

GETHSEMANE

Underneath the olive trees, shrouded in humility, see the Lamb in agony; Jesus in Gethsemane. Starlight touches silent stones. Chilling winds begin to moan. See the Christ pray all alone; He prays alone; Jesus in Gethsemane. "Father, take this cup from Me;" Jesus in Gethsemane. Can you feel the cold wind blow as the tears begin to flow on that night so long ago; Jesus in Gethsemane? Rising now, the hour has come; Jesus in Gethsemane. "Father, let Thy will be done;" Jesus in Gethsemane, in Gethsemane! Soldiers rage as Judas flees. Jesus finds His destiny. See Him turn to Calvary; Jesus in Gethsemane. Jesus in Gethsemane, in Gethsemane. Jesus! Jesus in Gethsemane.

JESUS WALKED TO CALVARY

Jesus walked, yes, He walked, Jesus walked that lonesome valley for me. Don't ya know? Jesus walked, yes, He walked, Jesus walked that lonesome valley for me. Jesus walked that lonesome valley. Yes, He walked it for you and me. Don't ya know? Jesus climbed, yes, He climbed, Jesus climbed the hill of sorrow for me. Don't ya know? Jesus climbed, yes, He climbed, Jesus climbed the hill of sorrow for me. Jesus climbed the hill of sorrow. Yes, He climbed it for you and me. Calvary, Calvary. Oh, Calvary. Oh, Calvary, Calvary. He died. He surely died. He died on Calvary! Jesus walked that lonesome valley. He walked to Calvary.

THEY CRUCIFIED MY LORD

Lamb of God. They crucified my Lord; and He never said a mumbalin' word. Not a word. They nailed Him to a tree; and He never said a mumbalin' word. Not a word. They pierced Him in the side; and He never said a mumbalin' word. Not a word. Lamb of God. He bowed His head and died. Not a word.

GREAT DAY! THE LORD IS RISEN!

Great day! Great day! The Lord is risen! Great day! Joy in the mornin'! Great day! Angel rolled the stone away! Joy in the mornin'! Great day! Come and see the empty grave! Joy in the mornin'! Great day! Great Day! The Lord is risen! Great day! Joy in the mornin'! Great day! Jesus is risen as He said, as He said! Sister Mary, come to the garden. Jesus is risen as He said! Where is my Jesus? Jesus is risen as He said! Where is my Jesus? Jesus is risen from the dead. Sister Mary, come to the garden. Jesus is risen from the dead. My Lord, what a morning! My Lord, what a morning, when the stone was rolled away. My Lord, what a morning. My Lord, what a morning, when the stone was rolled away. It's a great day! Jesus the Lord is risen! Great day! Jesus Christ is risen from the grave. Great day! The stone was rolled away. Great day! Jesus is risen! Great day! Alleluia!

One Worship Service Only on *Sunday, April 23, at 10:30 AM* on the Parsonage Lawn to celebrate the 150th Anniversary of Chester UMC. We'll have an Old Time POTLUCK Picnic afterward. Please bring a dish to share. Fried chicken and drinks will be provided. We will worship in the Sanctuary if the weather is naughty. Adult and Children Sunday School classes will meet at 9:30 AM. Dress comfortably in play clothes.

A JOURNEY TO HOPE

A CANTATA INSPIRED BY SPIRITUALS

BY JOSEPH M. MARTIN



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A JOURNEY TO HOPE

Prelude

The Call to Faith
Tom McHugh, soloist

The Call to Follow
Joel Furtick, soloist

Peace for the Journey

Ride On, King Jesus

Come to the Welcome Table
Cheryl Green, Laura Morris, soloists

Gethsemane

Jesus Walked to Calvary
Mette Shultz, soloist

They Crucified My Lord
Cynthia Corley, soloist

Great Day! The Lord is Risen!
Kyle Billeter, soloist

Joshua Wortham, director
Terry Wisegarver, narrator
Rick Poole, narrator
Charles Green, piano
Gary Williams, drums
Jack Price, trumpet
James Hargraves, sound
Steven Naleway, sound
Elijah Decker, video
Dean Miller, video

