

CLARE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH NEWS MARCH 12, 2026 OUR WORSHIP TIME IS 10 A.M.

THIS WEEKS CALENDAR

8 DAYS UNTIL SPRING

MARCH

12: 11-3 ACCEPT CLOTHING AT STORE

1:00 AA

7:00 TWELVE ORDINARY MEN

7:30 GATEWAY COMMUNITY BAND CONCERT
AT CLARE HIGH SCHOOL

13: 8:00 AA

14: 10-4 THRIFT STORE

12 NOON AA IRISH FESTIVAL PARADE

5:30 – 8:30 IRISH DANCE PARTY

15: 9:00 SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:00 WORSHIP

2:00 YOUTH

16: 12 NOON AA

4:30 MEMBERSHIP MEETING

6:15 WEIGHTS

6:45 YOGA

17: Happy St. Patricks Day!!

6 P.M. LEADERSHIP TEAM MEETING

6 p.m. MOVIE "THE CHOSEN"

8:00 AA

18: 6 p.m. LENTEN SERVICE (HERE)

6:15 WEIGHTS

6:45 YOGA

8:00 AA

19: 11-3 ACCEPT CLOTHING AT STORE

1:00 AA

7:00 TWELVE ORDINARY MEN

20: 8:00 AA

21: 10-4 THRIFT STORE

12 NOON AA

OUR COMMUNITY
DINNER IS THIS
SATURDAY, MARCH 28
PLEASE LET US KNOW IF
YOU WOULD LIKE TO
DONATE A SALAD OR
DESSERT OR IF YOU
WOULD LIKE TO HELP
SERVE OR WE WOULD
JUST LOVE YOU TO
COME SO WE CAN
SERVE YOU 😊

**HELP WANTED
ANYONE
INTERESTED IN
HELPING
BUILD THE
CHURCH FLOAT
FOR ST. PATRICK'S
DAY PARADE OR
HAVE ITEMS TO
DONATE, PLEASE
CONTACT PASTOR
BRIAN**

FELLOSHIP HALL IN USE
22: 9:00 SUNDAY SCHOOL
10:00 WORSHIP
11 – 1 PRESCHOOL CHILDCARE FUNDRAISER
SPAGHETTI DINNER
2:00 YOUTH



THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 2026 7:30PM
CLARE HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASIUM
FREE ADMISSION ALL AGES

WEBSITE: WWW.GATEWAYBANDS.ORG | FACEBOOK: GATEWAY COMMUNITY BAND

“TWELVE ORDINARY MEN” Thursdays at 7 p.m.

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.

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

REVOLVING FUND GIVING FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2026

DAYCARE BUILDING: \$165 TECH SUPPORT: \$100

UMCOR/Disaster Relief : \$100 CAMP: \$145

COFFEE HOUR/HOSPITALITY: \$1,764 PCCC OPER: \$300

INSURANCE EMERGENCY FUND: \$150

PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND: \$240 THRIFT STORE: \$89

SOCIETY OF ST. ANDREW: \$20 COMMUNITY DINNER: \$240

EASTER LILIES: \$60 BEAST FEAST: \$20 PRISON MINISTRY: \$10

YOUTH ACTIVITIES: \$107.80

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.

**MARCH EXTRA MILE GIVING WILL GO TO PASTOR'S
DISCRETIONARY FUND/GOOD SAMARITAN FUND
WE ARE NOW TURNING PEOPLE AWAY BECAUSE THERE ARE
NO FUNDS IN THIS ACCOUNT**

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**IN MARCH WE WILL BE COLLECTING CLEANING SUPPLIES:
TOILET BOWL CLEANER, DISH DETERGENT, HE LAUNDRY
DETERGENT (UNSCENTED), FABRIC SOFTNER(UNSCENTED),
FABRIC SOFTENER SHEETS(UNSCENTED),
DISHWASHER GEL (CASCADE), FLOOR CLEANER, BLEACH,**

**DO YOU HAVE CONCERNS?FEEL FREE TO EMAIL OUR
LEADERSHIP TEAM EMAILS:** Larry Wyman Jr. : ldwyman@charter.net
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**THRIFT STORE
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**

OUR PRAYER LIST:

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.

