



The Messenger

April 2024

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Romans 6:8-11 – Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. For we know that since Christ was raised from the dead, he cannot die again; death no longer has mastery over him. The death he died, he died to sin once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. In the same way, count yourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Greetings to you in the name of our risen Savior, Jesus Christ!

It is so hard to believe that Easter morning has come and gone. The New Year appears to be rushing along. Our personal lives and the challenging life issues that so many of us face seem to be stacking up and threatening to topple our lives. And yet, Lent was to be a time of reflection, introspection, examination, and prayer over the state of our lives in light of the example of Jesus Christ; A time to re-prioritize our lives and our relationships alongside our God's call to faithful and faith-filled discipleship.

In Paul's Letter to the Church at Rome, he encourages the people there to take heart and to celebrate the victory over sin and death that Jesus has given us. The Apostle challenged them and challenges us today to turn away from behaviors and attitudes which lead us away from God and into lives filled with the spirit of resurrection and rebirth offered to us on Easter morning. We are being called to be disciples of Jesus Christ, the Son of God and our brother, and to follow in his faithful footsteps as we live our lives, share our blessings, and proclaim the Good News.

How "alive to God in Christ Jesus" are you this season? Is your life of discipleship lived fearlessly? Is your support of the communal mission of your White Lake United Methodist Church where you know it ought to be? Is your church family meeting your needs? Ask questions! Keep asking until you are sure you have the answer or answers that God is offering you and then . . . ask some more!

Vision Statement

Worship God

Follow Jesus

Love and Serve All

Sunday Morning Services

9:00 am

Traditional Service
White Lake UMC
Montague Campus
8555 Cook Street
Montague

11:00 am

Praise Band Service
Praise Center
Of White Lake UMC
117 S. Division Street
Whitehall, MI 49461

Church Office Hours

Mon 10am – 3.30pm
Tues 12noon – 3.30pm
Wed 10am – 3.30pm
Thurs 10am – 3.30pm
Fri 10am – 3.30pm

White Lake UMC
Montague Campus

As we have learned from our spiritual heritage as “Easter people”, there is always the possibility of new life, rebirth and resurrection! Go boldly into the coming days, weeks and months as fearless disciples with the assurance that Christ is alive.

Christ is alive in you!

Rev Jinty JTT

OFFICE
NOTES



Deadline for the May newsletter

Wednesday, April 24th, 2024



Call Ruth Tuttle
(517) 902 6112 or
The Church office
(231) 894 5789
To book your place

White Lake UMC

Summer Campout

August 2nd – 7th 2024

Lake Michigan Camp and Retreat

YOU ARE INVITED!

Lots of fun for ALL ages.



PRAYER

Prayer Request Card – are available on our Welcome Desk in the Welcome Center at both campuses. Fill it out and hand to Pastor Tim on Sunday mornings.

- **Instant Messenger on church Facebook page** (<https://www.facebook.com/WhiteLakeUnitedMethodist>).
- This is a private message service that Pastor Tim monitors. Pastor Tim also tries to monitor postings/updates that many share on the church Facebook page.
- **NEW Church Website will** have a Prayer Request page that folks can send a message through that will be monitored and picked up by the pastor.
- **Weekly Printed Announcements** – It is our plan to continue to publish our Prayer List here each week. Feel free to take a copy home to use as a guide for your prayers during the week!
- **Monthly Newsletter** – We will publish our existing Prayer List each month.
- **Contact the Pastor/Church Office** – phone or email the Church Office to make a specific prayer request of Pastor Tim.
- **For prayer requests to our Prayer Chain** please contact Martha Tanis at 231-894-8525 or Laura Kiel at 231-894-9253. They are responsible for starting the Prayer Chain.
- **To be added to the Prayer Chain**
- **e-mail list to receive notifications of new prayer requests**, please e-mail Jan Dyer at jareyd@aol.com. We can never have too many folks praying!



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- Prayers for Bob and Lee Suits.
- Prayers for Rebekah Hayden who continues to struggle with her health.
- Continued prayers for Pat Klotz nephew, Matthew as he continues treatment for cancer. Please pray for him and the whole family.
- Prayers for Ron Farmer who is undergoing treatment for esophageal cancer.
- Pray for the 14-year-old nephew of Tracy and Randy Bass, Kai who is recovering from heart surgery. Projected to be in the hospital for 3-6 months.
- David Peter's cousin, Rocky Hurlbert, had a heart attack a few days ago and is in the hospital in Grand Rapids. He and his wife have two children, one of which is a special needs child. Please pray for the whole family.
- David Peter has had serious surgery this week to correct an unsuccessful ankle surgery. David is facing 2 months of recovery. Prayers for a more successful surgery outcome.
- Please pray for Jan Helms Great-Granddaughter (age 2 weeks). She is in DeVos Children's hospital with a viral infection (RSV).

