was cleaned up and ground was broken for a new church. The project was contracted for \$3000.00 with \$200.00 extra for basement work. The window frames were all made by hand and most of the lumber purchased was about three miles from Caton Center. The steeple stands 60” high from the top of the sill to the top of the wood work. The weather vane was made at a local tin shop, Amos Stasch and Sons. Most of the materials except for the heavier pieces were drawn by horses and lumber wagons. This is one of the few older church to have stained glass windows and rounded pews in the sanctuary. The audience room, better known as the fellowship room, was built to seat about 200 and a Sunday School room opened into the audience room and would seat about 100. In 1962, approval was given to purchase land adjacent to present site from James Brace. In 1965 final plans were made to expand the church with additional class room space.

Bishop Webb has been invited to help celebrate our 185th Birthday in September 2018. We will be planning a celebration luncheon immediately following worship once the date has been set. If interested in helping with this celebration please see Brenda.

*Pictures taken of the communion service on March 4th
Pastor Chad had the children help with the communion
Thank You to Harry and Samantha Koerner
Micah and Isaiah Sayers*



April

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 "Happy Easter" 7:00am Sunrise Service 7:30am Breakfast 8:15 Praise Band Rehearsal 9:30 Worship	2 10:00am Bible Study 6:00pm Worship Planning 7:00pm Bible Study	3 4:00pm Mobile Food Truck Lindley-Presho UMC	4	5 5:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous 7:00pm Praise Band Rehearsal	6	7
8 8:00am Praise Band Rehearsal 8:30am Sunday School 9:30am Worship Communion 10:30am Fellowship	9 10:00am Bible Study 1:00pm UMW 6:00pm Worship Planning 7:00pm Bible Study	10 12:00 noon Caton Seniors 7:00pm Leadership Team	11	12 5:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous 7:00pm Praise Band Rehearsal	13	14 "Painting For A Purpose" 1:00-4:00 pm Cost: \$45.00
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