

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Posted Sunday, March 8, 2026



Lenten Bible Study

Join Pastor Niles for His Lenten Bible Study *He Chose the Nails: What God Did to Win Your Heart* February 24 – March 24, 2026. You are warmly invited to join Pastor for this special Lenten Bible study series. Each week, we will gather on Tuesdays at 11:00 AM and 6:30 PM to walk through *He Chose the Nails*, reflecting on the depth of God's love and the meaning of Christ's sacrifice. We hope you'll join us for this meaningful time of learning, reflection, and fellowship as we journey together through the season of Lent.

Lenten Prayer Box

Once again, a Prayer Box will be available in the Sanctuary throughout Lent. It's purple! There will be purple prayer cards in the pews for your use. You're welcome to write out a personal prayer and place it in the box as often as you feel moved to do so. The box will be burned at the Sunrise Service on Easter Morning, lifted into the smoke towards heaven. The Worship Team hopes this will be a meaningful addition to your Lenten experience.

Lenten Sacrificial Offering

We invite you to participate in our Lenten Sacrificial Offering by setting aside one dollar for each of the forty days of Lent. This year, all funds collected will support Erin's Angels, a local non-profit organization dedicated to ending child hunger in our community. Shiela Dion will join us Sunday, March 8th in Worship Service at 9:30 AM to share more information on Erin's Angels.

Earth Day Clean-Up

Cicero UMC is officially registered to take part in the Onondaga County Resource Recovery Agency's (OCRRA's) Earth Day Clean Up on Saturday, April 25th. We would like everyone who would like to participate to please join us at 9 am that morning at the church. We will be cleaning up a section of route 11 between the church and Meltzer Court, as well as the area surrounding the church parking lot. Trash bags, gloves, hard hats, orange vests and grabbing tools will be provided while supplies last.

Easter Bake Sale – All Services

Help support the MYF (Methodist Youth Fellowship) by stopping by our Easter Sunday Bake Sale! Baked good donations are welcomed and appreciated—please bring them to the kitchen on Saturday, April 4th, or before services on Sunday, April 5th. Thank you for your continued support and kindness!

From the Outreach Committee - Spread Easter Joy!

Parents, grandparents, and all our creative crafters—here's a wonderful way to share God's love this season! We are collecting homemade Easter cards to brighten the days of residents in our local nursing homes. This is a perfect at-home project for both kids and adults, and a beautiful opportunity to serve together as a family. Please bring your cards in by Palm Sunday. A collection box will be available in the Welcome Center. We

will deliver all the cards the following week with our Outreach Easter blessings. Thank you for helping us share joy, hope, and Christ's love with our neighbors!

Sunday School Needs YOU!

There is a need for Sunday School teachers, assistants and substitutes. Please contact Sue Bonspille for more information to learn more about this essential service!

Vacation Bible School Meetings

planning meetings will be on Tuesdays going forward at 6:30 PM. If you have any questions or want to sign up, please see or call Sue Bonspille at 315- 420-2101. Look for more information about our fun and exciting VBS program coming soon

Memory Café Gathering– March 18, 2026 - Fellowship Hall CUMC

10:30 AM – 12:00 PM Join us for a warm and welcoming Memory Café Gathering, created especially for individuals living with Alzheimer's or dementia and their caregivers. Enjoy a relaxed social hour, live entertainment, and a delicious late-morning lunch. Connect with others, share time together, and enjoy a refreshing mid-day break. All are welcome in this supportive and uplifting space!

OUTREACH

Thank you to everyone who is joining us in this year's Lenten offering! Your generosity will help support Erin's Angels as they work to fight childhood hunger right here in our community. We're collecting non perishable, kid friendly food items, including:

- Applesauce & fruit cups / Oatmeal packets & cereal cups
- Pop-top cans of chicken or tuna / Peanut butter or cheese crackers
- Peanut butter & jelly (plastic jars, please!)

Stop by the Welcome Center bulletin board for more ideas and ways you can support this important mission.

Meetings and Events

March 14, 2026, Cropper Circle 9 AM-3 PM

March 14, 2026, Private Party Welcome Center 4 PM

March 15, 2026, MYF 11 AM Youth Room

March 17, 2026, Lenten Bible Study 11 AM and 6:30 PM "St. Patrick's Day"

March 18, 2026, Memory Café Gathering 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

March 18, 2026, Women's Bible Study 6:30 PM

March 18, 2026, Finance Meeting 6 PM

March 19, 2026, Trustees Meeting 6 PM



OUR VISION:
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OUR MISSION:

Cicero United Methodist Church strives to provide a community of faith that is actively loving, including and serving ALL people while growing a relationship with God.

CUMC CORE VALUES:

We Believe that CUMC is an inclusive, dynamic, caring and nurturing community of believers in Jesus Christ.

We Believe that all people are loved by God, and we offer our love and acceptance to all.

We Believe in a Christ-Centered worship experience that helps us grow in our faith and demonstrate God's love to the community.

We Believe that faith is a personal journey and that we grow toward Christ through service to others, nurturing and teaching all God's children, loving each other and spreading the gospel throughout the world.