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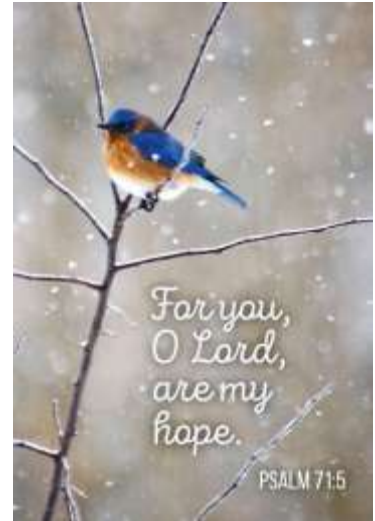
January 2016

PRAYER FOCUS:

NEW BEGINNINGS

*Father God, as we
begin a new year,
help us to feel your presence
and move forward in love.*

AMEN



+ Christian Symbol +

Shell

A scallop shell, pointing downward with three drops of water falling from it, is often used to symbolize baptism and the washing away of sin. The three water droplets stand for the Trinity: Father, Son, Holy Spirit.



Special Dates

- New Year's Day, January 1, 2016
- Epiphany, January 6, 2016
- Baptism of the Lord, January 10, 2016
- Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday Observance, January 18, 2016
- Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, January 18-25, 2016

READING THE BIBLE IN ONE YEAR—IGRC Reading Plan

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24-Jan-15	Lev 7-9	1 Kings 19-22	Psalms 75-77	Prov 7-8	Ezek 13-18	Luke 15-16	Phil 1-3
31-Jan-15	Lev 10-12	2 Kings 1-5	Psalms 78-80	Prov 9	Ezek 19-24	Luke 17-18	Phil 4

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Covenant Bible Study

PK will be starting a new Bible Study, **“COVENANT**, - represents a relationship—a living, breathing conversation. This is a total of 24 weeks, that is met in 3-8 week sessions. The entire Bible will be studied within 3 themes—Creating the Covenant; Living the Covenant; Trusting the Covenant.

This first session, Creating the Covenant, will start on Tuesday evening January 12 and continue through March 1, 2016 at 7 PM. The group will then decide when the second set of 8 weeks, Living the Covenant, will start; then if possible discuss when the third 8 week session, Trusting the Covenant, will start. The cost per member is \$50.00. The education budget item will pick up the rest per person. PK needs to know how many will be with him on this covenant journey before January 1, 2016.



Helping the Hurting

GriefShare

GriefShare will be offered at our church on Wednesdays at 10 AM. This is a 13 week support group that helps apply biblical principles to the healing process after the death of a loved one. As participants work through the process, they will see how the gospel brings hope and restoration. There will be a \$15.00 charge, scholarships available, and we will be opening this up to our community and surrounding area. If you know of someone that might benefit please let them know. The group will be facilitated by Dala Lawrence. If you have any questions you may call her at [618-443-8524](tel:618-443-8524) or email her at dlawrence.clm@hotmail.com.



WOMEN'S BOOK STUDY

What God Really Thinks About Women by Sharon Jaynes

Monday's at 10:00 AM beginning January 4th.

Need a fresh perspective on God's deep love and amazing plan for you? *What God Really Thinks About Women* is filled with amazing stories of women in the Bible whose lives were changed by Jesus. Through **the miracles and messages of Jesus, we discover just what God thinks about women. God's personal and perfect touch on your life is only a prayer away** when you look to Him to lovingly exchange your heartache, hopelessness, or pain for the beauty of becoming everything He intended for you to be.

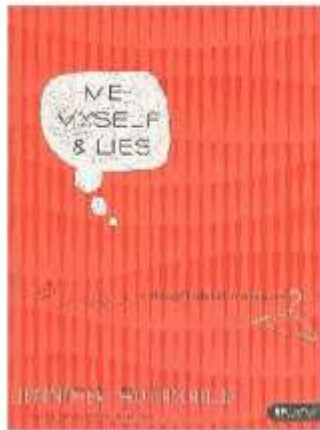
RESOLVE TO REVITALIZE

Church revitalization is a hot topic, and ideas for congregations can bring fresh energy and meaning to personal and family life, too. Consider the following tips:

- **Have a clear vision.** It's easy to go along day to day without considering what you're moving toward. Beyond the everyday routine, what bigger vision does God have for you? This year, take specific steps toward living that out.
- **Ask questions.** What gets you excited — even passionate? What issues or situations break your heart? What are you good at? Resolve to use a talent or something you enjoy to help heal hurts.
- **Balance history with innovation.** Honor your past as God's gift that makes you who you are, but be open to change. Dare to step out in faith for the sake of your life's mission. Try something new in the spirit of the God who's always doing a new thing (Isaiah 43:19; Revelation 21:5).

