

Chester United Methodist Church

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FRESH START SERVICE

October 8, 2023—8:30 AM



WORSHIP MUSIC

Everlasting God
Let God Arise
We Believe
Mighty to Save

SCRIPTURE

Matthew
16:13-18 (LEB)

SPECIAL MUSIC

Find Us Faithful
Joshua Wortham

MESSAGE

Jesus and the Awkward Field Trip
Rev. Brandon Robbins



October 8, 2023, 9:55 AM

WORSHIP MUSIC

How Do I Know?
I Saw the Light
Boundless Love
Jesus Built This Church On Love

SCRIPTURE

Exodus
20:1-4, 7-9 (NIV)

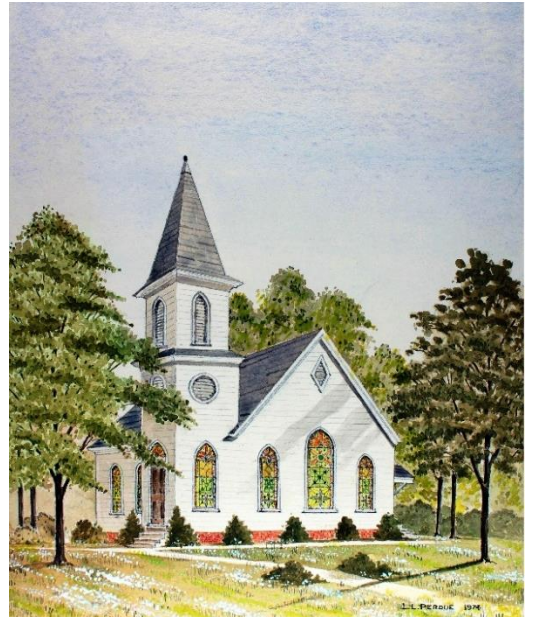
SPECIAL MUSIC

He Knows Just What I Need
Darryl Ellyson and The Bridge Band

MESSAGE

One Body, One God:
The Chester UMC Legacy
Rev. Patrick Pillow

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



Chester United Methodist Church

**Celebrating 150 Years of Caring for
Church and Community**

Sunday, October 8, 2023



October 8, 2023

A Service of Worship and Praise
11:00 AM

19th Sunday After
Pentecost

Welcome, Announcements, and Greeting

Pastor Nathan Decker

Prelude

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Organist

* Call to Worship¹

Pastor Chad Beck

Leader: God the Creator is in this place.

People: The love of God is with us.

Leader: Jesus our Redeemer is in this place.

People: The grace of our Lord is with us.

Leader: The Holy Spirit is in this place.

People: The communion of the Spirit is with us.

Leader: We welcome the fullness of God's presence.

People: God the Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer be with us now and forever. Amen.

* Opening Prayer¹

Jesus, our Savior, in response to your call to be your faithful disciples, we are baptized in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Open our lives and teach us how to follow your great commission to make disciples of all nations, to baptize and teach them your ways. Let us know the full blessings of our God – Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer. Amen.

* Hymn No. 77

How Great Thou Art

Honoring Lives of Legacy

Joshua Wortham

Anthem

To God Be the Glory

Chancel Choir
Jack Price, trumpet

Why We Give

Pastor Nathan Decker

Offertory

Find Us Faithful

Joshua Wortham

* 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 No. 895

Pastor Nathan Decker

Children's Message

Juliana Paradie

Hymn No. 87

What Gift Can We Bring

Scripture

Matthew 28:18-20

NRSV

Sermon

Therefore

Rev. Dr. Marg Kutz

History Moment

Proclamation of God's Promise²

Leader: We gather today to remember who we are.

People: We are the story of God's grace in this place.

Leader: From humble beginnings as Chester Central Church on Winfree Street to our present home on Percival Street, God's grace flows among us, guiding us to notice and participate in God's unfolding story of love in our midst.

People: We are the story of God's grace in this place.

Leader: We have seen troubles, conflict, and fear within and outside these walls, yet God remains as our faithful guide.

People: We are the story of God's grace in this place.

Leader: We have been part of spreading God's love in this community, rejoicing when we witness lives transformed, families nurtured, and neighbors caring for one another.

People: We are the story of God's grace in this place.

