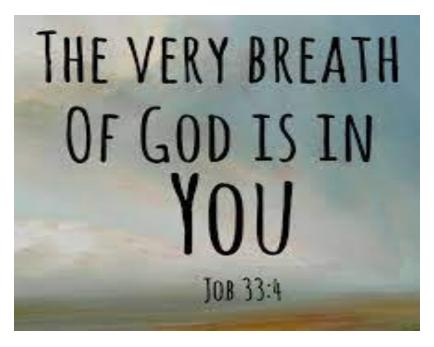
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# Community Church News January 2024 **Come Worship With Us**

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#### Dear Beloved Church Family,



Happy New Year! What an amazing year we have had! I am Extremely thankful for your joyful and serving hearts in the Lord. We have accomplished much and there is still more to come!

As we stand at the threshold of a new year, let us reflect on the grace that has brought us through the challenges of the past and the hope that beckons us forward. May the coming year be a journey of faith, love, and unity.

Let us resolve to deepen our connection with the divine, seeking wisdom and strength in prayer, and let our actions be guided by the teachings of compassion and kindness. As a community, may we continue to support and uplift one another, sharing the love that binds us as brothers and sisters in Christ.

May the light of God illuminate our path, dispelling the shadows of doubt and fear. Together, let us embrace the opportunities for growth and transformation that the new year brings. May our church be a beacon of hope and a source of inspiration for our wider community.

Isaiah 43:18-19 "Remember not the former things, nor consider the things of old. Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?"

We have felt new life in our community church and in Boulder Junction. May we stay attentive to the work of God and the move of the Spirit within our hearts and within our church to prepare us for the good works He has for us (Eph 2:10).

Wishing you a blessed and joyous New Year filled with God's grace.

In His love, Pastor Nathan

# **Lectionary Readings for January 2024**

#### January 7th

- · Call to Worship
  - o Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19
- The Reading: Genesis 1:1-5
- The Gospel: Mark 1:21-45

#### January 14th

- Call to Worship
  - Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18
- The Reading: 1 Samuel 3:1-10
- The Gospel: Mark 2:1-17

#### January 21st

- · Call to Worship
  - o Psalm 126
- The Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31
- The Gospel: Mark 4:1-34

#### January 28th

- · Call to Worship:
  - Psalm 89:1-4
- The Reading: 1 Corinthians 8:1-13
- The Gospel: Mark 5:1-20



#### Like Tech? Love Worship?

Be part of our team Sunday mornings assisting with our new sound system and the new camera for Facebook Live.

Simple, easy, fun. The more the merrier.
The updated system will not only enhance our Sunday morning worship experience but also improve the quality of the online version that is shared with followers near and far.

Your participation is appreciated.

Contact Lorine, Wendi, Bruce, or

Pastor Nathan.



### January 7, 2024 4:00 pm



"A Night of Renewal"

Everyone is invited to this time of Prayer and Worship.

Each start to the New Year, we begin with praise. This is a night for us to feel renewed and refreshed for the year ahead of us. It is also for us to pray and listen in order for God to shape our expectations of the work He is asking us to participate in for our community. Note – there will not be a sermon, but focus is on prayer and praise to God; opening our hearts and minds to listen to Him.



# Christian Education Opportunities.

Lectionary Study – Wednesday 10AM. In the church conference room. Led by Pastor Nathan

The "Bible Project" Video. Sundays at 9:10am. Led by Steve Sherriff In the Church Conference Room.

Book Study, hosted by Sue and Dick Govier, is on hiatus for a few months. We thank them for their thoughtful guidance with this special ministry and look forward to future studies.



#### January 2024

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Bill Spear

3<sup>rd</sup> Dillon Duwe

5<sup>th</sup> Sarah Poisson

**7**<sup>th</sup> Desiree Duwe

12<sup>th</sup> Matt Loew

17th Charles & Jean Knox



Jan 7<sup>th</sup> Dick & Sue Govier

Jan 14<sup>th</sup> Lee Ann Ondracek & Deb Halverson

Jan 21<sup>st</sup> Betty Clough & Diana Dunker Jan 28<sup>th</sup> Linda Sterba & Anita Duncan

If anyone would like to join the team for ushering and greeting our congregation on Sundays, let me know. Thank you to all who help in any area.