Please also pray for our new members – Pam Elliott, Pam Ericksen, Amanda Garza, Ken Keck, Tim Montambo, Susie Williams, Tom Williams, and Betty Young.

**2024 Michigan
Conference
Special Sunday
Offerings**

January 14th

Human Relations Day

March 10th

UMCOR Sunday

April 14th

Native American Sunday

May 12th

Golden Cross Sunday

May 26th

Peace with Justice Sunday

August 25th

Christian Education Sunday

September 8th

Rural Life Sunday

October 6th

World Communion Sunday

October 13th

Disability Awareness Sunday

November 24th

**United Methodist Student
Sunday**



Choir Practice

The choir will rehearse on April 10th, 17th & 24th at 6pm
– Singing in church on April 14th

New singers always welcome!

Bell Choir Practice

Bell choir will be rehearsing on April 10th, 17th, & 24th
at the Montague Campus 7pm –

Playing in church on April 21st

Our Summer Special Music schedule is now being
organized, so please speak to Gwen Bean if you would
like to take part.

**GRIEF
SHARE
GROUP**

HOW
GRIEF & SHARE
WORKS:



**TO SIGN UP, OR FOR
MORE INFORMATION
PLEASE CONTACT:**

**SUZANNE COX (GROUP LEAD)
AT (616) 402-2487**

**RUTH TUTTLE (GROUP LEAD)
AT (517) 902-6112**

**OR, WHITE LAKE UMC OFFICE
AT (231) 894-5789**

CHILDCARE AVAILABLE

TUESDAYS, BEGINNING MARCH 19th 2024 6 –8 PM

WHITE LAKE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

8555 COOK ST. MONTAGUE, MI 49437

Worship Ministries



After the events of Holy Week, the disciples are devastated. They are in the midst of full-blown grief and disbelief. Into the heart of that grief came a stunning revelation—life had overcome death. God’s faithfulness would build them up once again—will bind them together. Is this possible in our lives? Our worship will say, “Yes, it can! Come and see! Live and love! This is the heart of the matter!”

Worship Series



Western Waters District Lay Servant Ministries Presents...

Spring Retreat

April 19-20, 2024

Cadillac United Methodist Church

Registration: Friday 4:30 p.m. | **Send-off:** Saturday 4:30 p.m.

Registration Cost: \$30 (includes two meals and snacks)

There’s a lot more to Lay Servant Ministries than leading worship. If you would like to explore your call to service, this is a great path to take. For more information on the upcoming Lay Servant Ministries Spring Retreat call in at the church office.



NEW BIBLE STUDY STARTING

TUESDAY 10 AM - The Chosen. Each week we will be watching an episode of The Chosen together, followed by discussion.

Watch this space for news on the Wednesday and Thursday group's next study.

SUMMER CHURCH FAMILY CAMPING - August 2 - August 7

We still have a couple of open spots for our summer church family campout at Lake Michigan Camp and Retreat on beautiful Lake Michigan, just south of Pentwater. You have a choice of a log cabin, a platform tent, or a regular RV/tent site. You can choose to camp for just the weekend or all six days.

For more information or to sign up, please check the information found on the Welcome desk at both campuses.

UNITY August 8 – 10th

Purchase tickets for Unity through our church and you get a discounted price. Our church order needs to be turned in by the end of May. If you like contemporary Christian music and have never been to Unity, this would be a great summer to check it out.



2024 Unity Christian Music Festival

AUGUST 8-10 2024

More information from Ruth Tuttle Phone # 517 902 6112

or contact the Church office on # 231 894 5789

Church Ticket Sales April 1-May 31

*Three-Day Passes \$75 (intended for use by one person)

*One-Day Passes \$40 *Family Passes \$325

and no service fees!

ONLY through church ticket sales and ONLY through May 31!



Peace with Justice



Dear Fellow WLUMCers,

I wish I didn't have to write this letter to you, I wish that 421,000 fellow Michiganders had received the mental health care they needed in 2020, I wish that all the families in Muskegon County had access to the mental health care they need. As someone once told me, wish in one hand and spit in the other hand and see what you have...

When wishing isn't enough, what do we do?