Leader: Today may we celebrate all that God has done and continues to do in our midst as we remember and renew our commitment to take part in God's story in this place.

People: We joyfully answer the call to live out God's story of grace in this place and beyond these walls. We honor our commitment to embrace diversity, love children and families, and to positively impact our community.

* Hymn No. 117

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

* Benediction

Pastor Chad Beck

* Choral Amen

Chancel Choir

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

¹<https://www.ministrymatters.com/all/entry/5101/worship-elements-june-15-2014-option-1>

²<https://www.resourceumc.org/en/content/heritage-sunday-2023-worship-resource>

The Flowers on the Altar are given to the glory of God and in celebration of Steve & Joan Osborne's 39th wedding anniversary.

CALENDAR

October 8– October 15, 2023

Today	8:15 AM	Nursery until 12 PM	Thurs:	10:00 AM	Ada Mae Bookman-226
	8:30 AM	Fresh Start-Sanctuary		1:30 PM	Prayer Shawl-Parlor
	9:45 AM	Sun Sch PreK-107		6:30 PM	Grace Midst of Trouble-116
		Sun Sch Gr K-5-206			Women's Book Club-Annex
		Adult SS-Various		7:00 PM	ESL Intro and Level 1
	9:55 AM	The Bridge-Sanctuary	Fri:		
	11:00 AM	Traditions-Sanctuary	Sat:	10:00 AM	Strum & Smile-Music Suite
	12:00 PM	Homecoming Meal-DFH			
	6:00 PM	Divorce Support- Parlor			
Mon:	6:30 PM	Boy/Cub Scouts			
Tues:	10:30 AM	Joy Singers-Music Suite			
	2:00 PM	Stephen Ministers-226			
	3:00 PM	Rest Stop-Annex			
	7:00 PM	ESL Intro and Level 1			
Wed:	10:00 AM	Blood Drive-DFH			
	12:00 PM	Bulletin Deadline			
	5:45 PM	Handbell Choir-Music Suite			
	7:00 PM	Chancel Choir-Sanctuary			
		Cantata Choir- Sanctuary			
		Church Council-226			

Next Sunday: October 15

8:15 AM	Nursery until 12 PM
8:30 AM	Fresh Start-DFH
9:45 AM	Sun Sch PreK-107
	Sun Sch Gr K-5-206
	Adult SS-Various
9:55 AM	The Bridge-DFH
11:00 AM	Traditions-Sanctuary
12:00 PM	UMW Sald Luncheon-DFH
6:00 PM	Divorce Support-Parlor

SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

DATE

SERMON TITLE

SCRIPTURE

Oct. 15	Heavenly Vision of God Living Among Us	Revelation 21:1-8 (NRSV)
Oct. 22	Christ Gave So We Could Give	2 Corinthians 5:13-21

* *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."



*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 AM, Room 105.

Homecoming Sunday: *TODAY, following the 11:00 AM* worship service. We invite you to celebrate our 150th Anniversary. We will convene in the Fellowship Hall for a covered dish lunch. Fried chicken is provided by the History Committee. The scrapbooks showing how our church evolved over the years are on display with other historic memorabilia.

Red Cross Blood Drive: *Wednesday, October 11, 10:00 AM-3:00 PM*, DFH. All blood types are needed. To make an appointment to donate blood, please visit, <https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=chesterumcva>

Cantata Choir: *Wednesdays, 7:00 PM*, Sanctuary. Sing with us as we prepare for our Christmas presentation of "Joy Has Dawned." Singers of all skill levels are welcome!
POC: Joshua Wortham

Grace in the Midst of Trouble: *Thursdays through October 26, 6:30 PM*, Room 116. You are invited to join in a weekly study that will explore God's grace in the lives of 6 Old Testament characters who find themselves out of sync with God. We will explore how God interacts with these fallible characters with grace while at the same time holding them accountable for their actions. POC: Stan Hargraves (stanhargraves@vaumc.org)

Salad Luncheon: *Sunday, October 15 immediately following 11:00 AM* worship. All women of the church are invited to a luncheon meeting of the UMW. Lynn Crump will talk about CUMC's recent UMVIM mission trips to repair flood damage in Grundy in southwest Virginia. Bring a small donation to benefit the next UMVIM trip, a salad or dessert to share. The Jean Craig Fellowship will host.
POC: Susan Petrey 938-5396.

