

# Countryside Trinity Church

## **FROM THE PASTOR ---- REV. NATHANIEL ASPERGER**

Greetings to you all in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ!

Though we are wrapping up Eastertide, Spring is a reminder that this season is crafted to reflect the changes that come from the grace of the Triune God. As we think about the grace and love offered to us in all things, there is a question that is waiting to be asked. Do I show new life?

Spring has finally come to us here in Michigan, though it feels uncertain. Rain abounds; it has come in such a way that I am reminded of Noah. While we might not have 40 days and nights of constant rain, there has been much rain, nonetheless. Flood watches, bridges out, rivers and creeks rising higher. It is a time of change, of destruction, of worry. However, I am reminded that even in this, there is new life. We go outside almost every morning to get folks off to school and work. As spring has come in, Tony looks forward every morning to walking out of our garage, stopping, shushing me, and listening to the birds sing. He has identified several different birdsongs, and a woodpecker hard at work in our neighborhood. It is one of the highlights of the day to stop and listen anew to the birds sing.

When the women went to the garden that first Easter morning, I imagine they were not ready for the change in their lives. I doubt the disciples gathered behind locked doors, expected a sudden change in their new realities. Jesus, changed their lives drastically once they followed him the first time, but this was yet a new change. The women, the 11 disciples, all those who followed Jesus were faced with a change that Easter created. They had to choose new lives and faith if they wanted to continue following him. It was a disruption to what they believed their lives were now.

Do we show new life? We can get very accustomed to our routines, to our "normal" lives. Humans often do not like change, we can see how people fight it across history. I am sure you can think of that in your life, "We've always done it this way" "That is not what I learned" etc. We like the things we know, and that are now comfortable. The brain even has neuropathways that it can prefer over time, to new things. However, Jesus invitation to new life, does not stop when we accept him into our lives. It does not stop when we are baptized, or become members of a particular church or denomination. The call to be made new in Jesus Christ, is consistent.

I have listened to a couple of seasoned pastors over the years, and a consistent thing I have heard is the phrase, "It preaches itself". Usually, this is around Christmas and Easter, our two biggest celebrations of the Christian Calendar. The sentiment is that there is not much more to dig up, not much more to be found; it is straightforward and over. The problem if we hold this position is that we get comfortable, and it can mean less. We don't try as hard, or we simply cruise through it, business as usual. Jesus, consistently makes things new. The laws of the First Testament were made new or fulfilled. Prophecies fulfilled, and new ones made. The call to faith is renewed and going in new directions. This is what the women, apostles and disciples experienced. They changed and grew in themselves, and the first church communities.

Do we show new life? I invite you to sit with this question. I do not mean that you have to go get a new wardrobe, or that you need to start everything from square one. What I mean, however, is that in our faith there ought to be new growth, new life, new ways of sharing how Jesus has changed us.

Remember, you have a pastor who loves you and is always willing to sit and listen or talk about things with you. May the Lord bless you and keep you until we meet again.

Pastor Nathaniel.

