

### **WORSHIP MUSIC**

SPECIAL MUSIC Eden Espinosa

Unclouded Day Where Could I Go? Amazing Grace/ Peaceful Easy Feeling Glory to His Name

#### **SCRIPTURE**

Matthew 10:40-42 NRVS MESSAGE A Compelling Invitation Pastor Chad Beck

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

#### **STAFF DIRECTORY**

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# A Community in Christ Chester United Methodist Church Rooted in God, Growing in Christ, Bearing Fruit in the Spirit

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# FRESH START SERVICE

July 2, 2023-8:30 AM



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

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Majestic Father, Spirit, Jesus All Who Are Thirsty Everyday

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# MESSAGE

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July 2, 2023	A Service of Worship and Praise 11:00 AM	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost
,	nouncements, and Greeting	
Prelude	America the Beautiful	Jack Price, trumpet
Call to Worsh	hip <sup>1</sup>	
Leader:	Come, you who are forgotten, for today your Lord has rem	embered you.
	God bids you come today; your name is on the lips of the	Almighty.
<b>People:</b>	Come, you who labor, you who are breathless, come an	d be refreshed.
•	Come and find rest from your labors.	
Leader:	Come, you who are frightened, there is peace enough. Com	ne, for you have
	been grafted into the palm of God's hands.	•
<b>People:</b>	Come, you who are oppressed, depressed, homeless, hu	ngry, and you
-	who feel no one understands you. You who can't voice	
	your tears are invisible.	v ,
Leader:	Come to the God who sees you. Come to the God who wil	l go with you
	into that deep dark night.	c ,
People:	Come, for you are loved. Come, for you are valued. Com	me and be
-	cared for.	
All:	Come, let us worship.	

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

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Constant, welcoming Creator of abundant life; steadfast, merciful Teacher of righteousness; generous, surprising Spirit of grace; when the disciples set out to heal disease and sickness in your name, you said that welcoming them would be welcoming you. Today, you greet us with open arms, pouring out your endless love like sunshine, and strewing our paths with blue-eyed periwinkles, yellow-petaled daisies, and carpets of wild strawberry. Today, and every day, you welcome all who want to be freed from sin, inviting us into eternal life as members of the risen Body of Christ. Amen.

*	Opening Hymn No. 696	America the Beautiful	
	Special Music		Eden Espinosa
	Why We Give Offertory		Eden Espinosa

Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise	l blessings flow; praise God, all crea God, the source of all our gifts! e power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Ho !	
Thy kingdom come, thy w Give us this day our daily And forgive us our trespa And lead us not into temp	eaven, hallowed be thy name. ill be done on earth as it is in heaver	ss against us.
Hymn No. 432	Jesu, Jesu	Remain seated.
Children's Message Pastor Nathan Decl		
· •	nd minds by the power of your Holy your Word proclaimed, we may hear	<b>-</b> · · ·
Scripture	Matthew 10:40-42	NRSV
Sermon	A Compelling Invitation	Pastor Chad Beck
Holy Communion		
Closing Hymn No. 369	<b>Blessed</b> Assurance	
Benediction Choral Amen		

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

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<u>The Flowers on the Altar</u> are given to the glory of God and in honor of Miss Terry for her years of service as Office Manager at CUMC, by Craig & Jill Seal. The floral arrangement was crafted by Penn Shultz.

<sup>1</sup> Cláudio Carvalhaes, Liturgies from Below: Praying with People at the End of the World, Nashville: Abingdon Press,  $\Box$  2020.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Peter Bankson & amp; Deborah Sokolove, Calling on God: Inclusive Christian Prayers for Three Years of Sundays, Woodstock, Skylight Paths Publishing, 2014.

CALENDAR July 2--July 9, 2023

Today: 8:15 AM	Nursery until 12 PM	Thurs:	1:30 PM	NO Prayer Shaw this week
8:30 AM	Fresh Start Service-DFH		6:30 PM	Women's Book Club-Annex
9:30 AM	Sun Sch PreK-107	Fri:	6:30 PM	Latino Health & Safety-DFH
	Sun Sch Gr K-5-206	Sat:		
9:45 AM	Adult SS-Various	Next S	unday: Jul	ly 9
9:50 AM	Online Worship Service		8:15 AM	Nursery until 12 PM
9:55 AM	The Bridge-DFH		8:30 AM	Fresh Start Service-DFH
11:00 AM	Traditions Service-DFH		9:30 AM	Sun Sch PreK-107
12:00 PM	Terry Wisegarver Reception-DFH			Sun Sch Gr K-5-206
1:00 PM	TDHS Key Club Board-116		9:45 AM	Adult SS-Various
Mon: 6:30 PM	Boy Scouts-205, 221, 226, DFH		9:55 AM	The Bridge-DFH
Tues:	OFFICE CLOSED	1	11:00 AM	Traditions Service-DFH
Wed: 12:00 PM	Bulletin Deadline		6:30 PM	Play'N'Share-Pnt of Rocks Park
10:00 AM	Blood Drive-DFH			
10:00 AM	NO Visitation Team in July			

# SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

DATE	SERMON TITLE	<b>SCRIPTURE</b>
July 9	The Sower Planting Seeds	Mark 4:26-34 NIV
July 16	The Dove	Genesis 8:6-12
	Good News for the Troubled & Vulnerable Ones	Matthew 9:25-10:8
July 23	The Lamb of Victory	John 1:29-34

\* Indicates that we will celebrate Holy Communion



<u>**Online Giving**</u>: To contribute online, scan the QR code with your smartphone or visit <u>www.chesterumc.org</u> 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!

<u>Guest Soloist Eden Espinosa</u> is most recognized for her critically acclaimed portrayal of Elphaba in "Wicked" on Broadway and in Los Angeles and San Francisco. Other credits include originating the title character in "Brooklyn the Musical,"Flora in "Flora the Red Menace," and Maureen in the closing company of "Rent" on Broadway. Eden also originated the role of Sadie Thompson in the world premiere of "Rain," at the Old Globe Theater. She portrayed Eva Peron in TPAC and Studio Tenn's production of "Evita."

In 2017 she toured Denmark and London playing Emma Borden in the rock musical "Lizzie." She played Mary Flynn to rave reviews in Maria Freidmans productions of "Merrily We Roll Along" at the Huntington Theatre in Boston. Eden was Daniela in Kennedy Center's "In The Heights." Also portrayed Anita in West Side Story for the BBC PROMS at the Royal Albert Hall. Most recently she originated the role of Tamara De Lempicka in the world premiere of "Lempicka" at Williamstown Theatre Festival, directed by Rachel Chavkin. Her television appearances include shows such as Law and Order, Ugly Betty, and Elementary. Voiceover credits include Cassandra in the Disney Channel's Tangled the Series, Robot Chicken, MAD TV, Elena of Avalor, and Titan Maximum. Eden's debut album, Look Around, charted in the Pop iTunes top 50 between Adele and Katy Perry.

Joshua Wortham had the honor of meeting Eden last fall when he attended one of her concerts. She is in town this weekend performing at Richmond Triangle Players as part of their 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration. Visit <u>https://www.edenespinosa.com/</u> for more info and to hear Eden's original music,

**<u>Our Parish Nurse</u>**: Cindy Webb, is available today, 9:00 - 10:45 AM (Office 111). Our Assistant Parish Nurse is Pat Baake.

**<u>Retirement Reception Honoring Terry Wisegarver:</u>** Today, Sunday, July 2, 12:15 PM in Davis Fellowship Hall. Join us for sweets and fellowship as we celebrate the retirement of our Office Manager, Terry Wisegarver.

**Latino Health and Safety**: Starting Friday, July 7, 6:30-8:00 PM, and continuing the first Friday of each month in Davis Fellowship Hall. A variety of topics related to health and safety, as well as food from different regions, will be presented at each gathering. Childcare provided. Register at <u>https://bit.ly/3pjbHYn</u>. POC: Pastor Chad.

**Family Game Night:** Saturday, July 22, 6:00-8:00 PM. There will be pizza, fun and games for the whole family. POC Charlotte Brummette (<u>Charl208@yahoo.com</u> 804-833-1174).

**KEEP IN PRAYER**: Victoria Harrington; Linda Willingham; Ruth DeVore; family of Sara Deakin; family of Judy Dee; Rev. Eddie and Becky Leonard; family of David Overton; family of Mary Davis; Will Herrmann; Ed Garrett; Bobbi Morrissette; family of Fred (Fritz) Buck; Billy Hopson; Suzanne Rountree; Beth Powner; Barbara Goodwyn; Peggy Bishop; Jennifer Brittenham (daughter of Joe & Diane Mannetta); Andrew Dyson; Joe & Diane Mannetta; Malcom & Dollie Stone; Ginny Virag; Peggy Meehan (friend of Lisa Stanfield); Dee Watkins; Lynda Richardson; Jo Kiser; Kitty Lipscomb; Clara Gestwick; David Rossiter, (brother of Barbara Goodwyn).

