

**CLARE UNITED METHODIST
CHURCH NEWS JULY 25, 2025
OUR WORSHIP TIME IS 10 A.M.**

**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**



**WE WELCOME
PASTOR BRIAN,
ELIZABETH,
JONATHON &
MARY COMISKEY
TO OUR CHURCH
FAMILY WITH
OPEN ARMS☺**

*Pastor Brian has
been in full-time*

vocational ministry for four years at a multi-point parish that included churches Hudson, Camden, and Montgomery, Michigan. Prior to that, he served as Lay Servant and youth leader in Blissfield for several years. He has a passion for working ecumenically to take the love of Jesus outside the walls of church buildings and is always looking for new and unique ways to build relationships within the community. It's a bonus if those ways include music!

His wife, Elizabeth, is a full-time novelist. Additionally, she has recently started exploring a second career as a mortuary technician. Brian and Elizabeth have four children and a two-year-old grandchild. The oldest two children, Sadie and Jacob, live in Arizona. Mary Violet recently graduated from the University of Northwest Ohio with a degree in heavy diesel repair. She is working in Lima, Ohio. Jonathon will be starting his freshman year of high school in September. He loves music production, has extensive experience in theater and dance, and is hoping to play basketball as a Pioneer.

The family shares their home with a Great Dane and a very fluffy cat.

PASTOR BRIAN'S CELL # IS 517-215-8637

Email: pastorbrianc@clareumc.org



REVOLVING FUND GIVING FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 2025

DAYCARE BUILDING: \$215 TECH SUPPORT: \$200

UMCOR/Disaster Relief : \$225 PCCC OPERATIONS: \$60

COFFEE HOUR/HOSPITALITY: \$78

INSURANCE EMERGENCY FUND: \$100

CAMP REGISTRATIONS: \$4,750

GOOD SAMARITAN FUND(PASTOR'S DISC.): \$45

CAMP: \$655 CAMP T-SHIRT: \$761

THRIFT STORE: \$362.50 PRISON MINISTRIES: \$50

PARSONAGE REPAIRS: \$50

GENERAL FUND FOR MAY

GIVING: \$13,910.40 EXPENSES: \$15,273.65

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

MaryAnn Shurlow Scott: maryannshurlow@gmail.com

Pastor Brian Comiskey : pastorbrianc@clareumc.org

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**UNITED METHODIST WOMEN OF FAITH
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS....**

**ARE AVAILABLE IN THE CHURCH OFFICE, IF YOU ARE
INTERESTED**

IN APPLYING FOR ONE THIS YEAR.

**(SCHOLARSHIPS ARE AVAILABLE
AFTER 1ST SEMESTER IS COMPLETED)**



Grief Support

When Grief Ambushes us

No matter how long it's been since we've lost a loved one, there will be times when grief sneaks up on you. Maybe it's a photo or some other object that belonged to them. Special days like birthdays and

anniversaries or funerals may lead to being ambushed by grief. There's a song that held a special place in both of your hearts that will bring on the tears.

When that happens, I find it best to acknowledge the grief and not suppress it. Yes, it hurts, but we can choose to use it as a reminder to be thankful for the gift of that person in our life. I like to remember the ways my husband expressed his love for me as well as the times we spent together, from the quiet afternoons to the adventures we have in camping.

Most of all, remember that this is a normal part of the journey that Jesus shares with us. For those days, be gentle with yourself, and remember that it's okay to not be okay.

For those days, remember what Jesus has promised us.

"No, I will not abandon you as orphans—I will come to you." John 14:18.

There is a monthly Grief Support Group that meets at Mid-Michigan Health Center in Clare on the first Thursday of each month from 3:00-4:00 pm. Please contact Melissa Sweet, bereavement counselor, for more information and to register – (989) 633-1437.

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.

FAMILY & FRIENDS OF BARB MAHON(A LONG TIME MEMBER OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY)

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

Prayers for continued healing for Jan Brandon, Diane Ellsworth, Josh Enfield, Barb Mahon, Ron Lovell, 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:

Pioneer Golden Estates:

Barb Everts Brenda Longstreth

Marge Dickey Glenda Baker

Ruth Owens

Sue Neff (memory care)

Gayle White

Carol Beatty Ruth Jones

Lou & Rita Bryans

Green Acres, Mt. Pleasant

Bill & Barb Manderbach

Mickey Davis

Larry Wyman Sr.

The Brook, Gladwin:

Bob Musser Jean Blow,

Jean Burrows

Erma Johnson,

Americana Seniors of Clare

Jan Brandon(formerly prestige place)

Medilodge, Clare

Barb Mahon

THIS WEEKS CALENDAR

JULY 27: 10:00 WORSHIP

**4:00 P.M. THE HOPPERS AT NEW HOPE GLOBAL
METHODIST CHURCH, MECOSTA, MI**

28: 12 NOON AA

6:15 WEIGHTS

6:45 YOGA

29: 8:00 AA

30: 8:00 AA

6:15 WEIGHTS

6:45 YOGA

31: 10-6 RUMMAGE SALE

1:00 AA

1:00 QUILTING

SET UP RUMMAGE

JULY 28- 30

AUG 1: 10-6 RUMMAGE SALE

8:00 AA

2: 9 a.m. FOOD TRUCK IN HARRISON

10-1 RUMMAGE SALE

PACK UP RUMMAGE SALE AFTER 1 P.M.