Joyce Marquardt (715/385-2720)



Jan 7<sup>th</sup> Mary Anderson

Jan 14<sup>th</sup> Wendi Neupert

Jan 21<sup>st</sup> Luella Doss

Jan 28<sup>th</sup> Ellie Orbison

Through the generous gifts from many, boxes filled with Winter Clothing items were donated to the

#### Bundle Up Boulder Junction Project.

Collected items will be available through the Community Food Pantry/ Clothes Closet on their regular distribution day,

Thursdays, alternating weekly mornings and afternoons. More information can be found at <a href="mailto:commchbj.org">commchbj.org</a>.

Pass the word so that we can complete the mission of sharing the gift of warmth and Love.

#### January Special Gifts

Jan 7thSteve SherriffJan 14thPastor NathanJan 21stSue AltschwagerJan 28thLorine Walters



A full list of the 2023-24 Department Committee members is located on the bulletin board by the church office.

In addition, Church Council minutes are available on the bulletin board outside the office. Copies are available. Contact the office manager to pick one up or have mailed to you.

# From the Church Office . . .

#### COMMUNION

The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be observed at the worship service January 7, 2024

#### **COUNCIL MEETING**

Church Council meets Tuesday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Watch the Sunday bulletin or check the BIG wall calendar for announcements of when departments or committees meet.

#### **WEEKLY BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS**

If you would like to place an announcement in the weekly bulletin, please submit it to the church office by **Tuesday** afternoon.

# FILL IN THE CALANDAR FOR 2024!

Laurie requests that Departments, Committees, and others put meeting notices on the large format calendar across from the office. This information is used to inform every one of the happenings in the church through the bulletin and newsletter announcements.

#### **CUSTODIAL NEEDS**

When planning use of the church building, please consider if areas will need cleaning after, including trash disposal and bathroom touch ups.

The custodian may need to adjust her schedule to ensure that all is clean and ready throughout the week. Please let the Property Dept. know to inform her if cleaning after event may be needed.

January 7 – 4:00 pm *"A Night of Renewal"* 

We begin the New Year with Praise and Prayer.

Join us for this special time together.

#### **COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY**

"Polar Plunge for Necessities"

This month we have been asked to donate the following items to stock shelves for the participants of this program. – Feminine hygiene products, Kleenex, deodorant, hand soap, and toothpaste.

Please leave items in the box in the coat closet near the rear entrance of the church.

#### CHRISTMAS CLEAN UP

January 13<sup>th</sup> at 9 am is set to take-down the Christmas décor. Please sign up to help.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

The monthly Treasurer's report is available in the Church Council meeting minutes and as requested from the Stewardship of Finance Committee or the church office.

#### Happy New Year from your Stewardship of Finance Department.

We would like to thank the congregation for the generous financial gifts for our church and its ministries. God's good works are evident every day and it is so exciting to be a part of it. Your financial gifts not only help with the day to day operations but allow us to reach out to our community and world.

As we follow Gods Word, What good works will He lead us to in the future.

Your 2023 Annual Giving statements should be arriving in your mailboxes before the end of January. These are being mailed to the address that is on file in the church office. If you have recently moved or wish for them to be sent to a different address, please contact the church office at 715-385-2146 or <a href="mailto:sercretary@commchbj.org">sercretary@commchbj.org</a> and the information will be forwarded to our department. In addition, if you have not received your statement by the end of January 2024 and believe you should receive one, please contact the church office.

In Faithful Service,

The Stewardship Department

# Many Hands... Plans are set to take down the Christmas décor at 9 – 11AM on Saturday January 13<sup>th</sup>. Join your friends for this day of good works, fun and fellowship. Coffee and donuts will be provided. Sign up sheet is in Fellowship Hall.

#### CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

This night we celebrated with Carols, Candlelight and Communion, holding the treasure of Christ's coming in our hearts.



If you were unable to attend in person, the service was broadcast on Facebook and is available on the church website.



## **Mission Moment:**

# Fredricks Place and New Dawn

Thank you for your generous donations of household goods, gift cards, stamps, diapers, water and more.

These unique ministries provide vital services to those in our communities facing challenges and struggles beyond their individual capabilities. We are so thankful for these organizations and that we can share in their care.

Your gifts will change lives.

Thank You.

This year Crafty Knitter's & Purlers created many hats, mittens, and scarves for all in need.