The best way to revitalize a church might be to revitalize the lives of its individual members!





Women's Bible Study
Thursday Mornings
10:00 a.m. - Noon
January 7 - February 18

Me, Myself, and Lies: A Thought Closet Makeover.

This Bible study by Jennifer Rothschild encourages women to clean out the junk in their minds and replace hidden negative thoughts with positive truths from God's word.

Words are powerful. Especially the words women speak to themselves. All too often, what they say to themselves when they lie in bed at night or look in the mirror in the morning is not even close to the words God wants them to speak to their souls. According to Rothschild, what we think about often has a ripple effect on nearly every area of our lives.

Where: First United Methodist Church, Carlyle, Illinois

When: January 7 - February 18, 2016

Time: Thursday Mornings, 10:00 a.m. - Noon

Cost: \$13.00

Who: Everyone, regardless of denomination, is welcome!



The Carlyle Rotary Club & Area Churches



**DIEKEMPER
BENEFIT
CHICKEN
DINNER**



Sunday, Jan. 10, 2016

11:00 – 4:00

Messiah Lutheran Fellowship Hall
14th & Kane, Carlyle, IL

*Featuring Homemade
Desserts*



Carry Outs Available!



The Rotary Club of Carlyle, with the help of area churches, is sponsoring a benefit chicken dinner for the Collin Diekemper family on Sunday, January 10, 2016, from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., at the Messiah Lutheran Fellowship Hall at 14th and Kane Streets. Dinner tickets are \$10.00 for adults and \$6.00 for children under 12.

Little three-year old Collin was recently diagnosed with an inoperable malignant tumor on his brain stem and is receiving treatment at St. Louis Children's Hospital.

The purpose of this of this letter is five-fold:

1. To request volunteer help to work a 2-hour shift and/or donate pies or cakes;
2. To encourage your attendance;
3. To promote the event among your family, friends and neighbors;
4. To solicit monetary donations for the Diekemper family to defray costs not covered by insurance;
(To make your tax deductible donation, write your check to the "Carlyle Rotary Foundation" and write "Diekemper Family" on the memo line.)
5. Pray for this young family.

Pies and cakes can be delivered to the church hall on Saturday morning, January 9, or early Sunday morning.

If you can volunteer to help at the dinner on January 10 – fry chicken, serve, clean-up, etc. – or if you have any questions, please contact Tom Guebert: 618-978-0883 or 594-7455 or email tcguebert@gmail.com.

