



April 30, 2023, 9:55 AM

**WORSHIP MUSIC**

I'll Fly Away  
Blessed Be the Name  
How Great Is Our God  
Jesus Built This Church On Love

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

Prince George High School  
Choral Students

**SCRIPTURE**

1 John 3:16-24

**MESSAGE**

A Heart of Bold  
Izaak Spiers

*Having trouble seeing the screen? Just ask an usher for a copy of today's large print song lyrics.*

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**SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SERMON TITLE</u>	<u>SCRIPTURE</u>
* May 7	Growing from Babies to Living Stones	1 Peter 2:2-10 NRSV
May 14	Staying In Love with God	Mark 12:28-34 NIV
May 21	Noisy Church	Psalms 47 CEB

\* *Indicates that we will celebrate Holy Communion*

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### **FRESH START SERVICE**

April 30, 2023—8:30 AM



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

#### **WORSHIP MUSIC**

Romans 12:1

Everlasting God

How Great Is Our God

Father, Spirit, Jesus

#### **SPECIAL MUSIC**

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*Choral Students*

#### **SCRIPTURE**

Malachi 1 – *The Message*

#### **MESSAGE**

Offending God in the Offering

*Pastor Nathan Decker*

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April 30, 2023

A Service of Worship and Praise  
10:30 AM

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday After  
Easter

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Welcome, Announcements, and Greeting

Prelude

*How Great Thou Art*

Organist

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

Leader: We are not poor

**People: Except maybe in Spirit and Faith**

Leader: God, we gather today to give you our worship and praise

**People: but is it our best, our first priority, our whole selves?**

Leader: God we gather today to give you our sacrifice and offering

**People: teach us to give you more than praise, chastise us to give you more than an hour on Sunday, challenge us to be better than left-over, half-done, uninvested and disinterested disciples.**

Leader: We are not poor,

**People: And in love, Lord Jesus, you call us on the carpet today. May the sacrifice of our hearts, our treasure, our first and our best, please you. Amen.**

\* Opening Prayer<sup>2</sup>

**O great and holy God, we sing hymns; we offer prayers; we stand in awe of your creation; we are humbled by your love. When we come to you, we are often asking something from you. You have given to us even when we did not ask. Now, in these moments, we are not asking for anything but offering our appreciation for all your mercies. We offer our money. We offer ourselves. We pray that both these gifts and our lives will honor you in the name of Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

\* Hymn No. 261

*Lord of the Dance*

\* Apostles' 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.**

Special Music

PGHS Chamber Singers

Mission Moment

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. 393

*Spirit of the Living God*

*Remain seated.*

Children's Message

Scripture

*Malachi 1*

*The Message*

Sermon

*Offending God in the Offering*

Pastor Nathan Decker

Offertory

PGHS Chamber Singers

\* 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!**

\* Closing Hymn No. 89

*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

\* Benediction

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

<sup>1</sup><https://worshipswake.wordpress.com/2023/04/25/call-to-worship-malachi-1/>

<sup>2</sup>Worship and Song Worship Resources, Abingdon Press, 2011. Pg. 47, No. 109

**Guest Musicians:** The Chamber Singers of Prince George High School are a mixed voice, auditioned choral ensemble that consists of students in 10th-12th grade. The Chamber Singers are a superior rated ensemble from Virginia Choral Director's Association State Assessments, Festival Disney, NYC Heritage Festival, and Williamsburg's Music in the Parks. They have been under the direction of Storm Burks since 2016. Today they will perform: Ndikhokele Bawo (*based on Psalm 23*), Salmo 150, and Sing Gently.

## CALENDAR

*April 30-May 7, 2023*

<p>Today 8:15 AM Nursery until 12 PM          8:30 AM Fresh Start Service-DFH          9:30 AM Sun Sch Gr K-2-Rm 204                    Sun Sch Gr 3-5-Rm 206          9:45 AM Adult SS-Various          9:50 AM The Bridge-Sanc          11:00 AM Traditions Service-Sanc          12:15 PM Fiber Friends-205                4:00 PM Men's Grill-n-GaGa-Annex                6:30 PM Women's Bible Study-226</p> <p>Mon.: 6:00 PM GS TP 365-206                6:30 PM Cub/Boy Scouts-various</p> <p>Tues.: 10:30 AM NO Joy Singers-Music Suite                11:00 AM Contemplative Prayer                2:00 PM Stephen Ministers-226                3:00 PM Rest Stop-Annex                7:00 PM ESL-205, 206, 221</p> <p>Wed.: 10:00 AM Visitation Team-226                12:00 PM Bulletin Deadline                7:00 PM Chancel Choir</p> <p>Thurs.: 1:30 PM Prayer Shawl-Parlor                6:30 PM Disciple Life-Annex</p>	<p>Thurs.: 6:30 PM Women's Book Club-Annex                7:00 PM ESL-205, 206, 221</p> <p>Fri.:</p> <p>Sat.: 9:00 AM UMW Craft Show-DFH</p> <p><b>Next Sunday: May 7</b>          8:15 AM Nursery until 12 PM          8:30 AM Fresh Start Service-DFH          9:30 AM Sun Sch PreK-Rm 107                    Sun Sch Gr K-2-Rm 204                    Sun Sch Gr 3-5-Rm 206          9:45 AM Adult SS-Various          9:50 AM The Bridge-Sanc          11:00 AM Traditions Service-Sanc          12:15 PM Plant/Seed Swap          1:00 PM TDHS Key Club Bd-116          2:00 PM Family Min. Team-Online          2:30 PM MS/HS Youth-Annex Loft          4:30 PM <b>NO</b> Play &amp; Share          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](http://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!*

