



September 29, 2024 - 9:45 AM

**WORSHIP MUSIC**

Are You Washed in the Blood?  
Where Could I Go?  
Bigger Than Any Mountain  
Sweeter as the Days Go By

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

How Majestic Is Your Name  
You Are My All in All  
*Jen Fournelle, flute*

**SCRIPTURE**

James 2:14-24 CEB  
Luke 10:20-37 CEB

**MESSAGE**

Living Our Faith  
*Rev. Keith Mottley*

*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**  
September 29, 2024—8:30 AM



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

**WORSHIP MUSIC**

Everyday; Glory to God Forever  
Holy Forever  
I Walk By Faith

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A Service of Worship and Praise  
11:00 AM

Nineteenth Sunday  
after Pentecost

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Welcome, Announcements, and Greeting

Prelude *How Majestic Is Your Name* Jen Fournelle, flute

\* Call to Worship Jane Huffman, Liturgist

Leader: God has created us to worship.

**People: God has made us for each other.**

Leader: We gather to give our hearts and lives to God.

**People: We gather to give our hearts and lives to each other.**

Leader: We seek genuine faith in the midst of false promises in our world.

**People: May our faith be expressed in word and action.**

Leader: We seek to love God and love our neighbor.

**People: May our love be expressed in word and action.**

\* Opening Prayer

**Active and ever-working God, stir our hearts that in our living we may show our faith. Inspire us to give, to feed the hungry in our communities. Raise us up to serve, to welcome the newcomer and nourish the regular. And awaken us to love, to heal the hurt and suffering in our world. We have faith in your abundant love and find hope in your eternal grace. Accept our thanks that you strengthen us for the work you call us to and support us in our times of need and struggle. Bless us today with your mercy and renew us for the days ahead. Amen.**

\* Hymn No. 57 *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing* Stanzas 1-5 & 7

\* 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.**

Anthem *God and God Alone* Chancel Choir

Why We Give  
Offertory *You Are My All in All* Jen Fournelle, flute

- \* 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!**

- \* Hymn No. 733 *Marching to Zion*

Pastoral Prayer and 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**

Scripture Reading *James 2:14-24* CEB  
*Luke 10:20-37*

Message *Living Our Faith* Rev. Keith Mottley

- \* Hymn No. 395 *Take Time to Be Holy*  
\* Benediction  
\* Choral Amen Chancel Choir

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

<sup>1</sup><https://gill-lefevre.medium.com/sunday-prayers-romans-4-1-5-13-17-james-2-14-26-53b3204af844>

<sup>2</sup><https://www.gnjumc.org/content/uploads/2021/07/Living-Faith-Worship-Resources.pdf>

**The Altar Flowers** are given by Steve & Penn Shultz, to the glory of God and in honor of our loving grandchildren Áedán, Abigail, Olivia, Clara, and Lachlan.

# Calendar

*September 29, 2024 – October 6, 2024*

## **Today: September 29**

- 8:15 AM Nursery until 12:00 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  
Youth Sunday School
- 11:00 AM Traditions Worship-  
Sanctuary
- 4:00 PM NO Youth Activities
- 5:00 PM LGBTQ+ Bible Study- 226

## **Mon: September 30**

- 6:30 PM Boy Scouts

## **Tues: October 1**

- 10:30 AM Joy Singers-Music Ste
- 2:00 PM Stephen Ministers-226
- 3:00 PM Rest Stop-Annex
- 7:00 PM ESL-205, 213, 221, 226

## **Wed: October 2**

- 10:00 AM Visitation Team- 226
- 12:00 PM Bulletin Deadline
- 5:45 PM Children's Wacky  
Wednesday-Trinity UMC
- 5:45 PM Youth Bible Study-Trinity  
UMC
- 5:45 PM Handbell Choir- Music Ste
- 6:00 PM Cub Scouts- 226
- 6:30 PM Crew-206
- 7:00 PM Chancel Choir- Music Ste

## **Thurs: October 3**

- 10:00 AM Worship Committee
- 1:30 PM Prayer Shawl-Parlor
- 6:30 PM Women's Book Club-  
Parlor
- 7:00 PM ESL-205, 213, 221, 226

## **Fri: October 4**

## **Sat: October 5**

- 8:00 AM Safe Sanctuary Training-  
DFH
- 9:30 AM Choir Workshop-Sanctuary

## **Next Sunday: October 6**

### **World Communion Sunday**

- 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  
Youth Sunday School
- 11:00 AM Traditions Worship-  
Sanctuary
- 11:00 AM Children's Christmas Play  
Practice-DFH
- 12:00 PM Key Club Board- 116
- 1:00 PM Key Club Meeting-116
- 4:00 PM No Youth Activity
- 4:30 PM Pride Cookout- Goyne Park
- 5:00 PM LGBTQ+ Bible Study- 226

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## **Sunday Worship Schedule**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Sermon Title</u></b>	<b><u>Scripture</u></b>
October 6	Not Our Table	1 Corinthians 11:17-26 NRSVUE
October 13	It's Not The Preacher's Job Alone	Exodus 18:13-25 The Message

*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. Our nurse has requested wheelchairs and rollator walkers-with a seat. There are plenty of regular walkers and tub benches. If you have these items that you no longer need, please consider donating them to the Church. If anyone can use nasal cannulas and connecting tubing for oxygen, please see Cindy Webb.

