

# CARGILL

United Methodist Church

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Janesville WI 53545

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## Information

Church Phone: (608) 752-0548

Website: www.cargillumc.org

## Worship

Saturday 5pm

Sunday 9am & 10:30am

Childcare is provided during  
all worship services.

## Sunday School

PK-5 start in 10:30 worship

Adult Class 10:30am

On Sunday mornings

Fellowship (food, refreshment  
and friendship) is available after  
both worship services on Sunday  
mornings in Fellowship Hall.  
Please join us!

February Worship Themes at Cargill UMC	
February 5	Five Practices of Fruitful Congregation Series Continues
February 5	Intentional Faith Development Matthew 13:1-23
February 12	Risk Taking Mission and Service
February 19	Extravagant Generosity Luke 10:25-37
The Lenten Season Begins: "Journey To Hope"	
February 22	Ash Wednesday Worship at 12:10pm and 6:30pm Mark 8:31-37
February 26	"Who Walks With You on the Journey of Life?" Mark 10:13-16
March 4	Special Guest Rich Rubietta Mark 11:1-11



Cargill United Methodist Church

# Cargill Connections

January 2012

Connecting people to God, one another, and the world.

## 2012 Women's Retreat February 10th - 11th

Overnight, both days, or just Saturday  
Cargill United Methodist Church



- ◆ Retreat begins Friday evening with a home cooked (but not by you!) dinner
- ◆ Sleepover is optional (but doesn't it sound fun?!)
- ◆ "Travel" to each of the seven continents
- ◆ Spend time in Bible study & worship
- ◆ Enjoy the friendship and laughter of other women
- ◆ Spend time in quiet reflection
- ◆ Explore God's amazing love for you!
- ◆ Cost is \$25 per person
- ◆ Registration cost includes all meals and snacks, Wonder Full World tote bag, journal, CD and charm!

**The women's retreat is just around the corner but there is still time to register!** Don't miss out on this fantastic, soul-recharging event. Brochures with registration forms are available online and in the narthex at church. Contact Johanna Mahnke in the church office or [johanna@cargillumc.org](mailto:johanna@cargillumc.org) with questions or to register by phone. .



*"The sixteen hours and forty-nine minutes between school ending one day, and starting the next, for some kids, are the longest hours."* -Robin Stult

In 2010, director R.E. Burgos created Sixteen Forty-Nine, a moving and astonishing documentary film featuring honest, candid interviews with three Beloit Memorial High School students, including heart-felt accounts of other unaccompanied youth in our area, revealing the struggle homeless

students face at the high school level. Insight from both educational and community leaders sheds light on how we may be a part of the solution.

**The Mission Outreach Committee invites everyone to view the movie 16:49 on Sunday, February 12.** A free, light lunch will be served in Fellowship Hall at noon followed by the movie shown in the Sanctuary. Ann Forbeck, the Janesville School District's homeless education coordinator, will be our special guest. To reserve your spot please RSVP to Pam McCumber at [PKMcCumber@msn.com](mailto:PKMcCumber@msn.com). Childcare will be available.

## This Lent— A Journey to Hope

Ash Wednesday, February 22nd marks the beginning of the Christian Liturgical Year called Lent. It is a 40 period of time that has been used for almost 2000 years by the Christian community as a period of reflection and renewal of faith. It can be a wonderful opportunity to invite friends, neighbors, family members and even the stranger in our midst into an exploration of the Christian faith.

This Lenten season, beginning on Ash Wednesday, you are invited to go on *A Journey to Hope* as we travel with Jesus to the cross, discovering along the way that Hope can be found even as we encounter some of life's most difficult circumstances. While this sermon series will encourage all persons along the faith journey, we want to specifically target and invite the 18-34 age group and those who are seekers. *The Message* bible translation is used, which is a contemporary translation that keeps scripture easily accessible to all audiences. By addressing real life circumstances along the way such as relationships, self-esteem, work, temptation, money problems, suffering and death, those on the journey learn how faith in Christ is relevant to everyday life and how having a faith community can make all the difference.

Plan now to join us each week in worship for *A Journey to Hope* as we travel to the cross— finding hope in the midst of the challenges of our life journey.

