



October 17, 2021
10:00 AM

WORSHIP MUSIC

I Feel Like Traveling On
Are You Washed in the Blood?
Soon and Very Soon
Where Could I Go?

SCRIPTURE

2 Timothy 3:10-17
Good News Translation

SPECIAL MUSIC

Morning Has Broken
For the Beauty of the Earth
Jack Price

MESSAGE

“The Word of God is not a Book”
Rev. Nathan Decker

SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SERMON TITLE</u>	<u>SCRIPTURE</u>
October 24	<i>The Word of God Spoken</i>	Jeremiah 20:7-13 TLB
October 31	<i>The Word of God is Interpreted Culturally</i>	Acts 2:1-12 NRSV
November 7	<i>The Word of God is Us</i>	Matthew 25:31-40 CEV
November 14	<i>The Word of God Liberates</i>	Exodus 3:1-15 NRSV

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FRESH START SERVICE

October 17, 2021—8:30 AM



Please sign the teal attendance pad and pass it to your neighbor.

WORSHIP MUSIC

Fruit of the Spirit
Every Move I Make
Trading My Sorrows
Blessed Be Your Name
Glory to God Forever

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A Service of Worship and Praise
11:00 AM

Children's Sabbath

Please sign the red attendance pad, register for activities, and pass it to your neighbor.

Welcome, Announcements, and Greeting Our Neighbor

Chimes

Prelude

Morning Has Broken

Jack Price

* Call to Worship

Lillian & Quinn Harvey

Leader: Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me..."

People: We come, each of us a child of God.

Leader: Jesus said, "It is to such as these that God's kingdom belongs."

People: Each child is already part of God's kingdom.

* Opening Prayer

Emily Galarza

Tender God, by your Spirit help us calm and quiet our souls like a child with its mother so that we may hear your Word to us this day and respond in faith. Amen.

* Opening Hymn

Fruit of the Spirit / Trading My Sorrows

* Apostle's Creed No. 881

* Gloria Patri No. 70

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. Amen.

Offering Intro

Joel Beck

Offertory

For the Beauty of the Earth

Jack Price

* Doxology No. 94

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Anthem

Let Me Be

Chancel Choir

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

Hymn No. 191

Jesus Loves Me

Scripture Reading

2 Timothy 3:10-17

Good News Translation

Sermon

The Word of God is not a Book

Rev. Nathan Decker

* Closing Hymn No. 571

Go, Make of All Disciples

* Benediction

* Choral Amen

* *Please stand as you are able.* **Bold print indicates a response in unison.**

Hearing Assistance Devices, Large Print Hymnals, and Braille Hymn Sheets are available for use in the Sanctuary. Please ask an usher.

Altar Flowers for the Sanctuary: To donate Altar flowers, please sign up on the flower chart outside the Church Office and complete an Altar Flower Form. Please make arrangements with the florist of your choice, including delivery to the church and payment to the florist. (The suggested price is \$55-\$65.) Special pricing and free delivery to the church have been arranged with **River's Bend** and **Petals & Bows Florists**. Thank you for helping to beautify the Altar for worship.

CALENDAR
October 17-24, 2021

Office Hours: Mon-Thurs 8:30 AM–2:00 PM

Today: 8:30 AM Nursery until 12:15 PM
Fresh Start Worship-DFH
9:30 AM Children’s Sun Sch-DFH
9:45 AM Adult Sunday School
Youth Sun Sch.-Annex
10:00 AM The Bridge-Sanc
Online Worship–Facebook
11:00 AM Traditions Service-Sanc
5:00 PM Playdate wt Pastors-POR
6:30 PM Who Will be a Witness-226
Mon.: 7:00 PM Preschool Board-226
Tues. 10:30 AM Joy Singers-Music Suite
3:30 PM Rest Stop-Annex
7:00 PM Charge Conf-Wesley
Chapel UMC
Wed.: 12:00 PM Who Will Be a Witness–
Online
7:00 PM FINANCE-226

Wed. 7:00 PM Chancel Choir-Music S.
Thurs.: 7:30 AM Men’s Group-First Watch
10:00 AM Bookman F’ship-DFH
1:30 PM Prayer Shawl-Offsite
Fri.: 6:40 PM Movie Night-Annex Lawn
Sat.:

Next Sunday: October 24, 2021

8:30 AM Nursery until 12:15 PM
Fresh Start Worship-DFH
9:30 AM Children’s Sun Sch-DFH
9:45 AM Adult Sunday School
Youth Sun Sch.-Annex
10:00 AM The Bridge
Online Worship
11:00 AM Traditions Service-Sanc
3:00 PM Youth-Colonial Ridge APTS
6:30 PM Who Will be a Witness–226