# UPCOMING LECTIONARY READINGS FOR MAY & JUNE

<p><b>May 3, 2026</b>          Acts 7:55-60          Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16          1 Peter 2:2-10          John 14:1-14</p>	<p>An angry crowd stones Stephen; he prays: Jesus, receive my spirit. Deliver me, O Lord; into your hand I commit my spirit.          Now you are God's people, built into a temple like living stones.          Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life; he prepares a place for us.</p>
<p><b>May 10, 2026</b>          Acts 17:22-31          Psalm 66:8-20          1 Peter 3:13-22          John 14:15-21</p>	<p>Paul introduces the Athenians to their "unknown god": the Lord. Bless God, who hears our prayers and keeps us among the living. Do not fear; testify to the hope that is in you through Christ.          Jesus says: the Father will send the Spirit, who will abide in you.</p>
<p><b>May 14, 2026</b>          Acts 1:1-11          Psalm 47          Or Psalm 93          Ephesians 1:15-23          Luke 24:44-53</p>	<p>Forty days after his resurrection, Jesus ascends into heaven. Clap, shout, and sing with joy: the Lord resigns over all the earth. The Lord reigns in majesty, high above the mighty waters.          Christ is seated at God's right hand, above every earthly power.          Jesus interprets the Scriptures; then he is carried up into heaven.</p>
<p><b>May 17, 2026</b>          Acts 1:6-14          Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35          1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11          John 17:1-11</p>	<p>After Jesus' ascension, the disciples go to Jerusalem and pray. God rides upon the clouds and gives power to the people. You are suffering now, but the God of grace will restore you.          Jesus seeks the glory of God and prays for his disciples.</p>
<p><b>May 24, 2026</b>          Acts 2:1-21          Or Numbers 11:24-30          Psalm 104:24-34, 35b          1 Corinthians 12:3b-13          Or Acts 2:1-21          John 20:19-23          Or John 7:37-39</p>	<p>On the day of Pentecost, God pours out the Spirit upon the earth. The Lord sends the Spirit to the elders of Israel, and they prophesy. The Lord of creation sends forth the Spirit to renew the earth. In the body of Christ there are varieties of gifts, but one Spirit.          On the day of Pentecost, God pours out the Spirit upon the earth. The risen Lord appears to the disciples and gives them the Spirit.          Jesus promises the Spirit: living water from the believer's heart.</p>
<p><b>May 31, 2026</b>          Genesis 1:1-2:4a          Psalm 8          2 Corinthians 13:11-13          Matthew 28:16-20</p>	<p>The Word and Spirit of God are present at the dawn of creation. O Lord our God, how majestic is your name in all the earth!          A letter concludes with a blessing in the name of the triune God.          Jesus' Great Commission: Go, make disciples, baptize, and teach.</p>
<p><b>June 7, 2026</b>  <u><b>Semicontinuous</b></u>          Genesis 12.1-9          Psalm 33:1-12  <u><b>Complementary</b></u>          Hosea 5:15-6:6</p>	<p>The Lord will bless Abram and Sarai and make them a blessing. Rejoice in the Lord; happy are those who are chosen as God's own.          On the third day God will raise us up; God desires steadfast love.</p>

Psalm 50:7-15 Romans 4:13-25 Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26	Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving; call on God in trouble. The example of Abraham and Sarah; righteousness comes from faith. Jesus calls sinners; he heals a woman and raises a dead girl to life.
<b>June 14, 2026</b> <u>Semicontinuous</u> Genesis 18:1-15(21:1-7) Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19 <u>Complimentary</u> Exodus 19:2-8a Psalm 100 Romans 5:1-8 Matthew 9:35-10:8(9-23)	Three visitors promise Abraham and Sarah they will have a son. What shall I return to the Lord? I will lift the cup of salvation  The Lord says: Keep my covenant and you will be my holy people. Make a joyful noise to the Lord; we are the sheep of God's pasture. We are justified by faith; while we were sinners Christ died for us. The harvest is plentiful; Jesus instructs and sends the twelve apostles.
<b>June 21, 2026</b> <u>Semicontinuous</u> Genesis 21:8-21 Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17 <u>Complimentary</u> Jeremiah 20:7-13 Psalm 69:7-10 (11-15), 16-18 Romans 6:1b-11 Matthew 10:24-39	Hagar and Ishmael are sent away, but God remains with them. Be gracious to me, O God; save the child of your servant.  Jeremiah laments the terror all around but must speak God's word. Zeal for your house consumes me; save me from my enemies.  Crucified with Jesus, we are dead to sin and alive to God in Christ. Jesus says: Do not fear for your life; take up your cross and follow.
<b>June 28, 2026</b> <u>Semicontinuous</u> Genesis 22:1-14 Psalm 13 <u>Complimentary</u> Jeremiah 28:5-9 Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18 Romans 6:12-23 Matthew 10:40-42	Obeying God, Abraham prepares to sacrifice his son Isaac. How long, O Lord? Still, I trust in your steadfast love.  Jeremiah speaks to Hananiah about the promises of prophets. I sing of God' steadfast love, God's covenant with David. The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is life in Christ. Jesus sends disciples; whoever welcomes you welcomes me.



