

December 3, 2023 - 9:45 AM

WORSHIP MUSIC

Glory to His Name This Little Light of Mine Angels, from the Realms of Glory SPECIAL MUSIC

Welcome to Our World Joshua Wortham

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 9:2-7 NRSV

MESSAGE Carrying Out the Authority of the Child Born for Us 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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A Community in Christ Chester United Methodist Church Rooted in God, Growing in Christ, Bearing Fruit in the Spirit



FRESH START SERVICE

December 3, 2023-8:30 AM



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

WORSHIP MUSIC

Sing to the King Days of Elijah Christmas Offering O Come, All Ye Faithful

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| December 3, 2023 | A Service of Worship and Praise | First Sunday in |
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| | 11:00 AM | Advent |

Welcome, Announcements, and Greeting

Prelude

O Come, All Ye Faithful with O Come, Little Children Organist

| * | Affirmation of Faith No. | 881 | |
|---|--------------------------|--|----------------------------|
| * | Gloria Patri No. 70 | | |
| | e e | er and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; a | s it was in the beginning, |
| | is now and ever sna | ll be, world without end. Amen. Amen. | |
| | Anthem | Celtic Advent Carol | Chancel Choir |
| | Why We Give | | |
| | Offertory | Welcome to Our World | Joshua Wortham |
| * | Doxology No. 94 | | |
| | | om all blessings flow; praise God, all creatur | es here below: |
| | | raise God, the source of all our gifts! | 5 |
| | Alleluia! Alleluia! Al | whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy S leluia! | Spirit! |
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| | Pastoral Prayer & The Lo | • | |
| | | t in heaven, hallowed be thy name. , thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven | |
| | Give us this day our | | • |
| | And forgive us our | trespasses, as we forgive those who trespas | s against us. |
| | | temptation, but deliver us from evil. | |
| | For thine is the king | gdom, and the power, and the glory, foreve | r. Amen |
| | Children's Message | | Juliana |
| | Hymn No. 204 | Emmanuel | |
| | Scripture | Isaiah 9:2-7 | NRSV |
| | Sermon | Welcoming the Wonderful | Pastor Nathan Decker |
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| | Holy Communion | | |
| * | Hymn No. 196 | Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus | |

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

Alexandria & Juliana Paradie

Carolyn Maxwell

Lighting the Advent Wreath¹

Hymn No. 203

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- * Benediction
- * Choral Amen

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

¹https://www.umcdiscipleship.org/articles/advent-candle-lighting-liturgy-2022

| Sunday, December 10 | 8:30 AM | Chrístmas Concert |
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| | 9:45 AM | No Brídge Servíce |
| | 11:00 AM | Chrístmas Concert |
| Monday, December 11 | 7:00 PM | Chrístmas Concert |
| Tuesday, December 12 | 7:00 PM | Chrístmas Concert |
| Sunday, December 17 | 8:30 AM | Fresh Start Worshíp |
| - | 9:45 AM | Brídge Worshíp |
| | 11:00 AM | Traditions Worship |
| | $4:\!oo~\mathcal{PM}$ | Blue Christmas Service |
| Sunday, December 24 | 8:30 AM | Fresh Start Worshíp |
| | 9:45 AM | No Brídge Servíce |
| | 11:00 AM | Chíldren's Chrístmas Pagear |
| | 7:00 PM | Candlelight Communion |
| | 11:00 AM | Candlelight Communion |
| Sunday, December 31 | 8:30 AM | Fresh Start Servíce |
| | 9:45 AM | No Brídge Servíce |
| | 11:00 .AM | Traditions Service |

December 3 – December 10, 2023

| Today 8:15 AM | Nursery until 12 PM | 11:00 AM | Traditions-Sanctuary |
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| 8:30 AM | Fresh Start Service-DFH | 11:30 AM | Children's Practice-226 |
| 9:45 AM | Sun Sch PreK-107 | 12:00 PM | Key Club Board-116 |
| | Sun Sch Gr K-5- 204/206 | 3:00 PM | Gift Wrap Party- DFH |
| | Adult SS-Various | 4:00 PM | Youth Caroling- |
| 9:45 AM | The Bridge-Sanctuary | | Dunlop House |

