



June 16, 2024 - 9:45 AM

WORSHIP MUSIC

Goodbye World, Goodbye
Soon and Very Soon
Standing in the Need of Prayer
Sweeter As the Days Go By

SPECIAL MUSIC

Just As I Am, I Come
Kelly Harmon and Angelo Galarza

SCRIPTURE

Ephesians 4:25-5:2
NRSV

MESSAGE

Being Nice at the Family Table
Pastor Chad Beck

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

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FRESH START SERVICE

June 16, 2024—8:30 AM



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

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What a Friend

I Am Free

We Believe

I Will Follow

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A Service of Worship and Praise
11:00 AM

Fourth Sunday
after Pentecost

Welcome, Announcements, and Greeting

Prelude

Prelude in E flat Major by Bach

Angelo Galarza, organist

* Call to Worship¹

Leader: Come, if you are willing.

People: Come into this place, but be prepared to find yourself sitting next to your worst enemy.

Leader: Come into this place, but be prepared to find yourself offering prayer with someone whose values and way of life revolt you.

People: Come into this place, but be prepared to find yourself.

Leader: Be prepared to find yourself in dark places, dark thoughts, that you would prefer to remain unacknowledged.

People: Be prepared to know you are loved, but be prepared also for the outrageous news that every other human being is loved

Leader: no more and no less, no matter what you or they do.

ALL: Come, if you are willing.

* Opening Prayer¹

Creator God, in whose Word darkness was shattered, in whose breath dust became being, and in whose love bondage became liberty. We approach your table unworthy even of the crumbs that fall beneath it. Broken as we are, we draw nearer in faith, knowing that you have and always will be our first Love. In history, you have loved us into being; you have loved us into freedom, and you have loved us even when we were unlovable. We praise you to no end, and give thanks now and forever. Amen.

* Hymn No. 400

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

* Affirmation of Faith No. 881

* Gloria Patri No. 70

Glory be to the father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Why We Give

Offertory

Just As I Am, I Come

Kelly Harmon &
Angelo Galarza

* Doxology No. 94

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen**

Hymn No. 454

Open My Eyes, That I May See

Scripture Reading

Ephesians 4:25-5:2

NRSV

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* Hymn No. 133

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

Mission Moment

Gabe Higgins

* Benediction

* Postlude

Organist

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

¹Cláudio Carvalhaes, *Liturgies from Below: Praying with People at the Ends of the World*, Nashville: Abingdon Press, 2020.

The Flowers on the Altar are given to the Glory of God and in memory of devoted husband and loving father, *Ron King*, by Gail, Keith, Karen and Cheryl King

Calendar

June 16, 2024 – June 23, 2024

Today: June 16, Father's Day

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

Mon: June 17

6:00 PM Strum & Smile- Music Ste
6:30 PM Boy Scouts-226

Tues: June 18

All Day Congressional Primary
Election- DFH
3:00 PM Rest Stop

Wed: June 19

12:00 PM Bulletin Deadline
6:00 PM Cub Scouts- 226
6:30 PM Girl Scouts-DFH

Thurs: June 20

11:00 AM Contemplative Prayer-
Trinity UMC
1:30 PM Women's Luncheon- Don
Papa Grande
1:30 PM Prayer Shawl-Parlor

Fri: June 21

Sat: June 22

Next Sunday: June 23

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-Variou
11:00 AM Traditions Worship-
Sanctuary
4:00 PM No Youth Activity Today
5:00 PM General Conference
Presentation- DFH

Sunday Worship Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Sermon Title</u>	<u>Scripture</u>
June 23	Embracing Everyone at the Table	Revelation 7:9-10 GNT
June 30	An Invitation to RSVP	Luke 14:12-24 CEB

*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.

Women's Fellowship Luncheon: Thursday, June 20, 1:30 PM at Don 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

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. Bring a side dish to go along with grilled chicken/burgers. We will 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.

Join Us for a Special General Conference Presentation! Sunday, June 23, 5:00 PM, at CUMC. 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. Your presence is warmly welcomed. Don't miss this opportunity to deepen your understanding and engagement with our shared journey. POC: Pastor Nathan Decker nathandecker@chesterumc.org

Red Cross Blood Drive: Wednesday, July 3, 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM, Davis Fellowship Hall. All blood types are needed. Our goal is 26 pints which will potentially save 78 lives. Use this link. <https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=chesterumcva>. For help with online scheduling please call 1-855-210-1278.