**Thank you** so much for all your cards, telephone calls and heartfelt messages over the past several weeks. For those of you who may not be aware, I had surgery for a hiatal hernia repair on April 21<sup>st</sup>. I was hospitalized for 7 days with a few complications and after going home, was readmitted for another three days. I pray that I am now on the mend and just need to gain some strength back and get out on the golf course. Thank you again for your get-well wishes. Kathy

# TREASURER'S REPORT – BETHANY SCOVILL

## Changes in Equity-January through May, 2026

### CONSOLIDATED ALL FUNDS

		Beginning Balance	Income	Expenses	Ending Balance
NET ASSETS	3000				
UNRESTRICTED	3100				
Memorial Fund	3105	27,976.13	0.00	0.00	27,976.13
General Fund	3110	(319.43)	12,032.11	(20,181.36)	(8,468.68)
Bricks Fund	3115	1,539.85	0.00	0.00	1,539.85
Mission Fund	3130	37.50	0.00	0.00	37.50
Minister Compensation Fun	3140	84,267.30	0.00	0.00	84,267.30
Endowment - Expendable	3150	109,501.08	11.81	0.00	109,512.89
Subtotal Unrestricted	3100	223,002.43	12,043.92	(20,181.36)	214,864.99
DONOR RESTRICTED	3200				
Food Account	3220	44.52	820.00	0.00	864.52
Good Samaritan	3230	543.20	250.00	(100.00)	693.20
Youth Experience Fund	3241	810.81	0.00	0.00	810.81
Parking Lot Fund	3242	1,296.24	0.00	0.00	1,296.24
Muriel Lakey Scholarship	3290	6,020.14	0.00	0.00	6,020.14
Endowment Nonexpendable F	3310	149,796.50	0.00	0.00	149,796.50
Subtotal Donor Restricted	3200	158,511.41	1,070.00	(100.00)	159,481.41
TOTAL FUND BALANCE		381,513.84	13,113.92	(20,281.36)	374,346.40

**GRADUATES ????** Does anyone have a child, grandchild, great-grandchild, etc. graduating this year from high school, college, or trade school? We would love to recognize them. Please let Sandy Redfield know asap.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** - All community children age 4 (fully potty-trained) through entering fifth grade (for the 2026-27 school year) are invited for five days of fun in the summer sun at the free **"WILD!"** Vacation Bible School at Peace. Join us in our weeklong VBS adventure as our school transforms into Camp Whatchamacallit, a Christian nature ranger summer camp deep in the great, green Thingamajiggy Forest, where boys and girls are running wild in the beauty of nature and the glory of God's love.

Peace VBS is offered 8:30-11:45 A.M. June 15-19. Every day will be packed with craft, science and recreation stations, fun music, snacks, engaging Bible lessons and more! The registration deadline is June 1. Save your spot today at [www.PeaceSaginaw.org/VBS](http://www.PeaceSaginaw.org/VBS).

**WARMER WEATHER IS COMING**, and we are beginning to look at Summer Camp for the children of CTC. If you would like to help with their costs, please submit your donation marked "Summer Camp" which can be dropped in the plate at church or mailed in, whichever you prefer.



If you have a family member who would like to go to camp, please contact Sandy Redfield for more information. There are also brochures on the table in the Fellowship Hall for those who may be interested.

## YOUR SESSION AT WORK - March 29, 2026

Minutes taken by Carol Van Arsdale, Clerk of the Session

**Opening:** The meeting was called to order with prayer by Pastor and Moderator Rev. Nathaniel Asperger at 12:32 in the lounge.

**Deacon's Report:** Ron Platt

February 1, 2026,	Beginning balance	\$564.63
	<u>Income:</u> Coffee Hour	\$146.00
	Total Income:	\$146.00
	<u>Expenses:</u>	
	Kitchen supplies, eco supplies,	\$26.76
	Communion supplies	
	Total Expenses	\$26.76
February 28, 2026,	Ending Balance	<b>\$683.87</b>
	Cake Fund balance	\$171.00

**Elder Training:** Pastor Nathaniel asked 2 questions from "The Presbyterian Ruling Elder: An Essential Guide" p7.

1. How can we better serve the spiritual needs of CTC?
2. How can we better nurture the gifts of CTC?

Members of the Session would like to start by holding a cribbage game night for the congregation and friends. Tables would be set up to play while at another table the game would be taught to beginners. In the future we might consider game night with other area churches. Supporting and promoting the Caring Closet would also be done.

**Clerk of the Session:**

Baptisms since beginning of year:	0
Deaths since beginning of year:	0
New members in 2025:	0
Current membership:	86
Average Attendance :	40
Communion served in February	46, 16

Session accepted a letter withdrawing her membership for CTC from Karen Blankenship. Pastor Nathaniel will send her a letter inviting her to continue to attend Bible Study lunches and other CTC events and activities.

