



# 1st Congregational UCC

*Opening the Doors of Possibility*

*An Open & Affirming Church*



**Sunday, Feb. 16, 2025**

***(Jan/Feb Reaching Out Focus: Developing Our Guatemala Mission)***

**DISCOVER  
YOUR  
DOORWAY!**

**Worship**

**Music**

**Events**

**Serving Others**

**Join Us  
and discover  
what is possible  
for you!**

Sunday Services are live and  
streamed at 10:30am  
on our website  
[www.chxucc.org](http://www.chxucc.org)

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**WHO WE ARE**

**An Open and Affirming  
community of faith  
growing in Love**

**Espousing Jesus  
as the Word of God**

**Reaching in  
and reaching out**

**Making community  
connections far and wide**

**Opening our doors ever  
more widely to  
ALL God's children**

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# Welcome to our church family!

**Tolling of the Bell**—our reminder to quiet ourselves inside & out for worship

**Gathering Music** - “Seek Ye First,” led by Shelley Fisher & Toby Jones

*Seek ye first the kingdom of God  
And his righteousness;  
And all these things shall be added unto you*

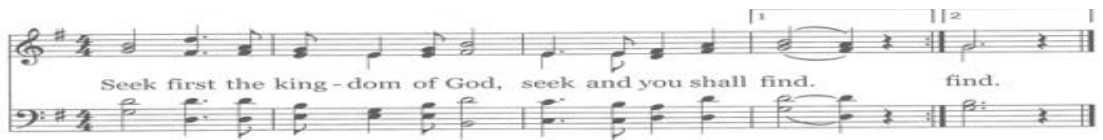
*Ask, and it shall be given unto you;  
Seek, and you shall find.  
Knock and it shall be opened unto you  
Hallelu, Hallelujah!*

**Welcome**

**Opening Hymn** - #478 “Sweet Hour of Prayer”

**1st Scripture Reading** - I Kings 19:1-18, offered by Denise Fate

**Music for Reflection**



**2nd Scripture Reading** - Mark 1:9-37, offered by Denise Fate

**Morning Message** -

**“The Life-Giving Balance of Reaching In AND Reaching Out”**

*Offered by Toby Jones, Pastor*

**Message Hymn** - “Be Doers of the Word” (see insert)

**Offering**

**Offertory Music**

**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”**

**Closing Hymn— # 461 “Breathe on Me, Breath of God”**

**Morning Prayers - The Lord’s Prayer**

**Charge & Benediction**

**Postlude**



**NORTHERN MICHIGAN BRASS BAND**

**Sunday, February 23  
3:00 P.M.**

**First Congregational Church UCC  
of Charlevoix**

an afternoon of wonderful music played by twenty-  
nine of northern Michigan’s finest brass players

\$10 General Admission  
All Students Admitted Free

*for further information*

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



## **Table Talk:**

Please use some of your time at Coffee Hour to discuss these two questions:

1: Do you tend to be more drawn to Reaching In or Reaching Out activities? Why?

2: What might you do to become more balanced in your life where Reaching In and Reaching Out are concerned?

| Sunday<br>2/16   | Mon<br>2/17           | Tues<br>2/18  | Wed<br>2/19  | Thurs<br>2/20       | Fri<br>2/21   | Sat<br>2/22 | Sunday<br>2/23   |
|--|-----------------------|---|--|---------------------|---|-------------|--|
| 10:30a<br>In-Person &<br>Live-Streamed<br>Worship<br><br>11:30a<br>Coffee Hour<br><i>Hosted by<br/>Kris Jones</i><br><br>11:45a<br>Council Meeting | 6p<br>Personal Pantry | 10a<br>Scripture<br>Discussion Group<br><br>11a-2p<br>CMA Hours<br><br>7:15p<br>Poverty, by America<br>Book Group | 9a<br>Reaching Out<br>Mtg<br><br>5p<br>Uke Band<br>Practice<br><br>5p<br>Centering<br>Prayer/<br>Meditation<br>Group | 11a-2p<br>CMA Hours | <b>Toby Out of Office<br/>for the<br/>Guatemala Mission<br/>Trip<br/>Until 3/1/25</b> |             | Guest Pastor:<br>Rev. Tom Cook<br><br>10:30a<br>In-Person &<br>Live-Streamed<br>Worship<br><br>11:30a<br>Coffee Hour<br><i>Hosted by<br/>Ellen Kendall &amp;<br/>Karen Joy</i><br><br>11:45a<br>Trustees Meeting |

**Prayer Requests/  
Celebrations: To submit a  
Prayer Request  
please visit our website at  
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**Please be sure to get  
permission from the person  
needing prayers.**

Please pray for Lani Ochs daughter-in-law, Carol, as she goes through cancer treatment.

Please be sure to pray for our 7-person Guatemala Team every day between Feb. 22 & March 1


Please continue to pray for Susan Burke as she mourns the passing of her husband.

Please continue to pray for Linda Weller as she recovers from recent knee surgery.

Please continue to pray for Vera McKown who is now residing at Bay Bluffs in Harbor Springs.

Please continue to keep Jennifer Carroll's family in your prayers as their son-in-law, Craig, remains in hospice care.


Please continue to pray for Dolores Cain as she remains in hospice care.



**Please join us for  
Coffee Hour in  
Ransom Hall  
immediately after  
the service.**



***Kris Jones***



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*Toby Jones, Pastor \* Shelley Fisher, Music Minister  
Stacey Luoma, Office Manager \* Larry Minch, Custodian  
Lynette Webb, Childcare Supervisor*

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