



**Sunday, January 25, 2026**

***(Jan/Feb Reaching Out Focus: Affordable Housing Initiative)***



**"My God, my God! Why have you abandoned me?"**

**- Psalm 22:1**

# Welcome to our church family!

**Gathering Music** - “Your Hands” *by J.J. Heller*

**Chorus:** *When my world is shaking, heaven stands  
When my heart is breaking, I never leave your hands*

**Tolling of the Bell** - our reminder to quiet ourselves inside *and* out for worship

**Welcome**

**Opening Hymn** - #413 “When Our Confidence is Shaken” (*v. 1, 3, & 4*)

**1st Scripture Readings** - Mark 14:32-42, & 15:25-38

**Music for Reflection** -

**2nd Scripture Reading** - John 17:20-23

**Morning Message** - “Living the Story of Unanswered Prayer,” *offered by Toby Jones*

**Message Hymn** - #300 “In the Garden”

**Offering**

**Choral Offertory** - “I Will Sing,” *arr. by Marty Parks, featuring Jamie Platte*

**Doxology**

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise Him all creatures here below,  
Praise Her above ye heavenly host,  
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost, Amen***

**Morning Prayers**

Leader: How long, O Lord? Will you forget me forever?

***People: How long will you hide your face from me?***

Leader: How long must I wrestle with my thoughts?

***People: And day after day have sorry in my heart?***

Leader: How long will my enemy triumph over me?

***People: Look on me, Lord my God.***

Leader: Give light to my eyes, or I will sleep in death, and my enemies will

Say, “I have overcome him,”

***People: And my foes will rejoice when I fall.***

Leader: But I will trust in your unfailing love; my heart rejoices in your salvation.

***People: I will sing the Lord’s Praise, for he has been good to me.***

**Special Music** - featuring *Jamie Platte*

**Benediction**

*\*Please remain in your seat after the Benediction for the Meeting\**



Please help welcome back to our Sanctuary  
Guest Vocalist,

**Jamie Platte**

An artistic illustration for a poster. On the left is a large glass jar filled with green pickles. A red lighthouse sits on top of the jar, and a beam of light from the lighthouse illuminates the word 'charlevoix' in a stylized, handwritten font. Below 'charlevoix' is the word 'Pickle' in large, bold, green letters with a textured, pickled appearance. The background is a mix of teal and blue with some white speckles.

**charlevoix**

In a  
**Pickle**

True Stories of tough spots, moral dilemmas, and the moments that changed everything

**Friday, February 20, 2026  
7:00 PM | Doors open 6:30  
First Congregational UCC,  
Charlevoix, Michigan**

**Admission: Free with donation**

**Proceeds benefit the  
Charlevoix Ministerial  
Association Emergency Fund**  
offering a lifeline for neighbors needing  
critical assistance with food, bills, or  
shelter.

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Code**

Sunday 1/25	Mon 1/26	Tues 1/27	Wed 1/28	Thurs 1/29	Fri 1/30	Sat 1/31	Sunday 2/1
9a Trustee Mtg  10:30a Worship  11:30a Bi-Annual Congregational Meeting  12p Coffee & Conversation	6p Personal Pantry	10a Prayer Group	12p Lunch n Learn	6:30p Choir Rehearsal			<i>Communion</i>  10:30a Worship  11:30a Coffee & Conversation

**Prayer Requests/  
Celebrations: To submit a  
Prayer Request  
please visit our website at  
chxucc.org or call the office  
at 231-547-9122**

**Please be sure to get  
permission from the person  
needing prayers.**

Please pray for Dan & Patti Ulrich after Dan suffered a stroke over the weekend and is in McLaren Petoskey in ICU.

Please pray for Yvonne Lemmon and family after the loss of her mother, Amelia Salce on January 7th. Requested by Hugh Hansen

Please continue to pray for the peaceful resolution of the division in this country, and the respectful and dignified treatment of all people in America.

Please continue to pray for the peaceful resolution of the crisis in Iran.

Please continue to pray for Linda Weller and her family as they cope with the passing of her father, Earl Bennett.

Please continue to pray for Ron & Linda Moore as Linda recovers from surgery due to a broken arm.



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