

# keep in touch

February 02, 2023



Dear Caldwell Church Family and friends,  
Hopefully, you are staying healthy, safe, and warm.

I want to thank John G and Brad P for preaching last Sunday, and to Jason F for moderating the discussion meeting in the afternoon. Sorry I missed the discussion; I intended to be here. I spent a few days in Pittsburgh, caring for our granddaughter and son, who were fighting off the cold and flu; they are on the mend. Thanks for your prayers! We will, of course, have further discussions about remaining in the United Methodist Church or disaffiliating. The Church Leadership TEAM will be in contact with you in the days ahead. There will be a day and time set for an official vote. Please be in prayer and be informed on issues at hand.

February 3<sup>rd</sup>. is called “*a cross -quarter day*” which marks the angle of degrees of the earth to the sun; it is the beginning of *meteorological spring*, even though spring begins March 20<sup>th</sup>.

February is National Heart Health month, Black History month, not to forget Valentine’s Day (14<sup>th</sup>) a day to celebrate sacrificial love, and President’s Day-20<sup>th</sup>. [A. Lincoln’s Birthday 12<sup>th</sup> & G. Washington’s Birthday 22<sup>nd</sup>.] **Ash Wednesday is also the 22<sup>nd</sup>.** this year, which will begin the Lenten (spring) season leading into the 6 weeks before Holy Week and Easter (April 9<sup>th</sup>.) February is our shortest month with 28 days; with an extra day added in a “leap year.” For a winter month there are many activities to keep us busy; hopefully indoors to keep us warm on the colder days.

**Since February is National Heart health month,** maybe it should give us pause to learn and know the warning signs for stroke and heart attack; and possibly encourage us to get a check-up. In thinking of caring for our hearts we know love is closely related, it involves our feelings and emotions associated with the heart. Love helps us to live complete and fuller lives; love gives us a wholesome outlook on life. Without being loved, we can feel lost, lonely, and unwanted; love draws us together in a close bond, in which life and death can never separate us from.

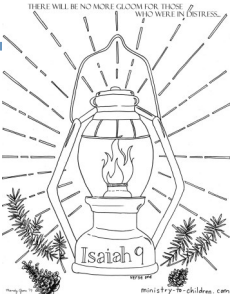
Love lifts us up and helps build our lives and relationships on a firm foundation. In building our friendships, it is vital to our knowing that we are loved; even if loved by no one else but God our Creator, who loves us beyond measure. God invites us to find grace and mercy, to know true love and by showing love to others, even those who are unloved, and sometimes seemingly unlovable. Remember Jesus’ command: “**Love one another, as I have loved you.**”

Love, Peace, and Prayers,  
Rev. Jeffrey W. Coggins, Your Pastor



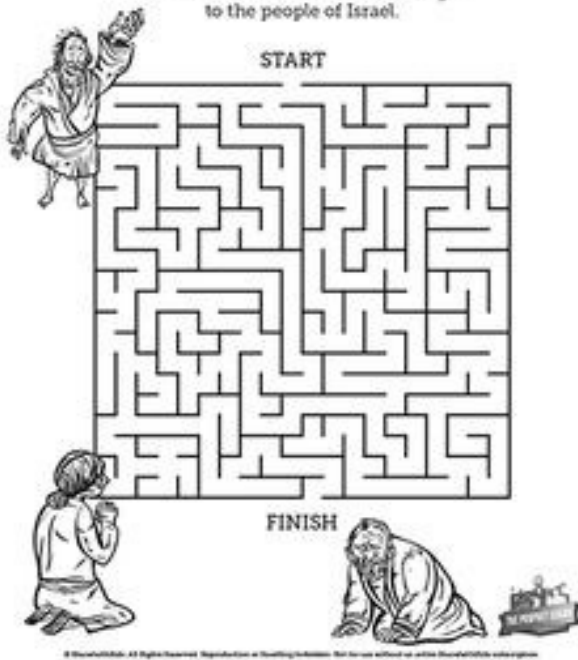
# Sunday February 5, 2023

- ◆ Sunday Services are on our facebook page: Caldwell UMC Ohio.
- ◆ This Sunday Service is based on Matthew 4:12-23 "Follow the Lead"
- ◆ Old Testament scripture Isaiah 9:1-9



## THE PROPHET ISAIAH

Guide Isaiah to deliver his message to the people of Israel.



