



July 14, 2024 - 9:45 AM

WORSHIP MUSIC

This Little Light of Mine
Boundless Love
Leaning on the Everlasting Arms
Mighty to Save

SPECIAL MUSIC

Truth I'm Standing On
Stacey Ferrer

SCRIPTURE

Luke 6:1-5
Luke 14:1-6
CEB

MESSAGE

Drive Thru Fast Food with Jesus
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

July 14, 2024—8:30 AM



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

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Majestic

This Is Amazing Grace

King of Kings

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A Service of Worship and Praise
11:00 AM

Eighth Sunday
after Pentecost

Welcome, Announcements, and Greeting

Prelude

Immortal, Invisible

Organist

* Call to Worship¹

Leader: I was glad when they said to me, let us go to the house of Living God.

People: This is the day when we rejoice in God's act of creation.

Leader: This is our sabbath, when we rejoice in the resurrection of Jesus the Christ.

People: We give thanks that once more, God has brought us together, that we might refresh one another.

ALL: Peace to all who enter here, peace this day and every day, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

* Opening Prayer²

**O Mysterious God,
who hides in the shadows of our steps,
who surprises in ways inexpressible,
who lingers in paradox:
ignite our spirits to revel in your presence,
inspire our souls to dance in your mystery,
free our minds to rest in your holiness,
fully comforted,
totally quiet,
completely yours.**

In the name of Christ, the Mysterious Word made flesh. Amen.

* Hymn No. 369

Blessed Assurance

* 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.**

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Why We Give

Offertory

Holy, Holy, Holy

Organist

* 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. 472

Near to the Heart of God

Scripture Reading

Luke 6:1-5 and Luke 14:1-6

CEB

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* Hymn

We Are Called

* Benediction

* Choral Amen

Chancel Choir

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

¹ Flames of the Spirit, pg. 58, No. 3

² Worship and Song Supplement, pg. 25, No. 51

The Flowers on the Altar are given by Barbara Micou to the glory of God, and in memory of her parents, Alma and Russell Burton.

Calendar

July 14, 2024 – July 21, 2024

Today: July 14

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
 No Youth Sunday School
 11:00 AM Traditions Worship-
 Sanctuary
 1:00 PM 90+ Birthday Celebration-
 DFH
 3:00 PM Key Club Meeting- 116
 4:00 PM No Youth Activities
 5:00 PM Family Play In The Park-
 Harrowgate Park

Mon: July 15

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

Tues: July 16

6:00 PM Rest Stop Pool Party

Wed: July 17

12:00 PM Bulletin Deadline
 12:00 PM Chimes Newsletter Deadline
 6:00 PM Cub Scouts- 226
 6:30 PM Girls Scouts -DFH

Thurs: July 18

1:30 PM Prayer Shawl-Parlor
 1:30 PM Women's Luncheon-
 Howlett's Restaurant

Fri: July 19

6:30 PM Young Adults Cookout-
 Pastor Nathan's Residence

Sat: July 20

Next Sunday: July 21

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 Sun Sch Gr K-5-206
 Adult SS-Various
 Youth Sunday School
 11:00 AM Traditions Worship-
 Sanctuary
 2:00 PM ESL Leadership Meeting-
 226
 4:00 PM No Youth Activity
 4:00 PM United Methodist Men-
 DFH

Sunday Worship Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Sermon Title</u>	<u>Scripture</u>
July 21	Salvation over BBQ	Luke 19:1-10
July 28	Exceeding Expectations	John 6:1-21 NRSVUE

*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.

Birthday Celebration: Today, 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.

Family Play In The Park Today, 5:00 PM, Harrowgate Park. Join us for some Kidz Zone fun!
POC: Juliana Paradie julianaparadie@chesterumc.org

Women's Fellowship Luncheon: Thursday, July 18, 1:30 PM, Howlett's Restaurant,
3530 Festival Park Plaza, Chester. RSVP to Joan no later than Monday, July 15.
POC: Joan Osborne at josbor61@gmail.com



Young Adults Cook Out! Friday, July 19, 6:30 PM, Pastor Nathan's residence. Ages 18- 29. Join us for the ultimate cookout. Use this QR code to sign up. Or text "YoungAdult" to 804-979-2922. POC: Pastor Nathan nathandecker@chesterumc.org

United Methodist Men: Sunday, July 21, 4:00 PM, DFH Join us for our meeting and a meal.