Lenten Studies will also be offered for small group and individual use. A new study by Adam Hamilton entitled *Final Words From the Cross* will be offered and available.

Please pray for your church, pastors, staff and all those in the need of hope, grace, understanding and nurture.

May you discover or deepen your experience of God's grace and love this Lenten season.

Blessings in Christ,  
Forrest Wells

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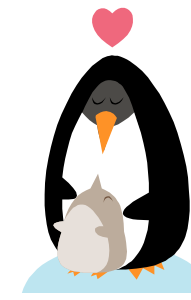
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## Childcare Needed for Your Next Meeting?

Does your group or activity need childcare provided? Please email Jessica Benewich, Childcare & Family Ministries Coordinator at [Jessica@cargillumc.org](mailto:Jessica@cargillumc.org) to make arrangements. Early notification is helpful.

## Seeking More Dishwashers

Cargill strives to be Green and that is awesomely good! We need more willing & able dishwashers. No experience necessary – you'll be trained to run the industrial dishwasher. The dishwasher practically runs itself—so easy to learn & do. It would help if you could commitment to doing the dishes for one month at a time on Wednesday evenings. It takes no more than an hour each week. And many hands make for light work! So roll up your sleeves and join us in the kitchen for some working fellowship! Contact Becky Saliby (201-6069) with questions.

## Newsletter Deadline

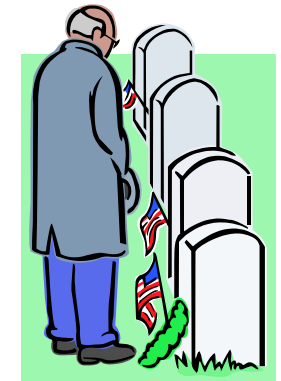
Each committee or group is invited and welcome to submit articles and announcements for *Cargill Connections*, our monthly newsletter. The deadline for submissions is the 3rd Tuesday of each month. Please email your submissions to Ginny in the church office at [ginny@cargillumc.org](mailto:ginny@cargillumc.org).



## United Methodist Women Reading Program

Nancy Ramirez, our resource chairperson, will share some of her favorite books from the UMW 2012 reading program. She will also go over the plans and new requirements for this year's Reading Program. This will be held in the lounge on Saturday, February 11 from 9am to 11am. Rebekah Circle will host.

## An Introduction to Grief



Have you experienced the loss of a loved one in your life? Our church is offering a program that should help you through Agrace Hospice. "Introduction to Grief" will be held on Wednesday, February 29 at 6:30pm in Room 111. A professional grief counselor Fran Coan-Meredith will lead the program and answer all of you questions.

Introduction to grief is an informative session for adults that covers the common reactions of those who are grieving the death of a loved one. This session offers suggestions on how to navigate the grieving process and provides information about grief support groups offered by Agrace Hospice Care.

Wednesday night is Wonderful Wednesday dinner served at 5:15pm. Childcare will also be available through the program. We invite you to join us.

## A Thank You From GIFTS Program

Thanks to everyone who has volunteered with the GIFT program in January and February. We still need volunteers March 11-18; men to stay overnight and provide breakfast. We also will accept monetary contributions.

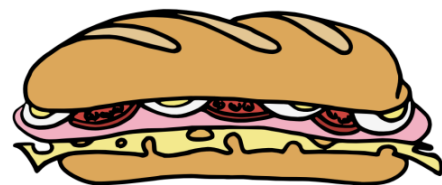
Again, thanks to all.

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### Youth Group February Calendar!

February 5th	7:30AM Sub Sandwich Assembly 5—6PM Junior High Youth Group 6—7PM Senior High Youth Group
February 9th	6PM S.A.L.T./ Mission Trip Meeting
February 12th	5—6:30PM Jr/Sr High Youth Group Valentines Day Pizza Party
February 19th	5—6PM Junior High Youth Group 6—7PM Senior High Youth Group
February 26th	5—6PM Junior High Youth Group 6—7PM Senior High Youth Group

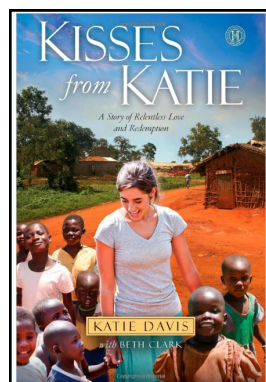
### Thank You!



