

CLARE UNITED METHODIST

CHURCH NEWS JANUARY 9, 2026

OUR WORSHIP TIME IS 10 A.M.

THIS WEEKS CALENDAR

JANUARY

11 9:00 SUNDAY SCHOOL
10:00 WORSHIP
2:00 YOUTH
12:12 NOON AA
6:15 WEIGHTS
6:45 YOGA

13: 6:00 LEADERSHIP TEAM
8:00 AA

14: 6:15 WEIGHTS
6:45 YOGA
8:00 AA

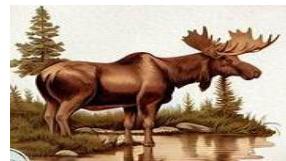
15: 11-3 ACCEPT CLOTHING AT STORE
1:00 AA

16: 10 A.M. POTATO PEELING
8:00 AA

17: 10-4 THRIFT STORE
12 NOON AA
6:00 BEAST FEAST

18: 9:00 SUNDAY SCHOOL
10:00 WORSHIP
2:00 YOUTH

**ATTENDENCE
LAST SUNDAY,
JAN 4: 81**



**SIGN UP SHEETS ARE IN THE
LOBBY**
**FOR POTATO PEELING,
GREETING, HELPERS AND**
**SALADS AND DESSERTS FOR
THE BEAST FEAST**
THIS COMING SATURDAY

REVOLVING FUND GIVING FOR THE MONTH OF DEC. 2025

DAYCARE BUILDING: \$95 TECH SUPPORT: \$100

UMCOR/Disaster Relief : \$50 CAMP: \$100

COFFEE HOUR/HOSPITALITY: \$57

INSURANCE EMERGENCY FUND: \$50

PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND: \$837 THRIFT STORE: \$201

PCCC OPER: \$1,143 SATURDAY SOUP: \$0

LOVE OFFERING: \$375 PRISON COFFEE: \$30

EAGLE SCOUTS: \$100 FINN VACA: \$100

SOCIETY OF ST. ANDREW: \$57 CAMP: \$100

Live Nativity 2025

Thank you to all who supported the Live Nativity! It was a lot of fun, the weather cooperated and community observers thanked us and told us how much they enjoyed it.

Special thanks go to Bobbie and Lee Schunk for providing and delivering the stable and animals. Barney, the donkey, who has helped us for over 25 years, was back after taking a couple of years off. Thanks go to Richard Jerred for providing Barney. That was a special blessing! Heidi Schunk provided the sheep and Melissa Schunk prepared the music for us. It was a good selection of songs. Thank you for supporting this ministry. We couldn't have done it without you.

Also thank you who to all of the Live Nativity actors, to Pastor Brian who spoke to people in the parking lot, passed out church activity flyers and told people of the Good News, to those who helped with setting out the costumes and dressing the actors, and to those who provided the cookies. And thank you to the observers. It wouldn't be worth it without you. It was a church-wide endeavor.

So thank you all for helping with this community ministry. Come join us next year!

Ellen Fuller

**YOUTH GROUP WILL MEET ON SUNDAYS at 2pm.
We will meet at the in the Education Building, at church,
in the Youth Room.
Hope to see you all then!! Barb Tyler**

YOUTH CLASS IN THE SANCTUARY

Youth (we use that term loosely. If you're interested in taking part, please come join us) are invited to join us in the sanctuary at 9am for something new. We will be looking at Pastor Brian's plans for future sermons, digging deep into a scripture or topic, and creating a fun way to share our thoughts on that topic with the congregation when the week arrives. If you like to draw or paint, act, sing, dance, write or recite poetry, edit videos, write scripts, build with Lego bricks, carve butter sculptures, make balloon animals... you get the idea. Bring your skills, interests, and most of all your questions. We can't wait to share your creative expressions with the congregation. If you have any questions, please speak with Pastor Brian or Elizabeth Comiskey.

THANK YOU!!

Thank you so much for the beautiful poinsettia plant and Christmas cards. We also appreciate your prayers and sympathy card on the passing of my nephew David. Mike and I are blessed to have you all in our lives.

Thanks again,

Rose & Mike Musser

THANK YOU!

I would like to thank all who were so generous bringing in Christmas gifts to me in the church office. You were very thoughtful and it was very much appreciated. I hope you all have a "Happy New Year!"



**JANUARY WILL BE FOR Facial tissues, Toilet paper, Paper towels, Paper Napkins, Ziplock bags (1 qt. & 1 gal.), Aluminum foil, Baby Wipes (Unscented), Pull-Ups (Sizes 3T, 4T, 5T)
FOR OUR PRESCHOOL/CHILD CARE CENTER**

OUR EXTRA MILE GIVING FOR JANUARY 2026 WILL BE FOR HELPING SPONSOR OUR BEAST FEAST (FREE WILD GAME DINNER)

**DO YOU HAVE CONCERNS? FEEL FREE TO EMAIL OUR
LEADERSHIP TEAM EMAILS:** Larry Wyman Jr. : ldwyman@charter.net
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Mary Lee: mary_lee10@hotmail.com
Macy Tyler: macytyler@rocketmail.com
Lenny Wixson: Lenn.wixson@gmail.com

**THRIFT STORE IS OPEN
FRIDAY 10-4 AND SATURDAY
10-4**

**Accepting donations on Thursdays 11-3
IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN
VOLUNTEERING TO WORK IN THE STORE CONTACT DIANE
BOUDREAU AT 989-387-9389
WE ACCEPT ITEMS FOR THE STORE ON THURSDAYS**

Please Continue to Keep In Your Prayers : We lift up the leadership of our nation and the men and women serving the Armed Forces, as well as the leaders and people of other nations.