As United Methodists we turn to our faith and to each other for support. On March 13 hundreds of Michigan United Methodists and friends took the plea for greater access to mental health care to our legislators in Lansing during UMC Advocacy Day 2024. We prayed, we sang, we gathered on the capital building steps for a press conference and we took our pleas directly to our State Representatives and Senators.

“As Christians, we believe God desires the health and wholeness of every human being. We are created by God

and born to be in relationship with others. We also follow in the footsteps of Jesus, who ministered with love and compassion to all, especially those stigmatized by society.” (from

<https://michiganumc.org/ums-spread-their-healing-wings/> 'UMS SPREAD THEIR 'HEALING WINGS' posted on March 20, 2024)

UMC Advocacy Day may be over; but the mission is not. Each one of us can help by letting our state legislators know we can do more than wish for better access to mental health care this year and for years to come. Advocacy Day focused on supporting three current bills in the State House:

HB 4707, known as the insurance parity bill, will require health insurance companies doing business in Michigan to cover mental health care expenses including out-of-network care when in-network care is not available. A federal law already exists, HB 4707 would clear up ambiguities in coverage for Michiganders.

Bi-Partisan House Bills 5371 and 5372 to codify Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics (CCBHCs) in state law. Services at CCBHCs are available to anyone, regardless of age, residency, ability to pay, insurance coverage, or severity of the mental illness. (Healthwest in Muskegon is our nearest CCBHC.) In 2020, Michigan was approved as a CCBHC demonstration site. House Bills 5371- 5372 ensure that these clinics stay open and increase funding to expand this essential program to other parts of the state-- because mental illness knows no geographic boundaries.

In addition to these specific bills, we asked our legislators to increase funding in the budget for a full menu of complementary care including the number of psychiatric inpatient beds and step-down levels of care.

You can join this fundamental mission by contacting your House Representative and Senator. Let them know you care and know they care and can put that care into law.

Details can be found at: <https://michiganumc.org/2024-advocacy-day/>

Find your Michigan State Representative at: <https://house.mi.gov/>

Find your Michigan State Senator at: <https://www.senate.michigan.gov/>

Thanks for listening, thank you for caring, thank you for joining the mission. Contact me anytime at 231-894-5292 or slloyd6907@charter.net.

Your Sister in Christ,

Sue Lloyd



Next meeting: - April 8th, 2024, at 10am

At the Montague Campus

Did you know that ALL women and girls in the United Methodist Church are members of the United Women in Faith? All pastors are members too! The UWF is here to raise awareness of justice issues, as well as raising funds to support those working to help women and children here in the U.S. and around the world. You can be a part of this great work too. Come along and find out more.

UPCOMING EVENTS

SPIRITUAL GROWTH RETREAT – Saturday, April 13th, 2024 – 9.30am – 2.30pm at Fremont UMC, 351 Butterfield, Fremont, MI (\$15 per person/scholarships available)

Theme ‘Learning In: To God, Ourselves, and One Another’

Led by Rev Dr Devon Herrell, who has preached/spoken here at WLUMC in the past and was very well received.

‘How is it with your soul? If you are worn-out and weary, struggling to keep the faith, or need a re-igniting of your spirit, just lean-in to this retreat. No matter where you find yourself in your journey of faith, you are welcome here.’

SPRING FLING 2024 – Saturday, May 4th, 2024 – 9.30am – 1pm at United Methodist Community House, 904 Sheldon Avenue, SE Grand Rapids, MI. (\$15 per person/scholarships available)

‘United Methodist Community House leaders will host us for a special time of listening and learning about their rich history, active programs, and upcoming projects. Enjoy a tour of the facilities and a delicious lunch as we share ideas about how we might help each other.’

Details, forms, and information available at the church office

Please contact Laura Kiel to arrange car-pooling, or for help with fees.

ENDOWMENT UPDATE



WLUMC ENDOWMENT MONTHLY REPORT

FEBRUARY 2024

3/14/2024

Beginning Balance (2/1/2024)	\$190,076.47
Additions	1,000.00
Dividend Income	265.25
Disbursements (Grants)	- 4,600.00
Change in Market Value	3,422.33
Ending Value (2/29/2024)	<u>\$190,164.05</u>

The Fund lost \$4,018.83 during February.

