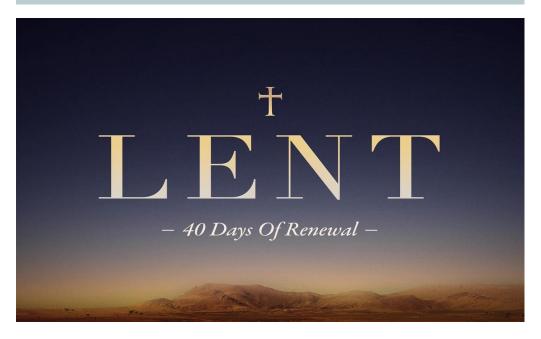
THE CHIMES

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WHAT IS LENT AND WHY DOES IT LAST 40 DAYS?

Lent is a season of forty days, not counting Sundays, which begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Saturday. Lent comes from the Anglo Saxon word *lencten*, meaning "lengthen" and refers to the lengthening days of spring. The forty days represents the time Jesus spent in the wilderness, enduring the temptation of Satan and preparing to begin his ministry.

Lent is a time of repentance, fasting, and preparation for the coming of Easter. It is a time of self-examination and reflection. In the early church, Lent began as a period of fasting and preparation for baptism by new converts and then became a time of penance by all Christians. Today, Christians focus on relationship with God, growing as disciples and extending ourselves, often choosing to give up something or to volunteer and give of ourselves for others.

Sundays in Lent are not counted in the forty days because each Sunday represents a "mini-Easter." This is why you will see the designation "Sunday in Lent" rather than "Sunday of Lent" in the naming of these Sundays. On each Lord's Day in Lent, while Lenten fasts continue, the reverent spirit of Lent is tempered with joyful anticipation of the Resurrection.

Watch for updates in the near future regarding our schedule for Holy Week worship services.

 $\textbf{Article from:} \ \underline{\text{https://www.umc.org/en/content/ask-the-umc-what-is-lent-and-why-does-it-last-forty-days?} \\$

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CLARA'S CONTEMPLATIONS

Though many of you already know this information, I wanted to have it in writing for you. I first made this announcement on Valentine's Day:

I have spent a lot of time in the past half year in prayerful discernment. As I told you when I preached my call story in 2018, I have always responded to God with a dual calling - one to family and another to ministry in the church. Most seasons in my life, these two callings have peacefully existed side by side. I found that there are times when one call demands priority over the other. I felt it when the children were babies. I feel I have entered such a season when my family's needs are in priority.

Therefore, I have discerned that I desire to step out of the local church and seek, with God's guidance, a ministry position outside of the local church. This will allow me to remain in ministry and provide me the time and energy to attend to the needs of family. As of today, I don't know what that position will be but trust that God is working toward my future.



Please know that this discernment isn't a direct result of the discontent a few of our members are loudly expressing over my leadership. Rather, it's been through the hard work of prayer and communion with God as I talked with Doug and our children.

I will continue to faithfully lead the church through this appointment year which ends June 30, 2021. I pledge to work closely with Pastor Chad and our lay leadership as, together, we seek the will of God as we continue in the vital ministry that God is calling us to and to prepare CUMC for a change in the lead pastor appointment.

Again, I want to thank you all for the gift of Renewal Leave. I'm deeply grateful for the support that many of you have expressed through cards, texts and conversations. I will keep you posted as the Bishop and Cabinet work through the appointment process.

Blessings, Clara

MUSIC MINISTRY

Praise in the Parking Lot continues to be a blessing as a time of worship! Join us on Thursday, March 4, and Thursday, March 18, at 5:30 PM as we gather for singing, scripture, and prayer. If you are unable to join us in person, be sure to tune in on Facebook Live! We give thanks for all the faithful volunteers who help make this service possible!





A Virtual Easter Cantata will be presented on Sunday, March 28! This worship experience will feature videos from previous cantatas plus new recordings by several soloists. The service will be shared virtually on Facebook and YouTube at 10:00 AM. Watch for more info in case we are able to return to in-person worship by this date.

CHAD'S CHALLENGES

"There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens." Ecclesiastes 3:1

Change is a part of life. Sometimes change is easy. You may have painted your living room, and you welcomed it as a refreshing change. Sometimes change is hard. They say that along with a death, moving, and job change are among life's most stressful changes. Sometimes we get angry about a change; other times we get depressed. Those are surface emotions. Under the surface is grief. If we are not self-aware that we are experiencing change as grief, then we will unfairly take out our anger on others or, in the case of depression, it is anger turned inward.