Members of CTC who were initially trained in CPR when we acquired an AED are out of certification. Chuck Davis will approach Brian Leach about teaching a class for anyone in the congregation that is interested.

**Presbytery Report:** Pastor Nathaniel

Presbytery was held by Zoom. Roger Scovill was reelected to the finance committee. Pastor Nathaniel has been to 2 listening session in the thumb. A third one has occurred. The purpose of these sessions is to learn what congregations need from Presbytery. More sessions will happen in the future in our region.

Presbytery is offering Moderator and communion training on April 11 for those interested at Fairgrove Presbyterian Church at 10:00 A.M. Lunch will be provided. Register so they can confirm how many lunches will be needed.

**Personnel:** Roger Scovill

Roger reported on the Session meeting to evaluate Pastor Nathaniel. Eight of the nine Session members were present. Sandy Redfield completed an evaluation, and her input was included. The Session was surprised by the multitude of jobs that Pastor provides to the church, the Presbytery, and the community. Roger presented the evaluation results and opportunity for improvement. The Session feels this a very positive evaluation, and we extremely pleased to have Nathaniel as our pastor.

**Nominating Committee:** Sandy Redfield

The position of member at large on the nominating committee is a 1-year position.

**Pastor's Report:** Pastor Nathaniel

Pastor Nathaniel will return to the office this week. If gas prices continue at this rate, he may change to 2 days a week instead of 3. He would be in the office one day when Kathy is working and on Wednesday for Bible Study and Lunch. Study leave was approved for his intensives for his degree in Iowa from May 3-9.

Pastor was given approval for vacation time June 14-19 to work at Fish Camp.  
 Annabelle Davis and Katherine Asperger submitted art for an UCC art contest.  
 Next Meeting: **April 26, 2026, at 9:00 A.M.**

**YOUR SESSION AT WORK**

**April 26, 2026**

Minutes taken by Carol Van Arsdale, Clerk of the Session

**Opening:** The meeting was called to order with prayer by Pastor and Moderator Rev. Nathaniel Asperger at 9:01, in the lounge.

**Deacon's Report:** Lynn Groom

March 1, 2026,	Beginning balance	\$683.87
	<u>Income:</u>	
	Coffee Hour	\$196.00
	Easter Flowers collection	\$423.00
	Total Income:	\$1302.87
	<u>Expenses:</u>	
	Kitchen supplies, coffee, etc.	\$63.36
	Total Expenses	\$63.36
March 31, 2026,	Ending Balance	<b>\$1239.51</b>
	Cake Fund Balance	\$171.00

Easter Flowers have not been paid for at the end of the month, and this report does not show that expenditure. Deacons will now meet parishioners at the front door of the church and ask them to check their name off a list or sign in as a visitor. We have been wasting a lot of paper in the red books with only one or two names on a sheet. It will be announced in church and those entering from the east door will be asked to walk across the church and sign in or do it after the service on their way to coffee hour. Ushers will also help making sure those who enter on the east door are added to the check list.

Deacon Rhonda Otway will record prayer requests during the service and distribute the list to deacons.

**Clerk of the Session:**

Baptisms since beginning of year:	0
Deaths since beginning of year:	0
New members in 2026:	0
Current membership:	85
Removal of Karen Blankenship	
Average Attendance :	39
Communion served in February	38 45

Carol Van Arsdale explained that Troop 304 chartered by Countryside Trinity Church has been recognized by the Michigan Crossroads Council, as one of 5 troops in the state of Michigan as a MCC 2026 Great Unit by having all adults Position Specific trained, and a Metric of 5 in each of 5 areas: Adult Training, Youth Advancement and leadership, Outdoor Activities, Membership Growth and Unit Size. This recognition allows all members of the troop to wear a special strip on their uniform. CTC will pay for the cost of the patches (\$2.00 each) and Pastor will send a congratulatory letter to the troop.

**Presbytery Report:** Pastor Nathaniel

Ted McCulloch has started to set parameter for his work time with the Presbytery. He plans to retire in 4-5 years and wants to turn over some of his duties to others in the Presbytery. The next Presbytery meeting is June 2, at Lindon.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Building and Grounds:** Roger Scovill

The soffit is fixed. Facia on the front of the church is temporarily fixed but will need more work. The roof needs some work.