## The 12 Disciples

S B L J W C Z Z L J N J E M P U V G Q D  
 Q U M F Z P G H P G V B E C R I T F G W  
 W J E V J V J G Z Q F L D K R O L M N U  
 R K O A T C H J M D T B E A L I W I C I  
 P U F K H Y Z A E A X D B A D N V K H K  
 O I H T U P T A I O X K E I K W B U Z P  
 N E L D E T L G E C V Z Z Z I F H L T T  
 S S R U H S L A G Z E T F Z J O H N H H  
 B F A E E R G P F H X N O C F Q S G S A  
 S A W E M Q G R T O M A N B S L L C U D  
 V M R Q S S B N M Q N Z O O M M C Q J D  
 S X S T Q I O W O Z Y O S L A Q I O C A  
 G C T L H M J U D A S I S C A R I O T E  
 S W Q C I O R G I U N H E S A Q R O V U  
 A R Y S U S L L V E Z Q M I E E J L M S  
 M J V K O K G O T W R B A C T M C M D J  
 O Z B C P Z F O M X I O J E P U A E A R  
 H N A F U E O R Q E H K P R H M L J V B  
 T S I Q M E B K R H W Y K Y X X F Q Y X  
 J C Z N H E N C K P Z T P W E R D N A Z

ANDREW  
 BARTHOLOMEW  
 JAMES SON OF ALPHEUS  
 JAMES SON OF ZEBEDEE  
 JOHN  
 JUDAS ISCARIOT

MATTHEW  
 PETER  
 PHILIP  
 SIMON THE ZEALOT  
 THADDAEUS  
 THOMAS

WOW! JESUS IS LIKE A ROCK STAR. HE'S SO POPULAR!

YEAH BUT THE COOL THING IS, WE DON'T NEED A BACKSTAGE PASS!

SO WAIT A MINUTE. WE GET TO FOLLOW A GUY WHO DOES MIRACLES, IS THE FULFILLMENT OF PROPHECY AND IS THE SON OF GOD?

YEAH!

WE'RE NOT WORTHY! WE'RE NOT WORTHY!



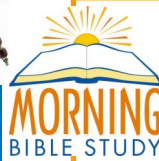
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MATTHEW 4:12-25 WITH PREPS. TO WAYNE & GARTH!

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02/01 Tim Niswonger    02/06 Max Reed  
 02/02 Connie Gallagher    02/07 Gary Spring  
 02/02 Dannee Sidwell    02/07 Kristen Withers  
 02/05 Eric McAfee



### Monday Morning Bible Study

9am in the fellowship hall

### Lenten Study beginning :

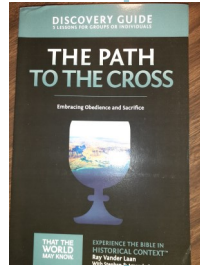
Sunday 2/19 9AM

Sunday 2/19 7PM

Monday 2/20 9AM

### *The Path to the Cross*

5 sessions



**Christ Shares a Meal** served 55 meals on Thursday, January 26th. Thank you for your food and monetary donations. The menu for the February 23<sup>rd</sup> CSAM is lasagna, garlic bread, a salad, and a dessert.



### CHURCH SPLIT

Here is why we are in these conversations at this time. During Feb 23-26, of 2019 The United Methodist Church held a Special Session of General Conference for the United Methodist Church. Delegates both clergy and laity, from America and around the world met in St. Louis, MO. to discuss and vote on issues and petitions related to what was called at the time "A Way Forward." Their decisions then, along with the Covid pandemic, led to having to delay the scheduled General Conference, now for three years. In St. Louis what was set in place to move forward was paragraph 2553, along with other issues which set a deadline of December 31, 2023 to resolve differences. But a problem is that our next General Church Conference is scheduled now to meet in Charlotte, NC. April 23-May 3, 2024, after the December 31, 2023 deadline. You can read and know more about this by going to the Conference **website: [eocumc.com](http://eocumc.com)**. [Follow the headings and find "about us –General Conference"]

For the past several years, we have been praying for the path our denomination will take regarding our future. We should focus on our task, which remains the same as it always has been: to be witnesses to the love of God to people, sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ, and making disciples for the transformation of the world. We (Caldwell) have our East Ohio delegates and alternates, who will be attending General Conference. Conference Delegates were elected at East Ohio Conference in 2017, but may change with Annual Conference in June. ***Please pray for our delegates and for a positive outcome. These and others from all Conferences around the world will come to Charlotte to vote.***  
**Rev. Jeff Coggins**



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"Remember what they said in church,  
 Mommy — FEED THE HUNGRY!"



