



May 28, 2023, 9:55 AM

WORSHIP MUSIC

I Saw the Light
Glory to His Name
Mighty to Save
Jesus Built This Church On Love

SPECIAL MUSIC

Come, Christians, Join to Sing
Joshua Wortham

SCRIPTURE

Mark 12:28-34 (NIV)

MESSAGE

Staying in Love With Your Neighbor
Pastor Chad Beck

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

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FRESH START SERVICE

May 21, 2023—8:30 AM



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

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Everyday

Glory to God Forever

Here I Am to Worship

I Will Follow

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A Service of Worship and Praise
11:00 AM

Pentecost
Sunday

Welcome, Announcements, and Greeting

Prelude

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Organist

* Call to Worship¹

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit! Ignite our hearts with joy and confidence!

People: For God has done wondrous things for us.

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit! Fill us with the power of the rushing wind that we may faithfully serve you in all that we do.

People: For Christ has called each of us and blessed us!

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit! Be with us today.

People: Help us to boldly proclaim the Risen Christ. Amen.

* Opening Prayer²

God of wind and fire, embolden us this day to receive your power. Help us to proclaim the wondrous things that you have done and continue to do in our lives. Give us strength and courage to share the Good News of your love and your presence. For we ask this in Jesus' Name. Amen.

* Hymn No. 62

All Creatures of Our God and King

Stanzas 1-3, & 7

* Affirmation of Faith 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.

Anthem

Joy In the Morning

Chancel Choir

Why We Give

Offertory

He Leadeth Me

Pianist

* 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!

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. 500 *Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart* Stanzas 1, 3, & 5

Children's Message

Scripture *Mark 12:28-34* NIV

Sermon *Staying in Love With Your Neighbor* Pastor Chad Beck

* Closing Hymn No. 581 *Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service* Stanzas 1 & 4

* Benediction

* Choral Amen

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

¹ <https://www.ministrymatters.com/worship/entry/3845/worship-connection-pentecost-sunday-2022>

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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 June 18; July 2, 9, 16, 23; Aug 6, 13; 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.

CALENDAR

May 28-June 4, 2023

Today	8:15 AM	Nursery until 12 PM	Thurs.:	6:30 PM	Disciple Life-Annex
	8:30 AM	Fresh Start Service-DFH			GS Troop 5248
	9:30 AM	Sun Sch PreK-Rm 107			Women's Book Club
		Sun Sch Gr K-2-Rm 204	Fri.:		
		Sun Sch Gr 3-5-Rm 206	Sat.:	12:00 PM	Baby Shower-DFH
	9:45 AM	Adult SS-Various			
	9:50 AM	The Bridge-Sanc	Next Sunday: May 28		
	11:00 AM	Traditions Service-Sanc		8:15 AM	Nursery until 12 PM
	12:15 PM	Fiber Friends-205		8:30 AM	Fresh Start Service-DFH
	2:30 PM	NO MS/HS Youth-Annex		9:30 AM	Sun Sch PreK-Rm 107
Mon.:		OFFICE CLOSED			Sun Sch Gr K-2-Rm 204
Tues.:	10:30 AM	NO Joy Singers-Music Suite			Sun Sch Gr 3-5-Rm 206
	11:00 AM	NO Contemplative Prayer		9:45 AM	Adult SS-Various
	3:00 PM	Rest Stop-Annex		9:50 AM	The Bridge-Sanc
		Staff Meeting		11:00 AM	Traditions Service-Sanc
	7:00 PM	ESL-205, 226, 221		1:00 PM	TDHS Key Club
Wed.:	12:00 PM	Bulletin Deadline		2:30 PM	NO MS/HS Youth-Annex
	6:30 PM	Venture Crew-116		4:30 PM	Play & Share-Pt. of Rocks
	7:00 PM	Chancel Choir		5:00 PM	Oros Recital-Sanc/DFH
Thurs.:	1:30 PM	Prayer Shawl-Parlor			

SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SERMON TITLE</u>	<u>SCRIPTURE</u>
June 4*	The Cross Spectacle	John 12:20-33 MSG
June 11	Jesus and the Lamb	Matthew 18:10-14 Voice
June 18	Faith, Hope, and Charity	I Corinthians 13:1-4, 13 KJV

* *Indicates that we will celebrate Holy Communion*



Online Giving: To contribute online, scan the QR code with your smartphone or visit www.chesterumc.org and click "Online Giving."

Church Office Closed on Monday, May 29 for Memorial Day.

*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). Our Assistant Parish Nurse is Pat Baake.

