



June 9, 2024 - 9:45 AM

WORSHIP MUSIC

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms
Do Lord
He Knows Just What I Need
I Refuse

SPECIAL MUSIC

Rise Again
Dan Hayes

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 19:13-15
NSRVUE

MESSAGE

Reaching New Children
Pastor Nathan Decker

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

June 9, 2024—8:30 AM



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

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Awesome is the Lord Most High
All the People Said Amen
We Believe
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A Service of Worship and Praise
11:00 AM

Third Sunday
after Pentecost

Welcome, Announcements, and Greeting

Prelude

I Am Bound for the Promised Land

Chancel Choir

* Call to Worship¹

Leader: O Lord, open our lips,

People: and our mouths will proclaim your praise.

Leader: It is good to praise the Lord and make music to your name, O Most High,

People: to proclaim your love in the morning and your faithfulness at night.

Leader: Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

People: Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.

* Opening Prayer¹

Creator God, you have made us in your image to reflect your goodness. You have called us to use our gifts to build your kingdom. As we begin this day, we seek to reflect your image. Help us not only to focus on how to develop our creativity, but also to seek the wisdom to use our skills to your glory, and for the building up of the people we serve. In the name of Christ and through the Holy Spirit we pray. Amen.

* Hymn No. 98

To God Be the Glory

Dedication of UMCOR Kits

Anthem

Jesus, Lover of My Soul

Chancel Choir

Why We Give

Offertory

Order My Steps

Chancel Choir

* 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

Sermon in Song

Wade in the Water

Chancel Choir

Grace Alone

Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone

Why We Sing

Be Still

Let Me Be

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

Joy In My Heart

Commissioning of the Chancel Choir

* Benediction¹

God of majesty, whom saints and angels delight to worship in heaven: Be with your servants who make art and music for your people, that with joy we on earth may glimpse your beauty; and bring us to the fulfillment of that hope of perfection which will be ours as we stand before your unveiled glory. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

* Choral Amen

Chancel Choir

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

¹<https://worship.calvin.edu/resources/resource-library/a-service-of-morning-prayer-for-those-who-make-music/>

The Flowers on the Altar are given to the Glory of God in honor of the Chancel Choir as they begin their tour and Joshua Wortham as we celebrate his 20th anniversary as our Director/Minister of Music.

Calendar

June 9, 2024 – June 16, 2024

Today: June 9

8:15 AM Nursery until 12 PM
 8:30 AM Fresh Start Worship- DFH
 9:45 AM Bridge Worship- Sanctuary
 Sun Sch PreK-107
 Sun Sch Gr K-5-206
 Adult SS-Various
 11:00 AM Chancel Choir Home Tour-
 Davis Fellowship Hall
 12:15 PM Bridge Builders-116
 4:00 PM Youth Grad Party-Annex

Mon: June 10

8:00 AM Youth Missions- CUMC
 6:00 PM Strum & Smile- Music Ste
 6:30 PM Boy Scouts
 7:30 PM Beginner Music Reading-
 Music Suite

Tues: June 11

10:00 AM Youth Missions- CUMC
 10:30 AM Joy Singers- Music Suite
 11:30 AM Joy Singers Potluck-DFH
 3:00 PM Rest Stop
 5:00 PM Woodman Life-DFH

Wed: June 12

8:00 AM Youth Missions- CUMC
 12:00 PM Bulletin Deadline
 6:00 PM Cub Scouts- 226
 6:30 PM Crew-206

Thurs: June 13

10:00 AM Youth Missions- CUMC
 11:00 AM Contemplative Prayer-
 Trinity UMC
 1:30 PM Prayer Shawl-Parlor
 7:00 PM Finance Meeting- 213

Fri: June 14

11:00 AM Youth Missions-CUMC

Sat: June 15

3:00 PM Decorating Church for
 Vacation Bible School

Next Sunday: June 16 - Father's Day

8:15 AM Nursery until 12 PM
 8:30 AM Fresh Start Worship- DFH
 9:45 AM Bridge Worship-Sanctuary
 Sun Sch PreK-107
 Sun Sch Gr K-5-206
 Adult SS-Various
 11:00 AM Traditions Worship-
 Sanctuary
 4:00 PM No Youth Activity Today

Sunday Worship Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Sermon Title</u>	<u>Scripture</u>
June 16	Being Nice at the Family Table	Ephesians 4:25-5:2 NRSV
June 23	Embracing Everyone at the Table	Revelation 7:9-10 GNT

*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.