How amazing is that! As the fund begins its yearly time of issuing grants, it still showed a gain after its first and largest grant (Trustees) was issued. The Endowment team has voted to further provide an additional \$5,804 from the fund for grants this year. The total amount designated to be awarded in grants for 2024 was \$10,364, or 5.5% of our yearend balance of 2023 which was \$188,428.16. The \$10,364 was divided into 3 categories with each getting a certain percentage based on the fund's bylaws. Trustees were awarded 44% or \$4,560, Special Projects 33% or \$3,420, and Special Missions 23% or \$2,384.

After allowing groups and teams to apply for grants for a month, the Endowment Team met on Monday, March 11th to finalize awards. This year 10 applications were made, not counting Trustees, with 9 awards being made.

Special Programs Category

Tech Team – Update streaming ability	\$795
Finance Team – New computers	\$1,975
Custodian – Montague campus new entrance rugs	\$400
Custodian – Montague campus new kitchen faucet	\$250
Total	<u>\$3,420</u>

Special Mission Category

The Gathering – food and supplies	\$500
Faith Formation – Lake Michigan Camp Retreat	\$450
Faith Formation – Women's Retreat	\$650
NOW Community Event	\$450
Music – Guest performers/special music	\$324
Total	<u>\$2,384</u>

This marks the 26th year that grants have been issued from the fund over \$161,200 have been awarded to so many different groups/projects/missions for their efforts. What a wonderful legacy those first and continuing contributors along with those forefathers/mothers who dreamed this dream and made it happen had and continue to have on this church.

To all of this I say – Amen! Amen! Amen!

In Christ. Jeff Petersen (Endowment Fund Team Leader)

How Does the Garden Grow?

One thing I think we all agree on is that our gardens and grounds at the Montague campus are beautiful. Claire Schlaff and a few helpers do a wonderful job at keeping things looking so special.



Did you know that making things look nice is not the real motivation for Claire? She spoke at our recent Leadership Team and shared with us that it is her desire to care for our environment that motivates her work. Planting native Michigan plants to feed pollinators, who in turn go on to pollinate plants, flowers, and trees in our environment. We all know we need trees to provide the very air that we breathe! Claire is hoping that we will all have a shift in our thinking. Having beautiful gardens is wonderful, but the work can truly be an expression of our mission and our faith.

We hear so much about global warming, dangers of plastic pollution, and more that we can become overwhelmed and feel like there's nothing we can do. The truth is that if everyone who feels this way did something to alleviate the stress on Mother Earth, we could eventually do some good. We need to be part of the solution because we are all part of the problem!

In Scripture we read about how our Creator created. God went on to give humankind the task of taking care of God's creation.

Genesis 1:28 (From 'The Message')

God spoke: "Let us make human beings in our image, make them reflecting our nature So they can be responsible for the fish in the sea, the birds in the air, the cattle, And, yes, Earth itself, and every animal that moves on the face of Earth." God created human beings; he created them godlike, Reflecting God's nature. He created them male and female. God blessed them: "Prosper! Reproduce! Fill Earth! Take charge! Be responsible for fish in the sea and birds in the air, for every living thing that moves on the face of Earth."

God made us stewards of God's creation. Seems to me that we could do a better job, don't you agree?



Climate justice draws our attention to the changes that have already impacted many people. Although the effects have not been dramatic here in the Northern hemisphere yet, the fact is that the Southern hemisphere has already paid a price for and the changing climate. Countries that already struggled with the harshness of the climate close to the equator are experiencing more drought and famine than ever. Small islands are being washed away by rising sea levels. Animals are losing their habitat and hunting grounds. Ocean life is suffering as we continue to pollute the oceans with hordes of plastic waste. It's all so overwhelming!

So, let's pay attention to what we CAN do. Change our shopping habits to minimize our dependence on plastics and non-renewable resources. Recycle and Reuse. Minimize waste. Make one small change at a time.

One way that we can help right here in the White Lake area is to play our part in caring for our grounds and buildings. Claire cannot keep up the gardens without more help. Last year she divided the Montague campus into more manageable parcels. Can you help by caring for one of these areas? You don't have to know about gardening, as Claire and others can give you all the information you need. You don't have to do it alone! Find a friend or two and make it a group project.

The map will be in the Welcome Center or the church office. Check it out and see what you can do to help keep our environment not only beautiful, but also in keeping with God's plan. Help with the community gardens to grow produce for those in need. Join with God's creative Spirit to play your part, no matter how small, and just watch those blessings multiply.



It's Spring!

Time to clear out that overstuffed closet, guest room you can't use, and garage you can't park in!

Please consider donating unwanted **Spring** and **Summer clothes** and small **household items** to our FreeStore.