Sage Wright, violin
Chris Johnston, violin
Brenda Johnson, viola
Ned Haskins, cello
Alex Kehayas, bass
Heidi Thurmond, flute
Ben Grondahl, clarinet
Jane Kiser, oboe
Gretchen Georgas, horn

THE CALL TO FAITH

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore. God is calling. Will you listen? Will you come and be restored? Wade in the water. Wade in the water, children. Wade in the water. God's gonna trouble the water. Come ye weary, heavy laden. God's free bounty glorify. True belief and true repentance. Every grace that brings you nigh. God is gonna trouble the water. Wade in the water, wade in the water, children. Wade in the water. God is gonna trouble the water. Come, ye weary, heavy laden, lost and ruined by the fall. If you tarry till you're better, you will never come at all. Let not conscience make you linger; nor of fitness fondly dream. All the fitness He requireth is to feel your need of Him. God's gonna trouble the water. Come!

THE CALL TO FOLLOW

I want Jesus to walk with me. All along this pilgrim journey, oh, I want Jesus to walk with me. Come follow Me. I have decided to follow Jesus. No turning back. My cross I'll carry, though none go with me. No turning back. Though none go with me, my cross I'll carry, carry. No turning back. Oh, when I am alone; give me Jesus! And when I come to die, give me Jesus! You can have all this world; give me Jesus. Give me Jesus! Jesus!

PEACE FOR THE JOURNEY

We shall walk through the valley in peace. For Jesus, Himself, will be our leader; we shall walk through the valley in peace. There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole. There is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick

soul. Sometimes I feel discouraged, and think my work's in vain, but then, the love of Jesus revives my soul again. There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole. There is a balm, a balm, in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul. For Jesus, Himself, will be our leader; we will walk through the valley in peace.

RIDE ON, KING JESUS

Ride on, King Jesus. Ride on in majesty. Ride on, King Jesus. Ride on. You have come to set us free. He is the King of kings. He is the Lord of lords. Jesus Christ, the First and Last; there is none like Him. Ride on, King Jesus. Ride on in majesty. Ride on, King Jesus. Ride on. You have come to set us free. Blessed is He who comes in the name, who comes in the name of the Lord. Ride on, King Jesus. Ride on in majesty. Jesus Christ, the King of kings! Ride on!

COME TO THE WELCOME TABLE

I'm gonna sit at the welcome table, O Lord. I'm gonna sit at the welcome table, one of these days. Hallelujah! I'm gonna sit at the welcome table, one of these days. Let us break bread together on our knees. When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me. Let us drink the cup together on our knees. When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me. O I'm gonna sit at the welcome table, one of these days. Hallelujah! I'm gonna sit at the welcome table one of these days. We will feast in one accord at the table of the Lord. We will sit at the table with Jesus one of these days. Hallelujah! One of these days.

CALENDAR
April 16-23, 2023

<p>Today 8:15 AM Nursery until 12:00 PM 8:30 AM Easter Canata-SANC 9:30 AM Sun Sch Gr K-2-Rm 204 Sun Sch Gr 3-5-Rm 206 Adult SS-Various 9:55 AM NO Bridge Service 11:00 AM Easter Cantata-Sanc 2:30 PM MS/HS Youth- Loft 4:30 PM Play-N-Share-Pt of Rock Mon.: 6:00 PM GS TP 365-205 6:30 PM Cub/Boy Scouts-various 7:00 PM PS Board-116 Tues.: 10:30 AM Joy Singers-Music Suite 11:00 PM Contemplative Prayer 3:00 PM Rest Stop-Annex 7:00 PM Easter Cantata-Sanc NO ESL Wed.: 12:00 PM Bulletin Deadline 6:30 PM GS Service Unit-DFH 7:00 PM NO Chancel Choir NO Finance Com Thurs.: 1:30 PM Prayer Shawl-Parlor</p>	<p>Thurs.: 6:30 PM Disciple Life-Annex 7:00 PM ESL-205, 206, 221 Fri.: 10:00 AM Feedmore-Greenleigh Sat.: 6:00 PM Game Night-DFH</p> <p>Next Sunday: April 23 9:15 AM Nursery until 11:45 AM 9:30 AM Sun Sch Gr K-2-Rm 204 Sun Sch Gr 3-5-Rm 206 Adult SS-Various 10:30 AM Combined Worship on Parsonage Lawn 11:45 AM Potluck Picnic on Parsonage Lawn 12:30 PM Bridge Builders-116 4:00 PM NO MS/HS Youth 6:30 PM Women’s Bible Study-226</p>
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Online Giving: To contribute online, scan the QR code with your smartphone or visit www.chesterumc.org and click “Online Giving.”

