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## STAFF CHANGES AT CARGILL

Cargill United Methodist Church has announced three staff changes.

The Rev. Doug Farrell will be retiring after 5½ years as the Director of Missional Outreach. Valerie Schmoldt will become the new Director of Ministry Resources. And Krystal Burton will join the staff in another new position, Director of Media Ministry.

"As we anticipate what ministry will look like in the months and years to come, we are aligning our most important resource — our people — in ways that will help the church to help others grow spiritually," Pastor Steve Scott said.

All three changes will take effect on Jan. 31.

### Doug Farrell

Doug, ordained by the American Baptist Churches in the USA, came to Cargill in July 2016. He served previously as a pastor, campus minister, hospital and hospice chaplain, executive director of an interfaith community services program, and supervisor of crisis intervention ministry.

He often was involved in bi-vocational ministry, with secular employment such as bereavement coordinator, health care consultant, interim vice president of a homeless center, fund development liaison for United Way, and adjunct instructor for both college and graduate-level courses.

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**Doug Farrell came to Cargill UMC in July 2016 after several years in a variety of ministry positions.**

February  
2022



### A healthy ministry

We're excited to announce that Cargill UMC is beginning a health and wellness ministry.

The Church Council has set aside \$3,000 as seed money to explore how we can respond to God's call for health in mind, body and spirit.

Our first step will be to conduct a survey of members and friends of the congregation. A sample survey will be sent first to a small group, and an all-church survey will follow.

We are pleased that Kris Borgerding and Briana Spors are coordinating this project. We pray for it to become a ministry that benefits many!

## FEBRUARY 2022

### This Month in Worship

#### January 26-27

*Figuring Out Who We Are* | Part 2 of 3

When you fill out a resume, you're trying to impress others. What happens when you make an honest inventory of yourself?

Scripture focus: 1 Corinthians 12:12-31

#### February 5-6

*Figuring Out Who We Are* | Part 3 of 3

God's plan for you is based less on your worthiness than your willingness.

Scripture focus: Luke 5:1-11

#### February 12-13

*The New Seed Catalog Has Arrived*

There's nothing like planning for a new growing season in the middle of a long, cold winter.

Scripture focus: Jeremiah 17:5-10

#### February 19-20

*Allowing Yourself to Heal*

Healing means getting your body, mind and soul back in sync.

Scripture focus: Genesis 45:3-11, 15; Luke 6:27-38

#### February 26-27

*Inclined for Glory*

The Winter Olympics brought thrill and agony alike. Sometimes dreams were dashed by hundredths of a second. All of us, however, are inclined toward true glory.

Scripture focus: 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2

### Temporary Worship Schedule

#### 5p Saturdays



A chance to worship if your Sunday schedule doesn't allow, or if you prefer a relaxed gathering with a smaller group of worshippers.

#### 10a Sundays



Experience the heart of the Christian tradition with spoken word, music, message and prayer that reflects the fullness and beauty of Christian worship and features Cargill's music ministry.

#### To resume soon



We explore a fresh expression of worship: Church for a changing culture. Focused on listening as well as preaching, connecting worship with your daily life, and growing as followers of Jesus.

#### Online



Worship on livestream at 10a Sundays or anytime you're able at the Cargill UMC channel on YouTube.

Also on Charter Ch. 994 JATV Wednesdays at 10a, 4p and 10p

### Free child care

We offer free care for those through age 4 in a supervised nursery during Sunday worship. Extra health precautions and cleaning measures are in place. You may bring your child before worship begins or during worship. Paggers are available, as are staff to answer any questions.

# NEWS FROM AROUND CARGILL UMC

**The decision to go** to one Sunday worship service for the time being was made very reluctantly. We don't like disrupting people's expectations, and we're sorry to pause the emerging 10:30a worship and alter the children's ministry schedule. Pray for the cessation of covid. We hope to go back to our regular schedule as soon as is feasible.

**We are actively working** to resolve audio problems with our livestream worship service.

**We're planning a seven-week** Lent-Holy Week-Easter series called *Good Enough: Embracing the Imperfections of Life and Faith*. It begins March 2. Watch for more!

**We completed the purchase** in 2021 of a new bus to replace one of our aging buses. Our fleet of two buses assists in transporting students for the Cargill Christian Preschool and Daycare. It also was used for church transportation before the pandemic.

**The Cargill Trustees** completed a yearlong project to replace fluorescent lighting throughout the church building with energy-efficient LEDs.

**Dave Sonntag has been re-elected** chair of the Board of Trustees. Wesley Jennings is vice chair.

**Mark Lorenz was re-elected** president of the Cargill United Methodist Foundation. Mark Schroeder is vice president, Sharyn Sheen secretary and Marna Bonnell treasurer.

**The United Methodist Church** reached a settlement in the bankruptcy case of the Boy Scouts of America. United Methodists have agreed to contribute \$30 million to a \$3 billion Survivor Trust Fund. Every annual conference has been asked to commit to contribute toward the Survivor Trust Fund. The Wisconsin Conference has been asked to commit \$208,096 toward the Survivor Trust Fund and attorney fees. The WI Annual Conference, meeting June 10-13, will determine how this contribution is raised.