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

**Summer Mission Trip Info MTG:** TODAY, Sunday, **April 30**, 12:15 PM, Room 116. 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, too. POC: Lynn Crump (804-513-0260 / [lynncrumppla@gmail.com](mailto:lynncrumppla@gmail.com))

**Fiber Friends:** TODAY, Sunday, **April 30**, 12:15 PM, Room 205. Bring a bag lunch and whatever project you are working on. We'll enjoy fellowship and snacks while we knit, crochet, sew, needlepoint, rug hook, etc. New members are always welcome! Our May meeting will be back on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday (May 28). POC Beth Powner ([knit9grammy@gmail.com](mailto:knit9grammy@gmail.com) /804-586-0735)

**Men's Grill-n-Gaga:** CANCELLED TODAY Join us monthly on the Annex lawn for a time of grilling meats, veggies, playing Gaga, and enjoying monthly fellowship. POC: Scott Pugh ([scott.pugh@bldr.com](mailto:scott.pugh@bldr.com) /804.536.1771)

**Arts & Crafts Show:** Saturday, **May 6**, 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM in Davis Fellowship Hall. Admission is free. See handmade crafts from CUMC crafters and many more. Pick up a few Mother's Day gifts while you browse. See bulletin insert for more info.

**Graduate Recognition:** Sunday, **May 7**. We will recognize all our 2023 graduates during worship! We want to celebrate all forms of graduation! *Please register in the pew pad* or let the Church Office ([cumcsecretary@chesterumc.org](mailto:cumcsecretary@chesterumc.org)) know and send us 2 or 3 pictures TODAY so we can include you in our PowerPoint presentation.

**Estate Planning Sessions:** Join us **Sunday, May 7**, as we learn legal ways to ensure your loved ones, wishes, assets, and you are cared for when you are no longer able to do so. Our 30-minute Estate Planning sessions are for very young working adults to seniors planning future care ad legacies. Remember, without a legally documented plan, you place decision-making in the hands of strangers. Mark your calendar, invite a friend/neighbor, and we will see you in the fellowship hall after your morning worship service of choice. POC: Bryon Wall (678) 642-2788.

**PLANT and SEED SWAP:** Sunday, **May 7**, 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.

**KEEP IN PRAYER:** Beth Powner; Barbara Goodwyn; Peggy Bishop; 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; 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 23, 2023**

10:30 AM Combined Service ..... 175  
 Online..... 72  
**Total Worship Attendance..... 247**

**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 [assistant@chesterumc.org](mailto:assistant@chesterumc.org) on 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of January, March, May, July, September, and November.

**Leading Our Worship TODAY, April 30, 2023**

<b>Greeters:</b>	<b>8:30</b> Andy & Eileen Steck	
	<b>9:55</b> Will Schmidt	
	<b>11:00</b> Marian Perkinson, Janis Hargrave	
<b>Ushers:</b>	<b>8:30</b> Gordon Morris*, Ron Dombrowski	*Head Usher
	<b>9:55</b> Jim Watkins*, Diane Medina	
	<b>11:00</b> Gary Williams*, Marshall Henry, Scott Pugh, Don Schmidt, Kay Williams	
<b>Nursery:</b>	<b>8:30, 9:55, 11:00</b> Staff Members, Carla Adams, Jessica Hargaves	

**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. The available dates are May 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.

