



# September 2024



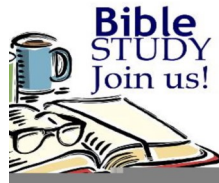
## Caro United Methodist Church

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September 8th 2024 after Worship we will be having our Kick-Off to Sunday School with ice cream and school supplies. Bring your children, along with family and friends to share this special kickoff.



Fall Bible Study will begin on Thursday September 12th at 2pm. There is a sign up sheet in the Narthex.



### Upcoming Ad Board Meeting

Will be held September 17th at 6pm. If you having anything that needs to be added to the agenda please get it to Lisa Wightman by

**God Knows Everything but...**Your church likes to support you, especially during possible turning points in your life. Since these often involve a stay in the hospital, please be sure to call, or have someone call the church (989) 673-2246 or the parsonage (810) 247-7285 to let us know about you.

Please include the name of the hospital. We want to be supportive so please let us know. *Be sure to call whenever you want to talk with the pastor—whatever the reason.*



### Our 50th Celebration

We will be celebrating our 50th Anniversary of our church building on September 15th,2024.

During this celebration we will be having several special guests. Including Rev. John Kasper, Central Bay District Superintendent and his wife Deb.

After service there will be a meal in the fellowship hall. Please RSVP to Lisa Wightman at 989-673-7079.

# Message from our Pastor

Dear Caro United Methodist Church Family and Friends,

As the vibrant colors of Fall begin to emerge, I am delighted to share the exciting opportunities and special events that await us in this new season. Our church has a rich tapestry of activities and milestones planned, and I invite you to join us in celebrating and participating in all that is coming up.

## **Celebrating 50 Years of Ministry**

This Fall, we mark a remarkable milestone: the 50th anniversary of our church building. On September 15th, we will gather to celebrate this golden anniversary with a special service featuring a message from Central Bay District Superintendent, Rev. John G. Kasper. His sermon, “**Living Stones Becoming God’s Temple,**” based on **Ephesians 2:19-22 and 1 Peter 2:4-6**, will inspire us to reflect on our past and envision our future as God’s living temple. The service will be enhanced by beautiful music from Linda Miller, Nancy Reim, and Joe Snider, adding a special touch to our celebration. All are Welcome, bring friends, family and neighbors.

## **Fall Bible Study and New Member Classes**

We are excited to kick off our Fall Bible Study, “**40 Days of God’s Purpose,**” beginning on September 12th at 2 PM. This study will offer profound insights into discovering and living out God’s purpose for our lives. I encourage everyone to join us for this meaningful exploration of faith.

In addition, we will be hosting **New Member Classes on Wednesdays via Zoom**, in collaboration with Resurrection United Methodist Church. These classes are a wonderful opportunity for newcomers to learn more about our Methodism and faith community and get involved.

## **Fall Sunday School Kickoff**

On Sunday, September 8th, we will celebrate the beginning of the Fall Sunday School season with a fun and festive event. Join us for ice cream and school supplies as we kick off the new Sunday School year with enthusiasm and joy.

## **Support Our Sister Church**

Lastly, I want to extend a special invitation to all of you to support our sister church, Resurrection United Methodist Church, as they begin their new ministry. They will hold their inaugural worship service on September 22nd at 1:00 PM, followed by a light meal. Your presence and support will be greatly appreciated as we join them in this new chapter of their journey.

As we embrace the Fall season, let us come together in faith, fellowship, and celebration. I look forward to sharing these moments with you and continuing our journey of spiritual growth and community.

In Christ’s love,

***Pastor Bob***

Rev. Robert Paul Demyanovich, Pastor  
Caro United Methodist Church

# 50th Anniversary

Greetings from the 50th Anniversary committee!

Hopefully you have all received your invitation to our upcoming celebration of our 50th Anniversary of the Church, we encourage you to RSVP by September 7th, 2024 to Lisa Wightman at 989-673-7079 or sign your name on the list on the table in the narthex.

