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DECEMBER 16 & 17

December 2023

Live Nativity
The Story of Jesus' Birth

December 16 & 17
5 - 7pm | Both Nights

Inside and outside activities for all ages!
| Live Animals | Drive through Nativity |
| Free Dinner | Family Activities | Cookie Decorating |

FREE Community Event

SCAN TO VOLUNTEER

Website Facebook

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West Parking Lot | Enter from Wesley Ave.
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Sermon series

In December we will explore the Advent and Christmas series called *From Heaven to Earth: Christmas For New Believers, Old Believers and Non-Believers*.

Dec 2-3 | Why Do I Need a Savior?

Dec 9-10 | Jesus' Family Tree

Dec 16-17 | John the Baptist: Preparing for Christmas

Dec 23-24 | A Virgin Birth? Seriously?

Christmas Eve (Dec 24)
Christmas for the Slightly Obedient & Befuddled Among Us

Dec 30-31 | Angels All Around

Holiday worship schedule

Sat Dec 23 | 5p in Chapel

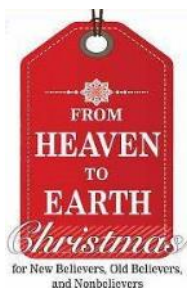
Sun morning Dec 24
One service at 10a in Sanctuary

Christmas Eve Dec 24
4p (children's program)
7p & 11p in Sanctuary

Sat Dec 30 | 5p in Chapel

Sun Dec 31
One service at 10a in Sanctuary

ADVENT STUDY CONTINUES



Explore the themes of *From Heaven to Earth Christmas* in a weekly study led by Pastor Amy Powell. Wednesdays through Dec 20. Choose either 2-3:30p or 6:30-8p. Books available for loan or purchase. Contact Pastor Amy for more details at amy@cargillumc.org

CONNECTING AT CARGILL

Weekly Worship Schedule

5p Saturdays

In the Chapel

9a Sundays

In the main worship area (Sanctuary)

10:30a Sundays

In the main worship area (Sanctuary)

Online

Livestream at 9a & 10:30a Sundays or anytime you're able. Visit www.CargillUMC.org and click ONLINE WORSHIP. Also on Charter Ch. 994 JATV Wednesdays at 10a, 4p and 10p

Sunday connections

We offer coffee and tea before services in the Narthex (outside the Sanctuary), and beverages and snacks after worship in Fellowship Hall. Weather permitting, also feel free to visit the Garth courtyard. You may bring a covered beverage into the worship area, but please do not bring in food into the Sanctuary.



Free child care

We offer free care for those through age 4 in a supervised nursery during Sunday worship. You may bring your child before worship begins or during worship. Pagers are available.



Welcome center

For information about activities, to connect with a ministry or to volunteer, visit the Welcome Center (just outside the worship area) on weekends.

www.CargillUMC.org



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Cargill United Methodist Church (public)
Cargill UMC (members & friends)

Looking ahead to 2024!

The new year will present new chances for you to participate and grow at Cargill United Methodist Church!

Cargill UMC members voted in November to say "yes" to capitalizing on the church's strengths and invite new people to connect with God and one another.

Here are the areas in which you're invited to become involved:

- 1. Igniting volunteerism: Growing faith through Dynamite Prayer**
- 2. Next Generation: Clarifying a path forward to connect with those not here**
- 3. Decide: Step(s) of Faith. Making the best use of our church facility**
- 4. Newcomer Connections: "First Friends" groups to better welcome guests and new members**
- 5. New Skills: Befriending the unchurched**

Lead Pastor Steve Scott and Discipleship Pastor Amy Powell are designing an invitation process for the entire congregation to participate as opportunities unfold over the next several months.

"This isn't a top-down process," Pastor Steve told nearly 100 members who met Nov. 2 to approve the next steps. "This is the church speaking and moving. Pastor Amy and I are here to lead you to dive in."

