



## Castalia Congregational United Church of Christ

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Castalia Congregational United Church of Christ maintains tradition in our almost 200-year-old church with a healthy dose of the current world's outlets of ministry while being open to new ideas. We are seeking someone to fill our needs permanently at half time with potential to grow. Salary and benefits are to follow conference guidelines but are negotiable. Currently no parsonage is available.

Church membership is currently about 340 with an average of 50 members attending each week. Although we no longer have a website, we reach several families through Facebook. Reaching an average of 90 homes a week by streaming our services online. Regular online viewers tune in from Illinois, Kansas, Minnesota, and North Carolina.

Here at Castalia Congregational United Church of Christ we are proud of many things. The ability to step up when the congregation, building, and community are in need tops that list. The longevity of our church is simply amazing. Some families have called this church home for 6+ generations as the church is almost 200 years old. Continuously giving back to our community through our missions; Victory Kitchen, Care and Share, Crossroads, Hope Homes just to name a few. Our most recent venture will begin in Fall 2023 when the church will be used an additional 5 days a week for the students at Margaretta Local Schools to learn through a Bible study with Life Wise Academy.

They say we live in the perfect place as we get to experience all four seasons. In the summertime we can enjoy the sunshine, Lake Erie, and islands while still being in a relaxing rural setting. In the wintertime we are covered in snow with ski resorts just a short trip away. Experiencing all of these things in such a small area is something we are very thankful for. We are right in the middle of Cleveland and Toledo requiring only an hour drive to each major city. This makes airport travel a breeze.

The white church by the duck pond has been a historical landmark for many in this area for almost 200 years. Although the years keep climbing, preservation of the church structure has been ongoing over the years. In 2010 the sanctuary was remodeled to offer more space at the alter which is great for our Sunday school programs. New windows were installed in the sanctuary in 2021. We are thankful to have a community of people who are interested in this church and want to preserve it for years to come.