***Your help and participation on behalf of
The Diekemper Family is greatly appreciated!***

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6	07-Feb-15	Lev 13-15	2 Kings 6-10	Psalms 81-83	Prov 10-11	Ezek 25-30	Luke 19-20	Col 1-2
7	14-Feb-15	Lev 16-18	2 Kings 11-15	Psalms 84-86	Prov 12	Ezek 31-36	Luke 21-22	Col 3-4
8	21-Feb-15	Lev 19-21	2 Kings 16-20	Psalms 87-89	Prov 13-14	Ezek 37-42	Luke 23-24	1 Thess 1-3
9	28-Feb-15	Lev 22-24	2 Kings 21-25	Psalms 90-92	Prov 15	Ezek 43-48	John 1-2	1 Thess 4-5
10	06-Mar-15	Lev 25-27	1 Chr 1-4	Psalms 93-95	Prov 16	Daniel 1-6	John 3-4	2 Thess
11	13-Mar-15	Num 1-4	1 Chr 5-9	Psalms 96-98	Prov 17-18	Daniel 7-12	John 5-6	1 Tim 1-3
12	20-Mar-15	Num 5-8	1 Chr 10-14	Psalms 99-102	Prov 19	Hos 1-7	John 7-9	1 Tim 4-6
13	27-Mar-15	Num 9-12	1 Chr 15-19	Psalms 103-104	Prov 20-21	Hos 8-14	John 10-12	2 Tim 1-2
14	03-Apr-15	Num 13-16	1 Chr 20-24	Psalms 105-107	Prov 22	Joel	John 13-15	2 Tim 3-4
15	10-Apr-15	Num 17-20	1 Chr 25-29	Psalms 108-110	Prov 23-24	Amos 1-4	John 16-18	Titus
16	17-Apr-15	Num 21-24	2 Chr 1-5	Psalms 111-113	Prov 25	Amos 5-9	John 19-21	Philemon
17	24-Apr-15	Num 25-28	2 Chr 6-10	Psalms 114-116	Prov 26-27	Obad	Acts 1-2	Heb 1-4
18	01-May-15	Num 29-32	2 Chr 11-15	Psalms 117-118	Prov 28	Jonah	Acts 3-4	Heb 5-7
19	08-May-15	Num 33-36	2 Chr 16-20	Psalms 119	Prov 29-30	Micah	Acts 5-6	Heb 8-10
20	15-May-15	Deut 1-3	2 Chr 21-24	Psalms 120-121	Prov 31	Nahum	Acts 7-8	Heb 11-13
21	22-May-15	Deut 4-6	2 Chr 25-28	Psalms 122-124	Eccl 1-2	Habbakkuk	Acts 9-10	James 1-3
22	29-May-15	Deut 7-9	2 Chr 29-32	Psalms 125-127	Eccl 3-4	Zephaniah	Acts 11-12	James 4-5
23	05-Jun-15	Deut 10-12	2 Chr 33-36	Psalms 128-130	Eccl 5-6	Haggai	Acts 13-14	1 Peter 1-3
24	12-Jun-15	Deut 13-15	Ezra 1-5	Psalms 131-133	Eccl 7-8	Zech 1-7	Acts 15-16	1 Peter 4-5
25	19-Jun-15	Deut 16-19	Ezra 6-10	Psalms 134-136	Eccl 9-10	Zech 8-14	Acts 17-18	2 Peter
26	26-Jun-15	Deut 20-22	Neh 1-4	Psalms 137-139	Eccl 11-12	Malachi	Acts 19-20	1 John 1-3

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27	03-Jul-15	Deut 23-25	Neh 5-9	Psalms 140-142	Song 1-2	Rev 1-6	Acts 21-22	1 John 4-5
28	10-Jul-15	Deut 26-28	Neh 10-13	Psalms 143-145	Song 3-4	Rev 7-11	Acts 23-24	2 John
29	17-Jul-15	Deut 29-31	Esth 1-5	Psalms 146-148	Song 5-6	Rev 12-17	Acts 25-26	3 John
30	24-Jul-15	Deut 32-34	Esth 6-10	Psalms 149-150	Song 7-8	Rev 18-22	Acts 27-28	Jude
31	31-Jul-15	Gen 1-3	Josh 1-5	Psalms 1-2	Job 1-2	Isa 1-6	Matt 1-2	Rom 1-2
32	07-Aug-15	Gen 4-7	Josh 6-10	Psalms 3-5	Job 3-4	Isa 7-11	Matt 3-4	Rom 3-4
33	14-Aug-15	Gen 8-11	Josh 11-15	Psalms 6-8	Job 5-6	Isa 12-17	Matt 5-7	Rom 5-6
34	21-Aug-15	Gen 12-15	Josh 16-20	Psalms 9-11	Job 7-8	Isa 18-22	Matt 8-10	Rom 7-8
35	28-Aug-15	Gen 16-19	Josh 21-24	Psalms 12-14	Job 9-10	Isa 23-28	Matt 11-13	Rom 9-10
36	04-Sep-15	Gen 20-23	Judg 1-6	Psalms 15-17	Job 11-12	Isa 29-33	Matt 14-16	Rom 11-12
37	11-Sep-15	Gen 24-27	Judg 7-11	Psalms 18-20	Job 13-14	Isa 34-39	Matt 17-19	Rom 13-14
38	18-Sep-15	Gen 28-31	Judg 12-16	Psalms 21-23	Job 15-16	Isa 40-44	Matt 20-22	Rom 15-16
39	25-Sep-15	Gen 32-35	Judg 17-21	Psalms 24-26	Job 17-18	Isa 45-50	Matt 23-25	1 Cor 1-2
40	02-Oct-15	Gen 36-39	Ruth	Psalms 27-29	Job 19-20	Isa 51-55	Matt 26-28	1 Cor 3-4
41	09-Oct-15	Gen 40-43	1 Sam 1-6	Psalms 30-32	Job 21-22	Isa 56-61	Mark 1-2	1 Cor 5-6
42	16-Oct-15	Gen 44-47	1 Sam 7-10	Psalms 33-35	Job 23-24	Isa 62-66	Mark 3-4	1 Cor 7-8
43	23-Oct-15	Gen 48-50	1 Sam 11-15	Psalms 36-38	Job 25-26	Jer 1-5	Mark 5-6	1 Cor 9-10
44	30-Oct-15	Exod 1-4	1 Sam 16-20	Psalms 39-41	Job 27-28	Jer 6-11	Mark 7-8	1 Cor 1-12
45	06-Nov-15	Exod 5-8	1 Sam 21-25	Psalms 42-44	Job 29-30	Jer 12-16	Mark 9-10	1 Cor 13-14
46	13-Nov-15	Exod 9-12	1 Sam 26-31	Psalms 45-47	Job 31-32	Jer 17-21	Mark 11-12	1 Cor 15-16
47	20-Nov-15	Exod 13-16	2 Sam 1-4	Psalms 48-50	Job 33-34	Jer 22-26	Mark 13-14	2 Cor 1-3
48	27-Nov-15	Exod 17-20	2 Sam 5-9	Psalms 51-53	Job 35-36	Jer 27-31	Mark 15-16	2 Cor 4-5
49	04-Dec-15	Exod 21-24	2 Sam 10-14	Psalms 54-56	Job 37-38	Jer 32-36	Luke 1-2	2 Cor 6-8
50	11-Dec-15	Exod 25-28	2 Sam 15-19	Psalms 57-59	Job 39-40	Jer 37-41	Luke 3-4	2 Cor 9-10
51	18-Dec-15	Exod 29-32	2 Sam 20-24	Psalms 60-62	Job 41-42	Jer 42-46	Luke 5-6	2 Cor 11-13
52	25-Dec-15	Exod 33-36	1 Kings 1-4	Psalms 63-65	Proverbs 1	Jer 47-52	Luke 7-8	Gal 1-3



