

# The Blessing

January 2026

To Make Disciples of  
Jesus Christ for the  
Transformation of the  
World

Community,  
Compassion,  
Christ!

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Monday: Closed  
Tuesday: 8AM - 1 PM  
Wednesday: 3:30 - 6:30 PM  
Thursday: 8 AM - 1 PM  
Friday: 8 AM - 3 PM

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## From the Pastor's Desk

What an amazing and wonderful Christmas Eve service we just experienced. Thank you to the choir, the communion stewards, and all who helped make sure that we have a beautifully decorated sanctuary. Thanks also to those who helped with the fellowship time afterwards. (I hear the cookies were great!) And now we hang a new calendar and begin a new year. The past year we witnessed miracles, networked our missions and ministries in new ways, met many new people, and made a positive difference in hundreds of lives. What will this year bring? God has already laid foundations for plans HE has for us as individuals and as a church.

Let us discern the path and the mission.  
Together let us continue to move New Carlisle United Methodist Church forward.

Be blessed and be a blessing.

Pastor Kal

# January 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 Food Pantry 10-12	3
4	5	6 Finance 6:30	7 Sorority 6:30	8 Sorority 7 PM	9 Food Pantry 10-12	10
11	12	13 Ad Council 6:30	14	15	16 Food Pantry 10-12	17
18	19	20 Trustees 6:30	21 4Sorority 6:30	22	23 Food Pantry 10-12	24
25	26	27	28	29	30 Food Pantry 10-12	31

# Worship Schedule

January 4	January 11	January 18	January 25	
Then Light Shines	I am partial... to chocolate!	Worthy is the Lamb	This isn't a cruise ship	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jeremiah 31:7-14</li> <li>Ephesians 1:3-14</li> <li>John 1:1-18</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Isaiah 42:1-9</li> <li>Acts 10:34-43</li> <li>Matthew 3:13-17</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Isaiah 49:1-7</li> <li>1 Corinthians 1:1-9</li> <li>John 1:29-42</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Isaiah 9:1-4</li> <li>1 Corinthians 1:18-31</li> <li>Matthew 5:13-20</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>
Communion	(Baptism of the Lord Sunday)			



## January Birthdays

- 4 Jen Leonard-Cauffman
- 9 Stephanie Lloyd
- 11 Sam Colalillo
- 19 Ila Curl
- 23 Nancy Taplin
- 26 Rebecca Fuzey

## January Anniversaries



## *Tangled Threads*

*Sewing, Crocheting  
& Knitting*

**New Carlisle United Methodist Church  
300 E Compton St.  
New Carlisle, IN**

**2nd & 4th Wednesdays  
9 a.m.—2 p.m. Eastern  
Come & go as desired**



Experienced crafters and beginners welcome. Bring your own project to work on, or help us with our charity projects—quilts, totes, fidget blankets, pillow cases, afghans & many more.

**Bring a lunch or a snack if desired.**

Looking for donations of fabric & yarn, as well as organizations who are in need of handmade items.

For information call 574-654-7442



Alzheimer & Dementia Services of Northern Indiana

### Caregiver's Support Group

#### WHEN

1st Wednesday of each month:  
1:00-2:30pm EST

#### WHERE

Hamilton Grove  
31869 Chicago Trail  
New Carlisle, IN 46552

#### FACILITATORS

Dorothy White, RN MSN FNP  
(219) 369-1247

Sandy Papai, RN, BS, MSA  
(574) 213-4637

**Please Note:** Meetings will take place at the brick carriage house as you enter the grounds

Please join us for the opportunity to share experiences, ideas, and to discuss all issues concerning caregiving for our loved ones who currently have, or have had Alzheimers or Dementia.

GREENCROFT COMMUNITIES



## CARDIO DRUMMING

EVERY TUESDAY AT 10:00AM  
CTV COMMUNITY ROOM  
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC & DONATIONS ACCEPTED

**Hamilton Grove**  
A Greencroft Communities Affiliate



## Strength Training

EVERY THURSDAY  
AT 10:00 AM  
CHICAGO TRAIL VILLAGE

**Hamilton Grove**  
GREENCROFT COMMUNITIES



## Chair Yoga

Every Wednesday 10 AM  
Chicago Trail Village  
31891 Chicago Trail

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# Important Changes Please Read

## Why We Are Adjusting Our Service Territory

Over the past few years, our food pantry has grown in ways we never could have imagined. We currently provide support across 47 zip codes and 34 townships—while most food pantries serve one zip code or one to two townships. This growth reflects real and meaningful need in our wider community. At the same time, it has placed increasing strain on our volunteers, food supply, and delivery capacity. To continue offering care that is dependable, respectful, and dignified, we must thoughtfully align our services with what we can sustainably provide.

## How This Change Helps Us Care for People More Fully



### More Consistent, Dependable Support

We are refocusing our efforts on seven primary zip codes where the greatest concentration of need and accessibility exists:

46552 • 46371 • 46365 • 46554 • 46619 • 46625 • 49113

This allows us to:

- Maintain reliable food availability
- Reduce wait times
- Provide a smoother, more supportive experience



### Expanded Delivery Support

Within these zip codes, we will offer bi-weekly food delivery for individuals who are unable to drive—helping ensure transportation challenges do not prevent anyone from receiving nourishment.



### Caring Responsibly for the Future

By narrowing our service area, we are protecting the long-term health of the pantry—supporting our volunteers, reducing delivery strain, and ensuring we can continue serving our neighbors with care for years to come.



### For Neighbors Outside These Zip Codes

If you live outside the primary service area, please know this decision was made with great care and heavy hearts.

We understand how difficult change can be.

To support you during this transition, we have included a list of trusted food pantries in your area, so you can continue receiving assistance close to home.



### Our Mission Remains the Same

Our mission has always been about people—meeting real needs with compassion, dignity, and faithfulness. This adjustment allows us to do that work more thoughtfully and sustainably.

Thank you for your understanding, your trust, and for being part of our community.



Jan. 9 ~ Fish Fry 5-7:30  
Jan. 23 ~ Fish Fry 5-7:30  
Jan. 30 ~ Fish Fry 5-7:30  
Feb. 13 ~ Fish Fry 5-7:30



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**OLIVE  
TOWNSHIP  
TRUSTEE**

Jan. 21 ~ 10-11 AM  
Feb. 18 ~ 10-11 AM  
Mar. 18 ~ 10-11 AM  
Apr. 14 ~ 10-11 AM

Located at Olive  
Township  
Trustee's Office:

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**NEW  
CARLISLE  
FIRE  
TERRITORY  
BOARD  
MEETING**

Jan. 13 ~ 5:30-6:30  
Feb. 10 ~ 5:30-6:30  
Mar. 10 ~ 5:30-6:30  
Apr. 15 ~ 5:30-6:30

110 S. Arch  
Street

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# Hours

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<b>MONDAY</b>	CLOSED
<b>TUESDAY</b>	8AM - 1 PM
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	3:30 PM - 6:30 PM
<b>THURSDAY</b>	8 AM - 1 PM
<b>FRIDAY</b>	8 AM - 3 PM



## NEW CARLISLE COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY

**We are here to help**

Open Every Friday from 10 AM - 12 PM EST

Located at New Carlisle United Methodist Church

300 E Compton Street, New Carlisle, IN 46552



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Methodist Church**

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