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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| | 6:30 PM | Advent Bible Study- zoom | | 5:00 PM | Parent Night Out- |
| Mon: | 9:30 AM | Advent Bible Study-226 | | | Curtis Elementary |
| | 6:30 PM | Boy/Cub Scouts | | 6:30 PM | Women's Christian Book |
| | 6:00 PM | Jean Craig Fellowship- | | | Club- Annex Loft |
| | | Petrey Home | Fri: | 5:30 PM | Girl Scouts Awards-DFH |
| Tues: | 11:00 AM | Joy Singers Lunch-DFH | Sat: | 10:00 AM | Strum & Smile-Music Suite |
| | | Contemplative Prayer- | Ne | ext Sunday: | December 10 |
| | | Trinity UMC | | 8:15 AM | Nursery until 12 PM |
| | 2:00 PM | Stephen Ministers-226 | | 8:30 AM | Christmas Concert |
| | 3:00 PM | Rest Stop-Annex | | 9:30 AM | UMW Cookie Sale- DFH |
| | | - | | 9:45 AM | Sun Sch PreK-107 |
| Wed: | 10:00 AM | Visitation Team-226 | | | Sun Sch Gr K-5-206 |
| | 12:00 PM | Bulletin Deadline | | | Adult SS-Various |
| | 5:45 PM | Handbell Choir-Music Suite | | 11:00 AM | Christmas Concert |
| | 6:30 PM | Crew–206 | | 11:30 AM | Children Play Practice-226 |
| | 7:00 PM | Chancel Choir-Sanctuary | | 12:00 PM | UMW Cookie Sale- DFH |
| Thurs: | 1:30 PM | Prayer Shawl-Parlor | | 4:00 PM | Youth Group- Annex |
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SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

| DATE | <u>SERMON TITLE</u> | SCRIPTURE |
|---------|---|--------------------|
| Dec. 10 | Christmas Concert 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM -There will be NO Worship Service at 9:45 A | AM |
| Dec. 17 | Welcoming the Challenge of the Christ Child | Luke 1:46-55 NRSV |
| | Remebrance and New Life After Loss -Blue Christmas, 4:00 PM | Isaiah 7:10-16 ESV |

Our Parish Nurse, Cindy Webb is available today, 9:00 AM, Room 105.

<u>**Gift Wrapping Party:**</u> *Today, December 3, 3:00 PM*, Davis Fellowship Hall. All are welcome! There will be fellowship, refreshments, and lots of gift-wrapping!

<u>Youth Group Christmas Caroling:</u> *Today, December 3, 4:00 PM*, Dunlop House. Kidz Zone fourth and fifth graders are welcome to join! Meet at the church at 3:15. RSVP to Juliana Paradie, if attending. POC: Juliana Paradie julianaparadie@chesterumc.org

Fresh Wreaths and Poinsettias: *Monday, December 4,* is the **last day!** To place your order, use the order form tucked in this bulletin. Place the completed form and payment in the offering plate. Make checks payable to CUMC and put wreaths poinsettias in the memo.

<u>Women's Fellowship Luncheon</u>: Thursday, December 7, 1:00 PM, Nick's Roman Terrace (8051 W. Broad Street, Henrico). Anyone who would like to carpool should meet in the church parking lot at noon. POC: Joan Osborne josbor61@gmail.com

<u>Christmas Concert</u>: Sunday, December 10, 8:30 and 11:00 AM; Monday, December 11, and Tuesday, December 12, at 7:00 PM. The Chancel Choir presents "Joy Has Dawned" featuring our 60 voice choir accompanied by chamber orchestra. Join us in singing the songs of the season! A free-will offering will be received to support our music ministry. Please use the enclosed postcard to invite a friend!

<u>Christmas Cookie Sale:</u> *Sunday, December 10*, the UMWomen will be selling homemade Christmas cookies by the tin in the Fellowship Hall following both worship services.

Blue Christmas Service: 4:00 PM, Sunday, December 17. Whether you are grieving the loss of a loved one, mourning a challenging relationship, or simply struggling emotionally around the Christmas season, this service is for you. Join us for a time of contemplation and a message of hope. Find strength in knowing that you are not alone this season.

Online Giving: To contribute online, visit www.chesterumc.org and click "Online Giving."



<u>Zelle</u> is a great way to send your donations to the church. Use the QR code here. Once you enroll, all you need to send money to the Church is our e-mail address: <u>finance@chesterumc.org</u> **KEEP IN PRAYER**: Daphne Jolly's mother; family of Al Perdue; Diane Mannetta; Joyce Freed; Susie Hall; Jean Beck; family of Joe Spadaccia; family of Gregory Geisz; George Sims; Billy Hopson; Carolyn Maxwell; Becky York; Frayser Micou; family of Rev. James Thornton, Sr.; family of John Alden (son of Beth Powner); 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; Nancy Corbin; Rev. Eddie and Becky Leonard; Dee Watkins; Lynda Richardson; Malcom & Dollie Stone; Jo Kiser; Kitty Lipscomb; Clara Gestwick.