Open Thursdays 5-8pm, and Saturdays 11am-2pm



Call the church office for more information
(231) 894 5789



The Gathering

Free Meals & Good Company



Thursdays
6:00 pm – 7:00 pm



Saturdays
12:00 – 1:00 pm



**Meals take place at The Praise Center
of White Lake UMC
117 S. Division St.
Whitehall, MI 49461**

**If you are interested in volunteering to help with meals, please
contact the church office at 231-894-5789.**

EASTER!

A poem by someone who wishes to remain anonymous.

Easter time, our Christ has died,
But now is raised to glory.
He gave his life, was crucified.
Forgiveness our gift, and it's ours each morning.
Let all of us tell, this gift from our Savior.
Let's not keep silent anymore.
Awaken the blind, by the love of God's light.
Let their eyes be open, it's Easter morning.
The Lily of the Valley blooms!
Do you see it, do you see this beautiful flower?
This beautiful flower of love.
This Jesus, this Savior.



Youth Group

at The Praise Center
Sundays from 4 – 6pm
(unless otherwise stated)

Spring is right around the corner (maybe, we hope)! As usual our youth are plotting and planning for Spring and Summer.

Recently we visited The Colby mystery, escape rooms in Whitehall. We had 5 youth and 3 adults. At the Colby you are given 1 hour to solve the mystery and are given clues along the way. Our youth solved the mystery with 6 minutes to spare! What a crew of go-getters!

Just like solving a fun mystery, sometimes trying to figure out how to stay tuned to how God is informing us to live our lives can be a mystery and we must use all the clues God give us daily to solve the mystery by putting the clues or pieces of the puzzle together.

During our weekly discussion times we, as a group, often discover a little bit more about doing that, and enjoy the fellowship while being together. Thank God for teens and pre-teens for their inquisitive minds as they grow in faith.

We will be having another lock-in on the Friday after Easter. It will start at 6pm on Friday and finish at 8am on Saturday. Please stay tuned and remember to pray for our youth and the youth group.

Fred & Ilene Nichols

Photograph from our recent trip to the bowling alley



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SUMMER SPLASH

Watch this space for details of our upcoming summer event.



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WEDNESDAY DOLLAR DINNERS

YOU CAN HELP!

8 Weeks of Dollar Dinners left before we break for the summer!

SIGN UP NOW TO BE PART OF THIS GREAT MISSION

Please **sign up** in the Welcome Center of the Montague Campus

Or call the church office on **#231 894 5789**

SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP TIME

The sign-up sheet for future dates is in the Welcome Center (Montague campus). Donations of cookies or treats can be left in either of our kitchens. We have recently had a few new faces coming to our services. Please be sure to introduce yourself and make all feel welcome!



SPRING FLING – April 14th, 2024.

The Praise Center.

At our Spring Fling we will be putting on a 'Home Grown' concert and exhibition. This is an opportunity to share your talent or passion with the church family of all ages. Music of any kind, recitations, poetry, artwork – we want to see it all. Tell some (family friendly) jokes, sing a song, it's all good! The concert will take place at the Praise Center in the fellowship hall. Please contact Fiona Dibble at the church office for details and to sign up.



EVERYONE IS INVITED TO OUR

Spring FLING

Sunday April 14th 2024
4–6pm

The Praise Center
117 S Division Street
Whitehall, MI 49461

All-Church Townhall Meeting
Potluck Dinner
Home Grown Concert

N uture
O utreach
W itness



Health & Wellness Ministries

Next Blood Pressure Checks

Sunday, April 21st, 2024 (both services)

Get your blood pressure checked free of charge after church.

Know Your Numbers!

NEURODIVERSITY SEMINAR

Thank you to everyone who turned up to our HealthWest Neurodiversity Seminar on March 9th. We learned a lot about understanding and accepting folks of all kinds. Just because someone is different, it doesn't mean they are scary. Amy Bakos shared information about the different neurological types we are interacting with daily. She also gave valuable advice and information on how to obtain support in times of need. Although funding is not what it could be, the staff at HealthWest are dedicated to helping those with mental health challenges, as well as the neurodiverse friends. Thanks to our own Health and Wellness team who organized this worthwhile event.





TRUSTEES NEWS

Praise Center:

- Solving some dish washer issues. Continuing to monitor for more action if/when needed.
- Reviewing sound booth requirements for camera focus. Grant from the Endowment team has been approved. Also looking into sound issues that detract from the band's performance.
- Two of our old long-standing trees between the sanctuary and our neighbor to the north are removed. Stumps remain but the dead/falling limb danger is removed.