### Church Service at Caldwell UMC

8am Traditional

10:30 am Blended

9:00am Sunday School

**WHY EXPECT MEN TO UNITE ON RELIGION WHEN THEY CAN'T UNITE ON ANYTHING ELSE?**



## Feed the Birds Day – February 3, 2023

Feed the Birds Day is celebrated on February 3 every year and is part of the celebrations of National Bird-Feeding Month. Feeding the Birds Day is celebrated to bring attention to the extra help birds need right before spring, when their winter stores of food start running out. February is also the last stretch of winter, which is when bird's food reserves run low, and finding more becomes incredibly difficult. This is a dangerous time for birds because they need the extra calories that they get from food to keep themselves warm but don't have the energy to go out looking for it. Most of the seeds they eat will be buried under the snow where they can't get to it. Finding water in the winter is as challenging as finding food during the winter for birds because low temperatures cause what water there is to freeze. Birds bring color and company to our lives. So, to have more birds survive the winter, we may need to give them a little help.

## National Wear Red Day – February 3, 2023

The first Friday in February (February 3) is National Wear Red Day. On this day, which is considered American Heart Month, everyone across the country dons the color red in order to raise and spread awareness in hopes to help eradicate heart disease and stroke in millions of women all over the nation. So put on your reddest red — whether it be a lipstick, a pair of pants, or your favorite hat — and paint the city red.



WORLD CANCER DAY  
FEBRUARY 4

## World Cancer Day – February 4, 2023



PREVENTION SAVES LIVES

Sooner or later, it seems, cancer has an impact on us all. World Cancer Day is observed worldwide on February 4 to inform and encourage people on its prevention, early detection, and treatment. Cancer has a staggering death-toll rate — every year, 9.6 million people die from cancer. About one-third of common cancers are preventable and treatable. For many cancers, there are warning signs and symptoms and the benefits of early detection are indisputable. As busy as you may be, taking time to get that check-up and speak with your doctor can help create awareness and peace of mind.



**February 2, 1848** - The war between the U.S. and Mexico ended with the signing of the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo. In exchange for \$15 million, the U.S. acquired the areas encompassing parts or all of present day California, Nevada, Utah, Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado, Wyoming, and Texas. The treaty was ratified on March 10, 1848.

**February 3, 1870** - The 15th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution was ratified, guaranteeing the right of citizens to vote, regardless of race, color, or previous condition of servitude

**February 3, 1913** - The 16th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution was ratified, granting Congress the authority to collect income taxes.

**February 8, 1910** - The Boy Scouts of America was founded by William Boyce in Washington, D.C., modeled after the British Boy Scouts.



Soup for the Soul Lunch

After church Feb. 19

Bring your favorite soup to share





- Thursday, June 8 – Saturday, June 10, 2023
- Annual Conference meets at the John S. Knight Center in downtown Akron.

The 54th session of Annual Conference is June 8-10 at the John S. Knight Center in Akron. The theme for this year's conference is *Faith Hope Love* and the words that will guide worship services and business sessions come from 1 Thessalonians 1:2-3 (CEB). Registration opens April 3

In **February 1957, Smith Corona** marketed the first portable electric typewriter. The typewriter came in a carrying case and was billed as “The World’s Most Advanced Standard Portable Typewriters.” It is an electric typewriter with a manual carriage return. The Classic 12 had a 12-inch carriage, with a “half space” and “power space” key, as well as a touch selector to toggle between light, medium, and heavy key strikers.