Self-awareness about how you are feeling during change is crucial to a healthy, Christian response. Also crucial is seeking help by talking with a friend, a pastor, a spiritual director, or a therapist. And as the old hymn instructs, "Oh, what needless pain we bear, all because we do not carry everything to God in prayer!"

Our church has been going through some dramatic changes, and it has been hard. We lament that several of our staff members—Dr. Jim, Bayo, Alistia, and Carla—are no longer serving with us. We lament that Pastor Clara will also be leaving the local church for a season. A new lead pastor will be appointed to serve CUMC beginning July 1. How do these changes make you feel? Are you self-aware about how you are feeling? Are you feeling angry? Depressed? Grief? Another feeling? Now, who will you talk with to help you manage your feelings in a healthy way, both for your own well-being and the well-being of our church? Will you carry this to God in prayer?

Christians are called to be Spirit-filled leaders who model for others how to respond to change in a healthy and loving way. If I let my anger control me, or if I turn my anger inward in the form of depression, then I might do harm. If I do harm, then I am not living according to the fruit of the Spirit. But if I am honest about how I feel, and then pray and seek help in expressing my emotions in a healthy, life-giving way, then I will likely respond in love, peace, kindness, and self -control, which are among the fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:19-24).

There is a season for everything, and we are entering into a new season. The singer Stevie Nicks wondered, "Can I sail through the changing ocean tides? Can I handle the seasons of my life?" By ourselves, no we can't handle the changing seasons. But Scripture reassures us we are not alone: "Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified ... for the Lord your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you" (Deuteronomy 31:6). God's abiding presence gives us courage and strengthens us in every change. But with all these dizzying changes, I give thanks that Christ, the solid rock on which we stand, never changes: "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever" (Hebrews 13:8)! I'm taking that good news to the Lord in praise and prayer!

Rev. Dr. Chad Thomas Beck Associate Pastor



PRESCHOOL NEWS

Thank you for your continuing prayers! The preschool is doing so very well and everyone is staying healthy. The children are preparing for Kindergarten and learning all about the love God has for them. This year looks a bit different but CUMCPS staff is doing their best to keep it as normal as possible. Since this year is so different and items can't be shared among the children, staff has been using a lot of zip lock bags to keep things separate. If you would like to help the preschool, any donations of gallon and quart zip lock bags would be greatly appreciated. If you would like to donate, you can leave them in the Sharing Bin in the church parking lot. CUMCPS asks that you continue to pray for children and staff.

GOOD SAMARITAN FUND BLESSINGS

by Eric Hougland, Chair of Missions

As the new Missions Committee Chair at CUMC, I have been getting myself better educated about the many ways that CUMC is in ministry and in mission. One way that we that we have provided support for those in need is through the Good Samaritan Fund. Many offerings were provided when the federal stimulus checks were first distributed. Church members gave some, or all, of this additional income to the fund. In addition, some members gave additional offerings to the fund as a response to the devastating impact that COVID-19 is having on our community. These generous donations have amounted to nearly \$23,000.



Eric and Laura Hougland

The contributions to the Good Samaritan Fund are a witness of the love of God in serving others! On behalf of the church, and for those who have benefited from the fund, I say thank you! The following examples are a few of the ways that the Good Samaritan Fund has helped those in need. The recipients of these gifts expressed their heartfelt gratitude upon receiving assistance and some were overcome with emotion.

- Our church helped a woman with five children who had lost her job cleaning homes due to COVID-19. We were able to help her with rent and utility payments so that she and her children did not become homeless.
- Our church helped a family whose father had surgery that caused him to miss work for several weeks, putting them behind on rent and limited their ability to pay for food. In addition, one of the family's sons had several surgeries, causing additional financial hardship. We helped them by paying one month's rent and bought them a gift certificate for groceries.
- Our church helped a man and his three children who are living in their car. They had become homeless when his business closed due to COVID-19. He is working part-time at a local grocery store and doing odd jobs. Our church paid his car payment and bought Christmas gifts for the children.
- Our church helped a woman who was recently widowed to pay her rent and utilities.
- Our church supplemented funds from a local non-profit organization to help a man without health insurance pay for his cataract surgery.
- Our church helped a mother and three children pay their rent. The mother had been working two part-time jobs, but lost one job due to COVID-19 and missed some work at her second job due to not having child care.

