



April 24, 2022

9:55 AM

WORSHIP MUSIC

I Saw the Light
Amazing Grace/Peaceful Easy Feeling
Mighty to Save

SPECIAL MUSIC

I Am Free
Luke Carson

SCRIPTURE

Romans 6:3-11
NLT

MESSAGE

“Resurrected to New Lives”
Rev. Chad Beck

SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SERMON TITLE</u>	<u>SCRIPTURE</u>	
May 1	<i>Blinded by Our Agendas</i>	Acts 9:1-6	
May 8	<i>The First Angels</i>	Luke 24:1-11	NRSV
May 15	<i>Pardon My Shine, I'm Just Getting My Glory On</i>	Revelation 21:1-11	NRSV
May 22	<i>A Vision of Eternal Life</i>	Rev. 21:10, 22-22:5	

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FRESH START SERVICE

April 24, 2022—8:30 AM



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

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Everlasting God
Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone
Mighty to Save

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- * Doxology No. 95
 - Praise God from whom all blessings flow;**
 - Praise him, all creatures here below;**
 - Praise him, above, ye heavenly host;**
 - Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

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. 365

Grace Greater than Our Sin

Scripture

Romans 6:3-11

NLT

Sermon

Resurrected to New Lives

Rev. Chad Beck

- * Closing Hymn No. 303 *The Day of Resurrection*

- * 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.

Worship Footnotes:

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² <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2011/06/opening-prayer-romans-6.html>

CALENDAR
April 24-May 1, 2022

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

Preschool Hours: Mon-Thurs 9:30 AM-1:30 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.-LOFT
 9:55 AM Bridge Service-Sanc/Stream
 11:00 AM Traditions Service-Sanc/Stream
 12:00 PM UMW Salad Lunch-DFH
 3:00 PM Wkshp: Thoughts on Race-226
 4:00 PM MS/HS Youth-Ecoff Elem
 6:30 PM NO Bridge Builders-226
 Mon.: 2:00 PM Village People-offsite
 6:30 PM Cub/Boy Scouts
 Tues.: 10:30 AM Joy Singers
 3:30 PM Rest Stop-Annex
 Wed.: 12:00 PM Bridge Builders-Online
 6:00 PM SPRC-226
 Thurs.: 7:30 AM Men’s Group-Grant’s Coffee

11:00 AM Contemplative Prayer-Parlor
 1:30 PM Prayer Shawl

Fri.:
 Sat.:

Next Sunday: May 1, 2022

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.-LOFT
 9:55 AM Bridge Service-Sanc/Stream
 11:00 AM Traditions Service-Sanc/Stream
 3:00 PM “Just Mercy Movie”-DFH
 4:00 PM MS/HS Youth-Annex
 6:00 PM Playdate wt Pastor-Pt of Rocks

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



VBS 2022: Monday, JULY 11-Friday, JULY 15 This year’s theme is “Rocky Railway.” Plans are underway and more details are coming

Leading Our Worship NEXT SUNDAY, May 1, 2022

Greeters: 8:30 Vince & Linda D’Agostino
 9:55 Stephanie Decker
 11:00 Steve & Joan Osborne
Ushers: 8:30 Gordon Jones*, Dale Clark, Bill Comer *Indicates Head Usher
 9:55 Gordon Jones*, Jim Watkins
 11:00 Gordon Morris*, Marshall Henry, Scott Pugh Tim & Beth Stewart
Nursery: 8:30, 9:55, 11:00 Staff Members, Alistia Mabry & Carla Adams

*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!*

Today, We Celebrate Confirmation Sunday when 17 of our youth profess their faith in Jesus Christ and become full members of Chester UMC!

Our Parish Nurse, Cindy Webb is in today (9:00-10:45, Office 111).

Livestreaming of our Sunday Services: The Bridge (9:55 AM) and Traditions (11:00 AM) services. The Fresh Start Service (8:30) will be available in the near future. Tune in via Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/ChesterUnitedMethodistChurch>) or YouTube (<https://www.youtube.com/c/ChesterUMC>).

Trash Pick Up: TODAY at 4:00 PM. Our Youth and Children Ministries invite **everyone** to join us as we celebrate Earth Day by cleaning up our county. In partnership with JFWC (Junior Federated Women's Club) of Chester, we will gather at Ecoff Elementary and pick up trash. Afterward, we will enjoy grilled hot dogs and games at Goyne Park. POC: Jennifer Brame (youthleaders@chesterumc.org)

Rest Stop Fishing Excursion: Tuesday, April 26, at the Appomattox Regional Park (800 Folar Trail, N Prince George, VA 23860). We will gather at the Education Shelter and fish from 3:30-5:00 PM. We need volunteers to come fellowship with the students and teach them how to fish. Contact Bobby Henderson (rlen6020@gmail.com) or *sign up in the pew pad*.