VBS Gratitude from Juliana: What an incredible week we had with Vacation Bible School. We had over 80 kids daily and over 75 volunteers that were the hands and feet of Christ. From the bottom of my heart, I would like to say thank you so much for being part of this year's VBS. From donating, to prepping, to serving, to cleaning up and anyone else that was part of this wonderful event, I appreciate it. All of you poured your heart out to make VBS week amazing and joyful for the children. I could not have done it without you. Thank you for your support .It was not overlooked. This scripture reminds me how we all worked together in unity: Psalms 133:1 says, " How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!" (NIV) Again, thank you and I can't wait until next year!!
In Christ,
Juliana Paradie, Family Ministries Director

KEEP IN PRAYER: The family of Richard Robertson; Jean Wallace; The family of Wayne Bishop; The family of Jim Watters; The family of Mike Billeter; Cathy Epps; Sheila Russ; Ed Garrett; Marie Perdue; Barbara & Buck Dance; Bill Lyon; Bill Shelton; Karen Cole; Sharon Buchanan; Charles Cressell; Harold Worcester; Debra Harms; Gwen Byer; Bill Johnson; 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 July 7, 2024

8:30 AM Fresh Start..... 92
 9:45 AM Bridge Worship 62
 11:00 AM Traditions..... 105
 Online..... 42
Total Worship Attendance 301

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, July 14, 2024

Greeters:	8:30	Steve & Joan Osborne	
	9:45	Donna Nunery	
	11:00	Linda Large, Will Schmidt	
Ushers:	8:30	Wendell Landis*, Ron Dombrowski	* Head Usher
	9:45	Herb McCulloch*, Kim Young	
	11:00	Will Herrmann*, Harold Crowder, Bob Huffman, Jane Huffman, Bob Kutz	
Nursery:	8:30, 9:45, 11:00	Staff Members; Carla Adams, Samantha Garcia	



Rise Against Hunger: Sunday, August 18, 12:15 PM, Davis 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/> or use this QR code. POC: Eric Hougland ehougland88@gmail.com

Youth Mission Trip: Harvest of Hope! 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. They are a total of 28 youth & youth parents signed up, it is still not too late if your youth is interested! Please complete forms and submit payment **no later than July 31st** to be included. Use this link to read more about this organization: <https://endhunger.org/hoh/>
POC: Juliana Paradie julianaparadie@chesterumc.org

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.

Leading Our Worship Next Sunday, July 21, 2024

Greeters:	8:30	Laura Hougland	
	9:45	Stephanie Decker	
	11:00	Hunter Beazley, Martha Miles	
Ushers:	8:30	Gordon Jones*, Bill Comer	* Head Usher
	9:45	Gordon Morris*, Pat Stanfield	
	11:00	Herb McCulloch*, James Bartlett, Larry Koon, Joan Osborne, Steve Osborne	
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.

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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. 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. June book is, *The Chance*, by Karen Kingsbury. 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-



Chesterfield County Fair: August 23-31. Let's make a difference and spread joy in our community! We invite all adults to volunteer. CUMC will be financially compensated for our volunteer hours while seizing the opportunity to connect with our community in a positive way. What a great fundraising event for our Church. Sign up to volunteer by using the link below or use this QR code.



POC: Stacy Ferrer ssfva@comcast.net

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0D44A5A72BA75-50121645-chesterfield>



Transportation Needed: Bennie Wilkinson is in need of transportation to and from Church on Sundays. He prefers the 11:00 AM, Traditions Worship. If you can provide a ride for Bennie, please visit the link below or use the QR code to sign up. POC: Will Schmidt at 804-931-3660.

[https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084FAAAA2DA1F9C34-50214483-help#/#/](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084FAAAA2DA1F9C34-50214483-help#/)

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.
POC: Susan Petrey (804) 938-5396.
- **Ada Mae Bookman Fellowship:** will resume meeting on 2nd Thursdays in September.
POC: 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.

Dinner for Six / Eight is a great opportunity to get to know fellow churchgoers. You do not have to be a member of CUMC. Couples and singles gather once a month from September through November (some meet in December) and in January. The host home provides meat and beverages. Others bring an appetizer (optional), bread, salad, vegetables, or dessert. Each month, someone else in the group hosts. It may be two couples and two singles or three couples or any combination of up to eight people. We will group everyone and let you know when and where the first dinner will be held. The hostess will contact you to decide what everyone might bring to compliment the meal. If interested, sign ups begin next week in the Sunday pew pad. Please indicate if you are willing to host. POC: Mary Musselwhite, 804-330-0014



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 important text from CUMC about ways you can get involved as we embrace, love, and impact our community. Stay informed. You can also text the word "music" to 804-979-2922 to subscribe to the announcements about upcoming concerts at Chester UMC!



Thank You Blood Donors: for donating last week during our American Red Cross Blood Drive! They collected 26 donations. That is awesome for a holiday week! For those that were unable to donate blood during our July blood drive, your next opportunity to make a difference in people's lives will be on Wednesday, August 7. Sign up today by using the QR code or visit <https://www.redcrossblood.org/local-homepage/events/help.html>.

You will receive a \$20 Amazon gift card by email if you donate blood in August.

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.

Help Spread Sunday Smiles! Our Hospitality Team needs volunteers to pick up donuts and brew coffee on the second and third Sundays of each month. Interested in helping? Contact Andy & Eileen Steck andyei10twitchell@gmail.com