Commitment Sunday: On October 22, we will celebrate Commitment Sunday. Please be in prayer and prepare to provide your first mile pledge for 2024.

Saving Grace: Personal Finance Session, October 22, following the 11:00 Worship Service, Location TBD. We begin our series on budgeting for our personal wants and needs. To guide our steps, we will use the biblically based financial tool "Saving Grace: A Guide to Financial Well-Being". *Complementary workbooks will be provided for those who pre-register (see pew pads)*.
POC: Bryon Wall bryon.wall@bpretail.com

Trunk or Treat: Saturday, October 28, 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM, Chester Small Business Trunk or Treat at Three Leg Run, 4418 W Hundred Road. Decorate your car! All are invited! Sign up in the pew pad activity sheet. POC: Juliana Paradie (904) 386-4385.

KEEP IN PRAYER: Becky Lang; Phil Wallace; Baby Rosalee Dudley; Earl Andrews; Beth Johnson; The family of Judy Thomas; Amanda Clark; Marie Perdue; Bill Burton; family of Matt Coyner; Trudy Milian; Martha Schulman; Jim Lewis; Leroy Millar; Ella Hilton; Erika Hilton; Lynn & Tom McHugh; family of Keith Harper; Louise Sheets; Peggy Meehan; E.J. Walters; Hailey Wilde; Nancy Corbin; Rev. Eddie and Becky Leonard; Dee Watkins; Lynda Richardson; Malcom & Dollie Stone; Jo Kiser; Kitty Lipscomb; Clara Gestwick.

Our Presence October 1, 2023

8:30 Fresh Start Service.....93
 9:55 The Bridge Service.....50
 11:00 Traditions Service.....124
 Online.....41
Total Worship Attendance.....308

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 Michelle at office@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** – Submit items to assistant@chesterumc.org no later than the 3rd Wednesday of January, March, May, July, September, and **November**.

Leading Our Worship TODAY, October 8, 2023

Greeters:	8:30	Laura Houglan	
	9:55	Stephanie Decker	
	11:00	Steve & Joan Osborne	
Ushers:	8:30	Wendell Landis*, Bill Comer	* Head Usher
	9:55	Jim Watkins*, JR Irvin	
	11:00	Will Herrman*, James Bartlett, Bob Kutz, Emory Large, Scott Pugh	
Nursery:	8:30, 9:55, 11:00	Staff Members, Carla Adams, Jessica Hargraves	

THE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN (UMW) Call Susan Petrey, 938-5396, to learn more about UMW, our two participating fellowships, and how you can become involved.

- **Jean Craig Fellowship:** will meet Monday, November 6, 7:00 p.m. in room 205 to assemble CCHASM Thanksgiving Dinners. We welcome any women who are looking for an evening circle. Susan Petrey, 938-5396.
- **Ada Mae Bookman Fellowship: Fellowship:** will meet at 10 a.m. on Thursday, October 12. We welcome any women who are looking for a morning circle. Martha Miles 804/748-5476

Volunteer for ESL Childcare & Activities! Our ESL (English as a Second Language) ministry with children and families is growing! We need volunteers to assist with childcare, crafts, and nurture activities. Please sign up in the pew pad or contact Emily Squires, emilysquires945@gmail.com.

Living Waters District Charge Conference: Tuesday, October 24, 7:00 PM at CUMC. The Charge Conference directs the work of the church and gives general oversight to the Church Council, reviews and evaluates the mission and ministry of the church, sets salaries for the pastor and staff, elects the members of the Church Council, and recommends candidates for ordained ministry.

Stephen Ministry: Stephen Ministers Are Care-Givers, God Is the Cure-Giver The role of our Stephen Ministers is to give care. They listen, empathize, encourage, pray, and provide emotional and spiritual support on a weekly basis to hurting people for as long as the need persists. God works in and through them to bring hope and healing. If you are feeling lonely, experiencing a crisis, struggling through a difficult time, or simply stressed by everyday life, please call Vince D'Agostino at 804-461-8529 to learn more about Stephen Ministry. Vince D'Agostino at 804-461-8529.