"Just Mercy" Movie Showing: Sunday, May 1, at 3:00 PM in Davis Fellowship Hall. "Just Mercy," with Michael B Jordan, Jaime Foxx, and Brie Larson, is based on a true story that takes us inside America's broken criminal justice system and compels us to confront inequality and injustice. **Please join us!** (Sponsored by the Bridge Builders Group) POC: Chad Beck

Playdate with the Pastor: Sunday, May 1, **6:00 PM** at R. Garland Dodd Park At Point Of Rocks. Children and their families (all ages) are invited to join in the fun! Our next park dates are Sunday, May 15, and Sunday, June 12. Same time, same place.

Red Cross Blood Drive at CUMC: Monday, **May 16, 11:00 AM-4:00 PM**. The need is great! Please sign up to give at www.redcrossblood.org. Our next blood drive will be on Wednesday, July 6, 2022.

KEEP IN PRAYER: Frank Kirtley; Andrew Dyson (son of Jim Dyson): family of Anne Bledsoe; family of Julian Thomas; Tracey Wilshaw (sister of Debra Hubley); Debbie Yerby: Gabbie Locey (friend of the Friends); Shirley Burgess (mother of Jan Bryant); Suzanna Burr (sister of Cindy Yuoconis); Debbie Yerby; Liliana Napolitano (granddaughter of Deborah & Bob Napolitano); Cecelia Caruso (close friend of Talina Beck); family of Kylie Moore’s grandmother; D Mark Benedict; Stella Drake (friend of Debbie Hubley); Cornelia DeWitt; Oscar Turner (friend of Cornelia’s); Kay Murphy (aunt of Gordon Morris); Clayton Herring (brother of Linda Mottley); Debbie Freed; Janean Trimble; Doug and Clara Gestwick.

Our Presence April 17, 2022

Easter Sunrise Service.....	71
Fresh Start Service.....	150
The Bridge Service	139
Traditions Service.....	218
Online/Call In.....	26
Total Worship Attendance.....	604

CHESTER UMC ONLINE RESOURCES

- **Website:** www.chesterumc.org.
- **Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/ChesterUnitedMethodistChurch/>.
- **Facebook Closed Group:** <https://www.facebook.com/groups/ChesterUMC/>.
- **Daily Email News:** Visit <http://eepurl.com/blV9TV> to subscribe.
- **Daily Devotionals from Pastor Nathan:** <https://www.facebook.com/BetterTogether.Devos/>.
- **YouTube:** <https://www.youtube.com/c/ChesterUMC>.
- **Prayer Chain Email:** to subscribe or to submit a prayer request, email Terry at cumcsecretary@chesterumc.org with “Prayer Chain” or “Prayer Request” in the subject line.
- **CUMC Library Catalog:** <https://16538.rmwebopac.com> (password: CUMC). Search for titles, peruse our inventory, and much more. POC: Ron Dombrowski (rmachachi@aol.com).
- **The Chimes**, bi-monthly newsletter: Submit items to communication@chesterumc.org on 3rd Wednesday of January, March, May, July, September, and November.

Leading Our Worship TODAY, April 24, 2022

Greeters:	8:30	Andy & Eileen Steck	
	9:55	Stephanie Decker	
	11:00	Marian Perkinson, Sharon Buchanan	
Ushers:	8:30	Dave Coker*, Ron Dombrowski, Bruce Johnson	*Indicates Head Usher
	9:55	Gordon Morris*, JR Irvin	
	11:00	Gordon Morris*, Larry Koon, Tim & Beth Stewart, Vann Stanfield	
Nursery:	8:30, 9:55, 11:00	Staff Members, Alistia Mabry & Carla Adams	

Donations to UMCOR: To date, CUMC members and guests have donated **\$6,645** to Ukraine through the United Methodist Committee on Relief where 100% of donations go to assisting with relief efforts. Thank you, Church, for responding to the call! Additional gifts may be made to CUMC (Memo: Ukraine).

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

- Resuming April 24-- “If God is Love, Don’t be a Jerk” by John Pavlovitz. 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.
- **Class** meets every Sunday morning at 9:45 in room 205 (opposite the church library). Visitors and new members are always welcome. Call Susan Petrey, 938-5396, for more information.