The prescriptions for next steps came out of Cargill's yearlong involvement with the Missional Church Consultation Initiative (MCCI). Cargill is one of a handful of Wisconsin congregations invited into MCCI. As a result, the church will receive coaching and resources to help members work in the above five areas beginning early in 2024.

COOKIE WALK—DEC 2



United Women in Faith

Coffee Shop opens at 8:30am
Come early to get a number and visit the coffee shop.

Cookie Walk

Saturday, Dec. 2 | 9am
No Early Sales | While Supplies Last

Dropoff baked goods or candies on Dec. 1 | 8am - 7pm in Fellowship Hall

All proceeds support Missions

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CONCERT—DEC 3

Janesville Choral Union Presents

LORD NELSON MASS

Written by Joseph Haydn

DEC. 3 - 2PM

Richard Severing | Artistic Director and Conductor
Marie Severing | Associate Conductor

Soloists

Shallece Stewart | Soprano
Sarah Leuwerke | Mezzo Soprano
Alexander Gmeinder | Tenor
Brian Leeper | Baritone

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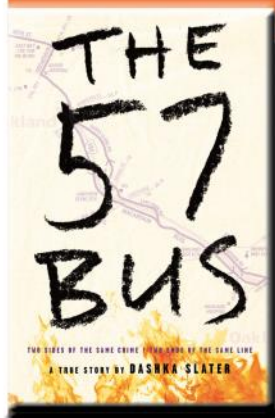
\$12 in advance | \$15 at the door
www.ChoralUnionJanesville.com



BANNED BOOK CLUB—DEC 6

The Cargill UMC Banned Book Club
The 57 Bus by Dashka Slater

Wednesday, December 6
6:30 - 8PM | Lounge



We are reading *The 57 Bus: A True Story of Two Teenagers and The Crime That Changed Their Lives*, by Dashka Slater. The true story of an agender teen who was set on fire by another teen while riding a bus in Oakland, CA. **Why is this banned? Come to discuss.**

Do your best to read the book before the discussion

Questions? Contact Dianne Edson
dianne@cargillumc.org

2 WEEK CLASS—REGISTER BY DEC 3

Ornament Making

WITH VARIOUS ART MEDIAS

This is a two week class | BOTH weeks are required

Wednesdays - December 6 & 13

6 - 7:30pm | Fellowship Hall

Important Information:

- Registration fee is \$10
- **Fee is due at the time of registration**
- Limited to 15 participants
- Meant for adults and children ages 8 and up
- Registration closes December 3

Fee Payment



Register at Welcome Center or Scan Code:



SENIOR MEAL—DEC 7

Anyone over the age of 50 is welcome! This Senior Meal will be held at 12 noon in Fellowship Hall on December 7. The cost is \$8 per meal. The menu will be: baked ham with cranberry sauce, cheesy potatoes, salad and dessert. Sign up by Tuesday noon, December 5. There is a sign-up sheet on the Senior bulletin board in Fellowship Hall or you may call the church office at 608 752-0548.

Please note that there will be no Senior Meal on December 21.

FAMILY FUN NIGHT

GIFTS OPPORTUNITY

Yuletide
Family Fun Night
December 8 6-8pm
| Arts & Crafts | Tree Decorating |
| Christmas Karaoke | Holiday Short Film |
Signup at the Welcome Center
or scan QR code 

Serve GIFTS with Cargill UMC
DECEMBER 10-17
 
Jesus was born in a stable "because there was no room for them in the inn" Luke 2:7
Let's make room in our thoughts and actions this Christmas Season
Sign up at the Welcome Center or scan the QR code
Contact Janice Delo with Questions 608-359-8959 

2023 CHURCH CONFERENCE—DEC 10



All members are invited to attend this annual business meeting on Sunday, December 10 at 11:45a in the Fellowship Hall

Cargill UMC Staff

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Interim Building
Maintenance
Bill Horton

CHORAL PRESENTATION—DEC 19



CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRY



- **Sunday School for K-5** will be during 10:30a worship services (2nd-5th Sundays.) Families begin in worship together and children will be invited forward during the Children's Prayer time to receive a prayer before being dismissed to follow their teachers to class. The first Sunday of each month is family worship with holy communion & no Sunday school.

