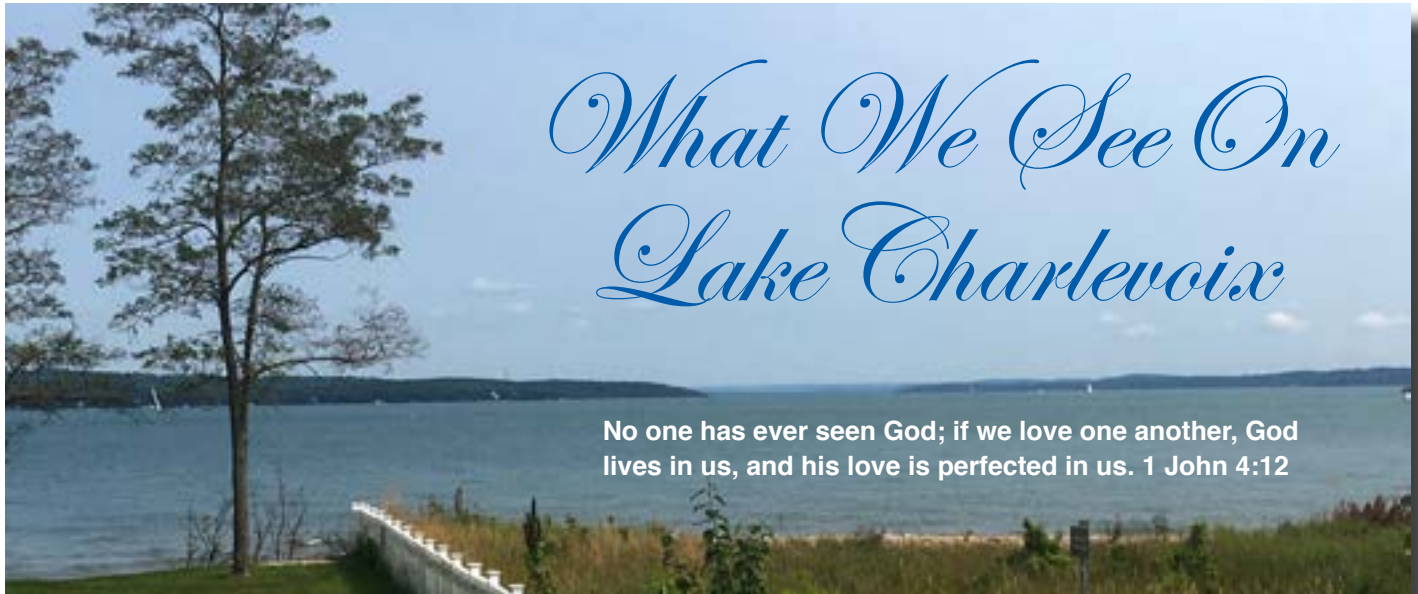


THE *Red* DOOR

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*D*uring the last major ice age about 25,000 years ago, massive glaciers pushed into this area from the Arctic. Over two miles thick, the glaciers ground away everything in their path and carved out deep basins in the earth.

The glaciers melted and retreated some 14,000 years ago, but they left behind beautiful and precious reminders of their presence. The melting water formed vast lakes — the Great Lakes and many others, among them Lake Charlevoix. These glittering creations are now blue and turquoise jewels adorning the landscape. And we're thankful.

We're thankful even though we discern no explicit evidence of glacial activity when we gather for worship along Lake Charlevoix's peaceful shore. But we witness the beauty carved out by forces more powerful and ancient than ourselves, and we are grateful.

Now another powerful invader has arrived. The invader is microscopic but it possesses the power to upend our lives in a thousand fundamental ways. It has chased us out of our church, and we have retreated to the shore of Lake Charlevoix.

What do we see here? We're looking for some sign of God's presence — some faint indication that God is

present and offering peace and promise in the midst of a pandemic.

Like the ancient and powerful work of the glaciers, God is crafting evidences of pristine beauty even now, if only we have eyes to see.

As we gather — huddled and hunkered down in masks — on the lakeshore, powerful currents of love are moving among us. We see people for whom we have been quietly praying, and we rejoice. We escape virus-imposed isolation and we bask in the warmth of simple, gentle Christian community. And it is enough.

All is not lost! We find comfort and hope simply in the presence of one another.

Beyond and below the uncertainties and fears, we feel the majesty and miracle of the renewing power of God in our lives — even in our lives, even now.

Through the love of God and our love and concern for one another an eternal beauty emerges . . . every Sunday morning.