Building use continues to grow. Wonderful opportunities for missions and community involvement. Thank you so much for the continued efforts to maintain our incredible facility and the many missions it supports.

Montague Campus:

- Canopy work will continue with the addition of brick work around the columns supporting the canopy. When the weather warms a bit more work will begin.
- Active lighting systems too will be coming to support our buildings and grounds. John Lloyd is providing that technology.
- We will be working on the areas of our church for which grants have been requested and given. The kitchen and entry areas will be affected.

Our **Environmental Ministry** is struggling for help. The grounds of our Montague buildings are home to several ecological and environmental applications. Gardens, sustainable ecological designs, plantings, pleasant reflective places, food providing, pollinator plants, and native habitats. We have a huge need to maintain these areas. **Can you help?** Sign up for an area that suits your ambition, aptitude, and particular area of enjoyment. Our Environmental Ministry is a huge undertaking with a huge impact. Let's get to work and enjoy our gardens and grounds, along with our community. Our church office will be glad to point you toward the people that will gladly accept your help and interest.

Thanks for all the efforts of all those helping to maintain and improve our facilities. What an incredible group.

Parsonage:

- We will need some help with leaves and their removal from the lawns. Considerable limbs and such will need to be removed as well. Will request help and a time, once the snow is gone, to get this stuff done.
- We will continue to work on issues as they arise. Some sink and toilets issues are on the docket for repairs. Communication with our Parsonage Family is happening so we will get our act together to make these repairs.

What a great combination of facilities and people to improve the lives of so many through our ministries and outreach to our communities. Great to be a part of a community and congregation that makes such a huge difference.

Dick Baerman, Trustee



FINANCIAL TIMES



February 2024 Finance Report

As seen in the February 2024 Finance Report below, the February collection was substantially short of what was needed to meet expenses. Fortunately, a strong finish at the end of 2023 plus a slight gain in the January checkbook balance left the church checkbook sufficiently flush to just cover the shortfall. Weekly collections for the first three weeks of March have continued to fall short of budgeted expenses. Depending on how actual March expenses fall, the Treasurer may need to borrow against non-General Fund accounts to cover bills that must be paid. Fortunately, March is a 5-Sunday month, so we will need to wait until April, to see how the income versus expense balance comes out.

February 2024 Finance Report		
	February 2024	Percentage of Expense Budget
Designated Funds Income	9,785.45	
General Fund Income	18,149.75	67.71%
General Fund Expenses	24,580.76	91.70%
General Fund Checkbook Balance	526.89	
Avg. Monthly Expense Budget	26,806.33	



April Events at a Glance

- 7th Communion Sunday – Holy Communion served at both services.
- 8th United Women in Faith meeting (Montague) at 6pm – service of Prayer and Self-Denial
- 14th Special Offering – Native American Sunday
SPRING FLING – Church townhall, potluck dinner, and Home-Grown concert 4pm
- 19th – 20th Lay Servant Ministries training event in Cadillac, MI
- 21st Blood Pressure Checks after service at each campus
- 26th – 28th Confirmation Camp at Lake Michigan Camp and Retreat

**WEEKLY SCHEDULE OF SERVICES, FAITH GROUPS, BIBLE STUDIES AND MORE
CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE AT (231) 894 5789 FOR MORE DETAILS**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>9am WORSHIP @ Montague</p> <p>11am WORSHIP @ Praise Center Including Kids Church</p> <p>4-6pm YOUTH GROUP @ Praise Center</p>	<p>6.30pm NA MEETING @ Praise Center</p> <p>10am Faith Group @ Montague</p> <p>7pm AL-ANON @Montague</p>	<p>5pm Dollar Dinner @ Montague</p> <p>5.30pm Sister's Group @ Montague</p> <p>7pm Faith Group @ Montague</p> <p>7pm NA MEETING @ Praise Center</p>	<p>10am Faith Group @ Praise Center</p> <p>10am—3pm</p> <p>9.30am Stitchers group @ Montague</p> <p>5-8pm FREESTORE @ Praise Center</p> <p>6-7pm THE GATHERING FREE MEAL @ Praise Center</p> <p>7pm Bible Study @ Praise Center</p>	<p>6.30pm NA MEETING @ Praise Center</p>	<p>11am—2pm FREESTORE @ Praise Center</p> <p>12-1pm THE GATHERING FREE MEAL @ Praise Center</p>	