**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 the following date:

**DATE CHANGE: Saturday, May 13**, load up at 6:45 PM, show at 8 PM

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>

**Leading Our Worship Next Sunday, May 7, 2023**

<b>Greeters:</b>	<b>8:30</b> Karen & Bill Comer	
	<b>9:55</b> Marian & Ed Garrett	
	<b>11:00</b> Linda Large, Mary Musselwhite	
<b>Ushers:</b>	<b>8:30</b> Gordon Jones*, Bill Comer	*Head Usher
	<b>9:55</b> Linda D'Agostino*, JR Irvin	
	<b>11:00</b> Will Herrmann*, James Bartlett, Bob Kutz, Geoff LeSueur, Jeff Marlin	
<b>Nursery:</b>	<b>8:30, 9:55, 11:00</b> Staff Members, Carla Adams, Jessica Hargraves	



## **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](mailto:CUMCcraftshow@gmail.com) / 804/402-0084)

Susan Mundell Petrey (804/938-5396)

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

**CUMC BLOOD DRIVE:** Wednesday, May 10, 10:00 AM-3:00 PM, Davis Fellowship Hall. Please register at <https://www.redcross.org/give-blood.html> to donate your life-saving blood or platelets.



**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, Referral Coordinator, at 804-461-8529.

**Job Opportunity:** St. Mark's UMC in Petersburg is hiring a part time Administrative Assistant. The job is 16 hours per week. Experience with Microsoft Office Suite required. Contact our Church Office for a complete job description.

**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](mailto:andyei10twitchell@gmail.com))

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

**NEW Women's 4-Week Bible Study** Sundays, 6:30-7:30 PM, (began April 23) in the Upper Room (226). *Sermon on the Mount: The Consolidated Core Teachings of Jesus*, a 4-Week Study on Matthew Chapters 5-7. 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” on April 23, 30, May 7, and 21 (we will skip Mothers’ Day). There is no homework and no book except your favorite Bible. *Register in the pew pad if you wish to participate.* POC: Marg Kutz ([margkutz72@gmail.com](mailto:margkutz72@gmail.com).)

**Fresh Start Sunday School Class:** *Beginning TODAY*—Jesus provided his disciples teachings for how to follow Torah, God’s word; he told them parables to help them discern questions of ethics and of human nature; he offered them beatitudes for comfort and encouragement. But sometimes Jesus spoke words that followers then and now have found difficult. In *The Difficult Words of Jesus*, Rabbi Amy-Jill Levine shows us how these difficult teachings might have sounded to the people who first heard them. The Fresh Start Class meets every Sunday morning at 9:45 in Room 221 (at the top of the “old” stairway). Visitors and new members are always welcome. POC: Susan Petrey (938-5396)

**Seekers Sunday School Class:** 9:45 AM, Room 226. We are studying 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](mailto:telluwhatbarbara@aim.com))

**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.*

## **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](mailto:chadbeck@chesterumc.org))

### **Adult Small Group Bible Study**

9:45 AM, Room 116; Facilitated by Jeff Marlin ([jeff.marlinabd@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto: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-pieh-vve>)

POCs: Carolyn Landis ([landisfamily05@gmail.com](mailto:landisfamily05@gmail.com)); Eric Houglan ([ehouglan88@gmail.com](mailto:ehouglan88@gmail.com))

### **Seekers Sunday School Class**

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

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

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

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### **Bridge Builders** (POC: Maureen Coker ([mcoker2003@comcast.net](mailto:mcoker2003@comcast.net)))

**June 25, 12:15 PM** (new date), Room 116, final meeting until September 2023

### **Middle & High School Youth Meetings** (POC: Jennifer Brame ([youthleaders@chesterumc.org](mailto:youthleaders@chesterumc.org)))

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

### **Fiber Friends: April 30 (date change).** 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays in **Room 205**, 12:15 PM, bring a bag lunch.

POC: Beth Powner, [knit9grammy@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:scott.pugh@bldr.com)) / 804-536-1771)

**Play 'N' Share:** WILL NOT MEET May 7. Next meeting May 21, 4:30 PM (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays), Point of Rocks Park playground (201 Enon Church Rd, Chester). All ages are invited! POC: Pastor Chad.

**Women's 4-Week Study:** 6:30 PM, Room 226, April 23, 30, May 7 & 21.

## SMALL GROUPS

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

**Village People Study, Socialize, & Service Group:** 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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](mailto: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](mailto:vannstan34@gmail.com))

**Women's Fellowship Luncheon:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays, 1 PM at a local restaurant. *The next gathering will be on Thursday, May 18* (location TBD) POC: Joan Osborne ([josbor61@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:wva_lady@verizon.net)/804-914-0433)

**Women's Christian Book Club:** *Next meeting Thursday, May 4, 6:30 PM.* Meets on 1<sup>st</sup> 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](mailto:jrbrooksiee@gmail.com))

**"Strum and Smile" Small Group:** WILL RESUME IN THE FALL. 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: Keith Woods ([the.gibson.kw@gmail.com](mailto:the.gibson.kw@gmail.com))