



June 12, 2022

9:55 AM

WORSHIP MUSIC

Boundless Love
Leaning on the Everlasting Arms
Soon and Very Soon
Mighty to Save

SCRIPTURE

Hosea 2:16-20
NRSV

MESSAGE

“Being Faithful in Our Marriage to God”
Rev. Nathan Decker

SPECIAL MUSIC

Canon in D
Joshua Wortham

SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SERMON TITLE</u>	<u>SCRIPTURE</u>	
June 19	<i>Cleaning the Baptismal Waters</i>	Amos 5:14-15, 21-24	NRSV
June 26	<i>God's Spirit and the People's Dreams</i>	Joel 2:23-32	NRSV
July 3	<i>No Such Thing as a Free Lunch</i>	Jonah 4:1-11	NRSV
July 10	<i>Standing Up, Like Captain America, to the Bullies</i>	1 Samuel 17:21-24	NRSV

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FRESH START SERVICE

June 12, 2022—8:30 AM



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

WORSHIP MUSIC

Majestic

What A Friend

Love the Lord Your God

Mighty to Save

SPECIAL MUSIC

Canon in D

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SCRIPTURE

Hosea 2:16-20

NRSV

MESSAGE

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

Welcome, Announcements and Greeting

Chimes

Prelude *Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring* Ned Haskins, cello

* Call to Worship

Leader: Give thanks and praise to the Lord!

People: For God has dealt mercifully with us!

Leader: Even when we turned our backs on God,

People: God forgave us and restored us to life.

Leader: Rejoice in God's abundant love.

People: We will continually praise God who heals and loves us. AMEN.

* Opening Hymn No. 645 *O Perfect Love*

Anthem *Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me* Chancel Choir

Why We Give

Offertory *Canon in D* Ned Haskins, cello

* Doxology No. 95

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!

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. 643 *When Love is Found*

Scripture

Hosea 2:16-20

NRSV

Sermon

Being Faithful in our Marriage to God

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* A Covenant Prayer in the Wesleyan Tradition²

“I am no longer my own, but thine.

Put me to what thou wilt, rank me with whom thou wilt.

Put me to doing, put me to suffering.

**Let me be employed by thee or laid aside for thee,
exalted for thee or brought low for thee.**

Let me be full, let me be empty.

Let me have all things, let me have nothing.

**I freely and heartily yield all things
to thy pleasure and disposal.**

**And now, O glorious and blessed God,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
thou art mine, and I am thine. So be it.**

And the covenant which I have made on earth, let it be ratified in heaven. Amen.”

Holy Communion

See insert.

* Closing Hymn No. 569 *We’ve a Story to Tell to the Nations*

* 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:

¹ <https://www.ministrymatters.com/all/entry/4034/worship-connection-july-31-2022> by Nancy C Townley

² United Methodist Hymnal # 607

CALENDAR
June 12-19, 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 12:00 PM
 Fresh Start Worship-DFH
 9:30 AM Children's Sun Sch-210
 9:45 AM **CUMC in Nutshell-116**
 Adult Sunday School
 9:55 AM Bridge Service-Sanc/Stream
 11:00 AM Traditions Service-Sanc/Stream
 12:00 PM Sm Gp Leaders Lunch-DFH
 3:00 PM NO YOUTH
 6:00 PM UMVIM Team-226
 6:30 PM Playground wt Pastor

Mon.: 2:00 PM Village People-offsite
 Tues.: 9:15 AM Joy Singers-Music Suite
 1:00 PM History Com-220
 6:00 PM Columbarium Team-Annex
 7:00 PM Young Adults Bib Study-Annex
 Wed.: 7:00 PM Finance MTG
 Tour Choir-Music Suite

Thurs.: 7:30 AM Men's Group-Grant's Coffee
 11:00 AM Contemplative Prayer-Parlor
 1:30 PM Prayer Shawl-Parlor
 Fri.: 9:00 AM Feedmore @ Greenleigh
 Sat.: 2:00 PM Poulsen/Salazar Wedding

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Leading Our Worship NEXT SUNDAY, June 19, 2022

Greeters: 8:30 Vince & Linda D'Agostino
 9:55 Mette Shultz
 11:00 Mary Musselwhite, Martha Miles
Ushers: 8:30 Dave Coker *, Dale Clark, Bill Comer *Indicates Head Usher
 9:55 Gordon Morris*, Jim Watkins
 11:00 Gordon Jones*, Larry Koon, Geoff LeSueur, Vann Stanfield, Scott Pugh
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!*

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

Kentucky Mission Trip: Saturday, August 6 through Sunday, August 14. If you think you might be interested in participating, please attend the informational meeting tonight at 6:00 PM in Room 226. More details on the Missions Page of the bulletin.