Altar Flowers for the Sanctuary: To donate Altar flowers, *please sign up in the pew pad* or on the flower chart outside the Church Office and complete an Altar Flower Form. The available dates are Apr 23, 30; May 14, 21; June 18, 25; July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; Aug 6, 13, 27; Sept 3, 10, 17, 24; Oct 8, 22; Dec 3, 31. 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.

***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!***

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Family Game Night: Saturday, April 22, 6-8 PM, fellowship hall. Join us (and bring a friend) for fun games, pizza, and fellowship! Bring a game and a dessert to share. *Please register in the pew pad.* POC: Charlotte Brummette (charl208@yahoo.com) / 804-833-1174)

Ladies' Afternoon Tea: Saturday, April 29. SOLD OUT! Thank you, Church, for your overwhelming support of the annual Chancel Choir Tea.

Trash-A-Thon: Sunday, April 30, 2-4 PM at Goyne Park & Ecoff Elementary; Chester UMC adults, youth, and children will join the JFWCC (Junior Federated Women's Club of Chester) in their Annual Trash-A-Thon. We will clean up Goyne Park and Ecoff Elementary School then return to the Church Annex for gabbing and grilling and maybe some intergenerational competition. POC: Jennifer Brame (youthleaders@chesterumc.org)

Summer Mission Trip: Lynn Crump is planning another mission trip to Southwest Virginia for the week of June 11-17 or June 18-24. The team reports that there is still much work to be done, and they will again assist flood victims with home repairs. A variety of skills are needed, and youth are invited to participate. For more details, please plan to attend an informational meeting after the 11:00 AM service on Sunday, April 30, Room 116. POC: Lynn Crump (804-513-0260 / lynncrumppla@gmail.com)

Men's Grill-n-Gaga: April 30, 4:00 PM on the Annex lawn for a time of grilling meats, veggies, playing Gaga, and enjoying monthly fellowship. The middle and high school youth will eat with us after their Trash-A-Thon. POC: Scott Pugh (scott.pugh@bldr.com) /804.536.1771)

Graduate Recognition: Sunday, May 7. We will recognize all our 2023 graduates during worship! Whether you are graduating from high school, college, trade school, secondary education—any sort of graduation—we want to celebrate with you! *Please register in the pew pad* or let the Church Office (cumcsecretary@chesterumc.org) know. Also, send us 2 or 3 pictures (no later than April 24) so we can include you in our PowerPoint presentation. Be sure to attend in-person worship on Sunday, May 7, as we pray a blessing over you and honor your achievements!

KEEP IN PRAYER: Desiree Davis; Jennifer Brittenham (daughter of Joe & Diane Manna) Fred Buck; Ella Harris (friend of the Dodd family; family of George Sawyer; family of Victor Cunningham (father of Donna Elbon); Ethan Rutledge [Amanda]; Andrew Dyson; Diane Manna; Malcom & Dollie Stone; Ginny Virag; family of Grace Verghese; Peggy Meehan (friend of Lisa Stanfield); Diane Manna; Dee Watkins; Jeanne Shelburne; Rachel York (granddaughter-in-law of John & Becky York); Lynda Richardson; Jo Kiser; Kitty Lipscomb; Doug and Clara Gestwick.