## Our Presence June 25, 2023

8:30 Fresh Start Service	65
9:55 The Bridge Service	65
11:00 Traditions Service	107
Online	34
Total Worship Attendance	271

## **CHESTER UMC ONLINE RESOURCES**

- Website: <u>www.chesterumc.org.</u>
- Facebook: <u>https://www.facebook.com/ChesterUnitedMethodistChurch/.</u>
- Facebook Closed Group: <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/ChesterUMC/.</u>
- Daily Email News: Visit <u>http://eepurl.com/blV9Tv</u> to subscribe.
- Daily Devotionals from Pastor Nathan: <u>https://www.facebook.com/BetterTogether.Devos/</u>.
- YouTube: <u>https://www.youtube.com/c/ChesterUMC.</u>
- **Prayer Chain Email:** to subscribe or to submit a prayer request, email Michelle at <u>office@chesterumc.org</u> with "Prayer Chain" or "Prayer Request" in the subject line.
- CUMC Library Catalog: <u>https://16538.rmwebopac.com</u> (password: CUMC). Search for titles, peruse our inventory, and much more. POC: Ron Dombrowski (<u>rmachachi@aol.com</u>).

**CHIMES** – Submit items to <u>assistant@chesterumc.org</u> on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of January, March, May, July, September, and November.

		Leading Our Worship TODAY, July 2, 2023
Greeters:	8:30	Karen & Bill Comer
	9:55	Stephanie Decker
	11:00	Joan & Steve Osborne
Ushers:	8:30	Gordon Jones*, Ron Dombrowski *Head Usher
	9:55	Gordon Morris*, Diane Medina
	11:00	Beth Stewart*, Bob Kutz, Emory Large, Joan Osborne, Steve Osborne
Nursery:	8:30, 9	55, 11:00 Staff Members, Carla Adams, Jessica Hargraves

<u>Chester UMC's Prayer Shawl Group:</u> provides Comfort and Kindness. Did you know that every week a dedicated group gets together to create prayer shawls? These beautiful shawls are then blessed by Pastor Nathan or Pastor Chad to provide comfort for all who receive them. The Prayer Shawl Group is working hard to keep up with demand, and they would really appreciate some help! Don't know how to knit or crochet? Free lessons are available! Can't make it to the group gatherings? Work from home is gratefully accepted! Don't have any yarn? Supplies will be provided! Please consider how you might be able to contribute to this wonderful ministry. Prayer Shawl Group meets weekly on Thursdays, 1:30 PM in the Parlor. POCs: Beverly Trevillian (804 337-2367) and Betty Stone (wv\_lady@verizon.net / 804 914-0433)

**Fresh Start Sunday School Class:** Join us for NOOMA throughout the summer. The name NOOMA is an English phonetic spelling of the Greek word pneuma, which is commonly translated to "spirit" or "breath." Pneumatology refers to the study of spiritual beings, particularly the interactions between humans and God. NOOMA is a series, by popular pastor Rob Bell, that includes short films, scripture, and discussion of issues that we really care about. 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)

<u>Seekers Sunday School Class:</u> 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)

**Blood Drive**: Wednesday, July 5, 10 AM-3:00 PM, Davis Fellowship Hall. The need is great and there are MANY open time slots. The American Red Cross is giving donors a \$15 gift card. Please sign up at <u>https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=chesterumcva</u>.

	Lead	ling Our Worship Next Sunday, J	July 9, 2023
Greeters:	8:30	Laura Houghland	
	9:55	Donna Nunery	
	11:00	Hunter Beazley, Martha Miles	
Ushers:	8:30	Wendell Landis*, Bill Comer	*Head Usher
	9:55	Jim Watkins*, JR Irvin	
	11:00	Gordon Jones*, Dean Hutchins	
Nursery:	8:30, 9:	55, 11:00 Staff Members, Carla Ada	ms, Jessica Hargraves

## SUNDAY SMALL GROUPS

Children's Sunday School: 9:45 AM. Pre-K (Rm. 107); Grades K-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 (<u>JLMinNaples@msn.com</u>)

### **The Gathering Small Group** (on summer break June 4 – September 3)

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 (will not meet in August)

9:45 AM, Annex and Google Meet (<u>https://meet.google.com/ptm-pieh-vve</u>) POCs: Carolyn Landis (<u>landisfamily05@gmail.com</u>); Eric Hougland (<u>ehougland88@gmail.com</u>)

#### 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 (<u>mcoker2003@comcast.net</u>) June 25, 12:15 PM (new date), Room 116. Final meeting until September 2023

Fiber Friends: 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays in Room 205, 12:15 PM, bring a bag lunch. POC: Beth Powner, knit9grammy@gmail.com. / (804) 586-0735)