READ THROUGH THE BIBLE

A Message from Pastor Keith

Lord, You are the Potter, we are the clay.

“Happy are people who are hungry and thirsty for righteousness, because they will be fed until they are full”

Matthew 5:6 Common English Bible

On the 14th of June, 1994 I was ordained an elder in the Central Illinois Conference. I was also brought into membership of the clergy of the same. I was ordained under the resident Bishop at the time, Bishop David Lawson., who has since deceased. Bishop **Lawson’s leadership for new ordainands was to take them on a spiritual trip to the Holy Land.**

In February of 1995 we boarded a plane out of **Chicago O’Hare to New York, then to Israel.** I remember as it was yesterday, walking off the plane, which at that time it was unloaded on the tarmac, and kissed the ground. I knew I was home with the Lord.

We made all the usual stops that the basic tour included. At almost every place we visited someone was moved by the Holy Spirit. I was moved at every site, but it was on our last day in Jerusalem, that I had my most spiritual awakening.

One has to realize that everywhere we visited it is **always stated, “we think this could be the place where ...”. However, the instant we entered the Garden Tomb area, where Jesus “might have” been buried, I felt all strange inside.**

It is very hard to try to explain what I felt, if not impossible, but tears ran down my cheeks. Then I **couldn’t move, like someone or something, was holding me in place as I stared at the “tomb”.**

I thought I was silently singing, but it was not silent. **“Come Holy Spirit I need Thee” was what I was** murmuring and then I was released. I entered the tomb, and had never experienced happiness and joy to the degree I felt in there. I hungered for righteousness and holiness and I felt it in me at that very moment.

When I exited the tomb, I turned, stared, and stated, **out loud, “This is The Place”. Others agreed.**

In the sermon on the mount found in Matthew 5:3-12 Jesus informs the crowd how to be Happy or Blessed. I wrote at the beginning of my article from Matt 5:6 out of the Common English Bible. I wanted to express the feeling I had at the Garden Tomb of Jesus.

What I also want to express in this article is that I have had other spiritual movements similar to what I experienced in Israel in February 1995.

In fact on December 2nd of this year, I went to the sanctuary to pray. I was searching for strength, purpose and healing. As I sat there in the sanctuary, I felt another presence. I looked around to see who would have come in to the sanctuary but no one was there. In fact I saw nothing but inanimate objects/idols. When I turned back I felt the Spirit moving within me **and I began to pray, by the Spirit’s guidance. I don’t** remember exactly what I prayed about but, all of a sudden I felt that same movement as I did in Israel in 1995. I came into this session with much on my heart, seeking forgiveness, healing, and spiritual awakening. I received all of it, but much more.