New Members: Today, We Welcome into Christian Discipleship:

Dave & Bonnie Anderson, by Reaffirmation of Faith. Dave and Bonnie Anderson are the parents of Sonja Seward.

Chancel Choir Tour Home Concert: Today, June 9, 11:00 AM, Davis Fellowship Hall. Join us for a captivating musical experience! The Chancel Choir invites you, your family, and friends to our Home Concert. All are welcome to join us for this special musical performance. Come, be a part of our musical journey!

Youth Missions Week: Happening this week, June 10-14. Adult volunteers are still needed to help with the projects. POC: Juliana Paradie julianaparadie@chesterumc.org

Bridge Builders: Sunday, June 9, 12:15 PM, Room 116. Meets 2nd Sundays. (*No Meetings in July & August*). If you feel called to Build relationships in the community, fostering understanding and appreciation of our differences then join us as we pursue Acceptance and Unity. POC: Maureen Coker mcoker2003@comcast.net

Women's Fellowship Luncheon: Thursday, June 20, 1:30 PM at Papa Grande Restaurant, 3513 Festival Park Plaza. Join us for good food and meaningful fellowship. Please RSVP no later than Monday, June 17. POC: Joan Osborne josbor61@gmail.com

Join Us for a Special General Conference Presentation! Sunday, June 23, 5:00 PM, at CUMC. Mark your calendars for this event. Guest Speakers- *Beth Givens*: Newly appointed District Superintendent of the Coastal District and seasoned General Conference delegate from Virginia. *Mochel Morris*: A respected retired Virginia clergywoman who attended the General Conference as an observer. You can expect to gain valuable insights into the workings of the General Conference and learn about the latest developments and decisions impacting our community. Have your questions answered by these knowledgeable speakers. This event is open to everyone! Your presence and participation are warmly welcomed. Don't miss this opportunity to deepen your understanding and engagement with our shared journey. We look forward to seeing you there! POC: Pastor Nathan Decker nathandecker@chesterumc.org

KEEP IN PRAYER: Richard Robertson; Judge Bill Shelton; Karen Cole; Sharon Buchanan; The family of Malcom Stone; Charles Cressell; The family of Brian Vokey; Harold Worcester; Debra Harms; Gwen Byer; Jimmy Willingham; Bill Johnson; The family of Susan Henry; Kevan Spiers; Casey Jones and family; Mary Ann Bellamy; Elizabeth Cave; Dick Weis; Penny Creed; Bryan Manna; Joe & Diane Manna; Summer Vaughn; Margie Donald; Lynda Richardson; Sandra Cherny; Mary Tyree; Ken Farmer; Dee Watkins; Susie Hall; Ella Hilton; Jo Kiser; Erika Hilton.

Our Presence on Jun 2, 2024

8:30 AM Fresh Start.....	90
9:45 AM Bridge Worship	62
11:00 AM Traditions.....	179
Online.....	41
Total Worship Attendance	372

CHESTER UMC ONLINE RESOURCES

- **Website:** www.chesterumc.org.
- **Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/ChesterUnitedMethodistChurch/>.
- **Facebook Closed Group:** <https://www.facebook.com/groups/ChesterUMC/>.
- **Instagram:** [Instagram.com/chesterumc](https://www.instagram.com/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, June 9, 2024

Greeters:	8:30	Steve & Joan Osborne
	9:45	Ed & Marian Garrett
	11:00	Jim Rhodes, Sharon Buchanan
Ushers:	8:30	Wendell Landis*, Bill Comer * Head Ushers
	9:45	Linda D’Agostino*, Scott Pugh
	11:00	Gary Williams*, James Bartlett, Harold Crowder, Marshall Henry, Kay Williams
Nursery:	8:30, 9:45, 11:00	Staff Members; Carla Adams, Samantha Garcia