To demonstrate God's love for one another I urge you to consider how you can serve those in need as we continue to deal with the impacts of COVID-19. Is it contributing to the Good Samaritan Fund? Is it volunteering to help at the local food bank? Is it using your time and talents to support a ministry area at the church? I ask that you prayerfully consider how God is calling you to be a witness of His abundant love. I look forward to how we will minister to those in need in the days, months, and years to come! *John 13:34-35*

2021 BLOOD DRIVES—SAVE THE DATES!

Wednesdays, 10:00 AM—3:00 PM, Davis Fellowship Hall

March 17, 2021 April 7, 2021 May 19, 2021 June 30, 2021

The need is great! Book your appointment today at www.redcrossblood.org.

Donations from our most recent blood drive are helping to save lives at Riverside Hospital and Henrico Doctors.



UMCOR KITS FOR CONFERENCE

The Church is NOT closed! At the moment, worship is virtual and in-person meetings occur on the WEB, but the Church is alive and serving!

The United Methodist Committee on Relief operates two relief depots, one in Salt Lake City and the Sager Brown Depot in Baldwin, Louisiana. For the past several years, CUMC and the United Methodist Women (UMW) have collected materials for and assembled health kits to send to Sager Brown. They collect kits to have on hand when disaster strikes.

The Need is Great! Due to COVID-19, many people in the country and abroad have lost jobs/income/housing. Homeless shelters and food pantries are facing unprecedented demand. Therefore, our goal for this year's June 17-19 Virginia United Methodist Annual Conference in Hampton is **100 Health Kits**. *The entire congregation is invited* to support this effort by donating items to be packed into kits. We'll have to do it a little differently this year. Please purchase from the below list.

- · Hand towels (15 x 25 –17 x 27 inches, No kitchen, cleaning, or microfiber towels)
- · Washcloths (No kitchen, cleaning, or microfiber cloths)
- · Comb (Must be sturdy with at least 6 inches of teeth, No pocket combs or picks, Rattail and combs without handles are acceptable but must have at least 6 inches of teeth, Dollar Tree has a great 4 pack of large combs in the Ethnic Hair section)
- · Bath-size soap (3 oz. bar or larger, No Ivory or Jergen's soap, Do not remove from packaging)
- · Adult toothbrush (One per package, Do not remove from packaging, Personal advertising not acceptable)

Drop your donation off at church or in the Sharing Bin (in the drive-thru in front of the Atrium.) This collection will run through March 31. Call Susan Petrey, 275-9258, for more information.

REST STOP YOUTH MINISTRY

Rest Stop Youth Ministry continues to meet on Tuesday afternoons from 3:30-5:30. Recently, we have been able to move back to the annex to hold our weekly meetings. In our move back to our annex, I saw that our rules were still up. I was reflecting a little bit on our rules for our program and how they establish boundaries for our kids and really embody the vision for this program. The *R.E.A.L. Rules acronym* is something that was inspired from my time serving at the Branches after-school mission we support in Florida City, FL and modified for our Rest Stop program here at Chester UMC.

First, the *R* for respect is about respecting ourselves, each other, and our adult volunteers. The *E* is for engage. We encourage our youth to engage with each other, our volunteers, participate in activities or lessons, and with their studies



at school. *A is for Attitude*. We encourage our kids to maintain a positive attitude when it comes to their studies and with their lives. We work on helping our youth establish more of a Growth Mindset and not limit themselves with words like "can't". *L is for Leave Refreshed*. The students we serve through our Rest Stop ministry lead chaotic and uncomfortable lives due to things like unstable housing, food insecurity, or family situations. Our goal Rest Stop is to provide a safe place for them for them to enjoy just being kids and to be supported by their peers and loving adults.

All the Rest Stop youth we are currently serving are on track somewhat to graduate this year! (Praise God!) That being said, we are in need of some individuals with skills like resume building, college applications, or wisdom and



knowledge on other post-high school opportunities like trade school to ensure continued success after graduation. If this is an area you could be a resource, we could really use your help to make sure our youth have a plan on this next step on their journey.

We are primarily accepting monetary and food donations for the continuation of this essential ministry! If you'd like to assist with monetary or food donations, please feel free to reach out to Alina Roy (family@chesterumc.org) and I'll be sure to get in touch with you!