When we hunger and thirst for the Lord to be with **us , to heal us, to forgive us and to love us, it doesn’t** have to be in Israel, or in the sanctuary, for I have experienced Him at camp. God is with us wherever we go and His Holiness is there at all times.

When we feel the hunger and thirst for righteousness and holiness, remember it is probably the Lord prompting us/you to pray. Wanting us/you to know of His presence when we/you seek it, hunger, it will be given unto you/us. Praise the Lord.

Have a blessed New Year 2016

Pastor Keith Michaels



Kindness Counts

- Make blankets or scarves for homeless people.
- Send a care package to someone who's in college or the military.
- Collect coins for a charity or cause.
- When you can't attend an event, give the tickets to strangers.
- Provide tutoring or mentoring in your field of expertise.
- Offer to babysit or pet-sit for free.
- Send a note of appreciation to someone who's made a difference in your life.
- Share your gifts of music, reading or conversation at a nursing home.
- Donate old sports equipment to schools.
- Give someone the benefit of the doubt — maybe even a family member or yourself!



Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience."
Colossians 3:12

**Relationship Covenant
between
Carlyle First United Methodist Church
and
Dala A. Lawrence, CLM**

This relationship between a congregation and a certified lay minister (CLM) is guided by The Book of Discipline, 2012 (§271). The hallmarks of this relationship are respect, collegiality, mutual support, open communication, and commitment to mission. The following covenantal provisions are intended to deepen the relationships of the members of Carlyle First United Methodist Church (Carlyle FUMC) and its CLM, Dala A. Lawrence, by establishing clear ministerial boundaries in the UMC context. To this end, we will:

1. Honor and affirm each other's call to ministry.
2. Encourage authentic relationships with members and friends of Carlyle FUMC to participate fully in the life of this congregation.
3. Welcome Dala Lawrence as a CLM assigned to Carlyle FUMC and respect Dala's role as CLM.
4. Treat Dala as part of our pastoral team, seeking her guidance for the well being of the congregation as deemed appropriate.
5. Support a clear working relationship between Dala and Pastor Keith Michaels and allow them to work out arrangements so the ministerial needs of the congregation are met.
6. Invite Dala to lead workshops and facilitate other experiences at Carlyle FUMC that fit within the realm of her knowledge and expertise.
7. Respect Dala's schedule and leadership limitations and work to share ministry with her, rather than expect her to do ministry for us. For the sake of self-care, Dala is encouraged not to get too deeply involved in too many Carlyle FUMC activities.
8. Issue an invitation for Dala to preach at Carlyle FUMC a minimum of 4 times per year. Dala will be our regular worship leader.
9. Affirm Dala's interest in community ministry and urge members and friends of Carlyle FUMC to cultivate a similar interest in and support for our shared ministry.
10. Expect Dala and Keith to address questions to each other and not to others.
11. Support Dala's certification process by forming an active Mutual Ministry Team.
12. Review and revise this covenant as necessary.

Dala A. Lawrence 12-1-15
Dala A. Lawrence, CLM Date

Rev. Keith G. Michaels 12/1/2015
Supervising Pastor Keith Michaels Date

Chris Barackman 12-2-15
Chris Barackman, SPPRC Date

Covenant for Ministry

The Carlyle First United Methodist Church of Carlyle, IL, hereafter Carlyle FUMC, and Dala A. Lawrence, as Certified Lay Minister, hereafter CLM, jointly enter into this Covenant for Ministry effective December 1, 2015.

1. Intention

The intention of this covenant is to set forth the responsibilities, authority and obligations of the CLM and of Carlyle FUMC to be in ministry together as we seek to grow together in peace, to see the truth in love, and to serve one another and the larger community. We recognize that no matter how carefully this agreement is written and observed, the relationship between Carlyle FUMC and the CLM must be grounded in respect, open communication, mutual trust, good faith and fair process on both sides.

2. Commitment to Mission

Carlyle FUMC is committed to offering a place of worship that accepts all people and welcomes them through the grace of God. We will practice the means of grace as well as engage our congregation in our community. Two ministry goals for the coming year are:

1. Enhance the quality of worship
2. Strive to make Carlyle FUMC more inviting to the community through offering outreach ministries. (Grief Support and Celebrate Recovery)

3. Duties

1. The CLM will share in the responsibility for the leadership and ministry of the congregation.
2. The CLM will serve in the capacity of Lay Leader for Carlyle FUMC.
3. The CLM will fill in, in the absence of the Ordained Minister for pastoral duties as necessary and as authorized by The Book of Discipline 2012.