**Pastor's Report:** Pastor Nathaniel

Pastor still plans to teach a class on Life Goals. It will probably be the 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> week of May.

May 17 is Youth Sunday. Sandy and the youth are excited about their plans.

Chuck Davis reported that Brian Leach is available to teach CPR any day but Mondays. He can take as many people in a class that want to learn. Perhaps the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays in May after church might work. The Deacons want to be included. It will be announced and a sign-up sheet created.

Pastor Nathaniel reported that the Needs Pantry needs more than Bethany and Kathy watching over it. M/S/A to ask the Mission Committee to take over the management of the Needs Pantry by Roger Scovill, seconded by Chuck Davis. All Approved. Pastor reported that in one case the request for needs was more appropriate for the Samaritan Fund Committee.

Next meeting of the Session: **May 31 at 9:00 A.M.** in the lounge.

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**"SCAM TEXTS, EMAIL, CALLS, OH MY!"**

**It seems that scammers are hard at work again. If you receive an email, text or some other communication, asking for you to buy gift cards, send money, click a link, scan a code, or anything of the like, IT IS A SCAM! If you receive any contact from someone from the church, whether Pastor, Kathy, Dan or anyone else, please call Kathy or Pastor Nathaniel to verify. Use the numbers listed in our directory to do so. Thank you!"**

**"Pastor Nathaniel is starting a new class on Sundays, looking at setting discipleship and life goals. This class is part of Nathaniel's doctoral program, where he shares some of the lessons he has learned and then work together on practices to help us in our faith and lives. If you are interested, please talk to pastor Nathaniel for more information."**



**MAY BIRTHDAYS**

- 1 Gwen Henderson
- 4 Joshua Gonzales
- 5 Sue Smith
- 6 Marcia Lacker
- 18 Doris Ruth
- 21 Seth Diggs
- 24 Katlyn Hanson
- 26 Charles Ohmer

**MAY ANNIVERSARIES**

- 4 Tom & Chong Ladner
- 18 Randy & Lynne Groom

**JUNE BIRTHDAYS**

- 2 Michael Groom
- 3 Eric Smith
- 11 Robert Bortner
- 11 Dana Hansen Cooper
- 19 Kitty Blehm
- 20 Marilyn Leffler
- 26 Lore Woodke
- 28 Sue Paterson
- 30 Darren Woodke

**JUNE ANNIVERSARIES**

- 11 Rylan & Katlyn Hanson
- 21 Edward & Lori Halase
- 29 Ronald & Jean Anne Miller

## GET INVOLVED!



Express yourself and your faith by joining the worship, music, or usher team today.

There are so many meaningful and fun ways to get involved, and there is something for everyone to do and **YOU** are needed for CTC to continue to grow and move forward. If you are interested in becoming a worship helper, singing in the choir or have any questions about how you can help, please speak with Darren Woodke or Dan Groom. If you can occasionally usher, talk with Pat Denno or Ron Platt.

### CTC CHOIR

**TALK WITH DAN GROOM IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN JOINING. WE'D LOVE TO HEAR YOUR VOICE. CHOIR IS OFF FOR THE SUMMER. BUT THEY'LL BE BACK!!!**

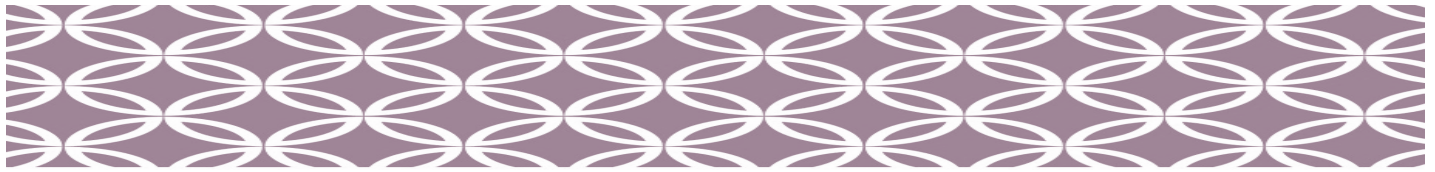


## SAGINAW COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING

**SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES: THERE ARE MANY CENTERS IN THE SAGINAW AREA OFFERING CONTINUING WEEKLY ACTIVITIES FROM DANCING AND EXERCISE TO CARDS. I HAVE PLACED THE DECEMBER NEWSLETTER FOR THE COMMISSION ON AGING ON THE TABLE IN FELLOWSHIP HALL. YOU CAN ALSO GO ONLINE TO VIEW A LIST OF EACH MONTH'S ACTIVITIES.**