Seekers Sunday School Class: You are cordially invited to join us in study and fellowship March 6-April 17 as we do a DVD Lenten study by Adam Hamilton, *24 Hours That Changed the World*. Our class meets every week from 9:45 to 10:45 AM in Room 226. Y’all come!

POC: Barbara MacIntyre (telluwhatbarbara@aim.com)

United Methodist Women:

- **Salad Luncheon**—All Women of the Church are invited to a luncheon meeting of the UMW TODAY, immediately following 11 o’clock worship. Our program will consist of our annual Call to Prayer and Self-Denial and the UMW Reading Program. The Jean Craig Fellowship will host. Bring a salad or dessert to share.
- The **Jean Craig Fellowship** will meet on Monday, May 2, 7:00 PM in Room 205. We will pack hygiene kits for UMCOR. Call Susan Petrey for details.
- The **Ada Mae Bookman Fellowship** will meet on Thursday, May 12, 10:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall. Call Martha Miles, 748-5476, for more information.
- **Women’s Accessories Drive** to benefit the CCHASM Women’s Career Clothes Closet, located in the Chester UMC Missions Cottage (12117 Percival Street). Place good used purses, summer shoes and sandals, belts, scarves, and costume jewelry in the Collection Bin in the Mission Closet next to Pastor Nathan’s office **by Sunday, May 22**. Women residing in the Chesterfield-Colonial Heights service area can shop free of charge by appointment for interview and work attire. Many clients are women who, due to emergency situations, find that they must begin or return to work. Call Susan Petrey, 938-5396, for more information.
- **UMCOR KITS for CONFERENCE**— **Our goal for this year’s June 16-18 Virginia United Methodist Annual Conference in Hampton is 100 hygiene kits.** 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 UMW have collected materials for and assembled health kits to be sent to Sager Brown. The entire congregation is invited to support this effort by donating items to be packed into kits. Pick up your “assignment ticket” from the display in the Atrium and return the assigned items to the labeled bin in the Missions Closet by noon on Sunday, May 22. POC: Susan Petrey (938-5396)

SUNDAY SMALL GROUPS

Sunday Soles—Faith on the Move: Sundays at 3:30 PM, at the Annex, weather permitting. Check the church Fb page for cancellation or time changes for the walk/run. We start with a group warm-up, then a 2-mile loop. Routes provided so you can go at your own pace. POCs: Sarah Bowers (massagebysarahb@gmail.com) & Natalie Galarza (familygalarza05@gmail.com).

Fresh Start Sunday School Class

9:45 AM, Room 205, Resuming April 24, “If God is Love, Don’t be a jerk,” by Pavlovitz.
POC: Susan Petrey (susanmpetrey@gmail.com)

Journey Sunday School Class

9:45 AM, Annex and Google Meet (<https://meet.google.com/ptm-pieh-vve>)
Through April 24, *Final Words from the Cross*, by Adam Hamilton.
Beginning May 1, Traveling Light, by Max Lucado
POCs: Carolyn Landis (landisfamily05@gmail.com);
Eric Hougland (ehougland88@gmail.com)

Seekers Sunday School Class

9:40 AM, Room 226, *Beginning May 15*, Ecclesiastes: Chasing After Meaning (LifeGuide Bible Studies) by Teresa & Bill Syrios
POC: Barbara MacIntyre (telluwhatbarbara@aim.com)

Children’s Sunday School 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. All are welcome! To volunteer, please contact Carrie Coyner (carrie.coyner@gmail.com).

Senior Singles Sunday School Class

9:45 AM, Parlor, *Simon Peter*, by Adam Hamilton, POC: Cynthia Corley (cacorley@ctsi.net)

Middle and High School Youth Sunday School

9:45 AM, Annex Loft
POC: Dale (fungoboy77@gmail.com) and Karen Clark (klslark51@gmail.com)

Bridge Builders In-Person: No 6:30 PM Class on April 24 or May 1.

- ✓ **April 24:** WORKSHOP from **3:00-5:00 PM** in Room 226: “Search Me, O God: Thoughts on Race.” Everyone is invited to this workshop for a time of reflection on our thoughts, experiences, feelings, and faith on the topic of race and “telling our stories in six words.”
- ✓ **May 1:** “Just Mercy” Movie Showing at **3:00 PM** in Davis Fellowship Hall. “Just Mercy,” with Michael B Jordan, Jaime Foxx, and Brie Larson, is based on a true story that takes us inside America’s broken criminal justice system and compels us to confront inequality and injustice.

