

Caton United Methodist Church Messenger

March 2018

A Note From Pastor Chae

Dear CUMC Family,

Wow! I can't believe it is March already...and do you know what that means?!?! The seasons are changing, the weather is changing, and the church schedule is changing! For the past 2 months we have been in a fairly quiet season because of the unpredictability of the Caton weather...but now I am excited because we have a lot ahead of us. My letter this month is going to be a little different than it has been in the past because we have a lot of things I want to tell you about...so here it goes:

Out of the 4 years that I have been in Caton, this winter has had the craziest weather yet. My prayer is that we are out of the worst of the weather and we will be able to be fully together as the Body of Christ on Sunday Mornings. Remember that when we gather together it is more than just checking off your church attendance for the week... When we are together, the Body is complete. Throughout our lives, many of us have experienced broken bones, replaced joints, or injuries that have affected the way we live. This is the same thing that happens to the Body of Christ—when we are missing members, the body is not complete and our abilities are diminished. **YOU ARE IMPORTANT** to both God and to the CUMC family!

In the past couple of weeks, I have been made aware of some procedural concerns while I am away. My hope is that together we can recognize that we have a very skilled, talented, and faithful staff and leadership at CUMC. It is customary that before I leave on business or vacation that I prep the staff to answer “What do I do if...” I want to encourage each of our members, if there are questions or concerns, to please call the church office or send me an e-mail or speak to me in person or text or call. I assure you that provisions are in place ‘if’. When we begin to second guess each other or become ‘short’ with one another, these actions will do nothing but tear apart the great things God has been doing. Please know I am here.

Now on to some more exciting news!! Some of you have heard mutterings about a potential VBS week happening in July! These mutterings are slowly becoming a reality!! I am very excited about this because this is a ministry that has been silent for many years! Some have expressed interest in helping out already...that's great! As of right now, we are working on figuring out details, getting our feet beneath us, and making a plan. In the coming months, please be on the lookout for many opportunities for you to get involved! This is going to be really exciting and we are going to need your help!

Finally, our Lenten mission project is to collect 750 rolls of Toilet Paper for the Pantry of Angels. Friends, we are off to a slow start and our friend on the pot in the sanctuary is becoming more and more embarrassed. Who wants to do their 'paperwork' in front of a bunch of people!?! So...bring in your TP and let's build an outhouse around this poor guy and give him the privacy, dignity, and self-preservation that he deserves. Remember that as we have fun with these projects, the work that we do is a real need in our community. I praise God that he has allowed me to have enough to gather the essential needs for my family and to bless those who are not as fortunate as us. I also praise God that we have the ability to work together to be God's hands and feet in this place.

Friends, I know that the work that God has called us to can sometimes be routine or challenging or perhaps uncomfortable at times. I want to assure you that the reward that is waiting for each of us is much greater than the sacrifices we must make. It is a blessing for me and my family to be serving among you and my hope is that we will continue to make a difference in our corner of the world together.

Many Blessings!
Pastor Chad

Church Family News

***Congratulations to Nick Dunn and Kendelle Kosinski
on their recent engagement!!!***

March Birthdays

Isaiah Sayers 3/22
Cheyenne Fritsch 3/27
Kim Snyder 3/31



*No Anniversaries in the
month of March*



*Spring is closer but old man winter is still here!
Sorry, we missed the soup and sandwich lunch. We will try
again.*

*UMW hosted a meal for Tom Bement's family. Please remember
them in your prayers. Please continue prayers for Iva Jenkins.
Communion Brunch on Saturday – March 24th at Tyrone UMC
Next meeting is Monday, March 12th at 1:00 p.m.*

Come and Join Us!!!

Pat Robbins

Salvation Army Dinner

Sunday – March 18th at 5:00 p.m.

Volunteers needed – sign up sheet on Announcement

Sheet or contact Linda Riley

***Still Looking for a Salvation Army Dinner
coordinator.***

If interested please see Linda Riley

Lenten Service Schedule

March 7th

*Pastor Chad Sayers
Caton UMC*

March 14th

*Rev. Connie Siefert
Corning First UMC*

March 21st

*Rev. Patrick Holder
South Corning and Riverside
UMC*

Mission Projects

Toilet Paper Outhouse

Help build an outhouse out of toilet paper.

Goal: 750 rolls

Benefit Pantry of Angels

Hams for Easter

*Bring in a ham and place in freezer by Monday – March
19th*

Benefit Pantry of Angels

Painting For A Purpose

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

Cost: \$45.00

Everyone is welcome to participate

To Sign Up – See Brenda

Benefit Potter's Hands

Lilies For Easter

Once again our church is offering the option of ordering Easter Lilies for the Easter season. These will be available for \$10 each.

In lieu of purchasing a flower, you will have an option to donate a monetary gift in honor or memory of a loved one. All will be recognized in the bulletin. Order forms are available from Brenda and can be placed through Monday – March 19th.

*Checks made payable to **Caton United Methodist Church***

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

The Wooden Cross erected on the hill below the cemetery vault is especially meaningful. The flat stone at the base of the cross was the original step placed in 1904 going to basement of the church. This stone was removed when excavation for the Lift was done in 2002.

The Lift was installed by several church members and was dedicated on April 28, 2002 by District Superintendent, Rev. Thom Fassett.

“We thank God that He has graciously watched over our church. It stands as a witness of truth and righteousness and has been the means of good and blessing to many souls. With a past filled with faith and devotion let us face the duties of the present and the promise of tomorrow.”

(Words written in the 1983 supplement of the church history by church historian – Frances Allen and Pastor Melanie Cole)

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.

March

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 5:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous 7:00pm Praise Band Rehearsal	2	3
4 8:00am Praise Band Rehearsal 8:30am Sunday School 9:30am Worship Communion 10:30am Fellowship	5 10:00am Bible Study 6:00pm Worship Planning 7:00pm Bible Study	6 9:00am Mobile Food Truck Lindley-Presho UMC	7 7:00 pm Lenten Service United Church of Painted Post Rev. Chad Sayers	8 5:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous 7:00pm Praise Band Rehearsal	9	10
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18 8:00am Praise Band Rehearsal 8:30am Sunday School 9:30am Worship 10:30am Fellowship 5:00 pm Salvation Army Dinner	19 10:00am Bible Study 6:00pm Worship Planning 7:00pm Bible Study	20	21 7:00pm Lenten Service United Church Of Painted Post Rev. Patrick Holder	22 5:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous 7:00pm Band Rehearsal	23	24
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