This year donations were given to;

Gogebic Nursing Home, Wakefield Michigan. AV-W School in Arbor Vitae, Fredericks Home in Rhinelander, Rhinelander VA'
North Lakeland Elementary.
A cancer survivor received a hat and scarf.

There are a few more supplies available if anyone knows a school, nursing home or any individual or individuals in need please contact Josie Allen at 715-385-2617

A special thank you to these ladies; Mary Hildebrand Louise Jackson Mary Congdon

Submitted by Josie Allen



NATH-Frederick Place
Northwoods Alliance for
Temporary Housing



#### Missions Department/ WCC

are pleased to announce that 6 students were awarded scholarships for their post high school education.



Thank you to those who contributed to and participated in the Memorial Weekend townwide Garage Sale and the Strawberry Sundae event during July's SideWalk sale. Moneys raised during these events help fund these scholarships.

We pray that God's good works continue to have a positive impact on our area students for years to come.

# January 2024

## Community Church of Boulder Junction

#### **Happy New Year!**

"Lord, Whether we're leaving behind a year of joy and blessing or trials and difficulties, we pause to give thanks. We thank you that you are always with us, every single day of every single year. Please remind us of your presence in the year ahead, even when life is busy. Amen.

## January 7 Prayer and Worship @ 4:00 pm



| Sunday   | Monday   | Tuesday   | Wednesday   | Thursday  | Friday                                       | Saturday  |
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|  | Tappy S<br>New Year  | 9:00 am<br>Properties   | 8:00 am Gentle Weight<br>Lifting<br>8:30 am Healthy Living<br>Group<br>10:00 am Bible Study<br>4:30 pm PRC                | 1:00 pm -<br>Vision<br>3:30-5:00 pm<br>Food Pantry<br>and Clothes<br>Closet   | 8:00 am<br>Gentle<br>Weight<br>Lifting       | 6   |
| 9:10 am Bible Project Study 9:30 am Service w/Communion 4:00 pm Prayer and Worship Night | 8:00 am Gentle<br>Weight Lifting<br>1:00 pm Worship<br>and Music | 9<br>3:30 pm Stewards<br>of Finance Mtg.<br>4:00 pm Elders<br>5:30 pm Council | 8:00 am Gentle Weight<br>Lifting<br>8:30 am Healthy Living<br>Group<br>10:00 am Bible Study<br>11:15 am<br>Communications | 10:00-11:30 am<br>Food Pantry<br>and Clothes<br>Closet                        | 8:00 am<br>Gentle<br>Weight<br>Lifting       | 9:00 am- take<br>down<br>Christmas<br>decorations.<br>Many hands<br>make little<br>work |
| 14<br>9:10 am <b>Bible</b><br><b>Project Study</b><br>9:30 am <b>Service</b>             | 8:00 am Gentle<br>Weight Lifting                                 | 16<br>10:00 am<br>Personnel   | 8:00 am Gentle Weight<br>Lifting<br>8:30 am Healthy Living<br>Group<br>10:00 am Bible Study<br>1:00 pm - Bylaws           | 9:30 am -<br>Missions<br>3:30-5:00 pm<br>Food Pantry<br>and Clothes<br>Closet | 8:00 am<br>Gentle<br>Weight<br>Lifting       | 20  |
| 9:10 am Bible<br>Project Study<br>9:30 am Service  | 8:00 am <b>Gentle</b> Weight Lifting                             | 23  | 8:00 am Gentle Weight<br>Lifting<br>8:30 am Healthy Living<br>Group<br>10:00 am Bible Study                               | 25<br>10:00-11:30 am<br>Food Pantry<br>and Clothes<br>Closet                  | 26<br>8:00 am<br>Gentle<br>Weight<br>Lifting | 27  |
| 9:10 am Bible<br>Project Study<br>9:30 am Service  | 8:00 am <b>Gentle</b><br><b>Weight Lifting</b>                   | 30  | 8:00 am Gentle Weight<br>Lifting<br>8:30 am Healthy Living<br>Group<br>10:00 am Bible Study                               |   |  |   |

Editor's Note: Thank you to all who contributed to this Newsletter. A reminder for those who have items to contribute, please have information to me at <a href="mailto:ccbjnewsletter@gmail.com">ccbjnewsletter@gmail.com</a> by the 3rd Thursday of the month.

(Or before) so there is time to place everything and distribute prior to the end of each month.

Thank You Wendi Neupert