Also, please feel free to invite your friends, relatives or neighbors to this event, **ALL ARE WELCOME!** We just need to know how many because of our catered meal including Chicken, Roast beef, mashed potatoes and gravy, buttered noodles, salad and a celebration cake.

Our Pastor Bob Demyanovich along with Central Bay District Superintendent Rev. John Kasper will be giving the message that day and sharing our history and events during this celebration.

We also have a special gift to those of you who have been members since we have been in our current building. If you have any information or details on history of the Church, please do not hesitate to contact Lisa Wightman or Julie Czakai in the office, including the history of the Bell Tower.

Linda Miller, Nancy Rein and Joe Snider will be sharing musical selections and Joe Snider will be performing during dinner.

Looking Very forward to the food and fellowship of this milestone Celebration!



# Bay Shore Camp and Family Ministries

Women of Excellence

LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Sept. 13 - 15, 2024

Family  
FUN DAYS

Sept 27th - 28th

FREE EVENT FOR ALL! RESERVATIONS REQUIRED



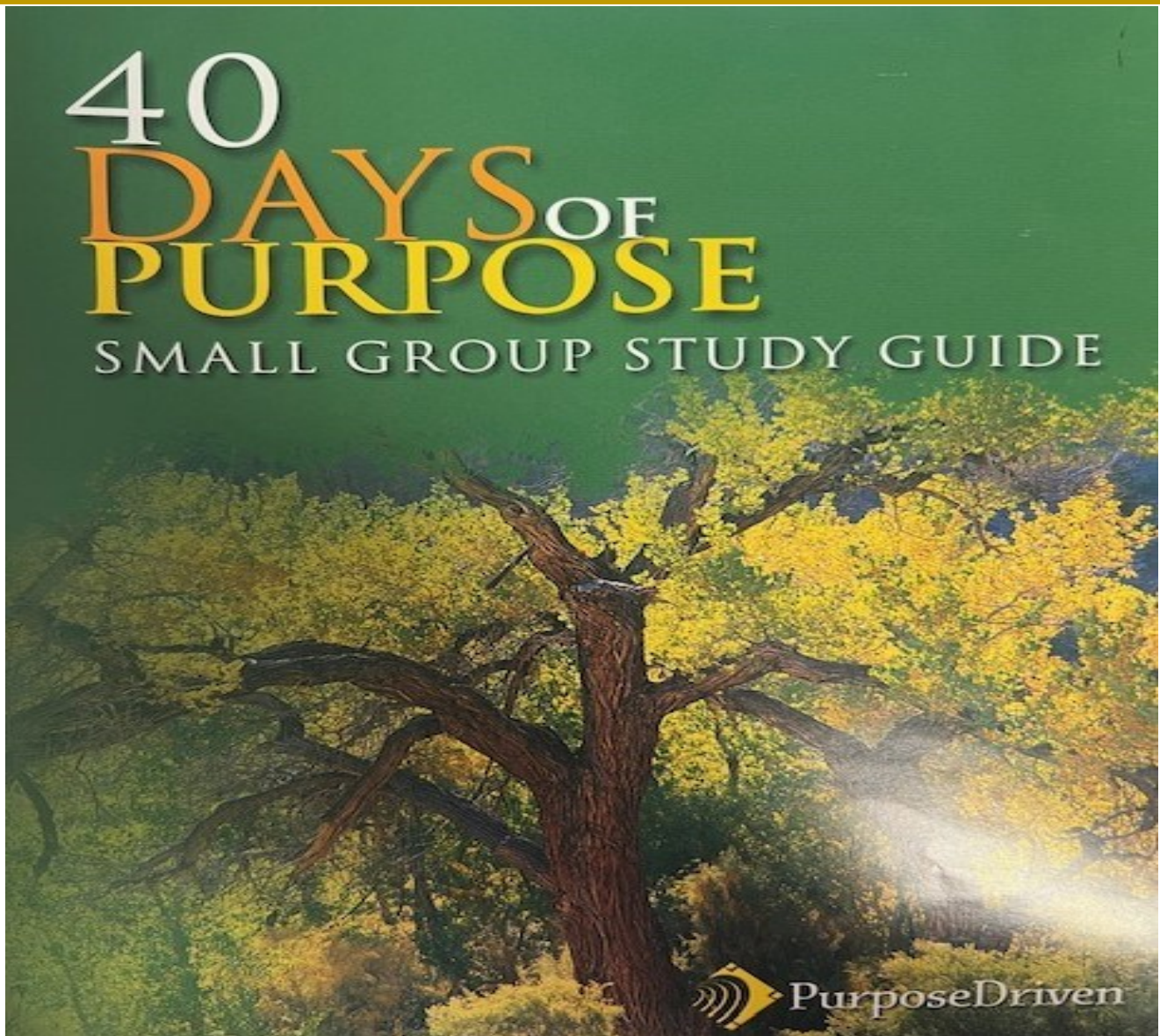
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Premier East Michigan Area Camp serving Youth and Families for over 100 years! Christian Camping at its Best!

