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### **Worship this Sunday, February 13:**

**Praying Our Goodbyes: Part 2** The message this Sunday will feature a statement that Pastor Mike told his daughter Sarah when she was about seven years old, “No fussing, crying, whining or complaining”. It’s similar to Moses’ message to the Israelites in the Wilderness. But is it the best advice? Our service will celebrate our Scouts. We will also hear special music from Adam Peterson, Diane and Lisa, Nancy Nelson, Dea Bishop, and our Chancel Choir. The Diaconate will be handing out Valentine Treats this Sunday for all in attendance. We will also have gift bags and cards to be delivered. If you can help with delivery, you can pick up a card at the church on Sunday. The children will also be making Valentine cards.

Join us in person (masked) or on Facebook Live at 10:30. You can also watch the service afterwards on Facebook. We value our online community of members and friends. It is a safe alternative for those concerned about Covid. It’s also a wonderful way for people living now in other parts of the country to connect with our church.

### **CHURCH ACTIVITIES**

**Sunday:**

Worship at 10:30 in person and on FB

**Tuesday:**

Prayer Group, 1:30 p.m. (Zoom)

**Wednesday:**

Women’s Breakfast, 9 a.m. at Six Chicks

Men’s Breakfast, 9 a.m. in FH

Adult Class, 7 p.m. (Zoom ONLY)

**Thursday:**

Men’s Coffee, 9 a.m. in FH

Thurs. Night Supper, 6 p.m. (drive-thru)

**Monday/Wednesday/Friday**

10 a.m. to Noon—Food Pantry

**Church Office Hours**

**9:30—noon. Mon, Wed, Fr, ONLY**

Contact the church office if you are interested in joining any of these events.

**Children's Ministry**

Sunday School led by Sarah Peterson will be meeting every Sunday morning after our time with children in the worship service. This is for all children who are not yet in seventh grade. This coming Sunday, February 13, the children will be passing out Valentine cards to everyone who attends. In the coming weeks, they will be studying the service of Holy Communion in preparation for their sharing with us during worship on March 6.

**Young Adult Ministry**

All young adults from 18 to 55 and their families are invited to join us for a Pre-Ash Wednesday Zoom gathering on Sunday, February 27 at 6:00. We will have a time for sharing and a time for worship. Contact Pastor Mike at [michaeljamestupper@yahoo.com](mailto:michaeljamestupper@yahoo.com) for the Zoom invite.

**New Book Study Coming!** Chris Valentine will be leading a Book Study on the book, "Jesus and John Wayne" which was written by Calvin University professor Kristin Kobbs DuMez. The subtitle is: "How white evangelicals corrupted a faith and fractured a nation." It is a controversial look at the history of the evangelical movement from Billy Graham to Donald Trump. Join in the Zoom discussion on February 24, March 3 and March 10 at 1:00 p.m. Contact Pastor Mike at [michaeljamestupper@yahoo.com](mailto:michaeljamestupper@yahoo.com) for the Zoom invite.

**Coming Up:** The Welcoming Team is planning a book study on "Torn" starting

on March 28 and a Discussion Series on Inclusive Language starting on March 17. More details to come.

### **Free at-home COVID-19 tests**

Every home in the U.S. is eligible to order 4 free at-home COVID-19 tests. The tests are completely free. Orders will usually ship in 7-12 days. Go to [covidtests.gov](https://covidtests.gov) to order.

### **Adult Class on Wednesdays**

This Wednesday's class, and future classes, will be held by Zoom only.

### **Year-End giving statements**

Year-end giving statements were mailed out February 1st. Also in the envelope is a letter providing additional information about our giving as a whole. Please let the office know if you have any questions about your statement, or if you would like to discuss church finances or the letter.

### **Tuesday Prayer Group**

**If you have prayer requests**, please let the church office know. These will be added to the Tuesday and Sunday lists.

Please hold the following in your prayers:

Tony Cochran

Greg O'Niel

Elaine Stephens

Ross McNicholas

Lori Tupper

Jeffrey Dick

Bonnie Deke

Dave Wellever  
Novella Barden  
Margaret Guimond  
Sharon McNicholas  
Elsie Hoffman  
Danah Peterson,  
sister-in-law of Janice Peterson.

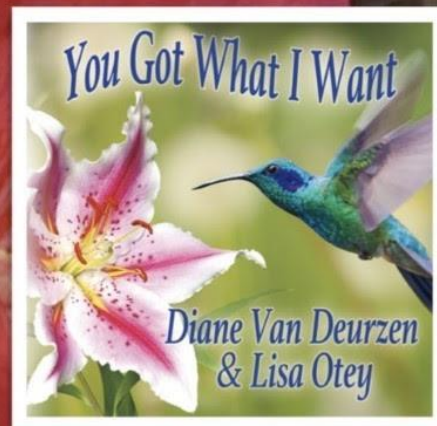
Please keep in your prayers our brothers and sisters at **Wide Awake UCC,**  
**in Benton Harbor**

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# DIANE VAN DEURZEN & LISA OTEY in concert!

*"Love Is All We Need"*

FRIDAY  
FEB. 11  
7pm



*Donations accepted*

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