Leading Our Worship Next Sunday, October 15, 2023

Greeters:	8:30	Maureen Coker
	9:55	Donna Nunery
	11:00	Barbara Dance and Janis Hargrave
Ushers:	8:30	Gordon Jones*, Ron Dombrowski * Head Usher
	9:55	Linda D'Agostino*, Andrew Brummette
	11:00	Gary Williams*, Marshall Henry, Larry Koon, Willie Orton, Kay Williams
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-5 (Rm. 206).

POC: Pastor Chad Beck (chadbeck@chesterumc.org)

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

POC: Jeff Marlin (jeff.marlinabd@gmail.com)

Fresh Start Sunday School Class: 9:45 AM, Room 221; Visitors and new members are welcome.

Beginning October 22-Walk through the Bible's earliest source for the life of Jesus with scholar Amy-Jill Levine as she examines John the Baptizer, the Little Apocalypse, the Transfiguration, and several of Jesus' most notable stories and parables. 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: 9:45 AM, Room 205; We will begin the video series entitled, "Sacred Parenting. How Raising Children Shapes Our Souls". Join us for a time of study and fellowship with other young families. POCs: Brion & Sonja Seward and Andrew Brummette.

Journey Sunday School Class: 9:45 AM, Annex and Google Meet, *The Book of Joy: Lasting Happiness in a Changing World* is a book by the [Nobel Peace Prize](#) Laureates [Tenzin Gyatso](#), the 14th [Dalai Lama](#), and Archbishop [Desmond Tutu](#).

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

Seekers Sunday School Class: 9:40 AM, Room 226. Oct.1 - Nov. 26, We will be using a new study book, *Spiritual Warfare*, by Jack Kuhatschek. Facing Temptation, The War Within, and Surviving Satan's Attacks. Deepen your understanding of supernatural struggles and find power and hope. POC: Barbara MacIntyre (telluwhatbarbara@aim.com)

Senior Singles Sunday School Class: 9:45 AM, Parlor, POC: Cynthia Corley (ccorley@ctsi.net)

Fiber Friends: Meets 4th Sundays at 12:15-1:45 PM; Room 205. We are knitters, crocheters, rug hookers, people who sew, macrame, embroider, and more! Friends and grandchildren are welcome. Bring a bag lunch and any treats you want to share.

POC is Beth Powner, 804-586-0735 or (knit9grammy@gmail.com)

Middle & High School Youth Meetings: 4:00 PM, Annex Loft; Meets on scheduled Sundays; for rising 6th through 12th grade. Join in study, missions, and fun!

POC: Jennifer Brame (youthleaders@chesterumc.org)

OTHER 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: *3rd Monday* at 2:00 PM, Community Room at Chester Village Senior APTS (11701 Chester Village DR).

Joy Singers: *Tuesdays, at 10:30 AM* in the Music Suite. Rehearsals for our retired folks. This group sings for local nursing home residents and community groups. POC: Joshua Wortham.

Sueños: ESL (English as a Second Language): *Tuesdays & Thursdays, 7:00-8:30 PM.*
POC: Pastor Chad (chadbeck@chesterumc.org)

Chancel Choir rehearsals, *Wednesdays, 7:00 PM.* Singers of all skill levels are welcome to join!
POC: Joshua Wortham

Handbell Choir for adults is back! *Wednesdays at 5:45 PM.* POC: Joshua Wortham

Thursday Morning Men's Group: *Thursdays, 7:30 AM* at Grants Coffee Co. (11884 Chester Village DR). POC: Gordon Morris (gordo1545@aim.com)

Women's Fellowship Luncheon: *3rd Thursdays, October 19, 1:00 PM* at River's Bend Grill, 13283 River's Bend Blvd). RSVP by Monday, October 16. 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: 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. Our September book is *Break of Day* by Colleen Coble. <https://www.amazon.com/Break-Day-Annie-Pederson-Novel/dp/0785253785>
POC: Jennifer Brame (jrbrooksiee@gmail.com)

Strum and Smile: Meets every Saturday morning at 10:00 AM. in the CUMC Music Suite. This is a group of guys and 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 as we strum, pick, smile, and let loose in a variety of musical madness. POC: Keith Woods

Family Game Night: *Saturday, October 21, 6:00 PM;* There will be pizza, fun and games for the whole family. POC: Charlotte Brummette (Charl208@yahoo.com / 804-833-1174)

