



HAPPY 2023!

JANUARY 6th. The Christian Church celebrates the visit of the Wise Men to Jesus on January 6th. It is the 12th Day after Christmas. We call it Epiphany, the day that we are reminded that the Light of God's love shines on all people, leading them to Jesus Christ, the Lord and Savior all.

YOU ARE ENCOURAGED to read through the New Testament in 2023 with other members of the Open Arms family. Read the listed passages each day. Listen to a summary of each weeks reading the following Sunday.

DAILY NEW TESTAMENT READINGS January 5th – 15th

5 th	Matthew 5:1-26	11 th	Matthew 8:23-9:8
6 th	Matthew 5:27-48	12 th	Matthew 9:9-34
7 th	Matthew 6:1-18	13 th	Matthew 9:35-10:15
8 th	Matthew 6:19-7:11	14 th	Matthew 10:16-33
9 th	Matthew 7:12-29	15 th	Matthew 10:34-11:15
10 th	Matthew 8:1-22		

A QUICK LOOK AT UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Board Member Installation January 8th
- Confirmation Classes Resume January 8th
- Elders January 10th
- Administrative Board January 16th
- 252 for Elementary Youth Wednesday Evenings from 6:30 to 8:00
- MEALTIME Chili Cookoff, January 25th

THE 2023 MEN'S BIBLE STUDY meets Tuesdays at 6:30 pm in the Upper Room on

Jan. 24th	Feb. 21st	March 21st	April 18th
Jan 31st	Feb. 28th	March 28th	April 25th

Sessions will begin with the New Testament letters from John, John 1, 2 & 3. Men of Open Arms, make one of your New Year's resolutions to attend one or more of these Bible Study opportunities and invite a friend. If you have any questions, please contact David Ferber (ferber_david@yahoo.com).

THE CHRISTIAN “GPS” or GOSPEL POSITIONING SYSTEM series begins January 8th. The Gospel helps us navigate through life as followers of Jesus Christ. What we do as Christians flows from who we are in Christ. During the GPS series we will look at the Gospel readings to see how God directs our lives to Do what He wants us to do and to Be who He wants us to be.

MEAL-TIME CHILI COOKOFF is January 25th. This is a time for Day Care and Church “families to enjoy a free meal together, relax and get to talk with each other. We are looking for people who would like to be part of the Chili Cookoff challenge. Who has the best Chili in the Open Arms family? Find out on the 25th. We serve from 5:00 to 6:00.

THE 252 YOUTH made 252 Christmas Cards that were delivered to the residents at Cedar Woods. Great Job, Kids!

“**THE WORD WORKS**” is the title for the Michigan District theological conference on February 4th at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Lansing. More information is available at michigandistrict.org/theological23. Registration is \$25 per person or \$15 for students. Registration to live stream the conference is free.

ONE VOLUNTEER IS NEEDED for Children’s Church for the third Sunday of each month. Thanks to Jen Pape for coordinating the program and serving on the third Sunday since last September.

PLEASE SCAN if you want to contact the church, update your information, or leave a message for Pastor Larry. Thanks