WEEKLY SMALL GROUPS

Faith Keepers Women's Prayer Group: Mondays, 9:00 AM at Grants Coffee Co. (11884 Chester Village DR). POC: Julie Ferry (juliejerry@gmail.com)

Christian Parenting Small Group: alternate Mondays, 7:00 PM, Room 116. Next session April 18. This short-term small group is completely focused on how our faith guides us to lead our Children to grow. Childcare provided as needed—notify Church Office. POC: Pastor Nathan.

Bridge Builders Online Study Group: Wednesdays, 12:00 PM, Google Meet. We have open, safe conversations based in Jesus's love and reconciliation. POC: Maureen Coker (mcoker2003@comcast.net)

Thursday Morning Men's Group: Thursdays, 7:30 AM at Grants Coffee Co. (11884 Chester Village DR). POC: Vann Stanfield (vannstan34@gmail.com)

Contemplative Prayer Group: Thursdays, 11:00 AM in the Church Parlor. We read scripture and then practice using silence to focus, pray, and connect with God. Please join us. POC: Lisa Stanfield (lisajostanfield@gmail.com)

Prayer Shawl Group: Thursdays, 1:30 PM, in the Church Parlor. All are invited to join us! We will happily teach you how to knit or crochet if you don't already know POCs: Beverly Trevillian (beverly.trevillian@comcast.net) & June Gilliam (804-748-6668)

Village People Study, Socialize, & Service Group: Mondays, 2:00 PM, at Chester Village Senior APTS (11701 Chester Village DR) POC: Bruce Johnson (bruce_bethjohnson@yahoo.com)



You Can Play an Important Role in Our Stephen Ministry . . .

. . . Because you may know of a friend, neighbor, co-worker, or relative who is going through a difficult time and who could benefit from the focused care, encouragement, and support of a Stephen Minister. If you know of someone who is hurting, call the church office to be referred to a Stephen Leader. They can talk with you about how we can connect the person you know with one of our Stephen Ministers. It's a great way for you to show how much you care!

How to Pay your Annual Tithes in a Lump sum: Kudos to those of you who use/used IRAs to put away money without having to pay federal taxes on it!!! For over 40 years, IRAs have been sound saving instruments and each year, members and friends of CUMC find themselves in the category of investors who are required to take “required minimum distributions” (RMD). If you or someone you know falls into this category, please keep reading.

Federal tax is to be paid on each of your “required minimum distributions”. These distributions may place some of you in a higher tax bracket. But guess what?!?! Your distribution can be done as a “qualified charitable distribution” (QCD) directly from your IRA to Chester UMC and you will not pay federal tax on the distribution. If you are at least 70.5 years old and retired, you have QCDs as an option, but remember, a QCD is already a tax-free strategy, therefore, it cannot be included in your tax return as a gift. This is a great way to pay your annual tithes all at one time.

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). Please write legibly.

LOOKING AHEAD

- April 24** UMW Salad Luncheon, noon, DFH
- May 1** Playdate with the Pastor, 6 PM, Point of Rocks Park
- May 8** Guest Guitarist, Mark Kroos, at all 3 services.
- May 15** Playdate with the Pastor, 6 PM, Point of Rocks Park
- May 16** MONDAY Blood Drive, 11 AM-4 PM, DFH
- May 22** Graduate Recognition, 8:30 and 11:00 services
- June 12** Playdate with the Pastor, 6 PM at Point of Rocks Park
- June 29** Choir Tour Home Concert, 7 PM in the Sanctuary
- July 6** Blood Drive, DFH, 11 AM-4 PM
- July 9** Batman & Wonder Woman: Heroes for Jesus
- July 11-15** Vacation Bible School at Chester UMC
- August 10** Blood Drive, DFH, 11 AM-4 PM

WE WELCOME INTO CHRISTIAN MEMBERSHIP

FRESH START SERVICE

Caroline Grace Carson

Delaney Kay Coyner

Mason Alexander Coyner

Kayla Elizabeth Dodd

Adelaide [Addie] Rebecca Fuller

** Geoffrey Thomas Fuller

Reid Agee Miller

Brendan John Munchel

Olivia K Nikles

William [Will] Andrew Strickler

Morgan Diane Trimble

Owen Garrett Trimble

Erin Sydney Willingham

Geoff and Ashley Fuller (parents of Addie and Geoffrey Fuller) by transfer from First Baptist Church of Hopewell

THE BRIDGE SERVICE

Angelo Francisco Galarza

** Dante Latimer

** Maxwell Latimer

* Andrew Michael Blake Meuller

Christopher and Laurie Latimer by profession of faith

Mike and Karen Meuller (parents of Andrew Meuller) by transfer from The Presbyterian Church in Coshocton, OH

* Will receive the sacrament of Holy Baptism

** Will be baptized at a later date