



July 21, 2024 - 9:45 AM

WORSHIP MUSIC

I Feel Like Traveling On
Sweeter as the Days Go By
He Knows Just What I Need
How Great Is Our God
Bigger Than Any Mountain

SCRIPTURE

Luke 19:1-10

SPECIAL MUSIC

What Wondrous Love Is This
Beth Davis

MESSAGE

Salvation over BBQ
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 21, 2024—8:30 AM



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

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Glory to God Forever
Awesome is the Lord Most High
Lord, I Need You
You Never Let Go
The Only Name

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A Service of Worship and Praise
11:00 AM

Ninth Sunday
after Pentecost

Welcome, Announcements, and Greeting

Prelude

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Organist

* Call to Worship¹

Leader: The Spirit blows life through us all.

People: We gather in the renewing life the Spirit gives to us.

Leader: Let us then worship with great joy and celebrate the new life among us.

People: We bring praise and song, joy and laughter before God! Let the world hear our praises!

* Opening Prayer²

Look graciously, O Lord, upon this land.

Where it is in pride, subdue it.

Where it is in need, supply it.

Where it is in error, rectify it.

Where it is in default, restore it.

And where it holds to that which is just and compassionate, support it.

Amen.

* Hymn No. 327

Crown Him with Many Crowns

* 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

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

Pianist

* 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. 367

He Touched Me

Scripture Reading

Luke 19:1-10

CSB

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* Hymn No. 347

Spirit Song

* Benediction

* Choral Amen

Chancel Choir

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

¹ Flames of the Spirit, pg. 46, No. 2

² Book of Worship, pg. 515, No. 516, Church of Pakistan, 20th Century)

Calendar

July 21, 2024 – July 28, 2024

Today: July 21

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
 Youth Sunday School
 11:00 AM Traditions Worship-
 Sanctuary
 2:00 PM ESL Leadership- 226
 4:00 PM No Youth Activities
 4:00 PM UMM meeting- DFH

Mon: July 22

9:00 AM Stephen Leaders- 116
 6:00 PM Strum & Smile- Music Ste
 6:30 PM Boy Scouts-226

Tues: July 23

Wed: July 24

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

Thurs: July 25

1:30 PM Prayer Shawl-Parlor

Fri: July 26

Sat: July 27

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Sunday Worship Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Sermon Title</u>	<u>Scripture</u>
July 28	Exceeding Expectations	John 6:1-21 NRSVUE
Aug 4	Knowing God in Scripture	Maththew 5:20-22 & Matthew 13:51-53 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.

Guest Musician Beth Davis (she/her) is a singer/actor, voice teacher, and real estate agent in Richmond. Having grown up in church, she has led worship in volunteer and paid positions. Music is her “way into” vulnerability and experiencing God.

United Methodist Men, Today, 4:30 PM, DFH. Meeting and Meal. 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

Backpack Sale Item Alert! Do you shop at Kroger? Today through Tuesday, with a digital coupon, Rice-a-Roni is 8 cents a box (limit of 5). Can you help us by picking up 5 boxes for the Backpack Ministry? Items can be placed in the Missions Closet. Thank you for your generosity. POC: Karen Comer, kgcomer@verizon.net

Blood Drive, Wednesday, August 7, 10:00 AM-3:00 PM, DFH. 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.



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

August Youth Gathering: Sunday, August 18, 9:30 AM, Annex. Calling all middle and high school youth! We will meet directly after the 8:30 AM worship service to have brunch and fellowship. At 12:15, we will join the church to pack meals for Rise Against Hunger! We would love all youth to join as we eat brunch, fellowship and serve this great organization! Please RSVP to Emily Smith, 804-721-2168

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. To sign up, use this QR code POC: Stacy Ferrer ssfva@comcast.net



KEEP IN PRAYER: The family of Phil Wallace; The family of John York, Sr.; The family of William R. Shelton; The family of Richard Robertson; Deborah Napolitano; Joyce Battle and her family; The family of Jean Huber; Jean Wallace; Mary Luther; Joyce Overman; The family of Wayne Bishop; The family of Jim Watters; Sheila Russ; Marie Perdue; Carol Davis; Barbara & Buck Dance; Bill Lyon; 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 14, 2024

8:30 AM Fresh Start.....	67
9:45 AM Bridge Worship	52
11:00 AM Traditions.....	141
Online.....	41
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 21, 2024

Greeters:	8:30	Laura Houglan	
	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	

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 gleanings 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 so thankful for the many contributions. Their current wish list is all types of luggage. Duffle bags, suitcases, roller suitcases, bookbags. They go through these quickly. This will be an ongoing request. Please consider us if you do not use your old luggage. We will share bookbag donations with [Backpacks For The Homeless/RVA](#).
POC: Diane Merryman at dianemerryman@gmail.com, 804-586-4189.

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

Leading Our Worship Next Sunday, July 28, 2024

Greeters:	8:30	Andy & Eileen Steck
	9:45	Cathy Epps
	11:00	Sharon Buchanan, Betty Labin
Ushers:	8:30	Wendell Landis*, Ron Dombrowski * Head Usher
	9:45	Linda D'Agostino*, Kim Young
	11:00	Gary Williams, Marshall Henry, Willie Orton, Bob Kutz, Kay Williams
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. Continuing through Labor Day, *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: Thursday, August 8, 6:30 PM, Annex. (changed date and location). August book is, *The Potluck Club (Book 1)*, by Shepard & Everson. 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

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#/>



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.”

To learn more about UMW call Susan Petrey, 804-938-5396.

- The **Jean Craig Fellowship** will meet on Monday, August 5, 6:00 p.m. Meet in the church parking lot for our annual bus trip to visit local first responders along Route 10 to deliver homemade cookies and thanks. On Monday, September 9, 7:00 p.m. Room 205, we will put together Birthday Cake Kits for our CUMC food pantry. Call Susan Petrey for details, 804-938-5396.
- The **Ada Mae Bookman Fellowship** will resume meeting in the fall. Call Martha Miles, 804-748-5476, for details.
- **Salad Luncheon—All Women of the Church** are invited to a luncheon meeting of the UMW **Sunday, October 13** immediately following 11 o'clock worship. Speaker TBA. Bring a salad or dessert to share. The Jean Craig Fellowship will host.

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 up today in the pew pad. Please indicate if you are willing to host. POC: Mary Musselwhite, 804-330-0014

Rest Stop is a Chester UMC after school program designed to provide rest and encouragement to at-risk youth from Thomas Dale High School. August 6 we'll visit the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, picnic on the grounds and tour the Samurai Armor exhibition. During the school year we meet weekly on Tuesday afternoons at the Annex. Do you have a special gift to share with these young people or just an abundance of love to give? Call Susan to volunteer or to sign up to provide a meal. 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 REST STOP Team Leader Susan Petrey, 804/938-5396, for more information.



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!



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.