Brenda Longstreth in Midland hospital

Deb & Troy Bongard and family on the loss of Deb's mother

Rose Musser and family as they deal with the loss of her nephew

Maezie Bauer diagnosed with Sturge Weber syndrome(niece of Scott Vanhoose)

Prayers for continued healing for Diane Ellsworth, Josh Enfield, Kathy Traywick

Those with Parkinson's, Diabetes, Alzheimer's & Lupus and other chronic diseases.

Those who have been diagnosed with Cancer: Linda Green(Elaine Green's daughter in-law), Patty (Humphrey)Hazen

OUR SHUT-INS.....

In Their Own Home:

Marge Dickey Glenda Baker

Sue Neff (memory care)

Carol Beatty Ruth Jones

Larry Wyman Sr.

Barb Everts

Brenda Longstreth

Gayle White

Lou & Rita Bryans

Bill & Barb Manderbach

Bob Musser Jean Blow,

Erma Johnson

The Brook, Gladwin:

Jean Burrows

Americana Seniors of Clare

Jan Brandon(formerly prestige place)

Champion Gate Assisted Living in Florida

Ron & Marilyn Lovell

**UPDATE ON OUR
PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND/GOOD SAMARATIN FUND
WE HAVE ALREADY WENT THROUGH \$355 IN DECEMBER
WE HAVE A LOT OF NEEDY PEOPLE IN OUR AREA.**

NEW CLASS TO BEGIN ON FEB. 5,

7 p.m. "TWELVE ORDINARY MEN"

This class will be taught by Gerry Scott.

We will look more in depth of Jesus' Disciples and the early church

It will be 12-14 weeks long.

Sign up with Judy Bailey at the church office.

Books will be available soon.

**WE WANT TO WISH OUR CHURCH FAMILY MEMBERS WHO
HAVE HAD OR ARE HAVING BIRTHDAY'S
IN JANUARY
“A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!”**

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

1	<i>Kleinhardt, Kim</i>
	<i>Kleinhardt, Tom</i>
	<i>Norlander, Kayla</i>
2	<i>Cooper, Allen</i>
3	<i>Swan, Dick</i>
5	<i>Mater, Anna</i>
	<i>Bromley, Dennis</i>
8	<i>Franklin, Marsha</i>
9	<i>Bentley, Savannah</i>
10	<i>Thayer, Sue</i>
11	<i>Kingsbury, Melonie</i>
12	<i>Lane, Marjorie</i>
13	<i>Krell, Erin</i>
	<i>Teall, Don</i>
14	<i>Everts, Barb</i>
	<i>LeBoeuf, Joyce</i>
16	<i>David, Brian</i>
	<i>Wyman Sr., Larry</i>
17	<i>Bongard, Troy</i>
	<i>Shurlow-Phillips, Wilma</i>
	<i>Ellison, Debra</i>
	<i>Koch, Kelly</i>
18	<i>Bryans, Rita</i>
	<i>Schunk, Mike</i>
20	<i>Benic, Alaine</i>
	<i>Taylor, Anthony</i>
21	<i>Ward, Kim</i>
23	<i>Brech, Michelle</i>
24	<i>Seibt, Bailey</i>
25	<i>Lubs, Kylie</i>
27	<i>Wagoner, Jan</i>
28	<i>Chilson, Ashlyn</i>
	<i>Yats, Amanda</i>
30	<i>Bryans, Louis</i>
31	<i>Miller, Caley</i>



January 2026



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
REMINDER, THAT OUR BEAST FEAST IS JAN 17 AT 6 P.M. WE ARE LOOKING FOR DONATIONS OF SALADS AND DESSERTS AND LOTS AND LOTS OF HELP!! SIGN UP SHEETS WILL BE IN THE CHURCH LOBBY						
4 9:00 SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00 WORSHIP 2:00 YOUTH GROUP	5 AA 12-1:30 6:15 WEIGHTS 6:45 YOGA	6 AA 8-9:30 P.M.	7 6:15 WEIGHTS 6:45 YOGA 8:00 AA	8 11:00 -3 ACCEPT CLOTHING AT THRIFT STORE 1:00 AA ONLY 79 DAYS TILL SPRING	2 10-4 THRIFT STORE AA 8-9:30 P.M.	3 FOOD TRUCK IN HARRISON 9 AM 10-4 THRIFT STORE 12 NOON AA
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18 9:00 SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00 WORSHIP 2:00 YOUTH GROUP	19 AA 12-1:30 6:15 WEIGHTS 6:45 YOGA	20 6PM PCCC BOARD MEETING AA 8-9:30 P.M.	21 6:15 WEIGHTS 6:45 YOGA 8:00 AA	22 11:00 -3 ACCEPT CLOTHING AT THRIFT STORE 1:00 AA	16 10-4 THRIFT STORE AA 8-9:30 P.M.	17 10-4 THRIFT STORE 12 NOON AA BEAST FEAST 6 P.M.
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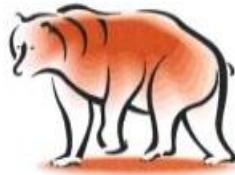
BEAST FEAST

COMMUNITY WILD GAME DINNER(FREE)

January 17th



at 6 p.m.



in the Clare

United Methodist Church,

105 E. Seventh Street,

Fellowship Hall



FREE

Community Dinner
January 31



Clare United Methodist Church

105 E. 7th Street Clare, Michigan 48617

4:00 – 5:30 pm

Food Service available until 5:30 pm

Last Saturday of every Month

***Soups * Sandwiches * Coffee**



*** Desserts**



***Music**



**Making Disciples of Jesus by
Helping People Know God,
Grow in Faith, and Share God's Love**

We would love for you to join us!

If you have any questions please contact

Our church office 989-386-2591