(989) 883-2501 web: <https://www.bayshorecamp.org>

[www.bayshorecamp.org](http://www.bayshorecamp.org)

# Fall Bible Study



Starting September 12th at 2pm. Pastor Bob Demyanovich will be teaching a Fall Bible study. There will be a sign up sheet in the Narthex. All are welcome to come. If you have any question please see Julie Czekai in the office or Pastor Bob.



# Memorial Garden

## Memorial Garden Update

Our year was pretty successful! Our number one goal was to minimize weeds. We accomplished that by mulching. It made a major difference in the amount of work for our Garden crew. We used close to 100 bags of mulch and it was well worth it. Our second goal was to plant more perennials to fill in open spaces and make the Garden appear more lush.

The Garden will soon be put to bed for a long winter's nap. Hopefully, spring will be glorious with our new plantings this past year. We will continue to adjust the Garden and add some new items for an even more glorious garden.

Consider joining the Garden Crew. Just a few hours of your time during the summer months to help make a magical difference in the beauty of our Memorial Garden.



# Thumb Octagon Barn

28th Annual

## Thumb Octagon Barn FALL FAMILY DAYS

- Children's Activities
  - Huge Craft & Flea Market
  - Food on Grounds
- LIVE MUSIC**

### EXHIBITS

- Gas Engines • Saw Mill
- Field Work • Veneer Mill
- Threshing • Blacksmith Shop
- Apple Cider Mill
- Sugar Shack
- Grain Elevator & MORE!



**SAT. & SUN. ★ SEPT. 7 & 8 ★ 2024**

HOURS: Saturday and Sunday: 8:00 a.m. 'til 5:00 p.m.

100  
Years

2024 THEME

“A CENTURY JEWEL”  
**THUMB OCTAGON BARN**

**NO DOGS / NO SMOKING ON THE GROUNDS!**

**FISH  
DINNER**  
Friday,  
Sept. 6  
4 – 7 p.m.

★ **MINI STEAM SCHOOL** ★  
Saturday and Sunday

### Food Building on the Grounds

- Homemade Ice Cream • Hog Kettle Popcorn
- Hot Donuts and Cider • Bean Soup
- Homemade Fries • and more!



**FARMERS  
BREAKFAST**  
Saturday,  
8 – 11 a.m.  
Sunday,  
8 – 11 a.m.

**GATE ADMISSION: \$5.00 (Age 6 and older)**

For more event information, call Martin Kubacki at 989-551-0526 • [www.thumboctagonbarn.org](http://www.thumboctagonbarn.org)

1-1/2 miles east and 1 mile north of Gagetown  
**6948 RICHIE RD., GAGETOWN, MI 48735**

# United Women in Faith

## United Women in Faith Up coming dates

### SEPTEMBER

4- Regular meeting @ Virginia Shay's 7:00PM, Hostess Coni Bahr, Devotions Jen Aleksink, Word Faith

13- Registration and \$15 due to Lisa Wightman for Central Bay District UWF Annual Celebration which is Oct. 5 the in Coleman MI

### OCTOBER

2-Regular meeting @ Sherri Rundel's Hostess Sue Blakey, Devotions Mary Beth Garrett.