A big thanks goes out to all who bought subs and to all who help make our fundraising efforts go smoothly. Our sub sales were a great success!

**Middle School Youth**  
**SAVE the DATE**  
**Junior High Youth**  
**Convo**  
**April 20-22, 2012**  
**Blue Harbor Resort**  
**Sheboygan, WI**

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**Join Us**  
 Senior High  
**Sunday School**  
 {for youth by youth}

**Kisses from Katie begins Feb. 5 at 9am**

What would cause an 18-year-old old senior class president & homecoming queen from Nashville, TN, to disappoint her parents by forgoing college, break her little brother's heart, lose all but a handful of her friends (because the rest of them think she has gone off the deep end), & break up with the love of her life, all so she could move to Uganda, where she knew only one person but didn't know any of the language? **Join us beginning Feb. 5 at 9am in the church library to find out.**

## New Year "Retreat" to Re-Think

### An All Church New Year "Retreat"

2012 is a new year, a new opportunity to begin again! It is time to "re-think" and act!

*Re-Think Your Relationship to Christ*

*Re-Think the Meaning of Church*

*Re-Think together as we consider:*

**"Five Practices of Fruitful Congregations:"** These faith practices are basic to God's expectation of all Christians as individuals and as the church! Faithful practice of these spiritual disciplines grow our faith and bring health, vitality and growth to our church!

January 21/22 Radical Hospitality

January 28/29 Passionate Worship

February 4/5 Intentional Faith Development

February 11/12 Risk-Taking Mission and Service

February 18/19 Extravagant Generosity

Please prayerfully consider participating in a small group each week to process, question and consider how the theme of the week impacts your life and the life of your church. Sign up for small groups in church, or contact Pastor Barb.

Join us and invite your friends to consider:

**Who Am I? What Is My Relationship to God? What Is God's desire for our Church?**

## Prime Time Seniors



### FIRESIDE FISH FRY

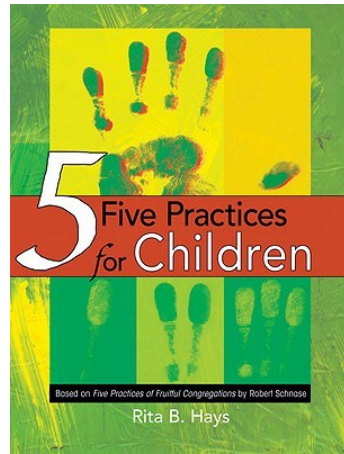
"The best fish fry in South Central Wisconsin," many say about the Fireside Friday night fish fry. You are invited to join the Prime Time Seniors to enjoy a Friday night fish fry on **Friday, February 17** at the Fireside. Sign up in the narthex at the Prime Time Seniors table or call Ginny in the office 752-0548. The menu has

4 types of fish and an alternate dish (Chicken). Entrees are \$ 12.95 and \$14.50. We will take the church small bus and volunteer drivers. Please give the driver \$3.00 to cover the cost of gas. The deadline for reservations is Wednesday, February 15 at noon.

### PRIME TIME SENIORS WANTED

Wanted; Ideas and input into planning 2012 Prime Time Senior Activities. Merry will be facilitating sessions to gather your ideas for our Prime Time Senior activities for this year. Please help by attending a session. There will be a planning session after the Sunday, February 19th worship service at 9:00a.m. Check the church bulletin for room location and dates of upcoming sessions. Call Merry Jorgensen at 608-674-0414 with any questions or ideas you might have for things to do.

## Children & Family Ministries



# B.L.A.S.T!

Parents!

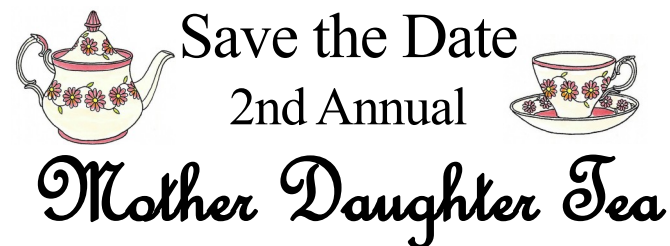
Take this opportunity to spend quality time with your kids!