Our Presence April 9, 2023

6:00 Sunrise Service	68
8:30 Fresh Start Service	141
9:55 The Bridge Service.....	120
11:00 Traditions Service	318
Online.....	63
Total Worship Attendance.....	710

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 16, 2023

Greeters:	8:30	Andy & Eileen Steck	
	9:55	No Bridge service	
	11:00	Martha Miles, Hunter Beazley	
Ushers:	8:30	Gordon Morris*, Ron Dombrowski	*Head Usher
	9:55	No Bridge service	
	11:00	Gordon Jones*, James Barlett, Larry Koon, Bob Kutz, Emory Large	
Nursery:	8:30, 9:55, 11:00	Staff Members, Carla Adams, Jessica Hargraves	



Are You Stressed? Discouraged? Feeling Down?

You don't have to go through difficult times alone. Our Stephen Ministers are ready to provide you with confidential, one-to-one, Christian care and support to help you get through a tough time. So don't keep it all inside and struggle alone. Our Stephen Ministers are there to care. To find out more about Stephen Ministry, please call Vince D'Agostino at 804-461-8529.

STAR WARS
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JUNE 19-23, 2023
CHESTER UNITED METHODIST
WWW.CHESTERUMC.ORG
Pre-K through 5th Grade

REGISTER NOW!

Monday, June 19, through Friday, June 23
9:00 AM-12:30 PM
Grades PK-5.

Register your child at
<https://forms.gle/2avsjE5wDUK77RX17>
or scan the QR code.

If you are interested in helping,
contact Andy & Eileen Steck
(andyei10twitchell@gmail.com)

Leading Our Worship Next Sunday, April 23, 2023

Greeters: **9:30** Marian & Ed Garrett
 10:30 Stephanie Decker, Ruth Devore
Ushers: **10:30** Gordon Jones*, Geoff LeSueur, Jeff Marlin, Willie Orton, Tommy Petrey
Nursery: **9:15 – 11:45** Staff Members, Carla Adams, Jessica Hargraves

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN (UMW): Monday, May 1, 7:00 PM, Room 205. The Jean Craig Fellowship will meet to continue working on hygiene kits for UMCOR. POC: Call Susan Petrey, 804-938-5396

Want to see "Little Shop of Horrors" at the Cultural Arts Center at Glen Allen (directed by Amy Perdue, music directed by Joshua Wortham), but don't want to make the drive? We're offering shuttle service in the church van! Tickets are \$15 each (check payable to Joshua or exact change, please). This includes your ticket, gas money for the van, and paying for the driver's ticket. *Contact Joshua Wortham* if you are interested in one of the following dates:

Friday, May 5-VAN FULL, load up at 6:45 PM, show at 8 PM

Sunday, May 14, load up at 1:45 PM, show at 3 PM

Sunday, May 21-only 3 seats remain, load up at 1:45 PM, show at 3 PM

Additional dates may be added if there is interest.

Friends and family are welcome of course! Spread the word! Alternatively, if you want to do a different date, and/or drive yourself, purchase tickets here:

<https://cacga.na.ticketsearch.com/sales/salesevent/13711>

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Preschool Director: Jen Barnes preschool@chesterumc.org

NEW Women's 4-Week Bible Study begins April 23, 6:30-7:30 PM, in the Upper Room (226). Sermon on the Mount: The Consolidated Core Teachings of Jesus, a 4-Week Study on Matthew 5, 6, and 7. Jesus is not only the Lord and Savior for Christians but a great rabbi for all. His teachings are consolidated into three chapters in the Gospel of Matthew (5, 6, 7). For more than 2,000 years, these chapters known as the Sermon on the Mount have served as the most concise, clear, universal lessons known to humanity. You are invited to dip your toes into this "sermon" in the up-coming Bible study for women. The meeting dates are April 23, 30, May 7, and 21 (we will skip Mothers' Day). There is no homework and no book except your favorite Bible. *Sign up in the pew pad* or contact Marg Kutz at margkutz72@gmail.com.

