



**July 17, 2022**  
**9:55 AM**

**WORSHIP MUSIC**

I Feel Like Traveling On  
How Great Is Our God  
Boundless Love

**MESSAGE**

“Standing Up like Captain America to Bullies”  
*Rev. Nathan Decker*

**SCRIPTURE**

1 Samuel 17:21-26  
*NRSV*

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

Power Shuffle  
*VBS*

**SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SERMON TITLE</u>	<u>SCRIPTURE</u>
July 24	<i>Being Willing to be Different like the X-Men</i>	1 John 4:7-12
July 31	<i>Prevenient Grace</i>	Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26
Aug. 7	<i>Grace</i>	Galatians 2:15-21
Aug. 14	<i>Colossal Teaching: What does God Look Like?</i>	Colossians 2:6-8, 16-23

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## **Chester United Methodist Church**

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### **FRESH START SERVICE**

July 17, 2022—8:30 AM



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

#### **WORSHIP MUSIC**

Blessed Be Your Name  
Maker

How Great Is Our God  
10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

#### **SPECIAL MUSIC**

Power Shuffle  
VBS

#### **SCRIPTURE**

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NRSV

#### **MESSAGE**

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July 17, 2022

A Service of Worship and Praise

11:00 AM

7<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
after Pentecost

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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

Jean Wallace

organist

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

\* Call to Worship<sup>1</sup>

Leader: When the waves of doubt threaten us

**People: God is with us.**

Leader: When fears seem to swamp our lives

**People: God is with us.**

Leader: Awake! God is here!

**People: Rejoice! We are loved!**

Leader: Get ready! There is much to be done!

**People: Prepare us, Lord, to work for you. AMEN**

\* Opening Prayer (Reinhold Niebuhr, 1926)

**God, grant us the SERENITY to accept the things we cannot change, COURAGE to change the things we can, and WISDOM to know the difference. Living one day at a time; enjoying one moment at a time; accepting hardship as the pathway to peace.**

**Taking, as He did, this sinful world as it is, not as we would have it. Trusting that He will make all things right if we surrender to His Will; That we may be reasonably happy in this life, and supremely happy with Him forever in the next. Amen.**

\* Opening Hymn No. 541

*Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus*

\* Affirmation of Faith No. 886

\* 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.**

Special Music

*Power Shuffle*

VBS

Why We Give

Offertory

Jean Wallace,  
organist

\* 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. 454

*Open My Eyes, That I May See*

Scripture

*1 Samuel 17:21-26*

NRSV

Sermon

*Standing Up like Captain America to Bullies*

Pastor Nathan Decker

\* Closing Hymn No. 467

*Trust and Obey*

\* Benediction

\* Postlude

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\* *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/2857/worship-connection-june-20-2021>, #3

## CALENDAR

### July 17-24, 2022

Office Hours: Mon-Thurs 8:30 AM-2:00 PM  
 Mon. – Sat.: IMPACT Youth

Today: 8:30 AM Nursery until 12:00 PM  
 Fresh Start Worship-DFH  
 9:30 AM Children’s Sun Sch-DFH  
 9:45 AM Adult Sunday Sch-Variou  
 Youth Sun Sch-Annex Loft  
 9:55 AM Bridge Service-Sanc/Stream  
 11:00 AM Traditions Service-Sanc/Stream  
 12:00 PM IMPACT Youth Starts  
 3-5:00 PM Knaack Visitation-JT  
 Morriss

6:00 PM KY UMVIM Team-226  
 MON.:11:00 AM Knaack Memorial Serv-  
 Sanctuary

Tues.: 1:00 PM History Com-220  
 7:00 PM Young Adults Bib Study-  
 Annex

Wed.: 4:00 PM **CHIMES DEADLINE**  
 7:00 PM **Finance**-226

Thurs.: 7:30 AM Men’s Group-Grant’s Coffee  
 11:00 AM Contemplative Prayer-Parlor  
 1:30 PM Prayer Shawl-Parlor

Fri.:  
 Sat.:

#### Next Sunday: **July 24, 2022**

8:30 AM Nursery until 12:00 PM  
 Fresh Start Worship-DFH  
 9:30 AM Children’s Sun Sch-DFH  
 9:45 AM Youth Sun Sch-Annex Loft  
 Adult Sunday Sch-Variou  
 9:55 AM Bridge Service-Sanc/Stream  
 11:00 AM Traditions Service-Sanc/Stream  
 12:15 PM Rest Stop Team Mtg-Annex  
 6:30 PM Playground wt Pastor-Pt of  
 Rocks Playground

**CUMC T-Shirts** are available for pick up in the Atrium. Pre-ordered shirts have the names on them. First come, first served on the remaining shirts. We will not be ordering more shirts.

**Online Giving:** Scan the QR code with your smartphone to contribute online or visit [www.chesterumc.org](http://www.chesterumc.org) and click “Online Giving.”