Our Presence November 26, 2023

| 8:30 Fresh Start | 81 |
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| 9:45 Bridge | 51 |
| 11:00 Traditions | 157 |
| Online | 42 |
| Total Worship Attendance | 331 |

CHESTER UMC ONLINE RESOURCES

- Website: <u>www.chesterumc.org.</u>
- Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/ChesterUnitedMethodistChurch/.
- Facebook Closed Group: https://www.facebook.com/groups/ChesterUMC/.
- Instagram: Instagram.com/chesterumc
- 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>).
- The Chimes Submit items to <u>assistant@chesterumc.org</u> no later than the 3rd Wednesday of **January**, March, May, July, September, and November.

| | L | eading Our Worship TODAY, Sunday, December 3, 2023 |
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| Greeters: | 8:30 | Karen Comer |
| orectors. | 9:45 | Donna Nunery |
| | 11:00 | Jim Rhodes, Beth Stewart |
| Ushers: | 8:30 | Gordon Jones*, Bill Comer * Head Usher |
| | 9:45 | Jim Watkins*, Pat Stanfield |
| ~ • | 11:00 | William Herrmann*, Harold Crowder, Dean Hutchins, Willie Orton, Scott Pugh |
| Communion: | 8:30 | Sandy Sims, Sherie Orton |
| | 9:45 | Sandra Dishman, Debbie Hubley/ Paul Marretti |
| | 11:00 | Penn Shultz, Joan Osborne |
| Nursery: | 8:30, 9 | 2:45, 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: We welcome any women who are looking for an evening circle. Meets December 4, 6:00 PM, at the Petreys' home. POC: Susan Petrey, 804-938-5396.
- Ada Mae Bookman Fellowship: We welcome any women who are looking for a morning circle. Meets December 14, 10:30 AM, Fellowship Hall. POC: Martha Miles 748-5476

<u>Rest Stop</u> is a Chester UMC after-school program designed to provide rest and encouragement to at-risk youth. Our regular activities include snacks, conversation, homework, tutoring, games, outdoor activities, and dinner. If you are willing to provide a light supper for 12-14 people (hotdogs, sloppy joes, pizza, spaghetti, etc.) call Susan for details. Do you have a special gift to share with these young people or just love to give? Join the faithful team to support this ministry. Make donation checks payable to CUMC, memo: Rest Stop, to help cover our expenses. To volunteer or for more information contact Susan Petrey, (804) 938-5396.

Backpack Ministry: Our backpack ministry is growing. We are currently sending weekend food home to 50 children! Can you help us with donations of tuna helper and chicken helper? If you don't have time to shop, we welcome cash donations. With your help, the children in our area will have food to eat. Donations may be placed in the Backpack bin in our Missions closet. POC: Karen Comer (804) 786-2919

Stephen Ministry: Being open to sharing personal conversation with another isn't easy for many of us. We all possess different attitudes and sensitivities. Yet when we are willing to invite God into those spaces and situations, he can work positive and spiritual gain in us and through us. Not only for the burdened brother or sister, but for the attentive listener as well. Together, speaker and



listener interact to unravel the complexities that may confront us. In James 5, we are advised to trust one another and pray for one another, so that healing may surface and light shine on the darkness. Prayerfully consider seeking the benefit of a Stephen Minister. Why not? For more information on having a Stephen Minister, call Vince D'Agostino at 804-461-8529.

| Karen Comer |
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| Donna Nunery |
| Tim & Beth Stewart |
| Gordon Jones*, Bill Comer * Head Usher |
| Jim Watkins*, Pat Stanfield |
| William Herrmann*, Harold Crowder, Dean Hutchins, Willie Orton, Scott Pugh |
| :45, 11:00 Staff Member: Jessica Hargraves |
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<u>Advent Bible Study</u>: Rev. Dr. Marg Kutz will lead a two, 3 session Bible studies. Men and women are invited. There is no study book, except the Bible, and no homework. We will consider two primary characters in the Christmas story: Elizabeth, mother of John the Baptist, as told by Luke. Mary, mother of Jesus, as told by Matthew and Luke with particular emphasis on the virgin birth. Two formats: If you can't make the Monday morning 60 minute in-person sessions then zoom in on Sunday nights for 30 minutes. If you can't make all three sessions, participate as you are able. Sign up in the Pew Pad, today.