5th -Central Bay District United Woman in Faith (CBD UWF) Annual Celebration @ Faith UMC in Coleman MI. Speaker is Rev. Michelle King a Deacon from Kalamazoo who specializes in Mental Health Ministry. Cost \$15 RSVP to Lisa Wightman by September 13th .

11-RSVP due for MI Area UWF Annual Celebration on Oct 26 th cost \$18

26-MI Conference UWF 6 th Annual Celebration @ St Lukes UMC in Essexville MI. Theme is Boldly Moving Forward Speaker is Rev. Dr John E Harnish You can register online @ <https://my-site-102740-102533.square.site/> or give \$18 to Lisa Wightman by Oct. 11th



United  
Women  
in Faith



# New Church Start



## Introducing Resurrection United Methodist Church

We are thrilled to announce the beginning of Resurrection United Methodist Church, a new place of worship and community in Saginaw, MI. Our church is located at 801 State Street, and we warmly invite you to join us for our inaugural worship service on **September 22, 2024**.

Our first service will be a time of celebration, reflection, and community. Pastor Robert

Paul Demyanovich will be leading our worship, and we are excited to share this special moment with all of you. Following the service, we invite you to stay and enjoy a light lunch with us. This will be a wonderful opportunity to get to know one another, learn more about our vision, and be a part of this new chapter in our faith journey.

### Event Details:

- **Date:** September 22, 2024
- **Location:** Resurrection United Methodist Church, 801 State Street, Saginaw,
- **Worship Service Time:** 1:00 pm
- **Light Lunch:** Immediately following the service

We are committed to creating a welcoming and supportive environment for everyone. Whether you are a longtime member of the Methodist faith or someone looking for a new spiritual home, we invite you to come and be part of our growing community.

For more information about Resurrection United Methodist Church, please visit our website at [www.Resurrectionumc.church](http://www.Resurrectionumc.church) or reach out to us at 248-636-5679. We look forward to seeing you there and sharing this exciting new journey of faith and fellowship together.

All Are Welcome Here.

# September Missions

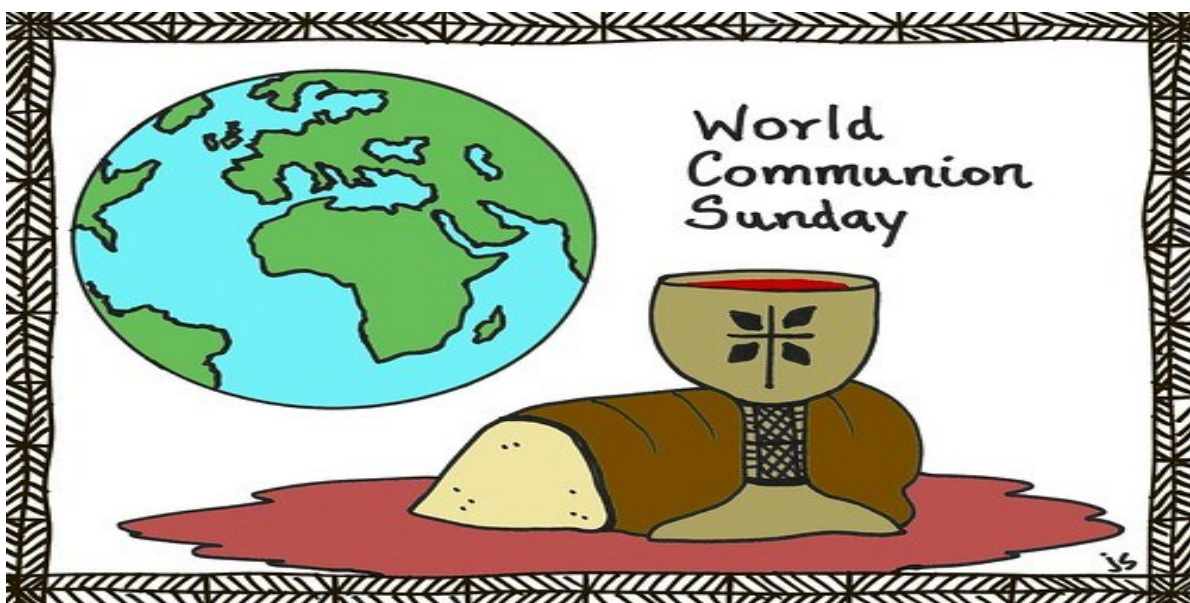
The month of September our noisy offering will go toward World Communion Sunday. It is one of five, special Sunday collections, throughout the year, for the United Methodist Church.