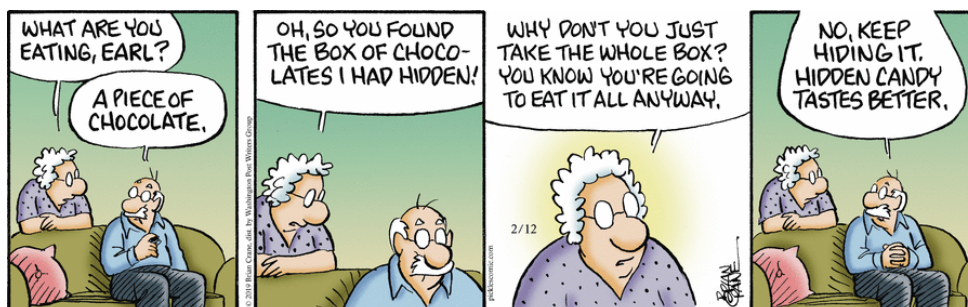
## Marbled Valentine's Day Playdough

### Materials:

- 3 cups all-purpose flour
- 3 cups water
- 1 ½ cups salt
- 3 tbsp baby oil (for nice scent) or vegetable oil
- 3 tsp Cream of Tartar
- purple and pink food dye



Whisk 1 cup water, 1 cup flour, ½ cup salt, 1 tbsp oil, 1 tsp Cream of Tartar, and several drops of purple or pink dye in a saucepan. Heat the dough mixture until it forms a ball. Remove from the pan and knead well. Repeat 2 more times to make the other colors (for white, leave out the food dye). Twist the playdoughs together and roll into a ball to create a marbled effect!



## A Scripture a day...



FEBRUARY 1 - PROMISE #32

**I am seated in the heavens and My kingdom reigns over all.**  
[Psalms 103:19](#)

FEBRUARY 2 - PROMISE #33

**All My plans will be fulfilled, for I know the end from the beginning.**  
[Isaiah 46:10](#)

FEBRUARY 3 - PROMISE #34

**I knew you before you were born and I designed you for My purposes.**  
[Jeremiah 1:5](#)

FEBRUARY 4 - PROMISE #35

**You are holy and free from blame because of Jesus Christ's death.**  
[Colossians 1:21-22](#)

FEBRUARY 5 - PROMISE #36

**I have blotted out your sins and dissolved them like the mist.**  
[Isaiah 44:22](#)

FEBRUARY 6 - PROMISE #37

**I have sealed you with My Spirit to guarantee your coming inheritance.**  
[Ephesians 1:13-14](#)

FEBRUARY 7 - PROMISE #38

**I will be a real Father to you.**  
[2 Corinthians 6:18](#)

FEBRUARY 8 - PROMISE #39

**I will look after you and teach you the way that is best.**  
[Psalm 32:8](#)

FEBRUARY 9 - PROMISE #40

**Trust in Me with all your heart and I will guide you.**  
[Proverbs 3:5-6](#)

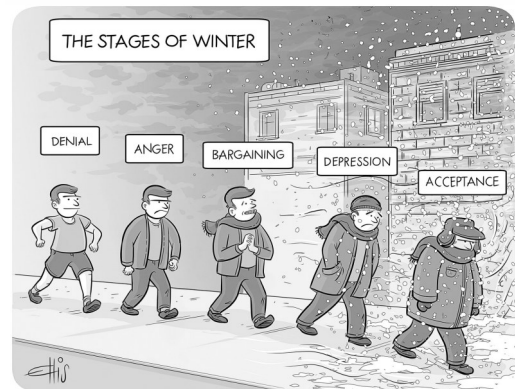
**Feathery frost on the windows  
Evergreens laden with snow  
Beauties of winter in Ohio  
Round us a wonderful show  
Underneath grey skies or blue  
Abundance of sunshine above  
Reach out and feel all the blessings  
Yes, February is made for love.**

*Patty Ullman*

### 10 TO ZEN

1. Let go of comparing.
2. Let go of competing.
3. Let go of judgements.
4. Let go of anger.
5. Let go of regrets.
6. Let go of worrying.
7. Let go of blame.
8. Let go of guilt.
9. Let go of fear.
10. Have a proper belly laugh at least once a day.

(Especially if it's your inability to let go of any of the above)



### Our Prayer Concerns

#### PRAYER CONCERNS

Those sick and in the hospital, and our shut-ins; for those we love who are in care centers, assisted living and nursing care. We pray for our Nation, to bring healing, to help us find peace and direction for the days ahead. We pray for the situation in Ukraine and all it's people. We pray for Pastor's, Church leaders and congregations as we shine the Light of Christ and the Love of God to a world in need. We pray for our local church leadership: Admin bd. Chr. & members of SPRC, Finance, Trustees, Outreach, Missions, Education, Nurture, and all who support our church in prayer and attend services. We pray for our school students, teachers and staff . We remember the inmates and staff at NCI. We pray for special unspoken requests, and for each other. In Jesus Name we pray. Amen

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