5 weeks February 1 through March 7  
6:30-7:30pm in the Fireside Room

Can children really understand and take on the five practices of Radical Hospitality, Passionate Worship, Intentional Faith Development, Risk-Taking Mission and Service, and Extravagant Generosity? The answer is a resounding, “yes!”

Parents and their child(ren) are invited to join us for a 5 week class February 1 through March 7 from 6:30 to 7:30p.m. in Fellowship Hall. (There will be no class on Ash Wednesday, February 22 as families are encouraged to attend worship together) Together we will explore the practices of fruitful, growing churches and Christians!

Sign up in the Narthex or contact Jessica Benewich at [Jessica@cargillumc.org](mailto:Jessica@cargillumc.org) or Ashley Kloften at [Ashley@cargillumc.org](mailto:Ashley@cargillumc.org) or Ashley in the church office at (608) 752-0548 ext. 118.



Saturday, April 28  
1:00 – 3:00pm  
Fellowship Hall

Currently seeking table hostesses for this year's event. Space is limited. Contact Johanna Mahnke in the church office or via email at [johanna@cargillumc.org](mailto:johanna@cargillumc.org) today.



**Sunday School  
Open House  
Save the Date**

**Sunday, March 25, 2012**

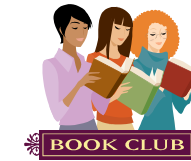
Please plan to come check out our new and newly renovated Sunday School classrooms, find out what rotational Sunday School is all about and experience a bit of what the children of Bible Journey experience each week in class for yourself. A n opportunity for feedback from parents will also be available. Hosted by the Children & Families Ministries Committee.

## Children & Family Ministries



Ladies Nights Out

**New!! Book Club**  
**Thursday, February 9, 7-9pm**  
Meet at Mocha Moment (1121 Center Ave.) Join us by the fire curled up with a nice latte for an open book discussion of “The Shack” by William P. Young. Copies can be borrowed from both the church and public library or purchased inexpensively from Amazon.com. Bring your unwanted coupons for sharing after the book discussion.



**Craft Café**  
**Thursday, February 16, 7-9pm**  
Meet at Cargill UMC in Fellowship Hall. Come for some girl time and bring your current craft or scrapbooking project. Treats to share are always welcome!



### Important Dates to Note

- ◆ February 1—BLAST parent & Child Class of 5 Practices of Fruitful Congregations begins.
- ◆ February 12—Kingdom Kidz Choir sings at 10:30am service
- ◆ February 19—Deadline for ordering tickets for Lord of the Flies
- ◆ February 19—Holy Week Rotation begins Sunday School (PreK-5th)
- ◆ February 22—Ash Wednesday—no BLAST
- ◆ February 26—Spirit Singers Choir sings at 10:30am service



## Wonderful Wednesdays!

### Schedule

Dinner\* 5:15—6:15pm  
Kids Choirs 6:00—6:30pm  
Mid-Week Programs for ALL Ages 6:30—7:30pm  
See website for more details.

\*Free will offering (suggested donation of \$3 per person, max of \$15 per family)

February 1—Chili, Grilled Cheese, & Salad  
February 8—Mac-n-Cheese w/Ham, Salad & Fruit  
February 15—Tater Tot Casserole, Salad & Fruit  
February 22—Sub Sandwiches & Chips  
February 29—Taco Salad & Fruit



### Theater Event Lord of the Flies

Sunday, March 25, 2012  
Madison Overture Center  
Show Time 2:30pm  
\$20 per person

Join us for William Golding's acclaimed novel brought to the stage in a wildly energetic and riveting production. This event is open to anyone—it is not just a family event. It is recommended for ages 10 and up. Due to the mature content of this play, children under 8 will not be admitted.

Show time is at 2:30pm. Afterwards you can meet the cast, then enjoy dinner on your own on State Street or explore the State Capitol building. The bus will leave Cargill in Janesville at 1pm, depart from Madison around 6pm and return to Cargill around 7pm. **Deadline for ordering tickets for this show is Feb. 19, 2012.** Please contact Family Ministries Coordinator Jessica Benewich with questions or to reserve your tickets or at [Jessica@cargillumc.org](mailto:Jessica@cargillumc.org).