**The Cargill Christian Preschool and Daycare** is following School District of Janesville covid restrictions, Rock County Health Department guidance, and Cargill Covenant specifications (masks and cleaning protocols). Because of a recent spike in cases, our center had to close for six days in January due to contacts and positive tests. We reopened on Monday, Jan. 17.

**A team from Cargill** is participating in the CYO boys basketball league. The team was organized by Julie Buckman and Carrie Mullen and is coached by Mark Mullen and Tom Buckman.

**The Columbarium Board** is reviewing design and pricing options before moving to the marketing phase, as approved by the Church Council in November.

**A planning committee** was preparing for a women's retreat to be held in mid-March. Because of the current covid spike, it was decided to postpone and select a new date, to be announced. The theme will be "Fill My Cup."

**As we head into 2022**, there are leadership positions available at Cargill UMC. If you have an interest in finding a role at Cargill UMC, please contact Pastor Steve Scott or Jo Barrow in the office (see directory on Page 5).

Board of Trustees (1)	Cargill Foundation (2)
Columbarium Board (1)	Finance Committee (2)
Lay leader (1)	
Mission Outreach (2 or more)	
Staff-Parish Relations Committee (2)	

# NEW STAFF POSITIONS

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When Doug announced his departure to the Mission & Outreach Committee, he said, "I want you to know how much it has meant to me to be with you at Cargill. You are exceptional people."

He and his wife, Norita, plan to build a house in Harvard, IL, close to family.

### **Valerie Schmoltdt**

Val joined the Cargill staff in 2006 as our financial coordinator. In that time she has navigated considerable change and increasing complexity in overseeing the stewardship of our finances.

In her new position as Director of Ministry Resources, Val will oversee not only our finances but coordinate the work of building operations, as well.

"We see our buildings and grounds as resources for ministry, along with our financial resources," Pastor Scott said. "Having one person oversee these operations will allow the pastoral staff to focus on the spiritual growth of the congregation, as well as worship and small-group ministry."

Val, a native of Monroe, earned a bachelor's degree of business administration and finance from UW-Whitewater. She and her family - her husband, Brian, and children Everett, Alex and Carly - are members of Cargill.

Val will continue to work in the main church office along with office manager Jo Barrow.

### **Krystal Burton**

Krystal joins Cargill in the newly created full-time position of Director of Media Ministry. She comes to us after 15 years as graphic designer and marketing manager at Minuteman Press.

At Cargill she will help coordinate the many ways we tell our story and God's story: through electronic communication, online media, photography, social media, video and new print media.

"This work isn't just about technology as much as it is about making connections with people," Pastor Scott said. "The church has always been about reaching out to people. We have so many ways to do that today. We want to do it well."

Krystal earned a bachelor's degree in journalism/advertising with a graphic design minor from UW-Whitewater. She grew up in Janesville and at Cargill. She and her husband, Jeremey, have a son Carter.



**Valerie Schmoltdt joined the Cargill staff in 2006 and will have an expanded role as Director of Ministry Resources.**



**Krystal Burton, who joins Cargill as Director of Media Ministry, has been a graphic designer and marketing manager for 15 years.**

## **A farewell to Doug**

Please join us in the Fellowship Hall following the 10a worship service on Sunday, Feb. 6, to say farewell and thank you to Doug Farrell.

This will be a covid-responsible gathering.

## **Future plans**

Cargill will be hiring a part-time Coordinator of Mercy & Justice Ministry. We expect to post that job in February.

For the time being, adult classes and small-group ministry will be overseen by the pastoral staff.

## Cargill UMC Staff

Lead Pastor

**Rev Steve Scott**  
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Associate Pastor

**Rev. Seongmin Kim**  
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Pastor of Senior Ministries

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Director of Media Ministry  
**Krystal Burton**

Director of Ministry Resources

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**Jo Barrow**  
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Choir Director

**Marie Severing**  
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Custodian

**Gladis Albino**

Kitchen Ministries

**Becky Saliby**  
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Maintenance

**Ron Stacey**

Nursery Care Coordinator

**Heidi Alderman**  
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Special Events Cook

**Diane Quade**  
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Web Master

**Mark Banner**  
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## BOUNTIFUL BLESSINGS

Cargill continues to offer our monthly Bountiful Blessings free community meal on the 3rd Saturday. We provide a "Grab & Go" meal between 4 and 5pm under the canopy of the North entrance. The next Bountiful Blessings meal is Saturday, February 19th and the menu will be Swedish meatballs over mashed potatoes with roasted carrots and dinner roll.

To volunteer to prepare and/or distribute, contact Sara Pedersen at 608.756.2686 or Becky Saliby at 608.201.6069.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Bountiful Blessings is in need of volunteers to help cook, serve, and clean up our monthly community meal. We welcome our past faithful volunteers and would love to add new friends to serve this rewarding ministry. Please call or text Sara Pedersen or Becky Saliby (phone numbers listed above) if you would like to help.