4. Relationship to the Church Committees and Boards of Carlyle FUMC

1. The CLM will sit on all committees and boards as a voting member as long as the CLM is the Lay Leader of Carlyle FUMC.
 1. The CLM will have a regular place on the agendas for reporting on ministerial activities, thoughts or concerns.

5. CLM's Conduct

The conduct of the CLM will be in accordance with The Book of Discipline 2012 and Social Principals of the United Methodist Church.

6. Evaluation

An assessment of the work of the CLM will be conducted annually, following a congregational survey/review with the SPPRC. The assessment will be based on this covenant and the ministry goals of the congregation

7. Resignation and Termination

The term of this covenant is indefinite. It will continue until the CLM provides Carlyle FUMC with at least a 60 day notice to discontinue a working relationship.

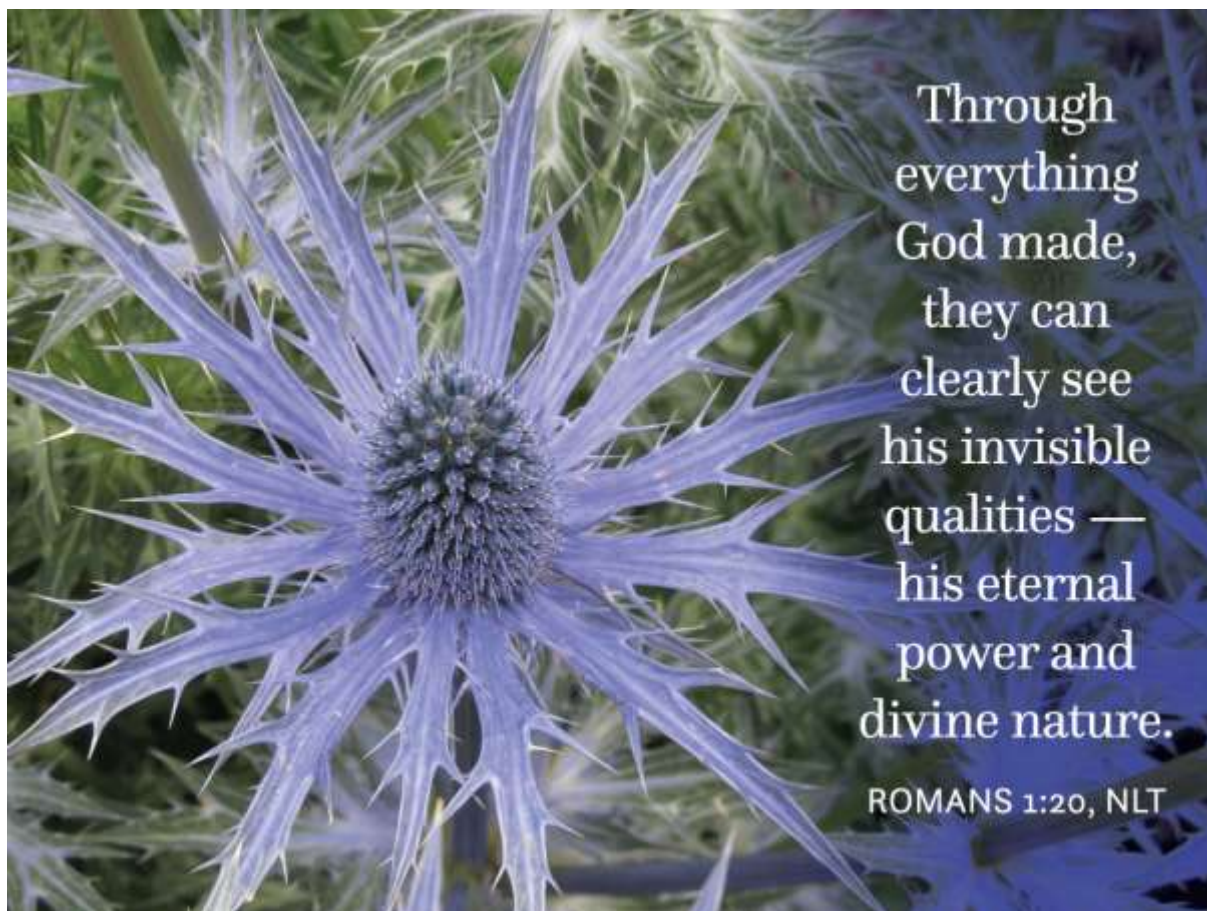
1. The CLM may resign by sending written notification to the SPPRC Chairperson and will become effective on the 60th day following receipt of the notification.