Join the CUMC Better Together Elf Crew for the Saturday, December 11, Sports Backers family 6K Tacky Light Walk/Run. Registration at <https://www.sportsbackers.org/events/tacky-light-run/pricing-schedule/>. Cost : \$32/adult and \$14/ ages 4-12. POC: Natalie Galarza (familygalarza05@gmail.com). *Please register in the pew pad to let us know you plan to join us.*

Children’s Sunday School and Choir meets at 9:30 AM in the fellowship hall. We will offer a time of games (until about 10:00 AM), a Bible lesson, music, and prayer for children in grades PK-5. To volunteer, please contact Carrie Coyner (carrie.coyner@gmail.com).

Need a Nametag? Contact Terry (cumcsecretary@chesterumc.org) or register in the pew pad. Indicate how you want your name to appear on the tag, and drop a check in the offering plate (\$10 per nametag, payable to CUMC, Memo: Nametag).

Online Giving: Scan the QR code with your smartphone to contribute online or visit www.chesterumc.org and click “Online Giving.”



***We are truly blessed if you are a guest who has chosen to worship with us today!
First-time guests are invited to pick up a blue Welcome Bag from the Atrium or
Narthex. Thank you for celebrating the Lord with us today!***

Media Upgrade Benefit Concert Update: Last Sunday, Joshua Wortham presented a concert of worship to support our campaign to replace the existing sound equipment in the Sanctuary and Davis Fellowship Hall and add video equipment to improve our online ministry. The concert brought in \$30,155.00! Thank you, Church! We are close to reaching our goal, and it is not too late to support this project. Please make checks payable to CUMC (Memo: Media).

Playdate with the Pastors: 5:00 PM TODAY at Point of Rocks Park (201 Enon Church RD, Chester). All children and their families/friends are invited to have fun with Pastor Nathan and Pastor Chad and their families. *Please register in the pew pad if you plan on joining the fun.*

CUMC Charge Conference: 7:00 PM on Tuesday, October 19, at Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church (9227 River RD, S. Chesterfield, VA 23803). All members of the church are invited to attend. The Charge Conference directs the work of the church and gives general oversight to the Church Council, reviews and evaluates the mission and ministry of the church, sets salaries for the pastor and staff, elects the members of the Church Council, and recommends candidates for ordained ministry. Our CC will be paired with a few other churches in our district.

Last Chance to Order Whaley Pecans from the Ladies of Faith Fellowship! Harvesting will be late October, delivery in early November. Register in the pew pad or contact Betty Labin (804-748-3516) or Lorraine Young (804-748-6852) to order (\$12.00 per pound for halves or pieces). *Please make checks payable to Ladies of Faith.*

CUMC Movie Night on the Annex Lawn: Friday, October 22, 6:40 PM. Invite your friends and neighbors! Bring a blanket/lawn chair and some snacks to share as we watch *Coco* under the stars. POCs: Bobby Henderson (rhenn6020@gmail.com), Charlotte Brummette (charL208@yahoo.com).

CUMC Community Trunk or Treat: Sunday, October 31, at 5:00 PM in the church parking lot. Invite your friends and neighbors! *Please register in the pew pad to volunteer to decorate your car and provide treats for the children.* If you are unable to bring your decorated car, please donate treats to be handed out to the children. (Put them in the labeled bin in the Mission Closet.)

Cards for Veterans for McGuire Hospital. Due date is November 7. Let's let our veterans know that we are praying for them and that we appreciate their sacrifices and service to our country. Place your cards in the labeled box in the Sharing Bin in the main parking lot. Do not seal the envelopes and only sign your first name. See more details in the October newsletter. Surplus 2022 calendars are appreciated too. POC: Barbara MacIntyre (748-0775)

KEEP IN PRAYER: family of Earl Tatum; Merlin Mitchell; Alease Black (mother of Trish Black); Dr. Floyd Moore; Judith Proper & family; Janean Trimble; Carol Koon; Sue Thompson; Joe Welchel, Sr.; Marylou Cumby; Forrest [and June] Garrett; Clara Dyson (mother of Jim Dyson); Judy Dyson; Doug and Clara Gestwick.