**GO TO [WWW.SAGINAWCOUNTY.COM](http://WWW.SAGINAWCOUNTY.COM) AND HOVER ON THE TAB "COMMUNITY RESOURCES" AND THEN CLICK ON THE DROP-DOWN ITEM "COMMISSION ON AGING". LOOK FOR UPCOMING EVENTS AND THERE WILL BE A LINK FOR SENIOR CENTER EVENTS & ACTIVITIES. CHECK IT OUT - THERE ARE SOME FUN ACTIVITIES THAT CONTINUE THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.**

# HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING AT CTC



**MISSIONS SUPPORTED BY  
COUNTRYSIDE TRINITY  
CHURCH**

**HOW DO I  
CHOOSE?**

At CTC we support many different Missions through "Special Offerings" including **One Great Hour of Sharing, Pentecost/Strengthening the Church, Peace & Global Witness/Neighbors in Need** and **Christmas Joy/Fund** as well as our "Missions of the Month" throughout the year. It is not necessary to contribute to each of the Mission's CTC supports. If you are able and wish to do so, we invite you to select those missions you are most passionate about and donate to them. Any contributions you make are greatly appreciated. **THANK YOU.**

**CHRISTIAN OUTREACH:** in March we were joined by Anita Collins from "The Caring Closet" which was our April "Mission of the Month". Anita gave a very nice presentation about all of the wonderful things they do for people living in our area. Twice a month they provide a food give-a-way, including a hot meal, and they also give free clothing and household items to those in need. If you wish to help, they are always looking for volunteer helpers, as well as financial donations, food donations, household and clothing items. Mark your financial donations "The Caring Closet". For more information – please contact them at (989) 860-3235. If you have clothing, furniture or household items to donate, they can be taken directly to 6045 Mackinaw Road which is on the corner of Kochville Road.

On May 3<sup>rd</sup> we were joined by Teen Challenge who presented information about their organization during our Worship Service.

Our Missions for May will be the Blanket Sunday (celebrated on Mother's Day, May 10<sup>th</sup>), Habitat for Humanity, (celebrated on May 17<sup>th</sup>), and Pentecost Sunday, (celebrated on May 24<sup>th</sup>). Please mark your donations accordingly.

Our Missions for June will be the Eastside Soup Kitchen and Good Samaritan Fund. Please mark your donations accordingly.

## **IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT**

Session has decided that for all Worship Services the doors will be locked fifteen minutes after the start time of the service and will remain locked throughout the service. If you know you are going to be late getting to the church, please call (989) 793-0125 and let us know so we can watch for you. **SO, FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP DOORS WILL BE LOCKED AT 10:45 A.M.**

These items may change as needed and as weather indicates. Thank you for your help.

**SERVICES BEGINNING AT 4:30 P.M., DOORS WILL BE LOCKED AT 4:45 P.M.**

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## THE NEXT CTC WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION MEETING

**SATURDAY, JUNE 13<sup>TH</sup>**  
**BEGINNING @**  
**11:30 A.M**

**WE HOPE YOU CAN**  
**ATTEND!**



## **DIAL 2-1-1 FOR HELP!**

2-1-1 is a Health and Human Services Hotline for Northeast Michigan. "Non-Emergency" assistance is available by calling 2-1-1. To talk to a trained professional about hundreds of health and human services available, call 2-1-1. Staff are trained to assist those in need with referral for food, housing, utilities, childcare, emergency shelter, clothing, legal aid, literacy, transportation, substance abuse, senior issues, disability, health care, and much more.