12 NOON AA

3:10:00 WORSHIP

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY, JULY 20: 92

**EXTRA MILE GIVING FOR JULY IS
FOR GOOD SAMARITAN FUND
FORMERLY PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND
[OUR FUNDS ARE GETTING VERY LOW.
WE HAVE HAD ANOTHER 9 PEOPLE COME
IN, SO FAR IN JULY.]**

**WE ARE IN GREAT NEED OF MORE FUNDS IN THIS
ACCOUNT**

MOTHER HUBBARD'S CUPBOARD FOR JULY

Food Items:

- Brown Rice
- Pasta (whole wheat)
- Beef or chicken broth (low sodium)
- Cereal such as Cheerios, Mini Wheat, Rice Krispies, Chex, Kix, Corn flakes, Crispix, Life, Alpha-Bits (Less than 6 grams sugar per serving)

NEW HOPE GLOBAL METHODIST CHURCH

2025 CONCERT SERIES

**CONCERT TICKETS ARE:
\$20 IN ADVANCE
\$24 THE DAY OF CONCERT
DOORS OPEN AT 3 PM**



**SUNDAY, JULY 27TH @ 4 PM
THE HOPPERS**

**FOR TICKET INFORMATION
CALL GREG OR LAURA AT 231-972-7000**

**NOTICE: ALWAYS CALL TO CONFIRM DATES WHEN TRAVELING LONG DISTANCES.
ALL TICKETS ARE NON-REFUNDABLE. SEATING IS LIMITED
7296 9 MILE ROAD, MECOSTA, MI 49332 231-972-2838**

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

July Birthdays

3: Tonya Willman
4: Amanda Sexton
5: Joe Bentley
 Bob Mussell
6: Gabe Kruskamp
 Toni Thomson
7: Jeff Denton
 Tina Colosky
9: Connie Denton
 Joan Southwell
10: Jessica Smock
 Gina Schlafley
 Andy Southwell
 Bill Zinser
12: Betty Mussell
14: Deb Bongard
15: Linda Grigg
 Dave Kruskamp
17: Teri Pitchford
18: Calla Ringgenberg
 Bill Stanley
19: Troy Staten
20: Jessica Hopkins
21: Walt Longstreth
22: Carol Beatty
23: Don Hopkins
24: Tom Moline
25: Kellie Cassiday
 Mike Viers
26: Karen Brooks
 Megan Brooks
30: Scott Moore
 Adam Shaw



Summer Rummage Sale

sponsored by the
Clare United Methodist Church,
will be held on

Thursday, Friday & Saturday
July 31, August 1 & 2



Hours are
10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
on Thursday & Friday
9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday



Proceeds will be used for local Community needs

**Sale is located in the
Education Building basement
at 105 E. Seventh Street, Clare.
If you have questions, 989-386-2591**



Free Drive-Through Mobile Food Distribution

Greater Lansing Food Bank- Clare County



Saturday - August 2, 2025

Registration: Starts at 9:00 a.m.

Distribution: 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.



Clare County Fairgrounds

418 Fairlane St., Harrison MI 48625



Please Note:

- Remember Line-up begins at 7:00 AM - NOT BEFORE!
- LIMIT OF 6 FAMILIES PER VEHICLE
- Don't forget your registration tag!
- Anyone in need of food can attend a GLFB mobile distribution.
- You do not need to provide identification or proof of residency to receive food.
- If you are unable to attend a distribution, someone else may pick up food on your behalf.
- Drivers and passengers are required to stay in vehicles at all times.
- Food will be placed in your trunk or backseat.
- Volunteers are always appreciated.

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For more information contact:

Clare County Food Facebook page or
Greater Lansing Food Bank at:

www.greaterlansingfoodbank.org,

GLFoodBank1 (on Facebook) or call 517/908-3680

GREATER LANSING
foodbank

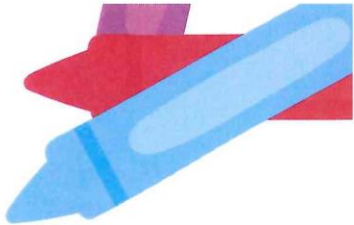


PERSONS
AMERICA



The Greater Lansing Food Bank - Clare County Food
is an equal opportunity provider





back to SCHOOL



FUN DAY

**AUG
17
11:30**

**JOIN US FOR AN END OF
SUMMER HOO-RAH!**

**HOT DOGS, SNOW CONES,
BOUNCE HOUSE, FREE FUN!**

**CLARE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
105 E. 7TH ST. CLARE, MI 48617**