Seekers Sunday School Class: Starting April 16, we will begin a new study with the book TROUBLESOME BIBLE PASSAGES by Douglas E. Wingeier and David Lowes Watson. This book addresses 23 scriptures that are often not fully understood, so we may ignore or overlook them. These passages deal with theological, ethical, and practical issues. Each lesson will help us grow toward faith and discipleship. Lesson 1 is on Genesis 3:1-24, "Is All This Sinning Really Necessary?" We welcome you to join us. POC: Barbara MacIntyre (telluwhatbarbara@aim.com)

PLANT and SEED SWAP: Sunday, **May 7** (NEW DATE), 12:15 PM, Welcome Center. Do you have more okra or pea seeds than you know what to do with? Bought 12 tomato plants and only have room for 6? Bring your extras and meet other green thumbs and wannabe green thumbs. Let's swap seeds, share plants, and maybe talk a little dirt! POC: Katey Petrey McCarney, 804/402-0084.

Personal Financial Wellness: Sunday, May 7, we kick off our Personal Financial Wellness series with a 30-minute intro to estate planning facilitated by Commonwealth Legal. For your convenience, we will host the same presentation in the Davis Fellowship Hall after each morning service. Mark your calendar and plan to attend one of the sessions. POC: Bryon Wall (678-642-2788).

Chester UMC ARTS & CRAFTS SHOW

Saturday, May 6, 9 AM - 4 PM, Rain-or-Shine
Davis Fellowship Hall & Welcome Center Parking Lot
Reserve Your Craft Space ASAP
FREE ADMISSION



Peruse handmade crafts from CUMC crafters and many more. Don't miss this opportunity to pick up a few Mother's Day gifts while you browse. *Breakfast and lunch items will also be on sale.*

If you craft and are interested in obtaining a space, or know someone else who might be interested, download the application at <https://chesterumc.org/craft-show/>. More information is listed on the application.

COST \$50 for an **INSIDE 8' by 10' Space**

COST \$60 for an **OUTSIDE 10' by 10' Space**

Make checks payable to Chester United Methodist Church and mail with your application to:

Chester United Methodist Women

Attn: Katey McCarney

12132 Percival ST

Chester VA 23831

POCs: Katey Petrey McCarney (CUMCcraftshow@gmail.com) / 804/402-0084)

Susan Mundell Petrey (804/938-5396)

NEW PRE-K Sunday School Class begins Sunday, May 7, 9:45 -10:45 AM in Room 107. We are so excited to restart this class! Please bring us your children who will be 4 by September 30 (potty trained). Jackie Farley, who sings in the Chancel Choir, will be the lead teacher. Using Christian PK Sunday School curriculum and understanding how preschoolers learn, the lessons will include more than stories, for example:

1. the birth of Jesus will include family care, baby care, travel, and even a farm puppet to talk about the manger.
2. the creation story will involve preparing a “garden” for Adam and Eve made of blankets, food, and living needs for today. The children will “cook” in the “kitchen.”

The PK classroom needs some gently used/new items (Preschoolers love a good story but *really* learn by doing.) Please donate from this list:

- play dishes, play food, pots/pans
- all plastic/vinyl baby doll
- animal hand puppets
- safe transportation vehicles (hot wheels to tractors and in between)
- toy farm animals, forest creatures, dinosaurs, bugs, etc.



Please, prayerfully consider helping in our NEW PK classroom. We need an assistant every Sunday or a team of volunteers who serve on a rotating schedule. *Please register in the pew pad or contact Pastor Chad if you have a heart for our PK children.*



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SUNDAY SMALL GROUPS

Children's Sunday School: 9:45 AM. Pre-K (Rm. 107 – begins May 7); Grades K-2 (Rm. 204); grades 3-5 (Rm. 206). POC: Pastor Chad Beck

Middle and High School Youth Sunday School

9:45 AM, Annex Loft; POC: Pastor Chad Beck (chadbeck@chesterumc.org)

Adult Small Group Bible Study

9:45 AM, Room 116; Facilitated by Jeff Marlin (jeff.marlinabd@gmail.com)

Fresh Start Sunday School Class

9:45 AM, Room 221; POC: Susan Petrey, 804-938-5396

Friendship Ministry Class

10:40 AM, Room 116, for adults who are cognitively challenged.