- **Regular opportunities to serve as a family or youth:** Bountiful Blessings and the GIFTS Thrift Store on the second Saturday of each

month. This month we help out on Saturday, December 9 at 10:30a. GIFTS Thrift Store is located at 1141 Black Bridge Drive in Janesville.

END OF THE YEAR GIVING & OFFICE CLOSURE

Whether you are graciously making early contributions toward your 2024 pledge or are continuing to make contributions toward your 2023 pledge, please clearly label them for the year toward which you would like them applied. Also, if you would like to deduct your 2023 financial contributions, they must be postmarked by December 31, or placed in the offering plate, church office, or gold mailbox in the office hallway by Sunday, December 31. As always, please clearly label all contributions with the intended designation. Thank you to all who have supported the many ministries of Cargill UMC throughout 2023!

Cargill's church office will be closed December 25 through January 1. Please plan accordingly, including if you would like to make a last minute contribution.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Contributions Budget through Nov 2023	\$402,195
Actual Contributions thru Nov 2023	\$452,561*
Actual Contributions thru Nov 2022	\$410,930
2023 Contributions currently ahead of budget	\$ 50,366
*1 week remaining in November	

**Thank you for supporting
the ministry at
Cargill UMC!**

KITCHEN COORDINATOR POSITION AVAILABLE

Cargill United Methodist Church is seeking to hire an Interim Kitchen Coordinator. In this position, you will plan and prepare meals and refreshments for these events:

- Bountiful Blessings monthly community meal
- Specially scheduled church events
- Collaborate with Sunday morning hospitality team (e.g. providing expanded coffee fellowship)

This will be an interim position while Cargill UMC continues a broader evaluation of its food, hospitality and event ministries. It is anticipated the interim position would last approximately six months. To apply or for more information, please contact Pastor Steve at steve@cargillumc.org.

TRANSPORTATION MINISTRY

When: Every Sunday!


Where: Cedar Crest Independent Living lobby

Pick up time at Cedar Crest: 8:30a

Leave time from Cargill UMC: 10:30a

- No cost but free will offerings are accepted.
- Must be able to board bus independently.
- The bus cannot accommodate wheelchairs.
- Limit: 10 passengers per Sunday
- Call the church office by Thursday to sign up for the next Sunday - 608 752-0548