Grace & Peace,

The Rev. Thomas P. O'Dell

Columbarium NICHES & TOURS

The construction of our Columbarium is complete and you may acquire a niche by contacting:

Susan Flanders:
231-675-8942
susankflanders@gmail.com
or
Nancy Porter
231-409-1703
jandnporter@sbcglobal.net

Would you like a tour of the Columbarium and expanded Parish Hall? Wouldn't it be nice to enter our parish facilities again and spend a moment in church? Contact Susan or Nancy and they will arrange for a member of the Columbarium Committee to give you a tour.

Members of the Columbarium Committee:
Mark Andresky
Susan Flanders, Chair
Marsha Hall
Nancy Porter
Linda Wertz

Prayer List FOR SEPTEMBER

Please Pray for your Brothers and Sisters

Rev. Kathy Kircher
Rev. Peggy Nattermann
Rev. John David
Pat Shannon
Dr. John Lignell
Peter Pace
Glen Berger
Lisa Hicklen
Cynthia Johnston
Linda Smith
Deb Stutzman

*Persons are removed
from our Prayer List at the
end of each month.
Please contact
John Fiedorek at
jfiedorek@gmail.com
to add the names of friends
and family
to our Prayer List*



CEC Scholarship MAIL CALL

In the Scholarship Mailbag this Summer

Our CEC college Scholarship Recipients will need our prayers for health and safety as they each prepare for the upcoming semester.

Hi All,
Regarding my start at Stanford, the schedule is slightly complex so bear with me!

Classes officially start on September 14th, but I'm still unsure when I move in; and the autumn quarter will end November 20th. During the winter quarter, freshman and sophomores will be taking online classes (off-campus); this is from January 11th-March 19th. I will be "off" during the spring quarter, which lasts from March 29th - June 4th. Finally, I will be on-campus during the summer quarter, from June 21st - August 27th. It's interesting to see how all the colleges are managing!

*Stay healthy :)
Emma Buday
(CMHS '20 on to Stanford)*

(ed: on August 14, I learned that Stanford will NOT bring Freshmen and Sophomore students to the California campus UNTIL Spring, 2021. Emma will take classes online from someplace not in California).

Hi!
My classes at Central Michigan University are called "hyflex" which means they offer the opportunity to attend in person 50-100% of the time while also having online attendance. The university will allow ten students into each classroom, with masks and social distancing. The rest of the students will attend virtual live streaming via WebEx or another method that is approved by CMU. That being said, I will still be going to campus and living in a dorm suite with three other students and doing my best to adapt to the uncertainties of this time.

*Kara Feury
(EJHS '20at Central Michigan University)*



Emma Buday



Kara Feury

CEC *Scholarship* MAIL CALL

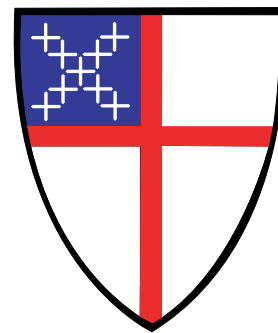
In the Scholarship Mailbag this Summer



Gabrielle Snyder

Hi,
This semester, my classes are called 'HyFlex' meaning they will all have online components as well as in-person options. I am definitely going to be on campus!

Gabrielle Snyder,
(EJHS '19 at Central Michigan University)



Megan Streeter

I hope all is well!!

I move into the dorm at Central Michigan University this coming Saturday, August 15 and my classes start on the 17th. I'm taking an English course completely online as well as my statistics course. We still are expected to "attend" class at a certain time as the professors are going to give live virtual lectures. My biology class will be offered as both online and in person. Half the class will attend in-classroom on one day and the rest of the class will go on the other day we are scheduled for that week. I still have two classes that I haven't heard from the professor about how the course will be offered, so hopefully I will before the start of next week.

Megan Streeter
(CMHS'19 at Central Michigan University)

CEC Scholarship MAIL CALL

In the Scholarship Mailbag this Summer

Hi,

My family just finished up the last of the second cutting hay. NMU moved the start of the semester forward so the first day of classes were August 17th.

There is mandatory testing for Corona Virus before you can attend class and then social distancing, masks and some shields will be in place in the classrooms. It sounds like most all classes will take place in person unless there is a spike in cases.

I'm going to wear my mask and wash my hands but I'm not too concerned about going back, no reason to spend everyday worrying about something that's outside of my control.

Two of my friends and I are renting an on campus townhouse so it will be nice to be out of the dorms with this virus going around. On the positive side Marquette has lots for me to do outside.



Hayden Dvoracek

I'll let you know what happens once I get back to college. Since college has been moved forward this semester is done when we come home for Thanksgiving break. Hope everyone is doing well.