Our Presence October 10, 2020

Online.....	32
Fresh Start	75
The Bridge	59
Traditions	99
Benefit Worship Concert	157
Total Worship Attendance	422

"Souvenir" starring Joshua Wortham and Georgia Rogers Farmer (and directed by Amy Perdue) will be performed at the Cultural Arts Center at Glen Allen November 5-21. Purchase tickets at www.artsglenallen.com or by calling 501-5859 (\$12 for adults and \$8 for seniors and students). "Souvenir" tells the story of Florence Foster Jenkins, a high-society eccentric who suffered under the delusion that she was a great coloratura soprano but was in fact incapable of singing two consecutive notes in tune!

LOOKING AHEAD

- October 17:** Children's Sabbath
Play Date with the Pastors at Point of Rocks Park, 5 PM
- October 19:** Charge Conference, 7 PM at Wesley Chapel UMC (River Road)
- October 22:** Movie Night on Annex Lawn, 6:40 PM
- October 31:** CUMC Community Trunk or Treat, 5 PM in Church Lot
- November 6:** Turkey Pot Pie Dinner by UMW, 6 PM, CUMC, \$12
- November 7:** All Saints Sunday
- November 15:** CCHASM Thanksgiving Meal Pkg. & donations due
- November 17:** BLOOD DRIVE, Fellowship Hall, 10 AM - 3 PM
- December 11:** Tacky Light Walk/Run at Midlothian Mines Park
- December 12:** Christmas Cantata, 8:30 and 11 AM
UMW Christmas Cookie Sale
- December 14:** Christmas Cantata, 7 PM,
- December 19:** Blue Christmas Service, 3 PM
- December 24:** Services at 3:00, 7:00, and 10:00 PM
- December 26:** One worship service only @ 11:00 AM

SUNDAY SMALL GROUPS

Fresh Start Sunday School Class

9:45 AM, Room 205

Reading the Old Testament through Jewish Eyes by Rabbi Evan Moffic.

POC: Susan Petrey (susanmpetrey@gmail.com)

Journey Sunday School Class

9:45 AM, Annex and Google Meet (*hybrid class*)

POCs: Carolyn Landis (landisfamily05@gmail.com);

Eric Hougland (ehougland88@gmail.com)

Seekers Sunday School Class

9:45 AM, Room 226

The Message of the Holy Spirit by K. Warrington

POC: Barbara MacIntyre (telluwhatbarbara@aim.com)

Senior Singles Sunday School Class

9:45 AM, Parlor

Think Like Jesus, by Randy Frazee

POC: Cynthia Corley (cacorley@ctsi.net)

Joy Unspeakable Small Group

6:30 PM, Room 226

Who Will Be a Witness (info below)

POC: Chad Beck (chadbeck@chesterumc.org) **IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO JOIN US!**

Middle and High School Youth Sunday School

9:45 AM, Annex Loft

POC: Dale (fungoboy77@gmail.com) and Karen Clark (klslark51@gmail.com)

WEDNESDAY Online Study Group: *Who Will Be a Witness: Igniting Activism for God's Justice, Love, and Deliverance* by Drew G. I. Hart (published by Herald Press, 2020, ISBN-13 978-1513806594): 12:00 PM, Google Meet; POC: Chad Beck (chadbeck@chesterumc.org)

THURSDAY Morning Men's Group: All men are invited to join us EVERY Thursday at 7:30 AM at First Watch Restaurant (9949 Iron Bridge RD, Chesterfield, VA 23832) for prayer, study, and fellowship. POC: Vann Stanfield (vannstan34@gmail.com)

CHESTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
INVITES YOU TO

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FRIDAY,
OCTOBER 22, 2021
CHESTER UMC
ON THE ANNEX LAWN
4227 OLD HUNDRED RD



Community Christmas Shoebox Project

Deadline, Sunday, November 14

POC: Linda D'Agostino (lindabella@comcast.net)

GET ON BOARD as we serve the **Greenleigh Mobile Home Community** by providing Christmas gift boxes to approximately 180 children in need. Our focus is boys and girls ages 2-3, 4-6, 7-9, and 10-12. Age-appropriate small toys may be put in each box i.e., dolls, balls, stuffed animals, puzzles, yoyos, bubbles, cars, etc. Other good options are hair accessories, toothbrushes, Chapstick, school supplies, socks, and jewelry. (Please, no candy or toy weapons.)

1. Get a shoebox
2. Wrap the top and bottom separately with gift wrap. (Do not seal the box.)
3. Shop!
4. Label your box: Boy or Girl and age group
5. Deliver to the church.