DECEMBER 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>For the most up to date calendar, future months & to learn about a specific event visit www.cargillumc.org/calendar or scan the QR Code</p> 					<p>1</p> <p>Men's Bible Study 6:00 am – 7:00 am</p> <p>Aerobics 9:00 am – 10:00 am</p> <p>Mind Over Matter 10:00 am – 12:00 pm</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Cookie Walk 9:00 am – 12:00 pm</p> <p>Saturday Worship 5:00 pm</p>
<p>3</p> <p>Adult Bible Study 9:00 am – 10:00 am</p> <p>Sunday Worship 9:00 am</p> <p>Sunday Worship 10:30 am</p> <p>Janesville Choral Union 2:00 pm</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Goshen Quilters 8:30 am – 11:00 am</p> <p>Aerobics 9:00 am – 10:00 am</p> <p>Prayer Shawl Ministry 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm</p> <p>UWF Missions Meeting 6:30 pm</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Aerobics 9:00 am – 10:00 am</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Advent Bible Study 2 - 3:30pm or 6:30 - 8pm</p> <p>Aerobics 9:00 am – 10:00 am</p> <p>Ornament Making Class 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm</p> <p>Banned Book Club 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Aerobics 9:00 am – 10:00 am</p> <p>Bible Study 10:30 am – 12:00 pm</p> <p>Senior Meals 12:00 pm</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Men's Bible Study 6:00 am – 7:00 am</p> <p>Aerobics 9:00 am – 10:00 am</p> <p>Yuletide Family Fun Night 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm</p>	<p>9</p> <p>GIFTS Thrift Store 10:30 am – 12:30 pm</p> <p>Saturday Worship 5:00 pm</p>
<p>10</p> <p>GIFTS Men's Shelter</p> <p>Adult Bible Study 9:00 am – 10:00 am</p> <p>Sunday Worship 9:00 am</p> <p>Sunday School 10:30 am</p> <p>Sunday Worship 10:30 am</p> <p>Annual Church Conference 11:45 am – 12:30 pm</p>	<p>11</p> <p>GIFTS Men's Shelter</p> <p>Goshen Quilters 8:30 am – 11:00 am</p> <p>Aerobics 9:00 am – 10:00 am</p> <p>Prayer Shawl Ministry 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm</p>	<p>12</p> <p>GIFTS Men's Shelter</p> <p>Aerobics 9:00 am – 10:00 am</p>	<p>13</p> <p>GIFTS Men's Shelter</p> <p>Advent Bible Study 2 - 3:30pm or 6:30 - 8pm</p> <p>Aerobics 9:00 am – 10:00 am</p> <p>Ornament Making Class 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm</p>	<p>14</p> <p>GIFTS Men's Shelter</p> <p>Aerobics 9:00 am – 10:00 am</p> <p>Bible Study 10:30 am – 12:00 pm</p>	<p>15</p> <p>GIFTS Men's Shelter</p> <p>Men's Bible Study 6:00 am – 7:00 am</p> <p>Aerobics 9:00 am – 10:00 am</p>	<p>16</p> <p>GIFTS Men's Shelter</p> <p>Bountiful Blessings 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm</p> <p>Saturday Worship 5:00 pm</p> <p>Live Nativity 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm</p>
<p>17</p> <p>GIFTS Men's Shelter</p> <p>Adult Bible Study 9:00 am – 10:00 am</p> <p>Sunday Worship 9:00 am</p> <p>Ceremony of Carols 9:00 am – 10:00 am</p> <p>Sunday School 10:30 am</p> <p>Sunday Worship 10:30 am</p> <p>Live Nativity 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Goshen Quilters 8:30 am – 11:00 am</p> <p>Aerobics 9:00 am – 10:00 am</p> <p>Prayer Shawl Ministry 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm</p> <p>Adult Fellowship & Craft Night 5:00 pm</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Aerobics 9:00 am – 10:00 am</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Advent Bible Study 2 - 3:30pm or 6:30 - 8pm</p> <p>Aerobics 9:00 am – 10:00 am</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Aerobics 9:00 am – 10:00 am</p> <p>Bible Study 10:30 am – 12:00 pm</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Men's Bible Study 6:00 am – 7:00 am</p> <p>Aerobics 9:00 am – 10:00 am</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Saturday Worship 5:00 pm</p>
<p>24</p> <p>Adult Bible Study 9:00 am – 10:00 am</p> <p>10am Sunday Worship 10:00 am</p> <p>Family Christmas Eve Service 4:00 pm</p> <p>Candlelight Christmas Eve Service 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm</p> <p>Communion Christmas Eve Service 11:00 pm</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Merry Christmas!</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Aerobics 9:00 am – 10:00 am</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Advent Bible Study 2 - 3:30pm or 6:30 - 8pm</p> <p>Aerobics 9:00 am – 10:00 am</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Aerobics 9:00 am – 10:00 am</p> <p>Bible Study 10:30 am – 12:00 pm</p> <p>Knitting and Crocheting 6:00 pm</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Men's Bible Study 6:00 am – 7:00 am</p> <p>Aerobics 9:00 am – 10:00 am</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Saturday Worship 5:00 pm</p>



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WHO IS ABLE, THROUGH HIS
MIGHTY POWER AT WORK WITHIN US,
TO ACCOMPLISH INFINITELY MORE
THAN WE MIGHT ASK OR THINK.

EPHESIANS 3:20