POC: Mari and Dan Hayes (JLMinNaples@msn.com)

The Gathering Small Group (formerly Adult Small Group for Millennials)

9:45 AM, Room 205; for singles/couples with/without children at home.

facilitated by Brion & Sonja Seward and Andrew Brummette.

Journey Sunday School Class

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

POCs: Carolyn Landis (landisfamily05@gmail.com); Eric Hougland (ehougland88@gmail.com)

Seekers Sunday School Class

9:40 AM, Room 226; POC: Barbara MacIntyre (telluwhatbarbara@aim.com)

Senior Singles Sunday School Class will not meet today, April 16.

9:45 AM, Parlor; POC: Cynthia Corley (cacorley@ctsi.net)

Bridge Builders (POC: Maureen Coker (mcoker2003@comcast.net))

2nd Sunday of the month, **12:30 PM**, Room 116, **April 23** (new date), and **May 21** (new date)

Middle & High School Youth Meetings (POC: Jennifer Brame (youthleaders@chesterumc.org))

Scheduled Sundays, 2:30 PM, Annex Loft; 6th -12th grades join in study, missions, and fun!

Fiber Friends: April 30 (date change). Typically meets on 4th Sundays in **Room 205**, 12:15 PM, bring a bag lunch. POC: Beth Powner, knit9grammy@gmail.com. / (804) 586-0735)

Men's Grill-N-Gaga: Sunday, April 30, 4:00 PM at the Annex. Join us for grilling, GaGa, and fellowship. POC: Scott Pugh (scott.pugh@bldr.com / 804-536-1771)

Play 'N' Share: April 16, 4:30 PM (1st & 3rd Sundays) Point of Rocks Park playground (201 Enon Church Rd, Chester). All ages are invited! POC: Pastor Chad.

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)

Village People Study, Socialize, & Service Group: 1st and 3rd Mondays at 2:00 PM, Community Room at Chester Village Senior APTS (11701 Chester Village DR).

Joy Singers (for retired folks): Tuesdays, 10:30 AM in the Music Suite. POC: Joshua Wortham.

Contemplative Prayer Group: Tuesdays, 11:00 AM in the Church Parlor. We read scripture and then focus, pray, chat, and connect with God. POC: Lisa Stanfield (lisajostanfield@gmail.com)

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

Women's Fellowship Luncheon: 3rd Thursdays, 1 PM at a local restaurant. *The next gathering will be on Thursday, April 20, at Antonio's* (11956 Iron Bridge Plaza, Chester). RSVP by April 17 to Joan Osborne (josbor61@gmail.com).

Prayer Shawl Group: Thursdays, 1:30 PM, Church Parlor. OR, you can work on your project at home. All are invited to join us! We can provide yarn and will happily teach you how to knit or crochet. POCs: Beverly Trevillian (804-337-2367); Betty Stone (wva_lady@verizon.net/804-914-0433)

Women's Christian Book Club: *Next meeting Thursday, May 4, 6:30 PM.* Meets on 1st Thursdays, 6:30 PM at the Annex Loft. You have a month to read each book before we gather to discuss it. POC: Jennifer Brame (jrbrooksiee@gmail.com)

Estudio Bíblico de Mujeres: el segundo y cuarto **miércoles** de cada mes, a las 7:00 a 8:30 PM en el edificio Annex de la iglesia. Para más información habla con el Pastor Chad.

"Strum and Smile" Small Group: Saturday mornings at 10:00 AM, Music Suite. Guys & gals who play stringed instruments with no intention of performing. All levels of play are welcome! We will learn from one another, share in a reading of a Psalm, and grow together in Christ. POC: Pastor Nathan