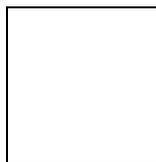




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Worship
 Sunday's at 10:00

“There’s so much that needs to get done.” That’s been the reality of my life during the past number of months. My wife and I started a complete renovation of the first floor of our home in March and are putting on some final touches on a project that seems to have taken forever. There was so much to get done but at times we needed to take a break allowing for some time of rest. There were many times my wife and I simply said, “you know what, it will get done when it gets done.” After months of work we’re pretty much done and we feel good about the finished project.

For many of you, you may find yourself saying as well “there’s so much that needs to get done,” and at times it can be overwhelming. I want to remind you of the importance of rest and taking time for reflection. I’m reminded of the story of Mary and Martha in the gospel. Martha was very busy making sure that hospitality would be provided for Jesus and his disciples. There was much to be done, and Mary instead of helping Martha sat down at the feet of Jesus taking in all Jesus was teaching. Martha was upset and said to Jesus, “tell Mary to get in here so she can help with all that needs to be done.” Jesus responds, “Martha, Martha you are so busy and that’s important but Mary is doing that which is more important right now.” What was it Mary realized? She saw the importance of rest and reflection as she sat at the feet of Jesus in order for her spirit to be filled.

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So if your reality is, "There is so much to do," remember in the midst of your busyness there are times you need to back off, take time to rest and reflect. To sit at the feet of Jesus and hear him say, "Come to me all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Remember one of the greatest gifts God gives us is rest. It allows us time to reflect on God and God's provision. And it reminds us that at times there is nothing more important than simply sitting at the feet of Jesus resting in his presence.

Pastor Cliff

Missions

Thank you to all who attended our Taco Lunch on June 12. This was a fundraiser for our missionaries who serve at the New Life Center in Zambia and we raised \$444. The Noisy Sunday collection on June 26 was also for our missionaries and \$114.85 was collected. Due to the generosity of our congregation, \$558.85 will be sent to Rev. Delbert Groves and his wife, Sandy for their work in Zambia. God bless you all.

The Noisy Sunday offerings on July and August will be for Johnsville Elementary, our Community Faith partner.

Thank you all for your faithful support of our mission projects.
Junelle and Sue

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FIRE & ICE CREAM SOCIAL



*Join us
Saturday, August 6 at*

Prayers and More for the Karkinen Family

On July 22nd, long time Cedar UMC members, Eric and Cozette Karkinen had a devastating house fire. Fortunately, no one was injured, but they lost automobiles and the house is burned beyond use. We will be raising funds for the family from now until August 21st. If you care to donate, please make note on your contribution that you are donating to the Karkinen Family. Pastor Cliff is currently in contact with the family to determine how we can best support them. Additional information will be communicated as it becomes available. Please keep the family in your prayers.

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Trustees

The Trustees are really in hot water now! Since the water heater was replaced several years ago, it takes much longer to get hot water to the kitchen faucet. It was decided that there are better things to do in life rather than waiting for hot water to reach the kitchen. Money from Memorial funds and Funeral funds was used to add a small water heater under the kitchen sink so that hot water is now available to the kitchen within a few seconds at any time.

Thank you to all who pull weeds, water plants, and help to keep the exterior of the church looking well kept. Rich Powers continues to keep the lawn from getting too shaggy. However, you may note that there is some longer grass in areas behind the church. This is because Rich leaves areas that have clover for the honeybees kept by neighbors who have property adjoining the lot behind the church. We are also careful to limit any spraying to non flowering plants. Anyone who wants to help Rich with mowing, please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex.

At the July Trustee meeting, we were remarking about how nice it was to see neighborhood children using the playground swing set. One of the children who has used it regularly for the past several years has now grown into a preteen and is obviously bigger than he used to be. While he was swinging, we noticed that one of the legs of the swing was lifting out of the ground. The following week, the leg was re-anchored and the climbing portion of the equipment was reinforced. It was completed in time for VBS and is ready for Night to Unite.

The Trustees primary focus is to make sure that the building and grounds are ready to facilitate the ministries of the church. You can all help by letting us know if there is something we should look into or if there is something you would like to help us with.

Be Blessed,
Trustees

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- 8/2 David Holdsworth, Sr.
- 8/7 Lori Jensen
- 8/15 Arvid Vangsness
- 8/17 Herb May
- 8/18 Tanna Tueffel
- 8/19 Mark Northfield
- 8/20 Natalie Patton
- 8/23 Kayla Jensen
- 8/25 Steve Neitzel
- 8/30 David Holdsworth
- 8/31 Doris Boos

Caring & Sharing

Caring & Sharing Roaring 20s Luncheon is now only 2 months away! Invitations are ready to be mailed and we have them here for you to pick up. Some of you had already paid and I have that list, so no worry, you are covered. It is Saturday October 1, 2022. 11-3:00. Dress for the fun, if you like, fringe, pearls, feathers, whatever

We could use some gentlemen to help with serving, think about it, you will get special shirts, for sure!

Lorraine & Ladies

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1. 6:30 pm Caring & Sharing	2. 6:00 pm Night to Unite <i>David Holdsworth, Sr. B-Day</i>	3.	4.	5.	6. 6:30 pm Fire & Ice Cream Social
7. 10:00 am Worship Communion Sunday <i>Lori Jensen B-Day</i>	8. 5:00 pm Trustees Meeting 6:30 pm Caring & Sharing	9.	10.	11. 6:30 pm Ad Council Meeting 7:00 Piecemakers	12.	13.
14. 10:00 am Worship	15. 6:30 pm Caring & Sharing <i>Arvid Vangsness</i>	16.	17. <i>Herb May B-Day</i>	18. <i>Tanna Tueffel B-Day</i>	19. <i>Mark Northfield B-Day</i>	20. <i>Natalie Patton B-Day</i>
21. 10:00 am Worship	22. 6:30 pm Caring & Sharing	23. <i>Kayla Jensen B-Day</i>	24.	25. 7:00 pm Piecemakers <i>Steve Neitzel B-Day</i>	26.	27.
28. 10:00 am Worship Noisy Sunday offering for Johnsville Elementary	29. 6:30 pm Caring & Sharing	30. <i>David Holdsworth B-Day</i>	31. <i>Doris Boos B-Day</i>			
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