#### Leading Our Worship Next Sunday, July 24, 2022

**Greeters:** 8:30 Andy & Eileen Steck  
 9:55 Andy & Eileen Steck  
 11:00 Will Schmidt, Mary Musselwhite

**Ushers:** 8:30 Dave Coker \*, Wendall Landis, Dale Clark, Bruce Johnson \*Head Usher  
 9:55 Gordon Jones\*, Jim Watkins  
 11:00 Gordon Jones\*, Larry Koon, Vann Stanfield, 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!*

**Our Parish Nurse, Cindy Webb** will NOT be in today or next Sunday, July 24.

**Rocky Railway VBS was a HUGE Success!** Our “passengers’ were exited to get on board and roll on down these spiritual tracks as they learned about Jesus’ power which helps us do hard things, give us hope, helps us be BOLD, lets us live forever, and pulls us through! We hosted **53** children led by a team of **31** youth and **38** adults. Praise God for a wonderful week!

**August/September Chimes Deadline:** Wednesday, July 20. Please sent your articles to [communication@chesterumc.org](mailto:communication@chesterumc.org).

**Playground with the Pastor:** July 24, 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 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of June, July, August, September, and October!

**Church Office Closed** on Monday, July 25, for staff renewal.

**CUMC in a Nutshell:** Sunday, August 14 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 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)

**Raleigh Ringers Handbell Concert** Sunday, August 28, 4:00 PM at Brandermill Church (4500 Millridge Parkway, Midlothian, VA 23114). Advance tickets are \$20, or \$25 at the door. Contact Dawn Rancka (804-744-3661, ext. 101) to purchase or for more info.

**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 McGuire Veterans Hospital, need personal items during their stay there. *Please place your donations in the labeled bin in the Missions Closet.* POC: Barbara MacIntyre ([telluwhatbarbara@aim.com](mailto:telluwhatbarbara@aim.com))

**ITEMS REQUESTED:**

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

**KEEP IN PRAYER:** family of Dennis Knaack; family of Madeline Kever; Sue Thompson; Karin Koch (mother of Jonathan Koch); Marty Beverly; Cornelia DeWitt; Isaias Garcia, age 4 (son of friend of Talina Beck’s family in Mexico); EJ Walters and Kristin C. (friends of Debbie Hubley); Benjamin Blackwell (nephew of Anita Nugent); Betty Owen (sister-in-law of Gail King); Marty Beverly; Vernelle Curtis; Charles “Pa” Decker (father of Pastor Nathan); Kitty Lipscomb; Cecilia Caruso (close friend of Talina Beck); Clayton Herring (brother of Linda Mottley); Debbie Freed; Janean Trimble; Doug and Clara Gestwick.

**Our Presence July 10, 2022**

Fresh Start Service .....	81
The Bridge Service .....	50
Traditions Service .....	73
Online/Call In.....	38
<b>Total Worship Attendance .....</b>	<b>242</b>

**CHESTER UMC ONLINE RESOURCES**

- **Website:** [www.chesterumc.org](http://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](mailto: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](mailto:rmachachi@aol.com)).
- **The Chimes**, bi-monthly newsletter: Submit items to [communication@chesterumc.org](mailto:communication@chesterumc.org) on 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of January, March, May, July, September, and November.

**Leading Our Worship TODAY, July 17, 2022**

<b>Greeters:</b>	<b>8:30</b>	Bill & Karen Comer	
	<b>9:55</b>	Donna Nunery	
	<b>11:00</b>	Betty Labin, Linda Large	
<b>Ushers:</b>	<b>8:30</b>	Gordon Jones *, Bill Comer, Ron Dombrowski	*Head Usher
	<b>9:55</b>	Gordon Morris*, Pat Stanfield	
	<b>11:00</b>	Gordon Jones*, Bob Kutz, Steve & Joan Osborne, Tommy Petrey	
<b>Nursery:</b>	<b>8:30, 9:55, 11:00</b>	Staff Members, Alistia Mabry & Carla Adams	

## ITEMS NEEDED FOR SIERRA LEONE

The Manack Community Health Organization (MaCHO) is a non-profit that provides whole person care to those living in the most impoverished areas in Sierra Leone.

**MaCHO is collecting the following items** which will be shipped in a flat-rate large cargo crate: fabric; sewing supplies; sewing machines; craft supplies; patterns for clothing/craft projects; books for adults/children (must be in good condition i.e.no tears/drawn on pages/musty smells);and costume jewelry (this can be used to embellish clothing and/or crafts, art projects, and new jewelry pieces.)

Please place your donations in the labeled bin in the Missions Closet. For more information, visit <https://manackhealth.com/> ; <https://manackhealth.com/hatsies-womens-center>; or <https://manackhealth.com/hatsies-womens-center>



**FEEL THE WARMTH**—Sometimes it takes more than a parka or a blanket to keep another person warm. Sometimes it takes the presence of a caring Christian friend. **Stephen Ministers share the warmth** of God’s love with those who needs it most: the lonely, the depressed, the grieving. Is God calling you to reach out to those who are hurting? Consider serving as a Stephen Minister. A new training class will be starting on Wednesday, September 7, from 9:30 AM to noon. For more information, contact Steve Osborne at 407-921-0227.