*Hayden Dvoracek
(CMHS '18 at Northern Michigan University)*

Prayer for the Absent

Prayer for the Absent

abridged from: Book of Common Prayer, 1928 pg. 586

O God, whose fatherly care reaches utmost to the parts of the earth, we humbly ask you to behold and bless those now absent from us. Defend them from all dangers of soul and body and grant that they draw nearer to you and be bound together through Jeus Christ.

- Amen

CEC *Scholarship* MAIL CALL

In the Scholarship Mailbag this Summer

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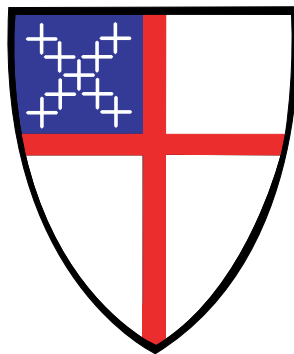
This semester is definitely going to be interesting. All of my classes are online, but I do have Clinicals in person. I will be moving to an apartment in Traverse City in October. I found a roommate off of Facebook actually, and we met up yesterday. I truly think it was a “meant to be” situation because it was so weird how it all came together!

This summer has been crazy busy. I’ve been working full time at a nursing home as a CNA as well as working at the Landing Restaurant on my days off. On top of that, I took pathophysiology this summer, which is as bad as it sounds. So, this next semester will be a good break for me!!

I hope you all have been staying safe and keeping busy during these crazy times.

Here’s an updated picture of Charles.

Kendall McNitt
(EJHS '18 at Davenport College-Traverse City)



Kendall McNitt on Spring break
at her family's Florida retreat prior to Covid 19



Kendall's cat – Charles

CEC *Scholarship* MAIL CALL

In the Scholarship Mailbag this Summer

(ed: Reportedly, Michigan State University will hold all coursework online. Macy McPherson, EJHS '19 attends MSU)

Other Recipients with Whom We Keep in Contact:

Jenna Guthrie

CMHS 2017 at
Northern Michigan University

Lauren Harris

EJHS 2017 at
University of Michigan

Kara Simpson

CMHS 2017 at
Oakland University

Jordan Hermann

BFHS 2018 at
University of Michigan

Chloe Britton

(BCHS 2020 at
Northern Michigan University)



Macy McPherson

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Outdoor Service AT DEPOT BEACH

DURING AUGUST 2020



CEC parishioners gather for Sunday services at Depot Beach during the pandemic of 2020



Nan and Don Binns return to CEC Sunday services after recuperating at home



Cort & Debbie Esenther ride their fancy scooters to service at Depot Beach

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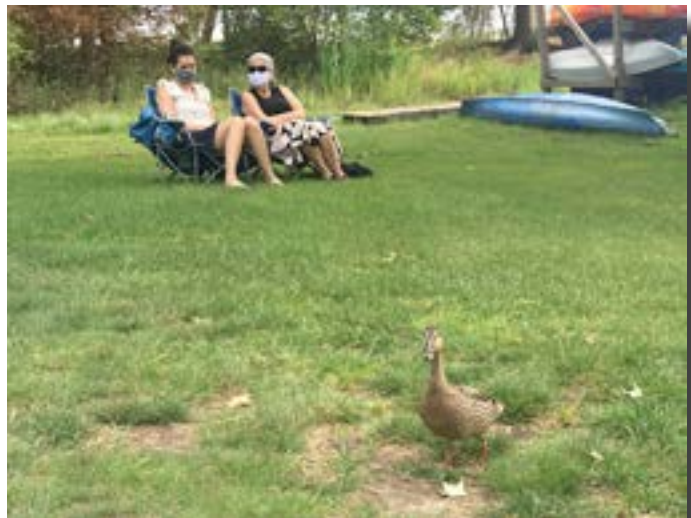
Linda Wertz shares Reflections of CEC during our service at Depot Beach



Each Sunday, Kathy Boyer faithfully attends services at Depot Beach and always brings her own chair



Dorothy Miller, Marge Kirinovic, Wendy Perrett, Debbie Stutzman and Anne Stanley find time to play after our Sunday service at Depot Beach



A local mallard duck visits parishioners at CEC's outdoor service at Depot Beach

Christian OUTREACH

DURING COVID-19

*T*he CEC Christian Outreach Continues Amid COVID-19.

A grandmother recently entertained her great-grandson at her house in our Charlevoix neighborhood. She excitedly told me how she enjoys reading simple storybooks to the four-month-old.

The tale of the Three Little Pigs crossed my mind—perhaps because the Big Bad Wolf reminds me of the threat Covid-19 poses to having house and church gatherings. It calls upon all of us to remain connected to those we love and care about.