Bridge Builders-Jail Ministry "Acceptance is the Answer". Would you like to join us as we look to strengthen our Jail Ministry with the Chesterfield County HARP (Helping Addicts Recover Progressively) program? Bridges Builders meets on the second Sundays of each month., POC: Maureen Coker (mcoker2003@comcast.net)

Rest Stop is a Chester UMC after school program designed to provide rest and encouragement to at-risk youth from Thomas Dale High School. Our regular activities include snacks, conversation, homework, tutoring, games, outdoor activities and dinner. Do you have a special gift to share with these young people or just an abundance of love to give? A small faithful team is assembled to support this ministry, but you are encouraged to join the effort! Contact REST STOP Team Leader Susan Petrey, 804/938-5396, for more information or to volunteer.

Learning Spanish as Church Hospitality! *Tuesdays & Thursdays, 7:00-8:30 PM*, Room 204, beginning October 10th. Have fun learning to speak some basic Spanish while sharing faith and church hospitality with Latino children and families. Sponsored by Sueños. POC: Pastor Chad (chadbeck@chesterumc.org) and Vince D'Agostino (vdagos@comcast.net).

Sueños Health and Safety for Latino Families: 1st Friday of each month, *6:30-8:00 PM*, 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. POC: Pastor Chad chadbeck@chesterumc.org

Chester UMC is proud to be a Bridge Church, 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, <https://nextsteps.vaumc.org/bridge-churches/>

Dinner for Six or Eight: Couples and singles gather once a month October-November and January-May at a host home (who provides the meat and beverage). Others bring an appetizer (optional), bread, salad, vegetables, or dessert. Each month, someone else in the group hosts. Don't be shy...it may be any combination of up to 8 people, singles, and couples. Once the groups are assigned, the host will contact you to schedule the first dinner and plan the meal. *If interested, please register in the pew pad and indicate if you are willing to host.* POC: Mary Musselwhite (804-330-0014)

Turkey Pot Pie Dinner, Saturday, November 4, 6:00 p.m.—All Members of the Chester Community are invited to feast on Turkey Pot Pie and all the trimmings plus musical entertainment from The Greens & The Seals, local CUMC talent with beautiful harmonies. Proceeds will help support the mission projects of the United Methodist Women, including, but not limited to CUMC Food Pantry, Back Pack Ministries, Christmas Mother, Samaritan Fund, and Rest Stop. Tickets are available October 1, in the atrium following each worship service. Tickets are required, \$15 per person, checks made payable to Chester UMW. Call the church office, 748-6006 or Susan Petrey, 938-5396.

Thank You Cards for Veterans: Veteran’s Day is November 11! Let’s show our Veterans at McGuire Hospital how much we appreciate them and all that they sacrificed. Please consider writing thank you cards. Deliver the unsealed cards to the labeled bin in the sharing bin outside the Welcome Center, or place them in the Missions Closet in the church by Sunday, November 5. Adults and children are encouraged to participate. Please, only sign your first name.
 POC: Barbara MacIntyre (telluwhatbarbara@aim.com).



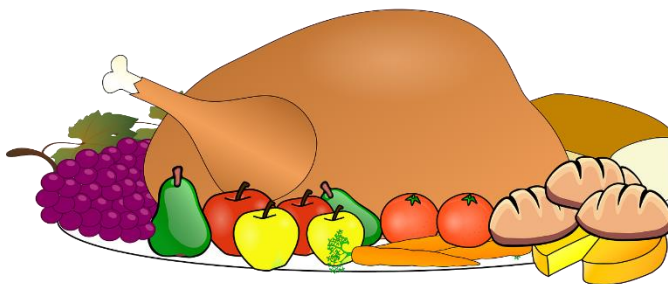
Whaley Pecans Annual Sale by the Ladies of Faith. Orders are being taken now through October 15th. Harvesting will be late October with delivery in early November. Payment can be made in advance or when picking up pecans. Proceeds earned from the pecan sale are donated to the church. Past sales have helped fund HVAC and kitchen updates. *Register in the pew pad* or call Lorraine Young (804-748-6852) to order (\$12.00 per pound for halves or pieces). *Please make checks payable to Ladies of Faith.*

Communion Servers: This ministry is growing, and we’d love to include you! Youth and adult volunteers are invited to help the pastors serve communion. Training is provided as needed. Scheduling is based on your availability. POC: Beth Stewart -Text and indicate service time preference (919-210-2220 / bethstew@gmail.com).