**Saving Grace: A Guide to Financial Well-Being**: *Today*, during The Gathering Sunday School class, 9:45 AM, Room 205. "Saving Grace" is a study that will help you experience a sense of grace, peace and contentment about your finances. Weekly meetings now through October 20. Register with Sonja Seward [Sonjaseward@yahoo.com](mailto:Sonjaseward@yahoo.com) or text 804-543-3036.

**Safe Sanctuary Training**: Saturday, October 5 from 8:00 AM-12:00 PM, Fellowship Hall. This training is for anyone that is serving with kids, youth and vulnerable adults. Aims to prevent abuse of children, youth, and vulnerable adults in group settings. We need all volunteers to attend to prepare for the upcoming year. If you are not able to attend in person, there will be an online class for you to take. Please RSVP to this link: <https://forms.gle/VYcursRQUSBMmB149>  
POC: Juliana Paradie [julianaparadie@chesterumc.org](mailto:julianaparadie@chesterumc.org)

**Community Pride Cookout** Sunday, October 6, 4:30-6:30 PM, **Location change- will now be held at the Annex**. For our LGBTQ+ friends and allies. Join us for food, games, karaoke, and family friendly entertainment. Donations to cover the cost of food is greatly appreciated (check payable to CUMC, Memo: Pride).

**Beginner Music-Reading**: Begins on Monday, October 7, 7:00 PM. Learn to read music. For more information, call or email Tom McHugh at 804-240-2456 [vthokietom@gmail.com](mailto:vthokietom@gmail.com).

**American Red Cross Blood Drive**, Wednesday, October 9, 10:00 AM-3:00 PM, DFH. Come give the gift of life and help others in need. Sign up today by using the QR code or visit <https://www.redcrossblood.org/local-homepage/events/help.html>.



**Living Waters District Charge Conference**: Tuesday, October 8, 7:00 PM at Bethia UMC, 10700 Winterpock Rd Chesterfield. Charge Conference is the annual meeting of the business of the church. We receive news and inspiration from the larger Annual Conference, we approve leadership rosters, we vote on clergy salaries, we approve budgets, we approve candidates for ministry, we revisit the membership roster, and more.

**Special Presentation**: Tuesday, November 12, 7:00 PM, Fellowship Hall. Please join us as Church Council presents CUMC's Five Year Plan. Save the date! All are encouraged to attend this meaningful and informative presentation. POC: Pastor Nathan [nathandecker@chesterumc.org](mailto:nathandecker@chesterumc.org)

**KEEP IN PRAYER:** Jim Watkins; Doug Roper; Caroline Maxwell; Bob Davis; David & Patti Lacy; Keith Green; Cathy Epps; Joel Furtick’s family; Debra Hubley; Victoria Harrington; Marie Purdue; Pam Overton; Syrl Ellis; Susan Young; Brooke & Mary Ann Hamilton; Pamela Brown; Angel Van Ash; Heather Escobar; Seth & Beth Davis; Judy White; Angie Lawhon; Edward Boroch; Summer Lannan; Terry Wortham; Teresa Morgan; Wayne & Ginny Virag; Gary Williams; Dee Watkins; Deborah Napolitano; Mary Luther; Sheila Russ; Carol Davis; Barbara & Buck Dance; Bill Lyon; Karen Cole; Sharon Buchanan; Charles Cressell; Harold Worcester; Debra Harms; Gwen Byer; Kevan Spiers; Casey Jones and Family; Mary Ann Bellamy; Elizabeth Cave; Dick Weis; Penny Creed; Bryan Mannetta; Joe & Diane Mannetta; Summer Vaughn; Margie Donald; Lynda Richardson; Sandra Cherny; Mary Tyree; Ken Farmer; Susie Hall; Ella Hilton; Jo Kiser; Erika Hilton

**Our Presence on September 22, 2024**

8:30 AM Fresh Start.....	91
9:45 AM Bridge Worship.....	37
11:00 AM Traditions.....	120
Online.....	43
<b>Total Worship Attendance.....</b>	<b>292</b>

**CHESTER UMC ONLINE RESOURCES**

- **Website:** [www.chesterumc.org](http://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](mailto: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](mailto:rmachachi@aol.com).
- **The Chimes** – Submit items to [assistant@chesterumc.org](mailto:assistant@chesterumc.org) no later than the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of January, March, May, July, *September*, and November.