CEC's Christian Outreach ministry members just reached out on behalf of all church members to our 2020 Community Partners to listen and learn how the pandemic has affected the support they mobilize for those in need.

Here's What We Learned:

The Rainbow Shoppe

The Rainbow Shoppe, which is a resale shop in Charlevoix re-opened in June. The Shoppe has a limited capacity in terms of the number of masked shoppers that are allowed through its doors at one time. Donations are still accepted, by appointment, as items are quarantined for a period of time before being processed and placed throughout the shop for sale. Volunteers, including several from CEC, work in three-hour shifts as clerks. All are

required to assure Shoppe staff that they have not exhibited coronavirus symptoms, must wear masks, social distance, and sanitize their hands and counter areas after each transaction.

The Community Food Pantry of Charlevoix

Community Food Pantry of Charlevoix is also open and expects staff, volunteers (including those from CEC) and consumers to abide by masking, distancing, and hand hygiene protocols. Anyone living in Charlevoix County can 'shop' at no cost monthly on Monday mornings and evenings, as well as on the first Thursday of the month. The number of clients has been relatively stable, likely because of the increase in unemployment benefits along with the federal stimulus payments allowing those in need to shop elsewhere.

Safe Haven Ministry

Safe Haven Ministry continues providing free breakfast take-outs twice weekly from its commercial kitchen at the Community Church, as well as weekly grocery bags deliveries to various locations throughout Charlevoix. Two CEC members continue to assist in preparing the breakfast take-outs, and of course observe safe health protocols. Night Life Ministry of Safe Haven remains focused on developing safe protocols and plans to allow it to re-open to men seeking overnight shelter during colder months.

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Christian OUTREACH

DURING COVID-19

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Mana Food Project

Manna Food Project and its partner pantries, community kitchens, and human service agencies continue to provide food assistance throughout Antrim, Charlevoix, and Emmet counties. Due to the COVID-19 threat, Manna continues to limit access to its facility to its seven-member staff and just a few volunteers. Hopefully, Manna will welcome back CEC volunteers in the early fall as it launches the “Food 4 Kids” Backpack and Food Rescue programs.

Rayder Den

Rayder Den, a food pantry at Charlevoix Middle/High School, awaits a school board decision about how instruction will be delivered which will impact service to students who live with food insecurity. In addition to CEC’s support, several thousand dollars was donated to purchase food certificates for families having school-aged children.

“Prayer is not asking for what you think you want, but asking to be changed in ways you can’t imagine.”

– Kathleen Norris

Mission Work to the Dominican Republic

Mission Work to the Dominican Republic remains at the direction of our Diocese. As always, the geography of the island lies in the path of destructive ocean weather, and we continue to pray for people there.

CEC Outreach

CEC Outreach will continue conversations with these partners to support their efforts while remaining good stewards of the financial resources for which we’ve been entrusted.

– Marc Sroufe

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Baptism CELEBRATION

*On the Shores of
Lake Charlevoix*



*Eleanore
August 16, 2020*

Sue & Tom Kirkpatrick's granddaughter Eleanore was baptised on the shore of Lake Charlevoix on August 16, 2020 by Fr. Tom O'Dell

*Now is our time to go. To go into the world to share the
good news of God and Jesus Christ.*

Green Thumb GARDENERS

AT CHRIST CHURCH



Mark Stanley edges the flowers gardens at CEC



CEC's youngest Green Thumb Gardner waters front planter box

The Book of Common Prayer

*O God, who created all peoples in your image,
we thank you for the wonderful diversity of races and cultures in this world.*

*Enrich our lives by everywidening circles of fellowship,
and show us your presence in those who differ most from us,
until our knowledge of your love is made perfect
in our love for all your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen*

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News AND EVENTS!

RUMMAGE SALE

Sponsored by ECW

Outside at Christ Church

Thursday, September 10 ~ 8a.m. – 3p.m.

Friday, September 11 ~ 8a.m. – 3p.m.

Saturday, September 12 ~ 8a.m. to noon

~ WANTED ~

Good,
Gently Used
BOOKS

for
CEC's

Little Free Library

*Please bring to
Depot Beach on Sundays*

or for pickup
call Susan Flanders
at 231-675-8942

*Friendly reminder,
no text books*



Linda Wertz models the new choir robes for CEC and invites parishioners to join the choir

**STAY CALM and
WASH YOUR HANDS**

Vestry HIGHLIGHTS

FROM AUGUST 21, 2020

Vestry continued their review of N.T. Wright's 1 Corinthians with Betty Stephen facilitating. Paul criticizes the Church at Corinth for overlooking sinful ways. However, does Jesus ask us to judge others?

