

WELCOME TO CEDAR GROVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

DECEMBER 3, 2023

****PRAISE SONG** "LAMB OF GOD MEDLEY" **ON SCREEN**

****OPENING PRAYER** **DARLA BEVER**
Creator of the world, you are the potter, we are the clay, and you form us in your image. Shape our spirits by Christ's transforming power, that as one people we may live out your compassion and love, whole and sound in the realm of your peace. Amen.

****PRAISE SONG** "PEOPLE, LOOK EAST" **UMH 202**

WELCOME **PHIL BARBAROW**
We welcome everyone to the House of the Lord! Welcome to all of you who are with us in person, watching on Facebook, or listening on the radio. May you all be richly blessed with God's presence as you worship with us. If you are watching live on Facebook, please sign in or add a comment to our page. [2024 CHRISTIAN GRACE CALENDARS AVAILABLE IN NARTHEX.](#)

****CALL TO WORSHIP** (Adapted from PSALM 80)
LITURGIST

LEADER: Hear us, Shepherd of Israel, you who lead Joseph like a flock. You who sit enthroned between the cherubim, shine forth before Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh. Awaken your might; come and save us.

PEOPLE: Restore us, O God; make your face shine on us, that we may be saved. **L:**

How long, Lord God Almighty, will your anger smolder against the prayers of your people? You have fed them with the bread of tears; you have made them drink tears by the bowlful. You have made us an object of derision to our neighbors, and our enemies mock us.

P: Restore us, God Almighty; make your face shine on us, that we may be saved.

LIGHTING OF THE FIRST ADVENT CANDLE **WALKER**
FAMILY

INVOCATION OF THE HOLY SPIRIT **LITURGIST**
Holy Father, this is Your Word for my life at this time and in this place. Today I am a new creation in Christ, and I believe that He has a Purpose for my life. Open my heart to the working of Your Word and Your Holy Spirit, that I may be transformed into Your new creation. Amen.

T FIRST READING: **ISAIAH 64:1-9** **ANNETTE COX**

****HYMN** "THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT THAT NAME" **UMH 171**

JOYS, TESTIMONIES, BIRTHDAYS: NO KNOWN BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK, NO KNOWN ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

DOXOLOGY "PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSING FLOW" **UMH 95**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE **DONNA ELLIOTT**

PRAYER REQUESTS/PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER **LITURGIST**

NEW TESTAMENT READING 1 CORINTHIANS 1:3-9 **LITURGIST**

****HYMN** "COME, THOU LONG-EXPECTED JESUS" **UMH 196**

GOSPEL READING MARK 13:24-37 **PASTOR BOLEY**

SERMON THE LORD SHALL ARRIVE **PASTOR BOLEY**

HOLY COMMUNION "COME, SINNERS, TO THE GOSPEL FEAST" **UMH 616**

CLOSING HYMN "JESUS IS COMING SOON" **ON SCREEN**

BENEDICTION & CLOSING PRAYER **PASTOR BOLEY**

UPCOMING DECEMBER EVENTS

3RD WORSHIP SERVICE AT CEDAR GROVE ASSISTED LIVING 2:00pm

4TH CHRISTMAS PROGRAM FULL DRESS REHEARSAL 6:00PM

5TH BREAKFAST AT CHERYL'S DINER AT 9:00AM

7TH NO BIBLE DISCUSSION

10TH CHRISTMAS PROGRAM REHEARSAL 9:30AM

10TH CHRISTMAS DINNER & CHILDREN'S PROGRAM AT 5:00 PM

14TH UMW CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON AT OLIVE GARDEN 11AM

14TH BIBLE DISCUSSION AT 7PM

17TH VAUGHT CHAPEL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM 7PM

24TH REGULAR AM SUNDAY SCHOOL & WORSHIP SERVICE
24TH CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE & COMMUNION 5PM

OFFERINGS AND ATTENDANCE

NEEDED MONTHLY (to meet 2023 budget)	\$11,114.00
NEEDED WEEKLY	\$2,565.00
TOTAL MONTHLY GIVING	\$9,487.41
WEEKLY OFFERING 11/26/23	\$2,908.81
ATTENDANCE 11/26/23	45
JESUS DOLLARS	\$166.00

HOMEBOUND/ HOSPITAL/NURSING HOME MEMBERS

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