Wanda Swarts on the loss of her brother

Diane Boudreau on the loss of her brother

Friends & family of Duffy Doxtader

Friends & family of John Radcliffe

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.....

Pioneer Golden Estates:

Marge Dickey Glenda Baker

Sue Neff (memory care)

Carol Beatty Ruth Jones

Larry Wyman Sr.

Bill & Barb Manderbach

The Brook, Gladwin:

Jean Burrows

Americana Seniors of Clare

Jan Brandon(formerly prestige place)

Champion Gate Assisted Living in Florida

Ron & Marilyn Lovell

In Their Own Home:

Barb Everts Rose Holland

Brenda Longstreth

Gayle White Tom & Margaret VanHoose

Lou & Rita Bryans

Erma Johnson Audrey Patterson

Bob Musser Jean Blow



IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS:

**Prayers for Merri Ann Baker-Radcliffe & family
on the loss of her husband John Radcliffe**

**Prayers for Sharon Doxtader & family
on the loss of her husband Duffy**

Prayers for Diane Boudreau on the loss of her brother

Prayers for Wanda Swarts on the loss of her brother.

Get ready for the...

Irish Festival Dance Party

MARCH 14TH - 5:30 - 8:30 PM

Clare United Methodist Church

105 E 7th St. Clare, Michigan

- All Welcome
- Family Friendly!!
- Join Irish Jig Contest
- Best Irish Dressed Contest!

Music by DJ Jonathon

Refreshments and Soft Drinks

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

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

- 1: Abigail Monzo
Tami Turner
- 2: Nancy Curtis
Jason Kelly
- 3: Connie McGregor
Cheryl Haataja
- 4: Mike Goin
- 5: Lynn Chappell
- 6: Linda Droomer
Matthew Lane
Peyton Hubel
Kay Musser
- 7: Lee Ann Benic
Brianna (McGregor) Harris
Paul McNeilly
Joyce Swan
- 9: Brooke Cassiday
Anika Newton
- 10: Andy McNeilly
- 12: Konner McKinstry
- 13: Heidi Gallagher
Laurie Staten
- 15: Nicole Taylor
- 16: Jim Teall
- 17: Kathryn Kruskamp
Julie McNeilly
- 18: Connie Miller
- 19: Tony Taylor



CHRISTIAN WOMEN CONNECTION



"Dressing for Laughter"

Thursday, March 12, 2026

11:45 – 1:45 p.m.

Special Feature: Scarf Tying

Marilyn Garapolo

Inspirational Speaker: Marilyn

Garapolo, from Plainfield, IL, will share her story of childhood dreams of traveling the world to real life. Then, how her life of fashion and retail led her to having her own business. She asks 'When was the last time you had a good laugh?' Because **"Laughter is a Medicine!"**

All this plus lunch & beverage for \$21.00

at Cheers Neighborhood Grill

1700 W. High St. (W M20), Mt. Pleasant, MI

20: Adam McGregor

22: Audrey Patterson

Ryan Thayer

25: Karen Mater

26: Hazel Kruskamp

27: Rose Musser

Dee Musser

28: Dawn Moline

Char Smock

Brian Staten

29: Adrian Nevill

30: Brenda Denton

Katie(Marshall) Jenkins



Clare United Methodist Church

105 E 7th Street

The Chosen Movie Night

“Come and See”

Starting February 10th

51ST
ANNUAL

CLARE IRISH FESTIVAL

SHOPPING SPECIALS & ENTERTAINMENT



Monday, March 9th

Spirit Week - Funky Socks - Pull out some Irish socks to kick off the week!

Tuesday, March 10th

Spirit Week - Pot O' Gold - Dress in a dazzling combination of Black & Gold

Wednesday, March 11th

Spirit Week - Irish Heritage - Celebrate with tradition! Wear your Kilt, Shirt, Hat, or Green, White, & Orange to match the flag of Ireland

9am-5:30pm Stitches for Britches & Almost Up

North - 25% -50% off select Irish Shirts

10am-5pm Red Door Thrift Store - 30% off Store Wide

6pm Four Leaf Brewing - Irish Pub Trivia

Thursday, March 12th

Spirit Week - Lucky Charms - Dress as the cereal character, or maybe other lucky themed outfits

