



# 1st Congregational UCC

*Opening the Doors of Possibility*

*An Open & Affirming Church*



**Sunday, March 2, 2025**

***(Mar/Apr. Reaching Out Focus: Affordable Childcare & Development)***

## *Communion*

### **"Evening In A Sugar Orchard" Robert Frost**

From where I lingered in a lull in march  
outside the sugar-house one night for choice,  
I called the fireman with a careful voice  
And bade him leave the pan and stoke the arch:  
'O fireman, give the fire another stoke,  
And send more sparks up chimney with the smoke.'  
I thought a few might tangle, as they did,  
Among bare maple boughs, and in the rare  
Hill atmosphere not cease to glow,  
And so be added to the moon up there.  
The moon, though slight, was moon enough to show  
On every tree a bucket with a lid,  
And on black ground a bear-skin rug of snow.  
The sparks made no attempt to be the moon.  
They were content to figure in the trees  
As Leo, Orion, and the Pleiades.  
And that was what the boughs were full of soon.



# Welcome to our church family!

## Gathering Music

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

## Welcome

**Opening Hymn** - #68 “Come, Thou Font of Every Blessing”

**1st Scripture Reading** - Isaiah 2:2-4, *offered by Alice Pletz-Miller*

## Music for Reflection

**2nd Scripture Reading** - James 2:14-26, *offered by Alice Pletz-Miller*

**Morning Message** - “**The Works of Spring,**” *offered by George Davis-Williams*

**Message Hymn** - #614 “Let There Be Peace on Earth”

## 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*

## The Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

### Communion Prayer

**Closing Hymn** - #595 “They’ll Know We Are Christians”

**Charge & Benediction** - “**Sweetness in a Sticky World**”  
*Offered by George Davis-Williams*

## Postlude



***Guest Pastor:  
George Davis-Williams***

TIME TO SPRING FORWARD. ARE YOU READY?!



**MARCH 9, 2025 AT 2AM**

GREAT LAKES  
CHAMBER ORCHESTRA



*Sunday Series*

Free of charge Sunday recitals bring small music ensembles to venues in Charlevoix & Emmet counties.

## Noteable Chamber Choir

March 9, 2025 | 4:00 PM

*First Congregational Church Charlevoix*


**FREE!**



A musical journey that keeps us longing for home.

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*Sunday Series is made possible through the generous support of Carolyn Klender*

Sunday 3/2	Mon 3/3	Tues 3/4	Wed 3/5	Thurs 3/6	Fri 3/7	Sat 3/8	Sunday 3/9
<p><i>Communion</i></p> <p><i>Guest Pastor: George Davis-Williams</i></p> <p>10:30a In-Person &amp; Live-Streamed Worship</p> <p>11:30a Coffee Hour <i>Hosted by The Trubilowicz's</i></p>	<p>6p Personal Pantry</p>	<p>10a Scripture Discussion Group</p> <p>11a-2p CMA Hours</p> <p>5p Reaching In Mtg ZOOM ONLY</p>	<p>5p Uke Band Practice</p> <p>5p Centering Prayer/ Meditation Group</p>	<p>11a-2p CMA Hours</p>			<p>10:30a In-Person &amp; Live-Streamed Worship</p> <p>11:30a Coffee Hour</p> <p>4pm GLCO FREE CONCERT</p>


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

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.**



***The Trubilowicz's***



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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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