- Sundays, December 3, 10, and 17 from 6:30-7:00 PM via zoom
- Mondays, December 4, 11, and 18 from 9:30 to 10:30 AM in person, Room 226.

Happy Birthday Jesus- Preschool Party: Saturday December 16, 10:30 AM, Fellowship Hall. Preschoolers, please join us for the Happy Birthday Jesus Party to celebrate Jesus' birth. Games, activities, video, snacks, and of course a birthday cake! All preschoolers, from birth to Pre-K and siblings are welcome. Parents will stay to assist their children. POC: Jackie Farley j.farley312@comcast.net

Cookies Needed! The UM Women and other members of the congregation are asking you to donate homemade cookies for the UMW Christmas Cookie Sale. Call or email Katey McCarney, (804) 402-0084 or <u>ks.petrey@gmail.com</u>, leave your name, phone number, how many dozen and what kind of cookie you will prepare. Cookies should be delivered to the church kitchen on *Saturday, December 9, 9:00 AM-12:00 PM*.

<u>Christmas Cookie Sale:</u> *Sunday, December 10*, the UMW will be selling homemade Christmas cookies by the tin in the Fellowship Hall following both worship services. Proceeds will go to support our gifts to missions local, national, and international, including, but not limited to, our CUMC food pantry and backpack ministries, United Methodist Family Services, and the United Methodist Committee on Relief. Sign up in the pew register with your name, phone number, whether you'd like a \$5, \$10 or \$20 tin, and whether you have any food restrictions (gluten, peanuts, etc.). How it works--You come to the Fellowship Hall, select your tin, go down the row and select your choice of cookies to fill the tin. These are not prefilled tins unless you call and specifically request prefilled. All orders due no later than Sunday, December 3. POC: Katey McCarney, (804) 402-0084.

<u>Christmas Cards for Veterans</u>: As you write your Christmas cards, please sign one or two for a Veteran at Richmond VA Affairs Medical Center? (formerly McGuire VA Hospital) Let's raise their spirits by writing a note inside thanking him/her for their service to our country. Cards may be placed in the labeled box in the outdoor Sharing Bin located outside the Welcome Center, or inside in the Mission Closet by *Sunday, Dec. 17*. Please address them to "A Special Veteran" or "To Someone Special", etc. Only sign your first name. Do not seal the envelopes. POC: Barbara MacIntyre <u>telluwhatbarbara@aim.com</u>



<u>Chester UMC Rose Window Notecards</u>: The Rose Window was dedicated in 1957, it was installed in the Atrium following the 2007 renovation. You can share our Rose Window with friends and relatives! Makes a great stocking stuffer. The notecards may be purchased weekdays in the Church Office. The cost is \$10 per package of 10 cards, plus envelopes. Proceeds benefit the Chester United Methodist Women's mission projects including, but not limited to, our CUMC Food Pantry, Back Pack Ministry and Rest Stop. POC: Susan Petrey (804) 938-5396.

<u>CUMC Christmas Sharing Tree:</u> CUMC has collaborated with Chesterfield Mental Health Support Services for more than 11 years to provide Christmas cheer to roughly 100 adults who are developmentally challenged. Gift tags are available on the tree in the Welcome Center for those who do not have internet access. Use this link to select an individual to adopt. <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A49ADA82FA7FE3-46217606-holiday</u> Please place your wrapped gifts under the tree by *Sunday, December 17*. Be sure to label the gift(s) with the ID # on the tag(s) you choose. The ID # is essential to identify the gift recipient.

<u>Chesterfield Food Bank</u>: Friday, December 22, 4:00 PM. Young families with children 5th grade and under, and youth group teens join us at Chesterfield Food Bank for outreach. Please RSVP if you will be attending. POC: julianaparadie@chesterumc.org

<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>Altar Flowers for the Sanctuary:</u> To donate Altar flowers, please sign up on the flower chart outside the Church Office and complete an Altar Flower Form. Available dates include January 7, 14, 21, 28, February 4, 11, 18, 25. *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>The Church Office</u> will be closed Monday, December 25, through Wednesday, December 27, 2023 and January 1, 2024. Regular, Non-Holiday Church Office hours are Monday through Thursday, 8:30 AM-2:00 PM.

SUNDAY SMALL GROUPS

<u>Children's Sunday School, KIDZ ZONE</u>: 9:45 AM. Pre-K (Rm. 107); Grades K-5 (Rm. 206) Come join our Kidz Zone Ministry. POC: Juliana Paradie (julianaparadie@chesterumc.org).