### LOOKING AHEAD

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| <b>July 17-23</b> | Camp Impact for Youth  |
| <b>July 24</b>    | Playground with the Pastor, 6:30 PM, Point of Rocks Playground   |
| <b>August 10</b>  | <b>Blood Drive</b> , DFH, 11 AM – 4 PM                           |
| <b>August 13</b>  | Children’s Pool Party, 12 – 4 PM at Stony Glen residence         |
| <b>Aug. 14</b>    | <b>CUMC in a Nutshell</b> , 9:45 AM, Room 116                    |
|                   | Playground with the Pastor, 6:30 PM, Point of Rocks Playground   |
| <b>Aug. 28</b>    | Playground with the Pastor, 6:30 PM, Point of Rocks Playground   |
| <b>Sept. 7</b>    | Stephen Ministry Training Begins, 9:30 AM – noon                 |
|                   | Chancel Choir Rehearsals Restart (7 PM)                          |
| <b>Sept. 10</b>   | United Methodist Men’s Breakfast, DFH                            |
| <b>Sept. 11</b>   | Playground with the Pastor, 6:30 PM, Point of Rocks Playground   |
| <b>Sept. 17</b>   | <b>Church Workday</b> , 9 AM – 2 PM                              |
| <b>Sept. 18</b>   | Fall <b>CONNECTIONS</b> begin (Sept. 18, 25, Oct. 2, 9), 9:45 AM |



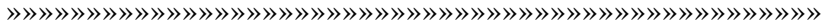


## **Kentucky Mission Trip – Volunteers Needed!**

The Kentucky UMVIM (United Methodist Volunteers in Mission) Team will meet at **6:00 PM on Sunday, July 17, in Room 226**. Whether you are feeling the calling to be a part of this ministry opportunity, or if you are not sure and want to learn more, please plan to attend.

For planning and logistics purposes, we need to have firm commitments no later than Wednesday, **July 20**. A short application is required and must be submitted to Team Leader Keith Mottley or the Church Office, no later than July 20. Please contact Keith Mottley ([keith.mottley@comcast.net](mailto:keith.mottley@comcast.net)) to submit your application or ask for more information.

Pray. Listen. Discern.



### **Kentucky Mission Trip: Sat., August 6, through Sun., August 14**

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 the team 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 discussed at the meeting, however financial assistance is available. If you are not called to be on the traveling team, there will be other opportunities to support this mission.

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**"You Are Safe With Me" Rainbow Pins** are still available in the Church Office. Wear one at church and in the community to let our LGBTQ+ friends know that you love and support them. The pins are free, but donations are welcome (\$10 suggested). Checks payable to CUMC (Memo: Pins).

## 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](mailto: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](mailto:massagebysarahb@gmail.com))

### **Fresh Start Sunday School Class**

9:45 AM, Room 205, *The Mayberry Bible Study Series* uses classic episodes from *The Andy Griffith Show*, along with relevant scripture, as modern parables on the teachings 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: WILL RESUME ON AUGUST 7.**

9:45 AM, Annex and Google Meet (<https://meet.google.com/ptm-pieh-vve>)  
POCs: Carolyn Landis ([landisfamily05@gmail.com](mailto:landisfamily05@gmail.com));  
Eric Houglund ([ehouglund88@gmail.com](mailto:ehouglund88@gmail.com))

### **Seekers Sunday School Class**

9:40 AM, Room 226, The Message of John's Letters (The Bible Speaks Today Studies) by David Jackman; begins August 7. We welcome visitors and new members.  
POC: Barbara MacIntyre ([telluwhatbarbara@aim.com](mailto:telluwhatbarbara@aim.com))

### **Senior Singles Sunday School Class**

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

### **Middle and High School Youth Sunday School**

9:45 AM, Annex Loft, Games, Simple Mission Projects, & Gospel lessons!  
POCs: Tom Nikles ([bb55fan@hotmail.com](mailto:bb55fan@hotmail.com)) & Daniele Beahm ([d\\_beahm@hotmail.com](mailto:d_beahm@hotmail.com))

### **Friendship Ministry Class**

10:40 AM, Room 116, for adults who are cognitively disabled  
POCs: Mary Hayes ([JLMinNaples@msn.com](mailto:JLMinNaples@msn.com))

**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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:beverly.trevillian@comcast.net)) & June Gilliam (804-748-6668)

**Village People Study, Socialize, & Service Group SUMMER Schedule:** meets every 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday, 2:00 PM, Community Room at Chester Village Senior APTS (11701 Chester Village DR). Weekly meetings will resume in the fall. POC: Bruce Johnson ([bruce\\_bethjohnson@yahoo.com](mailto:bruce_bethjohnson@yahoo.com))

**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 contact Evan* ([tmooody44@yahoo.com](mailto:tmooody44@yahoo.com)).