



CARROLLTON FIRST UMC

THE YELLOW BRICK CHURCH + THE BRIDGE

Sunday, January 12, 2025 Baptism of the Lord

Lead Pastor – Rev. Dr. Kimberly Arbaugh

CFUMC Vision Statement:

We are *following Jesus* and *sharing His love* by **praying, serving** and **encouraging** all people so they may be in a closer relationship with God.

As we begin worship today, please remember we are in God's presence. Let us set our eyes, our hearts and our minds on Jesus. Please join in singing, listen attentively to the announcements, scriptures and sermon, and allow our time to be filled with the Holy Spirit. We ask that you please refrain from visiting and talking during worship. Please help make this a meaningful and powerful service for everyone.

Please keep praying for our church every evening at 8pm

CHURCH CALENDAR

YBC = Yellow Brick Church, TB=The Bridge

Jan 12 Worship 9am YBC, 10:30am TB

Jan 14 UMC Kidz Club 6-7pm

Jan 15 New Wine Prayer group 10am

Jan 15 Lunch with Jesus 12-1pm

Jan 16 Stitched with Love 10am @ YBC

Jan 18 Men's Group 8am

Jan 19 Worship 9am YBC, 10:30am TB

Jan 22 Jesus Shaped Life 6-7pm

OFFICE HOURS: Please call or email to make sure someone is here to assist you.

Please remember that if school is canceled due to snow and ice, activities at the church are usually canceled. Check out our Facebook page or contact your small group leader with questions.

Prayers for Interim Pastor and New Lead Pastor

As we head into this time of transition, we encourage you to continue to pray for Pastor Kimberly and her family, but also our incoming leadership. Please be praying for God to prepare our hearts to receive this new leadership. Pray for our interim pastor, and also that God prepares the new Lead Pastor for our specific church. Let God's will for our church align with this new leadership. Pray that God is preparing who He has fit for our congregation. We also ask that you pray for God to get the glory from this transition. Thank you!

Please pick up the prayer card outside the worship spaces for the prayers for intercessory prayer and prayer for our church.

12 Hours of Prayer for PK – January 15

Please join us in lifting Pastor Kimberly in prayer as she begins her new ministry at The Urban Mission on January 15. As her church family, we want to cover her in prayer from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM. We invite our Carrollton First UMC family to sign up for 30-minute increments (or longer!) to pray for Pastor Kimberly and this exciting chapter in her ministry. Sign up for a time slot below or on one of the signup sheets at either location (Yellow Brick or The Bridge) and help us surround her with love and support through prayer.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084FA5AE22A0FAC25-54113403-12hours#/>



Blended Worship: 9:00am @ the Yellow Brick Church

Accompanist: Becky Dickerhoof

WELCOME VIDEO/ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE (in unison)

**Light of Christ, Shine on our path,
Illuminate our darkness and Lead us to the heart of God**

PRELUDE

OPENING PRAYER

*OPENING HYMN *There's Something About That Name* #171 UM Hymnal, sing 2x

HEARING THE WORD **Psalm 29** (see pg. 761 in UMH), **Acts 8:14-17**

*GLORIA PATRI **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

WORSHIP WITH OUR TITHES/OFFERINGS/TESTIMONIES AND PRAYERS

HYMN *Spirit Song* #347 UM Hymnal

Dismissal to Yellow Brick Kidz – Meredith Mateer

SCRIPTURE/MESSAGE **Isaiah 43:1-7** Pastor Kimberly Arbaugh

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

*CLOSING HYMN *His Name is Wonderful* #174 UM Hymnal, sing 2x

SENDING FORTH TO LOVE AND SERVE

Birthdays

- Jan 7 Al Thompson
- Jan 10 Maryann Erwin, Jesse Shreve,
Paige Arbaugh, Harvey Fisher
- Jan 12 Brenda Miller
- Jan 14 Clay Pidgeon
- Jan 19 Donna Hanna
- Jan 20 Patricia Kidd
- Jan 21 Dick Truman, Preston Jackson,
Blake Tangler
- Jan 26 Jim Painting, Courtney Shreve
- Jan 28 Dan Loomis
- Jan 29 Lisa Baker

Anniversaries

- Jan 19 Tim & Valerie Hawk
- Jan 24 Nick & Stephanie Roudebush

Yellow Brick Kidz and Bridge Kidz -Learning & Fun Activities for kids, ages 4 through 5th grade on **Sunday mornings!** The Yellow Brick Church at 9am and The Bridge at 10:30 am.

Kingdom Youth Group meets every Thursday 5:30-7pm at the Yellow Brick for grades 6-9. See the posted schedule at either location or reach out to Kelsey Pitts

UMC Kidz Club - meet on Tuesdays at the YBC, from 6:00-7:00pm. Our club is open to 3 y.o. (must be potty trained) through 5th grade students. If you are interested, please contact Meghan Hill

3rd session is Jan 7-28; children will share at services on February 2. Leader: Elizabeth Cartwright (OFF Feb. 4th)
4th Session is Feb 11-March 4; sharing at services on March 9. Leader Mrs. Dickerhoof (OFF March 11)



Casual, Contemporary Worship: 10:30am

Music – Autumn Boettner,, Carl Leonard,
Dave Dickerhoof, Becky Dickerhoof

Welcome/Announcements/Lighting of the Christ Candle

Praise and Worship

Congregational Prayer/Offering:

Please complete your Communicator Cards and drop in the Offering bucket

Dismissal to Bridge Kidz

Scripture

Psalm 29, Act 8:14-17, Isaiah 43:1-7

Message

Pastor Kimberly

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Closing Worship

Sending Forth to Love and Serve

Vitality Team Meeting

Have you wanted to join in the different ways we serve the congregation and the community, but aren't sure how? Do you have a unique vision for how the church could accomplish this in the coming year?