2. The CLM may be dismissed only by action of Carlyle FUMC at a SPPRC meeting. A decision to dismiss will be by majority of all members of the congregation present and eligible to vote at a meeting called for that purpose at which a quorum is present. The dismissal will be effective on the 60th day following the vote.
 - a. The CLM and Carlyle FUMC may set any other effective termination date by mutual agreement
3. The CLM may be dismissed with less than 60 days' notice if the CLM is found in noncompliance with this covenant.

8. Future Evolution of This Covenant.

A thorough review of the Covenant for the Ministry will occur annually, guided by the policies and district requirements, and following a congregational survey and evaluation of the CLM. The terms of this Covenant may be changed with the mutual consent of the CLM and Carlyle FUMC to reflect changes in policies, goals, and practice.

This Covenant is subject to the laws of the State of Illinois and The Book of Discipline 2012 of the United Methodist Church. It has been drawn up in the spirit of the Principles and Mission of the United Methodist Church.



Volunteers for January

	Epiphany Sunday January 3	First Sunday after Epiphany January 10	Second Sunday after Epiphany January 17	Third Sunday after Epiphany January 24	Fourth Sunday after Epiphany January 31
MORNING MESSAGE	Rev. Keith Michaels	Rev. Keith Michaels	Rev. Keith Michaels	Rev. Keith Michaels	Rev. Keith Michaels
WORSHIP LEADER	Dala Lawrence	Dala Lawrence	Dala Lawrence	Dala Lawrence	Dala Lawrence
MUSICIAN	David Wilton	David Wilton	David Wilton	David Wilton	David Wilton
LITURGIST	Kathy Beckemeyer	Edith Huene	Dala Lawrence	Carol Johnson	Ami Shanafelt
CHILDREN'S MOMENT	Jane Buchele Kayla Shanafelt	Jane Buchele Kayla Shanafelt	Jane Buchele Kayla Shanafelt	Jane Buchele Kayla Shanafelt	Jane Buchele Kayla Shanafelt
ACOLYTE	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available
USHERS	Not Available				
MULTI-MEDIA	Jerry Harris	Sherry White	Chris Barackman	Jerry Harris	Sherry White
SOUND TECH	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed
CAMCORDER	Volunteer Needed	Jerry Harris	Volunteer Needed	Randy Voss	Volunteer Needed
NURSERY	Linda Masulla	Linda Masulla	Linda Masulla	Linda Masulla	Linda Masulla
NURSERY ASSISTANT	Kortnie Henkel	Kayla Shanafelt	Kristin Firebaugh	Jenny Casey	
OFFERING COUNTERS	Bill Beckemeyer and David Gazda				

Volunteers for February

	Fifth Sunday after Epiphany February 7	Ash Wednesday February 14	First Sunday in Lent February 14	Second Sunday in Lent February 21	Third Sunday in Lent February 28
MORNING MESSAGE	Rev. Keith Michaels	Rev. Keith Michaels	Rev. Keith Michaels	Rev. Keith Michaels	Rev. Keith Michaels
WORSHIP LEADER	Dala Lawrence	Dala Lawrence	Dala Lawrence	Dala Lawrence	Dala Lawrence
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SOUND TECH	Volunteer Needed	Not Available	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed
CAMCORDER	Volunteer Needed		Jerry Harris	Volunteer Needed	Randy Voss
NURSERY	Linda Masulla		Linda Masulla	Linda Masulla	Linda Masulla
NURSERY ASSISTANT	Kortnie Henkel		Kayla Shanafelt	Kristin Firebaugh	Jenny Casey
OFFERING COUNTERS	David Huene and Vicky Geest				