Playground with the Pastor: Sunday, June 12, 6:30 PM at Point of Rocks Park (201 Enon Church RD, Chester 23836—R. Garland Dodd Park.). Join us for fun with Chester UMC friends and family on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of June, July, August, September, and October!

CUMC in a Nutshell: June 12, or July 10, or August 14 (2nd Sundays) at 9:45 AM . If you are new, visiting, or just want to learn more about Chester United Methodist Church, please join us in Room 116 at 9:45 AM on **JUNE 12** to meet others and chat about what's happening at Chester UMC. There is no need to RSVP. POCs: Joan Osborne (540-270-4251) and Beth Stewart (919-210-2220)

VBS SHOWCASE: Sunday, June 19, 8:15 AM -12:15 PM in the Atrium. You can register your child, learn how you can volunteer, hear a little about what your child will experience, and even have things that you can take home to help us prepare for VBS week (July 11-15). We can't wait to welcome you aboard the ROCKY RAILWAY!

VBS Volunteers: All aboard the *Rocky Railway* where we'll have fun adventures learning about Jesus' power and how He helps us! To make this happen, we need VOLUNTEERS (group shepherds and assistants (escort children from one station to the next), music, recreation, crafts, and snacks)! We need them now, later, and especially, JULY 11-15! Prayerfully consider this call to work with our children and those in our community. *Register in the pew pad* if you are willing to help. POC: Sherri Morris (smorris787@aim.com; 804-221-1528)

Summer Young Adult Bible Study: Tuesdays, 7:00 PM in the Annex Loft, facilitated by Evan Moody. ALL post-high school young adults are invited to join us! *If you are interested, please register in the pew pad or contact Evan* (tmooody44@yahoo.com).

Celebration of Life for June Garrett: Monday, June 20, at 10:00 AM in the Sanctuary followed by a reception in Davis Fellowship Hall. Visitation with the family is Sunday, June 19, from 2:00 to 4:00 PM at J.T. Morriss & Son Chester Chapel.

KEEP IN PRAYER: family of Ed Williams (brother of Charles [Kathi] Williams); family of June Garrett; family of Ron King; family of Dr. Floyd *Floogie* Moore; Benjamin Blackwell (nephew of Anita Nugent); Betty Owen (sister-in-law of Gail King); Marty Beverly; Bill & Sheree Zimmerman; Vernelle Curtis; Charles “Pa” Decker (father of Pastor Nathan); Frank Jackson; Kitty Lipscomb; Richard Huff (uncle of Cynthia Corley); family of Clara Dyson; Sam Beavin (nephew of Diane Merryman); Ruth & Jimmy Reese (stepmom & father of Wanda Reece); Tracey Wilshaw (sister of Debra Hubley); Cecilia Caruso (close friend of Talina Beck); Clayton Herring (brother of Linda Mottley); Debbie Freed; Janean Trimble; Doug and Clara Gestwick.

Our Presence June 5, 2022

Fresh Start Service	78
The Bridge Service	68
Traditions Service	109
Online/Call In.....	15
Total Worship Attendance	270

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/bIV9TV> 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, June 12, 2022

Greeters:	8:30	Ed & Marian Garrett
	9:55	Stephanie Decker
	11:00	Barbara Dance, Terri Dombrowski
Ushers:	8:30	Gordon Jones *, Bruce Johnson, Ron Dombrowski *Indicates Head Usher
	9:55	Gordon Morris*, Tim Stewart
	11:00	Gordon Morris*, Emory Large, Steve & Bob Kutz, Tommy Petrey
Nursery:	8:30, 9:55, 11:00	Staff Members, Alistia Mabry & Carla Adams

May 16 Blood Drive Update: Thank you, Church, for another successful blood drive. We collected 29 donations which will help save up to 87 lives! The next drive is Wednesday, July 6, 11:00 AM -4:00 PM.