Help Spread Sunday Smiles! Our Hospitality Team is looking for volunteers to pick up donuts and brew coffee on the second and third Sundays of each month. If you're a morning person who loves making people happy with tasty treats and warm drinks, we'd love to have you! Your help makes a big difference! Interested? Contact Andy or Eileen Steck andyei10twitchell@gmail.com

A Place of Miracles Cafe Clothing Closet is currently in need of baby items: wipes, diapers, car seats, booster seats, strollers, toddler toys; especially push toys and cognitive/physical development play. Please place donations in the Church Missions Closet.

POC: Diane Merryman at dianemerryman@gmail.com, 804-586-4189.

CUMC Preschool is Hiring Teachers & Assistants: CUMC Preschool is looking for energetic, creative, confident, and loving teachers and assistants for the 2024-2025 school year starting this fall. Apply Now! Send your resume to Whitney Graham preschool@chesterumc.org.

POC: Whitney Graham 804-748-2275.

Save the Date- Ice Cream Social: Sunday, July 14, 12:00 PM, DFH. Join us as we celebrate our friends and family aged 90 and above! Enjoy some delicious ice cream and fellowship immediately following the 11:00 AM Traditions Worship Service.

Rise Against Hunger: Sunday, August 18, 12:30 PM, Fellowship Hall. Our goal is to achieve a 50% increase in our number of meals. Snacks and drinks will be provided.

POC: Eric Hougland ehougland88@gmail.com

Youth Mission Trip: Harvest of Hope! Sunday September 27 – 29. We are headed to Lynchburg to be a part of the Harvest for Hope Ministry! This is a ministry that would allow our youth to participate in the gleaning and distribution of produce that remains in the fields after harvest! We will partake in worship and fellowship! The cost is \$150 per person. Meals and lodging are included. Scholarships are available. Please do not let the cost deter your child from attending. If interested contact Juliana Paradie no later than Sunday, June 16. No payment is due at this time. Use this link to read more about this organization: <https://endhunger.org/hoh/>

POC: Juliana Paradie julianaparadie@chesterumc.org

Leading Our Worship Next Sunday, June 16, 2024

Greeters: **8:30** Laura Hougland
 9:45 Donna Nunery
 11:00 Hunter Beazley, Martha Miles

Ushers: **8:30** Gordon Jones*, Ron Dombrowki * Head Ushers
 9:45 Beth Stewart*, Kim Young
 11:00 Will Herrmann*, Larry Koon, Scott Pugh, Geoff LeSueur, Tom Petrey

Nursery: **8:30, 9:45, 11:00** Staff Members; Carla Adams, Samantha Garcia

SUNDAY SMALL GROUPS

Children's Sunday School, KIDZ ZONE: 9:45 AM. Pre-K (Rm. 107); Grades K-5 (Rm. 206)
Come join our Kidz Zone Ministry. POC: Juliana Paradie julianaparadie@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. *From Jesus to Constantine*, by
Professor Bart D. Ehrman. All are welcome. POC: Susan Petrey, 804-938-5396.

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

The Gathering Small Group: 9:45 AM, Room 205. Will resume in September. Join with other
young families for a time of study and fellowship.
POC: Brion & Sonja Seward 1bseward@comcast.net, /Andrew Brummette.

Journey Sunday School Class: 9:45 AM, Annex and Google Meet, Join by video link:
<https://meet.google.com/ptm-pieh-vve>. We are studying the book of Luke.
POCs: Carolyn Landis landisfamily05@gmail.com and Eric Houglan ehouglan88@gmail.com

Seekers Sunday School Class: 9:40 AM, Room 226. Join us as we study the book, *The Ten
Commandments From The Backside*, by J. Ellsworth Kalas, from May 19-Aug. 4. All adults are
welcome. POC: Gordon Jones JONESGJ215@gmail.com