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Birthdays

1/2	Jennifer Casey	1/15	Jeanne Beckemeyer	1/30	Elsie Seger	2/7	Carolyn Jones
1/2	Aiden Markus	1/15	Gordon Jones	1/30	Dustin Wessel	2/8	Frank Buckingham
1/3	Allyssa Kleine	1/17	Tim Michaels	2/1	Lucy Buchele	2/8	Don Taylor
1/4	Marlene Carpenter	1/19	Emma Rahm	2/1	Camilla Zurliene	2/9	Karen Jones
1/6	Deane Buckingham	1/20	Luke Masulla	2/2	Debbie Cohoon		
1/7	Richard Emling	1/20	Deb Schaubert	2/2	Bret Henkel		
1/9	Lynn Garrett	1/23	Kayla Shanafelt	2/2	Jacqueline Kruep		
1/11	Darlene Dempsey	1/24	Robert Wilton Jr.	2/2	Addison Markus		
1/11	Cheryl Wuebbles	1/25	Roger Boyd	2/3	Joe Folen		
1/13	Ashton Nettles	1/26	Laura Wesselmann	2/5	Stephanie Johnson		
1/14	Edward Rule	1/29	Carrie Kramer	2/5	Quinn Zurliene		
1/14	Albert Stamps	1/29	Melissa Kunkle	2/7	Tyler Guthrie		

Baptism Birthdays

1/1	Naomi Wernsman	1/14	Trey Johnson	2/1	Kayla VonBurg
1/4	Tami Courtial	1/27	Jenna Henkel	2/5	Dick Koehler
1/4	Jason Davis	1/27	Kortnie Henkel	2/5	Frances Koehler
1/8	Courtney Davison	1/29	Matthew Beckemeyer		

Anniversaries

1/23	David & Edith Huene
2/8	Tom & Mary Frerker
2/9	Wayne & Barbara Schnake



In Our Prayers



Families	Local Government	Charlene Leitsch
The Christian Home	National Government	Larry Shanafelt
Christian Education	Our Nation	Janet Gammon
Churches	Silent Prayers	Betty Rutledge
Schools	Those Not Able to Attend Church	Kate
		Joan Wallace
	Steve Goodin	
	Collin Diekemper	
	Mike Rainey	

Just for Kids!

GUIDING LIGHT

Make this flashlight to remember that God, our light, always shows us the way.



What you need:

- Flashlight with handle strap
- Yarn (6 to 8 inches)
- Colorful pony beads
- Stickers (including four letters)
- Batteries

What you do:

1. Tie the yarn through the flashlight's handle strap so two equal lengths hang down.
2. String the pony beads onto the two yarn lengths, and secure the ends with knots.
3. Decorate the flashlight with stickers. Use letters to spell "God is light."
4. Keep the flashlight by your bedside as a reminder of God's guidance. Use the flashlight to read a Bible verse before bed each night!



LET THERE BE LIGHT

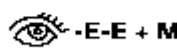
In a world of darkness, God guides us so we can walk in his ways.

Directions: Write the name of each picture, subtracting and adding letters as indicated. Then fill in the blanks to complete 2 Samuel 22:29, NIV.

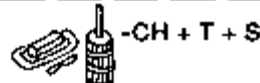
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2 SAMUEL 22:29, NIV

Answer: "You, LORD, are my lamp; the LORD turns my darkness into light." 2 Samuel 22:29, NIV

First United Methodist Church

JANUARY 2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>27</p> <p>1st Sunday after Christmas Day</p> <p>8:30 AM Prayer Team</p> <p>8:45 AM Pastor's Class: Feasting on the Word</p> <p>9:00 AM - 9:45 AM Sunday School - Nursery-Adult</p> <p>10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Worship Service (Nursery Provided)</p> <p>6:30 PM Service of Prayer and Healing</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p> <p>8:00 AM Prayer Warriors</p> <p>10:00 AM - 12:00 PM GriefShare</p> <p>7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>31</p> <p>10:00 AM - 12:00 PM Women's Bible Study</p> <p>2:30 PM - 5:00 PM Webelos Scout Meeting</p>	<p>1</p> <p>Offices Closed</p>	<p>2</p>
<p>3</p> <p><i>Communion Sunday</i></p> <p>8:30 AM Prayer Team</p> <p>8:45 AM Pastor's Class: Feasting on the Word</p> <p>9:00 AM - 9:45 AM Sunday School - Nursery-Adult</p> <p>10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Worship Service (Nursery Provided)</p>	<p>4</p> <p>9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Emmaus Reunion Group</p> <p>10:00 AM - 12:00 PM Women's Study: What God Really Thinks about Women</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p> <p>8:00 AM Prayer Warriors</p> <p>10:00 AM - 12:00 PM GriefShare</p> <p>2:00 PM Communion Service at Carlyle Healthcare</p> <p>7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>7</p> <p>9:00 AM Ministerial Alliance Meeting</p> <p>10:00 AM - 12:00 PM Women's Bible Study</p> <p>2:30 PM - 5:00 PM Webelos Scout Meeting</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Offices Closed</p>	<p>9</p>
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