Choir Tour Home Concert Wednesday, **June 29, at 7:00 PM.** Invite your friends and neighbors to this exciting concert of worship featuring our Chancel Choir and guest soloist Tiffany Coburn (*Dove Award nominee and member of a cappella sensation, Voctave*). This will be the culmination of our summer tour to Charleston and Savannah. For a complete list of our performance dates and venues, visit www.chesterumc.org/tour. If you have friends and family in those areas, encourage them to attend!

Dessert Reception - Wednesday, June 29: Following our Choir Tour Home Concert, join us in Davis Fellowship Hall for a dessert reception as we celebrate Music Minister Joshua Wortham's 40th birthday! *If you are willing to bring a dessert (cooled pies, cakes, bars, or similar treats, including pre-sliced fresh fruit), please sign up in the pew pad.* Label your serving tray if you want it returned. POC: Kris Spadaccia (kspadaccia@aol.com)

Take Me Out to the Ballgame! Children's Ministry is inviting our whole church to come out and enjoy a night of baseball on Saturday, July 16, at 7:00 PM. Because this follows our Vacation Bible School, this is an awesome opportunity to invite kids and adults to see how much fun our church can be together. The Tri-City Chili Peppers will be taking on the Morehead City Marlins. Tickets are \$16 and must be printed out after purchase. To join us for a great night at the par, go to <https://chilipeppers.isportstix.com/order/group/chmc2022/>!



What Do Stephen Ministers Do? Ever thought about becoming a Stephen Minister? Stephen Ministers work alongside our pastors to care, encourage, and provide emotional and spiritual support to people who are going through a difficult time, such as divorce, grief, hospitalization, unemployment, terminal illness, relocation, chronic illness, or loneliness. If you have gifts for caring, encouragement, and listening, please begin to prayerfully consider whether you might want to be part of this exciting ministry. *If you think you might be interested, please contact Stephen Leader Steve Osborne at 407-921-0227 or register in the pew pad.*

SUNDAY SMALL GROUPS

Children's Sunday School will continue this summer! 9:30 – 9:55 playground, 10:00 – 10:45 Bible/gospel lesson & activities in Room 210. Please sign up in the pew pad if you have a heart for our children and would like to assist (as your schedule allows) in any of these areas this summer. The curriculum will be provided for you and the reward will be great. I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth." 3 John 1:4 POC: Chad Beck (chadbeck@chesterumc.org)

Sunday Soles—Faith on the Move: WILL RESUME IN THE FALL.

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)

Fresh Start Sunday School Class

9:45 AM, Room 205, **Beginning May 29—*The Mayberry Bible Study Series*** uses classic episodes from *The Andy Griffith Show*, along with relevant scripture, as modern parables on the teaching of Jesus.

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.

Journey Sunday School Class

9:45 AM, Annex and Google Meet (<https://meet.google.com/ptm-pieh-vve>)

Traveling Light, by Max Lucado

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

Eric Houglan (ehouglan88@gmail.com)

Seekers Sunday School Class

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

Senior Singles Sunday School Class

9:45 AM, Parlor, *The Walk*, by Adam Hamilton, POC: Cynthia Corley (ccorley@ctsi.net)

Middle and High School Youth Sunday is on SUMMER BREAK UNTIL THE FALL

Bridge Builders In-Person: WILL RESUME IN THE FALL. 6:30 PM, Room 226.

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)

Bridge Builders Online Study Group: WILL RESUME IN THE FALL.

Wednesdays, 12:00 PM. We have open, safe conversations based in Jesus's love and reconciliation.

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)

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

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| June 12 | Playdate with the Pastor, 6:30 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, 10 AM-12 PM |
| July 11-15 | Vacation Bible School at Chester UMC, 9 AM -12 PM |
| July 16 | Tri-Cities Chili Peppers Baseball Game, 7 PM |
| July 17-23 | Camp Impact for Youth |
| August 10 | WEDNESDAY Blood Drive, DFH, 11 AM-4 PM |

MISSIONS PAGE

Supplies for Veterans: Volunteer Service, the group that has been accepting and distributing our cards to the Veterans, has made us aware that the patients at McQuire Veterans Hospital, are in need of personal items during their stay there. *Please place your donations in the labeled bin in the Missions Closet.* POC: Barbara MacIntyre (telluwhatbarbara@aim.com)