## DOWNTOWN SAGINAW FARMERS' MARKET

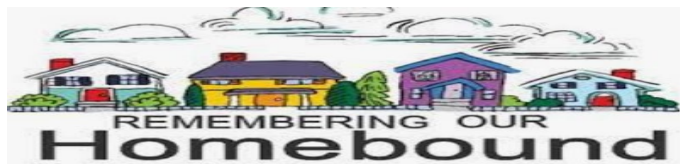
**203 S. Washington – under the**  
**Pavillion**

Wednesday and Friday – 10:00  
a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Saturday, beginning July 11,  
2026 – 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.  
Starting Friday, May 22 through  
Saturday, October 31

# HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING AT CTC

SESSION COUNCIL	DEACONS
<b>Class of 2026</b> Roger Scovill Kathy Loviska Chuck Davis	<b>Class of 2026</b> Dan Groom Paige Pequignot Lori Halase
<b>Class of 2027</b> Sidney Diggs Debbie Davis Sandy Redfield	<b>Class of 2027</b> Lynne Groom Jackie Williams Ron Platt
<b>Class of 2028</b> Carol VanArsdale Becky Pequignot Bethany Scovill	<b>Class of 2028</b> Pat Denno Ronda Otway Duncan Redfield



<b>John &amp; Leore Bethune</b> Traditions of Saginaw, West, Formerly New Hope Valley	<b>Dawn Curtis</b> @ Home	<b>Lois Krzak</b> @ Home
<b>Avis Leach</b> Roosevelt House/Hemlock		<b>Marilyn Leffler</b> Traditions of Saginaw, West Formerly New Hope Valley
<b>Marie Lemmer</b> Candlestone Senior Living Community-Midland, MI	<b>Fern Evon Little</b> Swan Haven Manor	<b>Elaine O'Keefe</b> Great Lakes Rehab

Our Homebound members and friends would all love to hear from you. Please drop them a card or give them a call. Their contact information is in the Church Directory.

Pack your lunch each Wednesday and join Pastor Nathaniel for fellowship and Bible Study. Come each Wednesday, or the Wednesdays you can. Together we can grow in understanding. **NOTE: Pastor Nathaniel is having total hip replacement surgery on Monday, February 16<sup>th</sup> – so the Wednesday Lunch will be postponed starting on February 18<sup>th</sup> until further notice.**



# HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING AT CTC



**CTC Directory:** It's that time of year again, please give Kathy any changes or additions for the 2026 Directory. If you didn't get your picture taken last year and want to have one taken for the 2026 directory, let Kathy know. We will schedule a day or two for pictures. A form to update your information is on the table in Fellowship Hall. Thank you.

## 8<sup>th</sup> Annual 18-Hole Fundraiser Special Vision Golf Outing



Benefiting Special Olympics & Choroideremia Research Foundation  
Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup> - Valley View Farms Golf Course

\$90.00 per person includes Golf, Cart, Lunch, Door Prizes and Raffles  
4-Person Scramble Format—8 a.m. Registration with a 9 a.m. Shotgun Start

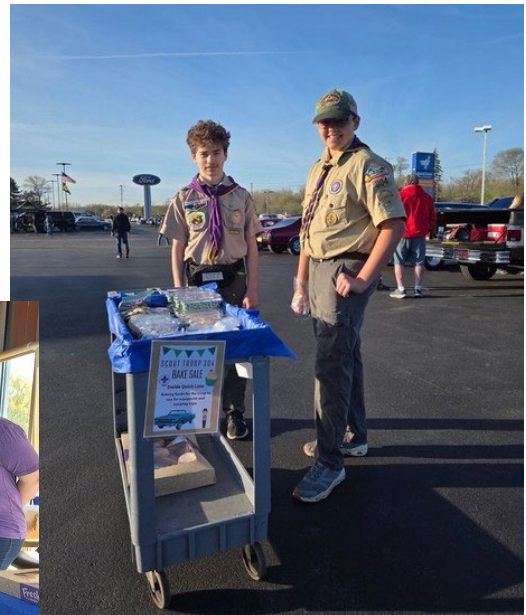


**Flyers are on the table in Fellowship Hall** – or Call Kim: 989 860-5309 or David : 989 245-7226

## Our Boy Scout Troup – here is an update and some photos of the Boy Scouts:

Despite the cool and windy weather conditions on Saturday, I believe most everyone would say that they had a good time backpacking the Au Sable River Highbanks Trail. Saturday, after a quick stop at Five Channels Dam and Iargo Springs, we hiked about 6.3 miles from Iargo Springs to Lumberman's Monument to Sawmill Point Primitive Campground. We spent the night and did the return hike on Sunday. The low temperature at 5:00 AM Sunday morning was 32 degrees F.

Consider joining our 23-25 May 2026 Introduction to Backpacking Outing #2 (2 nights), location TBD.





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