STEPHEN MINISTRY CARING MOMENT

Why Do We Have Stephen Ministry at CUMC?

People sometimes may ask or think, why do we need Stephen Ministers at Chester United Methodist Church —don't we have pastors to be with people during difficult times in their lives or in the lives of their family? The simple answer is that our pastors cannot possibly provide all of the caring ministry. Our pastors are like emergency responders —when a crisis happens, they hurry to the scene to provide spiritual care and comfort. But shortly after that, another "fire" will break out in our congregation, and they rush to that scene.



This is where Stephen Ministers come in. The pastors will always be our spiritual leaders and chief comforters, our emergency responders, but our Stephen Ministers are people who come in after the crisis and help rebuild. Stephen Ministers continue to give care as long as needed—one month, two months, six months, possibly a year or more. They provide the steady, consistent one-to-one follow-up care that folks often need but that our pastors simply can't provide.

Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.

1 Thessalonians 5:11

Stephen Ministers listen, accept, care, and walk with a person who is going through a difficult time. They provide confidential support—prayer, Scripture, forgiveness, unconditional acceptance—in appropriate ways to meet the needs of the care receiver. A central idea in Stephen Ministry is that Stephen Ministers are caregivers, while God is the Curegiver. In other words, Stephen Ministers provide caring support while trusting God to bring healing and wholeness to the hurting person. Stephen Ministers are not pastors, counselors, or therapists. They do not give advice or tell people how to solve their problems. They are there to care for as long as necessary.



VIRGINIA ROOTS, RACE, AND DISCIPLESHIP

This discussion and study group meets virtually on Wednesdays at Noon. Our honest, open, confidential discussions center on the issue of race, exploring historical and modern day examples. Join us as we move toward understanding and reconciliation.

A second offering of this virtual discussion group is hosted by Trinity UMC (Chesterfield) on Wednesdays at 7:00 PM.

Contact the Church Office for links to either Zoom meeting.

The Virginia Roots, Race, and Discipleship curriculum is a first step toward addressing racism in the Virginia Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church. This series includes videos and interviews that acknowledge and document Virginia's role in forming and continuing race prejudice and racial discrimination embedded in law, customs, and institutions, including the Church.

Our lived experiences shape the stories we tell about ourselves and others. In this curriculum, videos expose and encompass narratives from the indigenous peoples in America to present-day migrant workers on the Eastern Shore of Virginia. This guide unearths and acknowledges the stories of multi-ethnic and multi-racial voices in Virginia. Their perspectives impact our acceptance of the Church's role in racism in Virginia and racism's effect on discipleship among members of the Virginia Annual Conference.

Each video covers a period in Virginia history or the Methodist story. Stories include Native Americans, European settlers, enslaved Africans, Southampton County, Virginia, Richmond during the Civil War, Jim Crow, Women's Suffrage, and the Central Jurisdiction. Stories of human rights include Massive Resistance, Nonviolence Movements, the Unite the Right Rally, Migrant Workers, and Asians in America.

Visit https://vaumc.org/racerelations/ for more information about this study.

STEWARDSHIP MINUTE

Your talent is God's gift to you. What you do with it, is your gift to God. - Leo Buscaglia

Hello Chester UMC,

We are excited to have been asked to co-chair our 2021 Stewardship Team. Throughout the year, we will share the church's vision of stewardship and serve as a resource. This month, our focus is on Talents.

Like Stewardship, talents come in many forms. Some of us have a talent for hands on activities, some with numbers and procedures, and others for compassion. As we continue to live into our calling to be good stewards of God's gifts to us, let us demonstrate our faith and share our various talents. As you go about your days, we ask that you reflect on how you are offering your gifts.

ous talents. As you go about your days, we ask that you reflect on how you are offering your gifts, prayers, presence, service, and witness to strengthen the ministries of Chester UMC.

Bryon and Josefa Bethea Wall Stewardship Team, Co-Chairs



MONTHLY FINANCIAL UPDATE

\$84,979.00 2021 Monthly amount needed to support our budget \$77,506.25 Budgeted expenses through January 27, 2021 \$59,913.07 January 2021 giving through first 5 Sundays

Stewardship and faithful generosity are opportunities for spiritual growth in our personal relationship and trust in God, while providing for our church's mission and ministry. CUMC Financial Committee will continue to monitor closely our finances and provide monthly updates. God bless you.

MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH

As you may know there have been some recent staffing changes here at Chester UMC. Due to those changes, my role has now been modified to include coordinating our middle and high school youth ministries. Although I am saddened by the circumstances of this change, I am excited for the opportunity to help lead our youth ministry alongside our amazing volunteers.

We are planning for youth group and would appreciate feedback on how your family feels most comfortable participating and feedback on the timing for our programs. Filling out this survey would be extremely helpful to us as we continue on during COVID times.

http://bit.ly/cumcyouthsurvey

POC: Alina Roy (family@chesterumc.org)



Chester UMC's Youth Program is looking for opportunities to give back to our church family and community.

We are looking to do things like lawn care or home care on Saturday afternoons.

Contact Alina if you are interested in volunteering in Samaritan Saturdays with us or receiving volunteer services.







VIRTUAL SUNDAY SCHOOL

Our Virtual Sunday School is updated weekly! Contact Alina at <u>family@chesterumc.org</u> to become a part of the distribution list.



FAMILY EGG DROP CHALLENGE

You're invited to participate in our Family Egg Drop Challenge. Your family will be challenged to work together to make a contraption to protect a raw egg from breaking or cracking from a high fall. You will make your contraption at

home using materials provided that can be picked up in the church Sharing Bin outside the church Welcome Center.

We will meet in the main parking lot at Chester UMC with our contraptions for our 'Drive-In Egg Drop Competition' on *Saturday, March 27, at 1:00 PM* to put your contraption to the test! There will be prizes for successful drops and for creativity!

PAINT NIGHT—In-Person and Virtual!

Sign up at <u>bit.ly/CUMCPAINT</u> to attend in-person or if you need supplies to participate the in prerecorded virtual event!

For more information contact Alina at family@chesterumc.org



PAINT NIGHT @ CHESTER UMC

Saturday March 20th 2021 6:00pm-7:00pm

for more info & to sign up: bit.ly/CUMCPAINT

TILLEOR WELL

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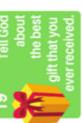
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your family and pray for each family member

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29 Tell God three things you like God and ask for His forgiveness?

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church

ask how you could for grandparents and pray for them.

SORRY

THANK YOU NOTES

Dear CUMC Prayer Shawl Committee,

Thank you so much for the prayer shawl. It came on a day that I was having a little pity party. My back was hurting and I had to take our 21 year old cat to the vet. I was afraid he had to be euthanized. Turns out he is in great health but has some dementia. Life is treating us pretty well. Phil has rotator cuff surgery after Thanksgiving (we hope). We have two pecan trees that have been producing abundantly. If anyone wants nuts, please let me know. Any donations will be welcomed. I will bring one pound unshelled nuts. Yours in Christ. ~Debbie Yerby

Dear Church Family,

Thank you, thank you, thank you to all who sent notes and cards, or made Valentine's cards for our veterans at McGuire's Hospital. I'm sure your thoughtfulness will lift their spirits. Despite the unusual circumstances that the quarantine has put is in, I am proud that we sent 137 cards to the veterans. "Well done, good and faithful servant!" Matthew 25:21

~Barbara MacIntyre

MEMORIAL DONATIONS

<u>In Memory of Bridget</u> Vince and Linda D'Agostino

FREE HAND SANITIZER

We received a large supply of free hand sanitizer from the Virginia Department of Health! Drop by the Sharing Bin, grab a few bottles for yourself, and take some to share with friends and neighbors. We will continue to restock the supply until all bottles of have been distributed.





IN-PERSON SMALL GROUPS

Groups of 10 or less may meet at the church for up to 45 minutes while wearing masks and practicing social distancing. All meetings should be scheduled in advance through Terry Wisegarver (cumcsecretary@chesterumc.org), our Office Manager.

Chester UMC Healthy Church Team designs and implements in -person gathering plans that show love and care for the physical, emotional, mental, and spiritual well-being of our church family members and visitors. We also encourage online Google Meet/Zoom/social media gatherings, phone calls, and creative ways to be together safely.