Our Vitality Team is the group that engages the congregation and the community by hosting events such as Nerf and Nachos, the Graduation Luncheon, Dessert Wars, Free Haircut Events, the Advent Festival, etc. These are wonderful opportunities to spread the word of Jesus, and offer prayer throughout the community through fun and social events.

Please join us for our first Vitality Meeting of the year on Wednesday, January 15th at 5:15pm at the YBC.

We will be discussing this years' events, and planning things such as the Graduation Luncheon we host for the Seniors of Carrollton each year, the new Hair Event we've added (offering free haircuts, necessities, prayer, support and tools for life of those in need in our community), and so much more! This isn't a commitment to serve, but fresh ideas and input for new things we can incorporate throughout the year is always welcomed!

Please contact Kelsey Pitts for any questions.

Bible Studies and Support Groups

- **MEN'S GROUP** - Next meeting will be the 3rd Saturday in January 2025. Please reach out to Brad Boughman with questions.
- **Pathfinders** – *On break until after the first of the year. Contact Kathy Cramer with questions. Tuesdays from 6-7pm at YBC.* This family friendly group is mostly “young” couples with kids. Anyone is welcome to come! Reading and discussing portions of Scripture each week.
- **Stitched with Love** – We meet the 1st & 3rd Thursdays of the month at **10am** at the YBC. If you would like to spend some craft time with other believers in Christ – join us! Next date: **Thursday, January 16**
- **New Wine Prayer Group** - Intercessory Prayer Team with the specific focus of praying on behalf of our church. We meet the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month at YBC at 10 am. Our next time together: **January 15**
- **Krills Bible Study**: *On break until the end of February.* Monday nights at 6:30pm at Bill & Francie's home. Our next study will be “What Happens Next” by Max Lucado. Contact Bill and Francie with questions.
- **Coffee & Christ** † *On break until the end of February.* Join us for Coffee & Christ, Tuesdays at 10am at the Carroll County Coffee Company! Contact Francie Krills with questions.
- **Lunch with Jesus** Wednesdays from 12-1pm at YBC.
- **'A Jesus Shaped Life'** – Last session is Jan. 22, 6-7pm at the YBC.

Prayers and Praises:

For Pastor Kimberly and her family

For the Interim Pastor of Carrollton First UMC

For the New Lead Pastor God’s is calling to our church

For those dealing with any form of addiction, for their recovery and prayers for their families.

For upcoming surgeries

For our schools, our children, our nation

For our military veterans and active military

Mary Lou Minor – sister of Vicki Ray, appreciates prayers

Loy Buehler - for comfort and peace and continued guidance for his family.

Jim Myers – chemotherapy.

Bonnie Newell Churco - diagnosed with PPMS; has started infusion treatments

Michayla Wendell prayers for discernment and strength as she deals with increase in pain from Dysautonomia flare ups

Bryan, Sue Pallaye’s nephew, medical & mental health

Bruce Finnicum – treatments for stomach cancer

Dave McKarns – prayers for healing and comfort

Mary Shuman –ongoing health issues

Mark and Maggie Oliver – Maggie to enter Hospice care on Friday, Nov. 15.

Nancy Tubaugh – on going heart issues; Tom and Bob Tubaugh’s mom

Gladys Collins – aggressive form of cancer; prayers for treatment, healing, strength – Cathy Carlton’s cousin

Paul – friend of Judy Markle, several medical issues

Walt, Judy’s nephew, in palliative care

Kathy Shuman –sister-in-law of Chuck (Mary) Shuman – health issues

Grief Group –

Kara Corbett will be leading an 8-week course on grief on **Thursdays, beginning January 9, 2025**

from 6:30-8:30pm at Malvern Community Church, 401 W. Main Street. Cost of the program is \$80 which includes the book and all needed materials. Call or text: Kara, Certified Grief Recovery Specialist® • 330-620-3026 or visit <https://www.griefrecoverymethod.com/grms/kara-corbett>

Hospitality at The Bridge - Please join your church family the **FIRST SUNDAY** of each month for a time of fellowship and light refreshments. Please come early from **10-10:30** and get to enjoy conversation together.

Carrollton First UMC on SOCIAL MEDIA

Stay connected sharing your experience at our church, during an outreach ministry or through a virtual event

Website: www.carrolltonfirstumc.org

Facebook: CarrolltonFirstUnited

YouTube: CarrolltonFirstUMC

Online giving available through tithe.ly

<https://www.carrolltonfirstumc.org/giving>

Mailing Address: 253 South Lisbon St., PO Box 85

Carrollton, OH 44615

Submit news, announcements & prayer requests to office@carrolltonfirstumc.org or call (330) 627-7671

Our church bulletin is also available on our website and on the YouVersion Bible App; find it under Events

Prayer and Praise requests- please email the church office with information to be shared. Please make sure you have permission from the family.

Sick Calls - If your loved one is in the hospital, nursing home or homebound and they would like a visit from our pastors, please call or email the office.

Marriage - Please call the office for information. Arrangements should be made at least six (6) months prior to the wedding. Before scheduling your reception venue, confirm that the pastor officiating and the church are available. (Weddings at Carrollton First UMC must be officiated by one of our current pastors).

Baptisms - Baptisms are scheduled on an individual basis. Please call the office to make arrangements.

Funerals and Funeral meals - Please have the funeral director contact the office before the date and time is decided and before the information is published in the newspaper. Meals can be provided following the service, please contact the church office to go over details.

Bulletin News Deadline - Wednesdays at noon in writing.

Interested in Becoming United Methodist? - Please call the church office about Membership Classes.