STAFF DIRECTORY

Ministers..... All Disciples of the Congregation
 Lead Pastor: Nathan Decker nathandecker@chesterumc.org
 Associate Pastor: Chad Beck.....chadbeck@chesterumc.org
 Minister of Music: Joshua Wortham music@chesterumc.org
 Director of Christian Formation: Juliana Paradie..... julianaparadie@chesterumc.org
 Office Manager: Michelle Couvillion office@chesterumc.org
 Office Assistant: Sally Maxwell..... assistant@chesterumc.org
 Financial Administrator: Julie Jones finance@chesterumc.org
 Nursery Specialist..... Carla Adams
 Nursery Specialist..... Jessica Hargraves
 MS & HS Youth Ministry (Jennifer Brame, Jeff Geisz, Gordon Morris) youthleaders@chesterumc.org
 Preschool Director: Jen Barnes..... preschool@chesterumc.org

Reminder: Regular church office hours are 8:30 AM–2:00 PM Monday–Thursday. If you need to visit the office after 2:00 PM, kindly schedule a visit in advance.



THANKSGIVING MEAL GIFT PACKAGES: Chesterfield Colonial Heights Association for Social Ministry (CCHASM) Thanksgiving Meal Packages are distributed every year to the needy in our area who have preregistered with CCHASM. A \$20 gift card for perishable items (butter, fresh vegetables, turkey) is included in every package. (CCHASM purchases these at a discount.) **Please consider donating money** for the gift cards because these are always needed. (Checks payable to CUMC; Memo: CCHASM Thanksgiving.) CCHASM assisted over 3,000 Chesterfield County families last year! ***Monetary donations and meal packages are due by SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12.***

A COMPLETE MEAL GIFT PACKAGE INCLUDES

- 1 – 40 OZ. CAN of YAMS or SWEET POTATOES
- 1 – 13 OZ. BOX of MASHED POTATOES
- 1 – 14 OZ. CAN of CRANBERRY SAUCE
- 2 – 15 OZ. CANS of CORN
- 2 – 15 OZ. CANS of GREEN VEGETABLES
- 2 – BAGS or BOXES of “Stove Top” ® Stuffing Mix
- 2 – CANS or PACKAGES of GRAVY (*no glass jars*)
- 1 – BOX of HOT CHOCOLATE MIX
- 1 – BOX of TEA BAGS or 1 JAR of ICED TEA MIX
- 1 – Large BOX or BAG of COOKIES

PLEASE TAKE NOTE

- ✓ CCHASM cannot give out expired food.
- ✓ All items must be in their original, unopened, saleable package.
- ✓ If possible, place in doubled paper bags with handles or canvas grocery bags.

Sort and Distribute CCHASM Thanksgiving Meals: Contact CCHASM (www.cchasm.org/volunteer) to volunteer to sort meal bags November 13-November 17, and/or distribute meal bags at the Chesterfield County Fair Grounds on November 18.



Brandon Robbins served as the Associate Pastor of CUMC from 2008-2011. He is now the pastor of Lynnhaven UMC in Virginia Beach. He and his wife, LeeAnn, met at CUMC. They have two beautiful daughters, Emma (8) and Aubrey (4). Brandon also has a YouTube Channel (@BrandonRobbinsMinistry) that has grown to over 250,000 subscribers. When not working, Brandon loves to travel, read, and search for the world's greatest hot sauce!



Patrick Pillow served as the associate pastor of Chester UMC from 2015-2020. He has served as the head pastor of Wesley Chapel UMC in South Chesterfield since then. Patrick plans to be fully ordained in the Virginia Conference in 2024. Besides serving at WCUMC, Patrick serves as the chaplain of Spur'n Up Hope, an equine therapy farm in Amelia that works with at-risk youth and adults in opioid recovery.



Dr. Marg Kutz served Chester UMC for 10 years, 2003-2013, at which time she retired. In retirement Marg has served 5 interim appointments, went with Bev Nelan to start a secondary school in South Sudan, wrote a book and added 2 more grandchildren to the family. You may have seen her around CUMC as Bob and Marg have returned to our church.