March Birthdays

March 1

Jill Gregory
Julie Newcomb
Jacob Tuck

March 2

Amy Cole Brandon Davis John Earley Alina Roy Kary Showers

March 3

Leroy Bryant IV Ginger Chadwick Mark Houchins

March 4

Sarah Bowers Lea Brooks Camden Chatham Marylou Cumby Dave Deck Courtney Engelking Andrew Krukiel Steve Shultz

March 5

Jim Hobson Madelyn Jackson Vivian Rooks

March 6

Sandy Burch Aiden Freed Judy McGee Bruce Nugent Chelsea Waldrop

March 7

Irving Anderson, Jr.
Emily Comer
Danny Harrington
Carly Lowder
Kelly Overstreet
Billie Tyus
Corey Waldrop

March 8

Jessica Brock
Tom Clark
John Hancock, Jr.
Susan Irvin
Britt McCall
Andrew McVicker
Fred Roberts
Ronald Spohn
Levi Wargofcak

March 9

Allison Forlines Edie Higgins Angela Roddy Penn Shultz

March 10

Karen Clark Parker Davis Allison Dodd Griffin Kilbourne Susan Petrey Linda Willingham Bonnie Wray

March 11

Stacey Broga Ellis Chatham Lional Dunnavant David Hainley Chris Howard Eric Krukiel Sonja Seward

March 12

Angelo Galarza Brian Garrett Sarah Mason

March 13

Scott Barnes Chris Keffer Jack Taylor

March 14

Sara Flowers Matt Lloyd Beth Russell

March 15

Chris Akom Rishi Bala Peggy Cole Rebecca Lee Kim Young

March 16

Ryin Ahlers
Esther Awalt
Ella Becker
Patricia Griffin
Janis Hargrave
Dean Miller
Meaghan Payne
Sophie Radford
Hunter Ann Taylor

March 17

Bill Burton Todd Finkler Laura Godsey Jay Martin Aarun Roy Dollie Stone Savannah Stone Brian Waring

March 18

Caroline Carson Charis Landis Marie Perdue Lou Shoff Matthew Squires Stephanie Thomas Caden Yerby

March 19

Melanie Bernacki Tiege Ferguson Joseph Hurt Greg McCarney

March 20

James Castleberry II Thomas Floyd William Hall Carole Kelley Brady McCormack Alan Pratt Gary Williams

March 21

Katie Bartlett Conaway Haskins Cyndi LeSueur Wayne Motley

March 22

Kaitlin Baker Terri Costner Dick Goyne, Sr. Richard Goyne, Jr. Molly Jones Chris Williams

March 23

Glenn Brubaker Greta Getch Cheryl Green Carolyn Maxwell John Parker Martha Shelton

March 24

Hannah Bowles Katey McCarney Mathis Seal

March 25

Logan Carson
Addison DePhillip
Anna Evancho
Luke Fields
Rod Holmes
Elizabeth Jones
Daniel Sink
Linda Thomas
John Turner
Madison Williams
Meg Woolard

March 26

Leanne Ferry Allison Harris Adam Martin

March 27

Samantha Garcia Kate Moore Tom Payne, Jr. Ashton Read Matthew Scott

March 28

Christi Brubaker Hatcher Cook Bobby Feind, Jr. June Garrett Alexander Hodell Sam Jackson, Sr. James Robinson Jamie Shannon Dylan Stone

March 29

Denise Blankenbecler Olivia Bowles Vance Davis Derek Getch Hunter Miles Margo Sommer Bert Watson Keith Willingham

March 30

Dan Hayes Will Herrmann Brian Houston Laura Morris Ella Sink Sydney Sink Debbie Swinson

March 31

Mary Beth Cavey Baily James



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<u>PLEASE NOTE:</u> The email for CHIMES submissions is <u>communication@chesterumc.org</u>. The deadline for submission to the <u>April 2021 Chimes is Wednesday</u>, <u>March 17</u>.

CHESTER UMC ON THE WEB AND IN THE WORLD

Missed a Sunday?—Don't miss the message! Find recent sermons at www.chesterumc.org, click on the WORSHIP tab.

Find us on **Facebook** at Chester United Methodist Church for weekly sermon shorts, daily devotionals, event announcements, and more! https://www.facebook.com/groups/ChesterUMC/

Receive our Chester UMC **Prayer Chain** by request. Submit your name and email address to cumcsecretary@chesterumc.org with Prayer Chain in the subject line.

The Chester UMC newsletter, *The Chimes*, is available on the **Web** at: www.chesterumc.org. Go to "NEWS", then select "Chimes."

Visit the **CUMC library** from your home at https://16538.rmwebopac.com (password: CUMC). Search for titles, peruse our inventory, and much more. POC: Ron Dombrowski (rmachachi@aol.com)

Call the Church Office, 748-6006, for more information.