World Communion Sunday is a denomination-wide celebration emphasizing the value of education and training. We commemorate this day by giving generously to support young adults and make a global impact for Christ. Half of the offering benefits World Communion scholarships for undergraduate and graduate students from the US and other countries. The remainder provides grants to support training for worldwide inclusion, diversity, equality and access.

Last year, \$433,000 was collected, enabling undergraduate and graduate studies for those who could not afford an education. This helped to shape the future leaders of the United Methodist Church. This offering helps to support several other educational initiatives. Your gift is a practical expression of caring, equipping students to shape a hopeful future. Supporting United Methodist students offers both financial and spiritual encouragement, demonstrating the church's confidence in their potential.

On World Communion Sunday, we join ecumenically in acknowledging our unity in Christ as we gather around His table. Together, we can achieve much more than we could alone. Your donation reflects God's glory through young leaders, equipping them to pursue God's call in their lives.

**“He is the reflection of God’s glory and the exact imprint of God’s very being, and he sustains all things by His powerful word.”**  
**Hebrews 1:3**



# Family Promise



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**The Need:** In order to minister to families with children in homelessness, a Day Center building is necessary.

**The Goal:** From now until August 31, FPTC hopes to raise \$50,000.

**The Request:** Will you help us reach our goal so we can begin to implement the Family Promise program which has an 80% success rate?

## **Donation Options:**

Online: <https://fptcmi.org>

**Thrift Store:** 102 Joy St, Caro, MI 48723

In person: Tues – Fri 10am – 5pm  
Sat 9am – 3pm

Or by mail: checks payable to  
" Family Promise  
of Tuscola County "



# Family Promise



## Opening in 2024

**Mission** – to end homelessness among families with children, one family at a time.

**Method** – by respectfully empowering them to achieve lasting independence and stabilization through a community-wide response from faith-based groups and civic organizations.

**Model** – Church buildings serve as a rotational shelter for one week, four times per year

**Money** - \$200,000 per year of funding

### The status as of January 1, 2024

Raised \$118,000 for operations

Have six locations to serve as overnight shelters

Secured \$6,100 toward a Day Center

### What is needed to become operational

To have raised \$160,000 before hiring an Executive Director

To have the Executive Director fully trained

To have 10 of the 13 sites to serve as an overnight shelter

To have a building that serves as a Day Center

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# *From the Mailbox*



**From: Keith & Sandy Lippowiths**

Thank you, Thank you, Thank you, To all our church family that attended our anniversary party, send cards , and wished us well. We are so very blessed....

**From; Cass River Pet Friendz :**

Thank you for your generous giving to help animals in need we so appreciate the help.

**From; Hunter Vennevy..**

Thank you for your generous donation to my college degree

# Job Openings



Your Caro United Methodist Church is currently seeking individuals who are interested in filling several employment opportunities with the church.

## Available positions include:

1. Financial Secretary
2. Media/Technology specialists for Sunday services.

Employment is flexible and can be adjusted to fit individual schedules and needs.

Job descriptions and more information can be found at the church website [<https://www.caroumc.org/>] or by calling the church office (989-673- 2246) during normal business hours.