Senior Singles Sunday School Class: 9:45 AM, Parlor. Will resume in September.
POC: Cynthia Corley cacorley@ctsi.net

Middle & High School, Sunday School Class: 9:45 AM, Annex Loft. Bring your friends!
Grades 6-12. POC: Juliana Paradie julianaparadie@chesterumc.org

Middle & High School: 4:00 PM, Annex Loft. Breaks for summer June 16-August. Bring your
friends! Grades 6-12. POC: Juliana Paradie julianaparadie@chesterumc.org

Bridge Builders-Jail Ministry: Meets 2nd Sundays, 12:15 PM, Room 116. Please join us as we
look to strengthen our Jail Ministry with Chesterfield County HARP.
POC: Maureen Coker mcoker2003@comcast.net

United Methodist Men: Sunday, June 30, 4:00 PM, CUMC parking lot. Thereafter, will meet
on the 3rd Sundays of each month at 4:30 PM. Watch for details. If you are seeking to give and
receive fellowship, mentorship, service to Church and community, and study The Word of God
with other men. POC: Brion Seward 1bseward@comcast.net

OTHER SMALL GROUPS

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

Village People Study, Socialize, & Service Group: 3rd Mondays, 2:00 PM, Community Room at Chester Village Senior APTS (11701 Chester Village Drive).

Joy Singers: Summer break starts June 11, Resumes in the fall, Tuesdays, 10:30 AM, Music Suite. Rehearsals for our retired folks. This group sings for local nursing home residents and community groups. POC: Joshua Wortham. music@chesterumc.org

Sueños ESL Classes: New semester starts September 3, Tuesdays & Thursdays, 7:00 PM–8:30 PM, Rooms 205, 214, 221, 226. POC: Pastor Chad Beck (chadbeck@chesterumc.org)

Chancel Choir Rehearsals: Summer break starts June 5, Resumes in the fall, Wednesdays, 7:00 PM. Singers of all skill levels are welcome to join! POC: Joshua Wortham music@chesterumc.org

Handbells: Resumes in the fall, Wednesdays, 5:45 PM, Sanctuary; For Adults. 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

Contemplative Prayer Group: Thursdays, 11:00 AM, Trinity UMC. Read scripture, focus, pray, chat, connect with God. Summer months have reduced meeting schedules. Please contact Lisa to confirm dates. POC: Lisa Stanfield: lisajostanfield@gmail.com

Women's Fellowship Luncheon: 3rd Thursdays, 1:30 PM. Join us at a local restaurant for good food and great conversation. POC: Joan Osborne josbor61@gmail.com

Prayer Shawl Group: Thursdays, 1:30 PM, Parlor, or 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 (804) 914-0433 wva_lady@verizon.net

Women's Christian Book Club: 1st Thursdays, 6:30 PM, Parlor. *Woman of God*, by James Patterson. Amazon book link ... <https://a.co/d/7u8hnUA>. Next meeting June 6. POC: Jennifer Brame jrbrooksiee@gmail.com

Strum and Smile: Mondays, 6:00 PM, Music Suite. This is a group of guys and gals who play stringed instruments with no intention of performing. POC: Keith Woods

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

United Methodist Men: Sunday, June 30, 4:00 PM We will have our first service project and second meeting. We will be painting new lines and signage on the church parking lot. If you have a blower, please arrive at 3:30 PM. Please bring a side dish to go along with grilled chicken/burgers. We will try to eat around 6:00 PM. Please RSVP so we have an idea of expected attendance. POC: Brion Seward, 1bseward@comcast.net or text 804-943-1406.

The United Methodist Women (UMW): is to “be a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ, to develop a creative, supportive fellowship, and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.” Call Susan Petrey, 804-938-5396, to learn more about UMW, our two participating fellowships, and how you can become involved.

- **Jean Craig Fellowship:** meets 7:00 PM, Room 205, 1st Mondays. On July 1, we will take a tour of Hollywood Cemetery and visit the grave of our namesake, missionary Jean Craig. Call Susan Petrey for details, 804-938-5396.
- **Ada Mae Bookman Fellowship:** will resume meeting on 2nd Thursdays in September. Call Martha Miles, 748-5476, for details.