Young Adults Cook Out! Ages 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! 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.

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 are 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

KEEP IN PRAYER: Buck Dance; 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; 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 June 9, 2024

8:30 AM Fresh Start.....	72
9:45 AM Bridge Worship.....	50
11:00 AM Traditions.....	229
Online.....	47
Total Worship Attendance.....	398

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 16, 2024

Greeters:	8:30	Laura Hougland	
	9:45	Donna Nunery	
	11:00	Hunter Beazley, Martha Miles	
Ushers:	8:30	Gordon Jones*, Ron Dombrowski	* 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	

A Place of Miracles Cafe Clothing Closet is currently in need of men's socks, boys clothing sizes 7 to 10, baby wipes, diapers, child booster seats, strollers, toddler toys; especially push toys and cognitive/physical development play, and adult backpacks in new or lightly used condition. 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.

Birthday Celebration: Sunday, July 14, 12:00 PM, DFH. Join us as we celebrate our family and friends, age 90 and above! Enjoy some delicious birthday cake and ice cream from the ice cream truck, immediately following the Traditions Worship Service.

Rise Against Hunger: Sunday, August 18, 12:15 PM, Fellowship Hall. Our goal is to fund and pack 15,000 meals. There are tasks for all ages and ability levels. Snacks and drinks will be provided. Check out the Rise Against Hunger website <https://www.riseagainsthunger.org/>.

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 23, 2024

Greeters:	8:30	Andy Steck, Eileen Steck	
	9:45	Cathy Epps	
	11:00	Will Schmidt, Janis Hargrave	
Ushers:	8:30	Gordon Jones*, Bill Comer	
	9:45	Herb McCulloch*, Pat Stanfield	* Head Usher
	11:00	Gordon Morris*, Jeff Marlin, Joan Osborne, Steve Osborne, Don Schmidt	
Communion:	8:30	Joel Beck, Julius Paradie	
	9:45	Debbie Hubleby, Sandra Dishman	
	11:00	Chester & Pat Baake	
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 Hougland ehougland88@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. The schedule will vary
during the summer. Grades 6-12. POC: Juliana Paradie julianaparadie@chesterumc.org

Middle & High School: 4:00 PM, Annex Loft. Resumes in August. Grades 6-12. Bring your
friends! 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: Meets 3rd Sundays, 4:30 PM. 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

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

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

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

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

Handbells: Wednesdays, 5:45 PM, Sanctuary; Resumes in the Fall. For Adults. POC: Joshua Wortham music@chesterumc.org

Thursday Morning Men's Bible Study: Thursdays, 7:30 AM at Grants Coffee Co., 11884 Chester Village Drive. POC: Gordon Morris gordo1545@aim.com

Contemplative Prayer Group: Thursdays, 11:00 AM, Trinity UMC. Resumes in the Fall. Read scripture, pray, chat, connect with God. 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. Date change for July meeting: Thursday, July 11. *Woman of God*, by James Patterson. Amazon book link: <https://a.co/d/7u8hnUA>. POC: Jennifer Brame jrbrooksiee@gmail.com

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

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.

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. You will leave REST STOP with a joyful heart, receiving more than you gave! Please prayerfully consider how you can help. Contact leader, Susan Petrey, 804-938-5396, for information, volunteering, and providing meals.

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, 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!

VBS Volunteers Needed: VBS is beginning next week, and we could use a hand. We are looking for volunteers to help June 24-28 from 9:00 AM-12:00 PM. Be a Hero! 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. VBS is for children that turn age four by September 1, through 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. The items still needed are 10 bags of grapes, 20 sliced cheese blocks, and 30 bananas. If you plan to donate, contact Juliana Paradie to check the status of the needed items. Thank you for your generous donations.

POC: Juliana Paradie julianaparadie@chesterumc.org



Chesterfield County Fair: August 23-31. CUMC is looking to make a difference and spread joy in your community! We invite all adults to join our team of volunteers for the upcoming Chesterfield County Fair! We believe in the power of kindness and the impact of a warm smile. Watch for more information to come. POC: Stacy Ferrer ssfva@comcast.net



Kroger Rewards: Thank you to all who linked their Kroger cards to Chester UMC! There are 112 households that are participating with a total reward amount of \$653.44! To link your Kroger card, visit

<https://www.kroger.com/i/community/community-rewards>

Thank you to all that donated medical supplies and equipment to the CUMC Medical Closet. We had a tremendous response, and our closet is now well stocked. Your donations are a blessing to many others.