**Play 'N' Share:** Next meeting July 9, 6:30 PM (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays), Point of Rocks Park playground (*201 Enon Church Rd, Chester*). All ages are invited! POC: Pastor Chad

# **OTHER SMALL GROUPS**

<u>Middle & High School Youth Meetings</u> (POC: Jennifer Brame (<u>youthleaders@chesterumc.org</u>) Monthly gatherings in June, July, and August for rising 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade

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

<u>Village People Study, Socialize, & Service Group:</u> 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays at 2:00 PM, in June, July, and August. Community Room at Chester Village Senior APTS (11701 Chester Village DR).

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

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

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

<u>Praver Shawl Group:</u> 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 (<u>wva\_lady@verizon.net</u>/804-914-0433)

<u>Women's Christian Book Club:</u> *Next meeting Thursday, July 6, 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 (jrbrooksieee@gmail.com)

**ESL**: Classes will resume Tuesday, August 29, meeting every Tuesday and Thursday, 7:00-8:30 PM.

<u>"Strum and Smile" Small Group</u>: *(will resume on September 9)*. Saturday mornings at 10:00 AM, Music Suite. Guys & gals who play stringed instruments with no intention of performing. <u>All levels of play are welcome!</u> POC: Keith Woods (<u>the.gibson.kw@gmail.com</u>)

Latino Health and Safety: 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of each month, beginning July 7, 6:00-8:30 PM, Davis Fellowship Hall. Childcare provided. POC: Chad Beck

<u>Women's Fellowship Luncheon</u>: Thursday, July 20; Ladies of the church are invited to come to a fellowship luncheon held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month. This month's luncheon is scheduled for 1:00 PM on Thursday, July 20. We will meet at Ashton Creek Vineyard (14501 Jefferson Davis Hwy). Please be sure to RSVP to Joan Osborne (josbor61@gmail.com) on or before Monday, July 17, if you plan to attend so that she can ensure there are seats for everyone.

<u>Meal Train</u> for our former pastor, Clara Gestwick, has been created by some friends and neighbors. Help support Clara as she grieves for the loss of her husband, recovers from breast cancer surgery, and continues chemo/ radiation therapy. Please sign up to provide a meal or donations toward getting help around the house. Visit <u>https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/kwrnmz</u> contact Beth Stewart (919-210-2220, <u>bethstew@gmail.com</u>).

# Summer Worship Schedule

Nursery Available for all Services

## June and July

8:30 AM	Fresh Start Service
9:45 AM	Children's Sunday School (Pre-K – 5 <sup>th</sup> )
	Adult Sunday School
9:55 AM	The Bridge Service

11:00 AM Traditions Service

## August 6 – September 3

- 9:30 AM Children's Sunday School (Pre-K 5<sup>th</sup>) Adult Sunday School
- 10:30 AM Combined Worship Service

# THE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN (UMW)

• Jean Craig Fellowship will meet on Monday, July 10, 7:00 PM. We will take the church van to visit local police and fire stations. We welcome any women who are looking for an evening circle. Call Susan Petrey, 938-5396, for details.

<u>Altar Flowers for the Sanctuary:</u> 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 July 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 <u>free delivery</u> to the church have been arranged with River's Bend Florist and reduced delivery fee with Petals & Bows Florist. Thank you for helping to beautify the Altar for worship.

<u>Chester UMC is proud to be a Bridge Church</u>, welcoming those who wish to remain United Methodist after their church disaffiliates. We will be a safe place of support and opportunities for connection and discernment, without pressure to assimilate or join our congregation. For more information about Bridge Churches visit <u>https://nextsteps.vaumc.org/bridge-churches/</u>.

<u>Church Office Position Responsibilities:</u> Please help our new Office Manager, Michelle Couvillion, and our Office Assistant, Sally Maxwell, make the transition from the Terry/Joshua duo to the Michelle/Sally duo a smooth one by respecting their respective job duties. When in doubt, always contact Michelle first.

Contact Michelle (<u>office@chesterumc.org</u>) for the following:

- Weekly and special bulletins
- Pastor Nathan's calendar and scheduling appointments
- Use of church facilities i.e. scheduling an event, reserving rooms
- Scheduling use of the Church Van
- Scheduling Altar flowers
- Scheduling fund raisers

Contact Sally (<u>assistant@chesterumc.org</u>) for assistance with the following:

- Daily News i.e. Mail Chimp blasts to promote scheduled events.
- The Chimes bimonthly newsletter
- Website & Social Media
- Food Pantry