<u>Adult Small Group Bible Study:</u> 9:45 AM, Room 213 "Our Pad" facilitated by Jeff Marlin jeff.marlinabd@gmail.com.

<u>Fresh Start Sunday School Class:</u> 9:45 AM, Room 221; Visitors and new members are welcome. Call Susan Petrey for details (804) 938-5396.

- December 4, 6:00 PM, gathering at the Petreys' home for dinner together and to wrap Chesterfield-Colonial Heights Christmas Family presents.
- December 3, Experiencing Christmas: Christ in the Sights and Sounds of Advent by Rev. Matt Rawle. What signs do you see during the Advent and Christmas season that point you to the divine.

<u>Friendship Ministry Class:</u> 10:40 AM, Room 116, for adults who are developmentally challenged. POC: Mari and Dan Hayes (<u>JLMinNaples@msn.com</u>)

<u>The Gathering Small Group:</u> 9:45 AM, Room 205; Join with other young families for a time of study and fellowship. POC: Brion & Sonja Seward <u>lbseward@comcast.net</u>, and Andrew Brummette.

Journey Sunday School Class: 9:45 AM, Annex and Google Meet, *The Book of Joy: Lasting Happiness in a Changing World*. Join by video link: <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. Dec. 3-31. Join us as we examine Christmas through the eyes of Joseph with Adam Hamilton's book and DVD, *FAITHFUL*. The story of Joseph provides us a great example of humbly obeying God even when we do not understand and faithfully moving forward in the strength God provides. POC: Barbara MacIntyre (telluwhatbarbara@aim.com)

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

Bridge Builders-Jail Ministry: Meet 2nd Sundays, 12:15PM, Room 116. "Acceptance is the Answer". Please join us as we look to strengthen our Jail Ministry with Chesterfield County HARP (Helping Addicts Recover Progressively Program). POC: Maureen Coker (mcoker2003@comcast.net)

<u>Middle & High School Youth</u>: 4:00 PM, Annex Loft. Come out for some fun and hear an amazing lesson that is being taught by one of our incredible leaders. Grades 6-12. POC: Juliana Paradie (julianaparadie@chesterumc.org

OTHER SMALL GROUPS

<u>Faith Keepers Women's Prayer Group:</u> Mondays, 9:00 AM at Grants Coffee Co. (11884 Chester Village DR). POC: Sherri Morris <u>smorris787@aim.com</u>

<u>Village People Study, Socialize, & Service Group:</u> 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. <u>music@chesterumc.org</u>

<u>Contemplative Prayer Group</u>: *Tuesdays*, 11:00 AM, Trinity UMC. Read scripture, focus, pray, chat, connect with God. POC: Lisa Stanfield: <u>lisajostanfield@gmail.com</u>

Learning Spanish as Church Hospitality! Tuesdays & Thursdays, 7:00-8:30 PM. Next class begins January 9, 2024. Have fun learning to speak some basic Spanish. POC: Pastor Chad <u>chadbeck@chesterumc.org</u>

<u>Chancel Choir</u> rehearsals, Wednesdays, 7:00 PM. Singers of all skill levels are welcome to join! POC: Joshua Wortham <u>music@chesterumc.org</u>

Handbells for adults are back! Wednesdays at 5:45 PM, Sanctuary, POC: Joshua Wortham

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

<u>Women's Fellowship Luncheon:</u> We visit a different local restaurant each month for a time of fellowship and good food. POC: Joan Osborne (josbor61@gmail.com)

<u>Prayer 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>wvalady@verizon.net/804-914-0433</u>)

<u>Women's Christian Book Club</u>: 1st Thursday, 6:30 PM, Next meeting December 7, Annex Loft. December book link <u>https://a.co/d/dZXKcLi</u>. POC: Jennifer Brame (<u>jrbrooksieee@gmail.com</u>)

<u>Sueños Health & Safety for Latino Families:</u> first Fridays, 6:30 PM, Davis Fellowship Hall. Variety of topics, good food, childcare provided. POC: Pastor Chad <u>chadbeck@chesterumc.org</u>

<u>Strum and Smile</u>: Meet Saturday mornings, 10:00 AM, Music Suite. This is a group of guys and gals who play stringed instruments with no intention of performing. POC: Keith Woods

<u>Kidz Zone Night:</u> Meets 3rd Saturdays, 6:00 PM, Join us for food and a variety of fun activities! POC: Charlotte Brummette <u>Charl208@yahoo.com</u> (804) 833-1174