9am-5:30pm Stitches for Britches & Almost Up

North - 25% -50% off select Irish Shirts

10am-5pm Red Door Thrift Store - 30% off Store Wide

12pm-8pm Clare/Farwell American Legion - Live Music by Pickers 4pm-7pm

4pm-9pm Four Leaf Brewing - Locals Night Featuring Live Music by *Generations & Harmonies* 6pm-9pm. Stein Holding Contest at 7pm

5:30pm-7pm Paisley Sage - Free Hair Tinsel, Face Painting, Temporary Tattoos, & Mini Manicures for Kids Only

6pm-9pm Timeout Tavern - Live Music with J.R. Jenkins

7pm The Evening Post - Irish Trivia

7pm-9pm The Trap Door - Live Music by *Izzy Joy*

Friday, March 13th

Spirit Week - Shamrockin' Style - Add Shamrocks to your shirt, coat, hat, lips, or wherever

9am-5:30pm Stitches for Britches & Almost Up

North - 25% -50% off select Irish Shirts

Friday, March 13th Continued

10am-5pm Red Door Thrift Store - 30% off Store Wide

12pm-10pm Four Leaf Brewing - Beer Barrel Racing at 6pm. "Pot O Gold" Karaoke at 7pm

5:30pm-8:30pm Clare Farwell American Legion - Live Music by The Real Blues Band

6pm-2am The Venue - Doors open at 6pm. Live Music by Jedi Mind Trip 8pm-12am. DJ & Dancing 12am-2am

6:30pm Clare Moose Lodge - Trivia with Stacia (St. Patty's Day edition)

Doherty Hotel - Leprechaun Lounge - *Two - U Duo* at 4pm and *Kevin Chamberlain* at 8pm

Ballroom - Irish Comedy Tour 7pm. Sound Productions 8:30pm

7pm-2am The Evening Post - DJ

7pm-10pm Timeout Tavern - Live Music with Double Jack

9pm-Close Ruckle's Pier - Sound Productions DJ

Saturday, March 14th

Spirit Week - Luck of the Irish - ALL GREEN! The more green the better

10am-2pm Stitches for Britches & Almost Up North - 25% -50% off select Irish Shirts

11am-2am Hammerin' Hank's - Live Music. *BlueSky Riley* 2pm-4pm. *Justin Judge* 4pm-6pm

12pm-Close Ruckle's Pier - Sound Productions DJ

12pm-8pm Clare Moose Lodge - *Clown Band* plays after the parade 2-4pm. Live Music by *Mike Odett* 4-7pm & *Jasper Creek* at 7-10pm

12pm-10pm Four Leaf Brewing - Beer Barrel Racing at 3pm. Live Music by *SmallTown Band* at 4pm & *Ryan Ambs* at 6pm

12pm-9pm Clare Farwell American Legion - Live Music by *Ryan Ambs Music* 1pm-4:30pm & *Woodman Unplugged* 5:30pm-8:30pm

Doherty Hotel - Leprechaun Lounge - *Kevin Chamberlain* at 12pm, *Two - U Duo* at 3pm, and *Kevin Chamberlain* at 8pm

Ballroom - *Night Shift* at 8pm

12pm-2am The Venue - Irish Hoedown featuring: Mechanical Bull 12-4pm, *Derek Winter* 4-6:30pm, St. Paddy's Blackout Party with DJ & Dancing 6:30pm-2am

2pm-4pm Arby's - Photo Op with a Leprechaun

2pm-12am The Evening Post - DJ

3pm-6pm Timeout Tavern - Live Music with Double Jack

5:30pm-8:30pm Clare United Methodist Church - Irish Festival Dance Party

Sunday, March 15th

Spirit Week - Irish Goodbye - Represent your favorite small town by wearing a Clare shirt!

EVENT INFORMATION
WWW.CLAREIRISHFESTIVAL.COM
989-386-2442

 **FREE** 
Community Dinner

Hope to see
you then!



MARCH 28

4-5:30 p.m.



**At Clare United Methodist
Church, 105 E. 7th Street, Clare**
Last Saturday of every month

SOUP SANDWICHES

SALADS & DESSERTS



MILK



COFFEE & TEA



come join the fun & fellowship!

If you have questions call

989-386-2591