Donations for CUMC Food Pantry: From now through the Christmas season, our Food Pantry will help many clients. Please consider donating goods or money weekly to help us keep our pantry well stocked. (Checks payable to CUMC; Memo: Food Pantry). Refer to the list of items we provide for our patrons.

Join the Fresh Start Sunday School Class in Study, Fellowship and Service:

- **Beginning Sunday, October 24**— Join us as we study “If God is Love, Don’t be a Jerk” by John Pavlovitz. Thou Shalt Not be Horrible--Imagine if people of faith aspired to this mantra and daily challenged ourselves to live a faith that simply made us better humans. This book explores how we can embody a kinder spirituality where we humbly examine our beliefs to understand how they might compel us to act in less-than-loving ways toward others.

The Fresh Start Class meets every Sunday morning at 9:45 in room 205 (across the hall from the church library). Visitors and new members are always welcome. Call Susan Petrey, 938-5396, for more information.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN (UMW)

- The **Ada Mae Bookman Fellowship** will meet on Thursday, October 21, 10 AM, Davis Fellowship Hall. Call Martha Miles, 748-5476, for more information.
- The **Jean Craig Fellowship** will meet on Monday, November 1, 7:00 PM at church, Room 205. We will pack Thanksgiving Dinners for CCHASM. We welcome any women who are looking for an evening circle. Call Susan Petrey for details.

Mark Your Calendars:

- **Saturday, November 6, 9 AM**—**Turkey Pot Pie Preparation.** Many hands make light work!
- **Sunday, December 12**—**Christmas Cantata and UMW Christmas Cookie Sale**—deliver your homemade cookies on Saturday Morning, December 11, 9-12:00.

Call Susan Petrey, 938-5396, to learn more about UMW, our two participating fellowships, and how you can become involved.

Turkey Pot Pie Dinner, Saturday, November 6, 6:00 PM—***All Members of the Chester Community*** are invited to feast on **Turkey Pot Pie** and all the trimmings *plus* musical entertainment from Chester guitarist and singer Susan DePhillip. Proceeds will help support the mission projects of the United Methodist Women, including, but not limited to CUMC Food Pantry, Backpack Ministries, Christmas Mother, Samaritan Fund, and Youth Mission Trip. ***Tickets are required, \$12 per person***, checks made payable to **Chester UMW**. Call the Church Office, 748-6006 or Susan Petrey, 938-5396.

CUMC FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

We rely on food and monetary donations to stock our Food Pantry which we use to help feed the hungry in our community. We work closely with CCHASM (Chesterfield, Colonial Heights Alliance of Social Ministry) which screens clients in need of food and refers them to us.

Bath Soap	Macaroni & cheese – boxed
Beef Stew – 16 oz can	Mashed Potatoes – lg. boxed, instant
Biscuit / Pancake Mix – lg. box	Mayonnaise – large jar
Carrots – 16 oz. can	Peanut Butter – 16 oz jar
Cereal – cold	Peas – 16 oz. can
Cereal – hot	Pork & Beans – 16 oz. can
Chef Boyardee Pastas – 15 oz. can	Ramen Noodles
Chicken – 8 oz. can	Rice – white, instant
Chili w/Meat – 16 oz. can	Salmon –14.75 oz. can
Coffee – instant	Shampoo – 12 oz.
Corn – 16 oz. can	Soup – can or dry
Corned Beef Hash – 12 oz can	Spaghetti Noodles – 16 oz. pkg.
Fruit – 16 oz. can	Spaghetti Sauce – 20 oz. can or jar
Green Beans – 16 oz. can	Spam, Treat Luncheon Meat – canned
Ham – 1 lb., canned	Syrup – pancake
<i>Hamburger Helper</i> type meals	Tea – box of bags
Jelly – 16 oz jar	Toilet Tissue
Juice – lg. jar	Toothpaste – tube
Laundry Soap – lg. box	Tuna Fish – 8 oz. can

OCTOBER 17 USHERS

8:30 AM Eric Houglund*, Bruce Johnson, Scott Pugh
9:55 AM Linda D'Agostino*, JR Irvin
11:00 AM Gordon Morris*, Emory Large, Vann Stanfield, Tim Stewart, TBA

OCTOBER 24 USHERS

8:30 AM Gordon Jones*, Dale Clark, Bill Comer
9:55 AM Gordon Morris*, Jim Watkins
11:00 AM Gordon Jones*, Dean Hutchins, Larry Koon, Geoff LeSueur, Tommy Petrey

* Indicates Head Usher