Backpack Ministry: Thanks to your generous support, we have been able to send food home each weekend to help 55 families. Almost every week our bin in the Church Mission Closet has received donations of food items we use. This enables us to use our monetary donations more wisely. Thank you to all who give food, money, and support to this vital ministry. POC: Karen Comer kgcomer@verizon.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. Do you have a special gift to share with these young people or just an abundance of love to give? Make a check payable to CUMC, (memo: Rest Stop) to help cover our small expenses including gas for the church bus. Contact leader, Susan Petrey, 804-938-5396, for information, volunteering, and providing meals. You will leave REST STOP with a joyful heart, receiving more than you gave! Please prayerfully consider how you can help.

Stephen Ministry: Are You Stressed? Discouraged? Feeling Down? You don't have to go through difficult times alone. Our Stephen Ministers are ready to provide confidential, one-to-one, Christian care and support to help you get through a tough time. So don't struggle alone. Our Stephen Ministers are here to care. To find out more about Stephen Ministry, please call Steve Osborne at 407-921-0227.



Texting In Church! Stay connected! Sign up and be a part of our Text Ministry, by scanning the QR code and texting the word “connect” to get a weekly text from CUMC about ways you can get involved as we embrace, love, and impact our community. Text the word “music” to 804-979-2922 to subscribe to the announcements about upcoming concerts at Chester UMC!



Young Adults! Age 18-29, Saturday, July 6, 7:00 PM, Pastor Nathan’s residence. Get ready to fire up the grill and spice up your summer! Join us for the ultimate cookout, where good food and great vibes collide! This is your chance to savor delicious food and fellowship with awesome company. Mark your calendar and do not miss out on the coolest cookout of the summer! Use this QR code to sign up. Or text “YoungAdult” to 804-979-2922.



VBS Volunteers Needed: Be a Hero! We are looking for VBS Volunteers to help June 24-28 from 9:00 AM-12:00 PM. If you would like to volunteer or have any questions, please sign up in the pew pad today or use this QR code.

POC: Juliana Paradie julianaparadie@chesterumc.org



Vacation Bible School: June 24-28 from 9:00 AM-12:00 PM. Register children today by using this QR Code. VBS is for children that turn age four by September 1, through children entering the 6th grade. Don’t miss out on all the fun at CUMC Vacation Bible School! Register today, using this QR code or this link: <https://chester-umc.mycokesburyvbs.com/register-child>
POC: Juliana Paradie julianaparadie@chesterumc.org



Vacation Bible School Donations: We need your support to make this year's program a success. We are requesting donations of specific snacks and supplies.

Use this QR code to see the items that are still needed. Thank you for

POC: Juliana Paradie julianaparadie@chesterumc.org



Kits for Conference: The United Methodist Committee on Relief operates two relief depots, one in Salt Lake City and the Sager Brown Depot in Baldwin, Louisiana. For the past several years CUMC and the UMW have collected materials for, and assembled hygiene kits to be sent to Sager Brown. They collect kits to have on-hand when disaster strikes. Due to tornadoes and flooding in the Southeast and war in Eastern Europe and the Near East there is an urgent need to restock their inventory of hygiene kits. Our goal for this year’s June 20-22 Virginia United Methodist Annual Conference in Hampton was 100 hygiene kits. Monday night, June 3, the Jean Craig UMW Fellowship completed our 200th kit! Thank you to everyone who contributed items and to the Rest Stop kids for putting together 100 kits. POC: Susan Petrey

susanmpetrey@gmail.com

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

1. To God be the glory, great things he hath done!
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
and opened the lifegate that all may go in.

Refrain:

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
let the earth hear his voice!*

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
let the people rejoice!*

*O come to the Father thru Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory, great things he hath done!*

2. O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,
to every believer the promise of God;
the vilest offender who truly believes,
that moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

(Refrain)

3. Great things he hath taught us, great things he hath done,
and great our rejoicing thru Jesus the Son;
but purer, and higher, and greater will be
our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.

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