- Minutes of the June 19th meeting (by Zoom) were approved.
- Treasurer's Report: Statements not available Technology for online conversion of records brings a steep learning curve. CEC finances are stable.
- Wardens' Reports - Blessed by lovely weather, increasing attendance and observance of safety protocols, CEC members are appreciative of being able to reunite 'live' for worship at Depot Beach on Sundays.

Informational:

- Caring Shepherds continue efforts to reach out to members who are unable to come to CEC's worship.
- Scholarship Ministry - Twelve scholarship recipients (and a cat!) are campus community bound, (except for three whose option is to receive instruction remotely). Of those in their respective campus community, most have a HyFlex schedule; participating some of the time in socially-distanced classroom settings as well as in live streaming lectures.
- ECW-Rummage Sale is organizing for September 10-12 outside at CEC. Safety protocols will be observed by members staffing the sale and requests will be made of shoppers to mask, socially distance and hand sanitize.
- Stewardship welcomes the Vestry team of David Loving, Dorothy Miller and Betty Stephen to organize the outreach efforts for Fall.
- Streaming Services equipment will be installed at CEC by Dan Buday, as recommended by Taylor Series Team, Susan Flanders and Phil

Pratt facilitating. Equipment includes camera, speakers and a television screen.

- Nominating Committee-Four new Vestry members are being sought due to term limits and a vacancy. The charge to seek nominations will be with M. Kirinovic, J. Masson and D. Miller.

Discussion:

- In addition to the Wardens' Report, it is recommended by Vestry that the non-Eucharistic service remain as is while worship continues at Depot Beach.
- Construction and Columbarium outcomes have been met with satisfaction. Reservation and purchasing of Columbarium Niches (\$1,000) and Memorial Plaques (\$200) has been announced. Susan Flanders and Nancy Porter are the contacts for information and purchasing arrangements.
- Construction has resulted in rearranging communication displays about CEC.

Decision:

- Motion to approve research and re-construction of 4 Egress Window Covers, not to exceed \$1000. – Carried.

(NOTE: Property concerns and issues should be directed to the Junior Warden although it is NOT expected that the Warden will implement any/all changes or repairs).

- Outdoor Sunday Worship continues at Depot Beach as weather permits or until such time as Live Streaming from CEC ensues.

September 10-12 ECW Rummage Sale OUTDOORS at CEC

September 18-Vestry Meeting 3 pm

Please refer to your CEC Directory to remember Member birthdays and anniversaries with your prayers and congratulations!

Ministry Schedule **SEPTEMBER**

2020

Ministry	<i>Sunday September 6</i>	<i>Sunday September 13</i>	<i>Sunday September 20</i>	<i>Sunday September 27</i>
OT Lesson & Psalms	Kim Baker	Steve Hall	John Fiedorek	Phil Pratt
The Epistle	Chris Barrett	Mark Olson	Bob Barrett	Lisa French
Prayers	Bill French	John Masson	Susan Flanders	Linda Wertz
Ushers	Brownie & Susan Flanders	Don Collier Betsy Collier	Rick Wertz Marsha Hall	Mark Andresky Chris Nyland
Greeters	Mark Andresky Betty Stephen	Sharon Witucki Peter Pace	Bob & Chris Barrett	George & Wendy Perrett
Acolyte	Rick Wertz	Roger Peak	Brownie Flanders	Dorothy Miller John Masson (Crucifer)
Altar Guild	Ann Bahr Dorothy Miller	Betsy Collier Doris Hosmer	Linda Wertz Marge Kirinovic	Lisa French Susan Flanders
Vestry Duty	Linda Wertz	Lisa French	Anne Stanley	Betty Stephen

Deadline for the Next Red Door!

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If you see an error in this month's issue, please let us know!

We will correct it or print a correction in the next issue of the **Red Door**.

(We try to be as accurate as possible.... the Red Door Production Team)

Ministry Schedule **OCTOBER**

2020

Ministry	<i>Sunday October 4</i>	<i>Sunday October 11</i>	<i>Sunday October 18</i>	<i>Sunday October 25</i>
OT Lesson & Psalms	Chris Barrett	Roger Peak	Mark Heydlauff	Steve Hall
The Epistle	Bob Barrett	John Masson	Kim Baker	Mark Andresky
Prayers	Lea Peak	Chris Nyland	Lisa French	Deb Stutzman
Ushers	Don Collier John Fiedorek	Mark Andresky Marsha Hall	Brownie & Susan Flanders	Tom & Marge Kirinovic
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*What lies behind you and What lies in front of you,
Pales in comparison to what Lies inside of you.*

– Ralph Waldo Emerson