# *Birthday & Anniversary*



September 2 Katie Tiseo  
September 13 Ken Tiseo  
September 20 Jamie Montie Whalen  
September 23 Stepanie Carpenter  
Coby Fetting  
September 27 Evelyn Montague  
Jackie Dicks  
September 29 Rick Ellisin



September 4 Jeff & Helena Montei  
September 17 Larry & Debbie Boitel  
September 18 Bob & Carol Weisenreder  
September 29 Mark & Charlotte Kish



# Calendar 2024



## September 2024



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Communion Sunday	2	3	4 Hope Circle Virginia Shay 7pm	5	6	7 RSVP for the 50th Celebration
8 Worship 11:00am Sunday School kick off Ice Cream & School Supplies	9	10	11	12 Bible Study 2pm	13	14
15 Worship 11:00am 50th celebration	16	17 AD Board 6pm	18	19 Bible Study 2pm	20	21 I
22 Worship 11 am Noisy Bucket Sun Nominating Meeting 10 am Before Worship Charge Conference Paper Due	23	24	25	26 Bible Study 2pm	27	28
29 Worship 11:00 am	30					



# Sharing the Gifts from God

## **The Good Samaritan Fund of Tuscola County Churches**

Anchor Cove Outreach Church ~ Assembly of God ~ Caro St. Christopher Parish ~ Caro United Methodist ~ Colwood Church ~ Community of Christ ~ Caro First Presbyterian ~ Deford Community Church, Kingston United Methodist ~ Lighthouse Baptist ~ Living Waters Chapel ~ New Creation Community ~ Owendale UMC, ~ Shabbona Community ~ St. Paul Lutheran, Sutton-Sunshine GMC ~ Wahjamega Country ~ Watrousville UMC

## **Monthly Report for May 1 -31, 2024**

We want to thank everyone for your continued support. It means so much to the people and families being served. Your dollars and donated food items help many in need.

To help pay bills: We dispersed \$2,232.32 serving 5 households (17 people).

From the food pantry: We dispersed 8,411 pounds of food serving 181 households,

(637 people). In addition, to keep our pantry supplied with food, we spent \$728.06

Thanks once more for your generosity!

### Summary of totals

Total number of households served 183 Total money dispersed \$2,960.38

Total number of people served 643 (Gasoline Cards - \$0)

(Medical Supplies - \$0) (Housing \$568.24)

(Some may receive both - Bills Paid and Food) (Utilities

\$1,664.08)

Groceries given out 8,411 pounds (Other Items \$39.99 phone bill paid for Good Samaritan phone line)

(Food Pantry Supplies – \$728.06)

## **Income & Expense Report**

Total Deposits \$7,385.

Received 2,028 pounds of food from United States Postal Service Food Drive and 4,306 pounds of food from Tuscola County Human Development Commission as their food give aways are no longer happening.

Reported by Carol Striffler

# *In our thoughts and Prayers*

## **Please keep in your Prayers and Thoughts**

Richard Fullmer  
Diana Bauer  
Rick Farris  
Denise Kennedy  
Richard Blakey  
Marcia Leonard  
Bill Bortel  
Kendall Lupton  
Rick Ellison  
Judy Mohr  
Tom Bowman  
Kevin Roller  
Shirley Farris  
Ellie Kish  
Michael Reed



## **Our Member in Care Facility**

Margaret Dicks , Viola Sugden, Tuscola Medical Care  
Marcie Leonard— Frankenmuth, Denise Kennedy -Northwood Cass City  
Dean Holdburg, Art Randall - Medi Lodge Cass City

## **Those Serving us spiritually**

Pastor Bob Demyanovich, our ministry here in Caro and beyond, Central Bay District Superintendent Rev. John Kasper, Bishop David A. Bard, and The United Methodist Area Conference and all churches.

## **In Service to Our Country**

**Brent Robinson**

**Anthony Dicks**  
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Unit 10378  
Silverdale WA 98315





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