## MEALS ON WHEELS HELP

Cargill UMC has participated in Meals on Wheels twice yearly for a very long time, delivering 6 routes of meals each time. We are thankful for all the volunteers in the past and urgently need additional new volunteers to help get meals to those who need it the most.

Delivery takes less than an hour and can easily be done during a lunch break. Our next commitment weeks are April 18 -22 and April 25 – 29.

Precautions have been made during the ongoing Covid 19 pandemic to keep delivery as safe as possible with coolers placed outside of the client residence and vaccine and mask requirement for all volunteers.

We could use your help for both weeks, 1 week, a few days or even be a substitute. We invite you to take part in such a well needed service in our community.

Please call Marla Verdone at 608.758.9468.



## GIFTS THANKS

Cargill hosted GIFTS January 16-22. Once again, our congregation stepped up and provided for the basic needs of our friends struggling with homelessness. I wish everyone could see the gratitude and joy your gifts have brought! You truly glorify God when you answer His call to serve. We will be hosting again the first week of April.



# FEBRUARY



**Please mark the following dates on your calendars!**

**Family Worship: February 6th**

**Children’s Ministry Team gathering: Monday, February 14th at 6:30p.**

**Important Dates:**

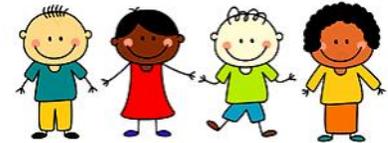


**February 6th**– Family Worship-kids at tables in Sanctuary for 10a service

**February 13**– Sunday School at 10a

**February 20**– Sunday School at 10a

**February 27**– Sunday School at 10a



**Because of the current trends in COVID numbers, we are meeting for Sunday school in the art room at 10a. We will not gather in the sanctuary. All teachers, students and shepherds, regardless of vaccine status are strongly encouraged to wear a face mask. If you have questions or concerns, please contact [Natalie@cargillumc.org](mailto:Natalie@cargillumc.org).**



**During the month of February we will be participating in Prayers from the Heart. If you signed your child up, they should be receiving some mail from Cargill UMC members during the month of February. For any questions or concerns, please contact Natalie.**



## Youth Ministry Youth Ministry

Cargill Youth Ministry continue our faith journey together through our gatherings and programs. Please contact Pastor Seongmin Kim at [pasoterseongminumc@gmail.com](mailto:pasoterseongminumc@gmail.com) with questions.

Middle School Sunday school on Sundays at 11a in-person in the Youth Classroom

Confirmation Class on Sundays at 5 - 6:30p in-person at the Youth Classroom

- Wesleyan Heritage Retreat is March 4–5th at Lake Lucerne camp

- Preparation Holy Communion lesson on Saturday, Feb.26 at 4p in Fellowship Hall

High School Bible Study on Sundays at 11:45a via Zoom

Cargill Youth continue participating Cargill ministries as PowerPoint operators, children’s Sunday School shepherds, nursery staff, youth musicians, and as volunteers for worship and mission.

## PRAYERS FROM THE HEART



This wonderful intergenerational ministry intentionally brings prayer into the lives of all families. Any members of Cargill may participate by sponsoring children in our congregation. For those of you who decide to sponsor children in prayer, remember to contact the child(ren) you've been assigned to each week in February, via cards, emails, or postcards to let them know their sponsors are praying for them. Whether you hear back from them or not, they will know that someone is praying for them, and that means a lot! See Natalie Albrecht for more information.

## FINANCIAL UPDATE

Contributions Budget through Dec 2021	\$498,000
Actual Contributions through Dec 2021	\$496,533
Actual Contributions through Dec 2020	\$506,422
2021 Contribution Budget Shortage	\$ 1,467



## DECEMBER FOOD DRIVE FOR ECHO

In December, Cargill Daycare/Preschool parents and staff held a food drive to help those in need in Janesville. And on December 21st, Nancy Hansen Bennett picked up 162 pounds of canned goods and other non-perishables for ECHO! Way to go, everyone!

## NORTHCOTT NEIGHBORHOOD COLLECTION

Thank you for your generosity! On the Northcott Tree in the narthex we collected 129 items including 26 scarves, 59 hats, 11 pairs of mittens 1 pair of ear muffs and 1 pair of boots and straps. Al and Nancy Bennett took the items to the Northcott Neighborhood House in Milwaukee where these items are really needed and very much appreciated.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE CROP WALK

The CROP Hunger Walk saves families around the world from the heartbreak and pain that comes with hunger. Mark your calendar and plan to join us on Sunday April 24, 2022 for the Janesville Area CROP Hunger Walk. It is a fun, family friendly walk to raise funds and awareness. Look for more information to follow in the coming months.

I also want to share that I will be stepping down as the Cargill United Methodist Church's Recruitment Captain. We will be snowbirds until May so no longer in the area for the Crop Walk. Chris Devine has generously agreed to be the new Recruitment Captain for Cargill. She can be reached at 608-359-8885.

Blessings, Julie Shireman



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## MICROWAVE MESSAGE RETURNS



Back each week:

***The Microwave Message:  
A Quick Warm-Up for Mind and Spirit***

It's posted every Thursday.

You can find it at:



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