ITEMS REQUESTED:

1. bar soap (unscented like Dove or Arm & Hammer)
2. cheap shower shoes/flip flops (men's sizes 6-12)
3. men's medium size sweatshirt & matching pants

Greenleigh Food Distribution: Friday, June 17, 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM. We need a small team of volunteers, in partnership with FeedMore, to help distribute the food. To volunteer, register on the Sign-Up Genius that went out in our Mail Chimp daily news. POC: Eric Hougland (ehougland88@gmail.com)

CAMP IMPACT: Sunday, July 17, to Saturday, July 23. CUMC is happy to host this FREE intense mission experience for youth. Students will work all day on a job site and spend mornings and evenings in worship. Your students will meet youth from other churches and work alongside them. Our goal is to make sure that everyone is challenged—from the 6th grader who is coming for the first time to the crew chief who has been coming for years. You'll face physical and spiritual challenges as we all wrestle with what God is saying to us during this week. POC: Jennifer Brame (youthleaders@chesterumc.org)

Kentucky Mission Trip: Saturday, August 6 through Sunday, August 14. (Aug. 6/7 & 13/14 are travel days.) The breath of God is calling us to help a Kentucky community whose homes were damaged last year by wind and tornadoes. Our team can take as many as 12 people. We will be staying in Hanson UMC in Madisonville, KY. They will provide cots with a 3-inch foam pad, showers, bathrooms, and a full kitchen. Participants will need to bring their own bed linens, towels, and toiletries and will be responsible for their own meals.

The team needs both skilled and unskilled volunteers. Two team members will be assigned as cooks and one as a medical person. The cost of the trip will be decided soon. If you are not called to be on the traveling team, there will be other opportunities to support this mission.

The Kentucky UMVIM Team will meet at 6:00 PM on Sunday, June 12, in Room 226.

Pray. Listen. Discern. POC: Keith Mottley (Keith.mottley@comcast.net)

Summer Tour 2022
CHANCEL CHOIR

from Chester United Methodist Church in Virginia

All Rise

HOME CONCERT!

Chester United Methodist

12132 Percival Street, Chester, VA 23831

Wednesday, June 29

7:00 PM

A love offering will be received to support our music ministry.

INFO: www.chesterumc.org/tour



Guest Artist

Tiffany Coburn

Dove Award Nominee and member of the cappella sensation **Voctave**



All church concerts are free and open to the public!
Please share if you have friends and family who live along our route.

Friday, June 24—*Spring Hill UMC* (Lillington, NC) 7:00 PM

Saturday, June 25—The Manor Senior Living (Florence, SC) 2:00 PM

Sunday, June 26—*Asbury Memorial Church* (Savannah, GA) 11:15 AM

Sunday, June 26—Harmony Senior Living (Savannah, GA) 4:00 PM

Tuesday, June 28—*St. Johannes Lutheran* (Charleston, SC) 7:00 PM

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing,

always and everywhere to give thanks to you,

Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth.

You formed us in your image, male and female you created us.

You gave us the gift of marriage, that we might fulfill each other.

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.

By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection,

you gave birth to your Church,

delivered us from slavery to sin and death,

and made with us a new covenant

by water and the Spirit,

from which flows the covenant love of husbands and wives.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us,

he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread,

gave it to his disciples, and said:

“Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

When the supper was over, he took the cup,

gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said:

“Drink from this, all of you;

this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

And so,
in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving
as a holy and living sacrifice,
in union with Christ's offering for us,
as we proclaim the mystery of faith;

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ
that we may be for the world the body of Christ,
redeemed by his blood.

By the same Spirit, bless us,
that our love for each other
may reflect the love of Christ for us
and grow from strength to strength
as we faithfully serve you in the world.
Defend us from every enemy.
Lead us into all peace.
Let our love for each other
be a seal upon our hearts,
a mantle about our shoulders,
and a crown upon our heads.

Bless us in our work and in our companionship;
in our sleeping and in our waking;
in our joys and in our sorrows;
in our lives and in our deaths.

Finally, by your Grace,
bring us to that table
where your saints feast for ever in your heavenly home.

Through your Son Jesus Christ,
With the Holy Spirit in your holy Church,
All honor and glory is yours, almighty God,
Now and for ever.

Amen.