Fiber Friends: *TODAY*, 12:15 PM, Room 205 (4th Sundays). We are a small group who enjoy many of the Fiber Arts (knitting, crochet, sewing, rug hooking, macrame, needlepoint, the possibilities are endless!) We are open to all-yes, real men do knit! Bring your project, and a bag lunch and drink. We will eat and chat as we work on our individual projects. Have grandkids who enjoy a Fiber Art? Bring them too! POC: Beth Powner (knit9grammy@gmail.com, 804-586-0735)

NEW PRE-K Sunday School Class: *Sundays*, 9:45 -10:45 AM in Room 107. Please bring us your children who will be 4 by September 30 (potty trained), and 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. *Register in the pew pad or contact Pastor Chad if you have a heart for our PK children.*

Picnic for Families: *Sunday*, June 11, 12:15 PM, Annex Lawn. Pack a picnic lunch, bring a blanket, and a snack or dessert to share. Beverages will be provided. Bring outdoor games and such for the children. Organized by The Gathering Small Group. POC: Charlotte Brummette (Charl208@yahoo.com)



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CHESTER UNITED METHODIST
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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)

KEEP IN PRAYER: family of Fred (Fritz) Buck; Billy Hopson; Suzanne Rountree; Beth Powner; Barbara Goodwyn; Peggy Bishop; Desiree Davis; Jennifer Brittenham (daughter of Joe & Diane Mannetta); family of George Sawyer; Ethan Rutledge [Amanda]; Andrew Dyson; Joe & Diane Mannetta; Malcom & Dollie Stone; Ginny Virag; Peggy Meehan (friend of Lisa Stanfield); 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 May 21, 2023

8:30 Fresh Start Service	89
9:55 The Bridge Service.....	52
11:00 Traditions Service	114
Online.....	35
Total Worship Attendance.....	290

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 assistant@chesterumc.org on 3rd Wednesday of January, March, May, July, September, and November.

Leading Our Worship TODAY, May 28, 2023

Greeters:	8:30	Andy & Eileen Steck	
	9:55	Donna Nunery	
	11:00	Will Schmidt, Linda Large	
Ushers:	8:30	Gordon Jones*, Ron Dombrowski	*Head Usher
	9:55	Beth Stewart*, Tim Stewart	
	11:00	Gary Williams*, Marshall Henry, Joan & Steve Osborne, Kay Williams	
Nursery:	8:30, 9:55, 11:00	Staff Members, Carla Adams, Jessica Hargraves	

Fresh Start Sunday School Class: Jesus provided his disciples teachings for how to follow the 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 deal with theological, ethical, and practical issues. Each lesson will help us grow toward faith and discipleship. We welcome you to join us. POC: Barbara MacIntyre (telluwhatbarbara@aim.com)

THE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN (UMW)

- **Jean Craig Fellowship**—will meet on Monday, June 5, 6:00 p.m. at the Petrey’s for a picnic. We welcome any women who are looking for an evening circle. Call Susan Petrey, 938-5396, for details.
- **Ada Mae Bookman Fellowship**—will resume meeting in the fall. Call Martha Miles, 748-5476, for details.



Sometimes It’s Hard to Ask For Help

We’re brought up to be strong, self-sufficient, independent people. We tend to think that if we ask for help, it is a sign of weakness. So, we try to keep our struggles hidden, stuffed deep inside. However, that’s not God’s plan. Galatians 6:2 says, “Bear one another’s burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.” God wants us to care for others—and allow others to care for us in our time of need. If you’re sad or struggling inside, don’t suffer alone. Ask for help. We’ve got a team of Stephen Ministers who are ready to listen, care, encourage, pray, and help you through a tough time. It’s more than grief counseling-any issue that’s troubling you is important to us and it’s always confidential. Find out more about Stephen Ministry by talking to our Referral Coordinator, Vince D’Agostino at 804-461-8529.

Leading Our Worship Next Sunday, June 4, 2023

Greeters:	8:30 Maureen Coker	
	9:55 Marian & Ed Garrett	
	11:00 Will Schmidt, Barbara Dance	
Ushers:	8:30 Wendell Landis*, Ron Dombrowski	*Head Usher
	9:55 Linda D’Agostino*, Andrew Brummette	
	11:00 Gordon Jones*, Harold Crowder, James Bartlett, Tommy Petrey, Scott Pugh	
Nursery:	8:30, 9:55, 11:00 Staff Members, Carla Adams, Jessica Hargraves	

SUNDAY SMALL GROUPS

Children's Sunday School: 9:45 AM. Pre-K (Rm. 107); 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 213 "Our Pad;" 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-pieh-vve>)

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

Seekers Sunday School Class

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

Senior Singles Sunday School Class (*On summer break June 4-September 3.*)

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

Bridge Builders (POC: Maureen Coker (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))

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

Fiber Friends: 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: Monthly, 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: Next meeting June 4, 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: will resume on June 6, 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 is on Thursday, June 15* (Location TBD) POC: 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, June 1, 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)

"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)

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