**Leading Our Worship Today, September 29, 2024**

<b>Greeters:</b>	<b>8:30</b>	Andy & Eileen Steck	
	<b>9:45</b>	Cathy Epps	
	<b>11:00</b>	Teresa Dombrowski, Will Schmidt	
<b>Ushers:</b>	<b>8:30</b>	Gordon Jones*, Ron Dombrowski	* Head Usher
	<b>9:45</b>	Beth Stewart*, Kim Young	
	<b>11:00</b>	Beth Stewart*, Andrew Brummett, Harold Crowder, Geoff LeSueur, Bob Kutz	
<b>Nursery:</b>	<b>8:30, 9:45, 11:00</b>	Staff Members; Carla Adams, Samantha Garcia	

**Feed More Food Distribution:** Friday, October 18, 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM, Greenleigh Community Center, 14006 Stevenhurst Dr, Chester. Come be a part of CUMC in action! We are looking for ten volunteers to assist with this event. To sign up to volunteer, use this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D44ACAF2CAAF5C16-51619916-feed#/> Sign up no later than October 14. POC: Eric Hougland (804) 212-7857 [ehougland88@gmail.com](mailto:ehougland88@gmail.com)

**Youth International Mission Trip Meeting:** Sunday, October 20, 12:30 PM, Sanctuary. Is your teenager interested in going on an international mission trip in 2026? This meeting is for parents of youth that will be age 13 as of 2026. Please sign up through this link if you are interested: <https://forms.gle/y9KGFRZE5Vjr6SMr5> POC: Juliana Paradie [julianaparadie@chesterumc.org](mailto:julianaparadie@chesterumc.org)

**CUMC Craft Show:** Saturday, October 26, CUMC. Homemade and Handcrafted items; woodworking, knitting, crochet, sewing, candle making, canning, jewelry, flowers, macrame, metal, baking, quilting, and more! [www.chesterumc.org/craft-show](http://www.chesterumc.org/craft-show). Outdoor tables still available For information, contact Katey McCarney at [ks.petrey@gmail.com](mailto:ks.petrey@gmail.com)

**Walk 4 Water:** Sunday, October 20. Three Leg Run, 4418 W Hundred Road. Check-in at 9:30 AM, walk begins at 10:00 AM. Plan your next mission project. Our two-mile walk will help to raise funds to drill boreholes for the village of Buhoya B, Uganda. Providing them with clean safe water allows these children to attend school and prevents illness and disease for the entire village. Click on the QR code to register and receive a Walk 4 Water t-shirt and access your own fundraising page. If you are not able to participate in the walk you can make a donation to support this life-changing mission! POC: Sonja Seward [sonjaseward@yahoo.com](mailto:sonjaseward@yahoo.com)



**Walk4Water CUMC Youth Team:** Calling all Youth! CUMC has a youth team joining the Walk4Water fund raiser, Sunday, October 20. Use this link for the youth team sign up. <https://support.h4ki.org/team/604126>. If you have questions, contact Eric Johnston 540-207-6235 or Jason Morgan [cmarius4@gmail.com](mailto:cmarius4@gmail.com).

### **Leading Our Worship Next Sunday, October 6, 2024**

<b>Greeters:</b>	<b>8:30</b>	William & Karen Comer	
	<b>9:45</b>	Stephanie Decker	
	<b>11:00</b>	Will Schmidt, Linda Large	
<b>Ushers:</b>	<b>8:30</b>	Wendell Landis*, Bill Comer	* Head Usher
	<b>9:45</b>	Beth Stewart*, Scott Pugh	
	<b>11:00</b>	Gary William*, Bob Kutz, Jeff Marlin, Tom Petrey, Kay Williams	
<b>Communion:</b>	<b>8:30</b>	Amelia Morgan, Caroline Morgan	
	<b>9:45</b>	Debbie Hubley, Herb McCulloch	
	<b>11:00</b>	Christopher Brummette, Colton Kasky	
<b>Nursery:</b>	<b>8:30, 9:45, 11:00</b>	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](mailto:julianaparadie@chesterumc.org).

**Adult Small Group Bible Study:** 9:45 AM, Room 213 "Our Pad" facilitated by  
Jeff Marlin [jeff.marlinabd@gmail.com](mailto:jeff.marlinabd@gmail.com).

**Fresh Start Sunday School Class:** 9:45 AM, Room 221. All are welcome. Wrestling with  
Doubt, Finding Faith, join best-selling author and pastor Adam Hamilton as he discusses  
some of our most significant sources of doubt and shows how a steady trust in God can emerge  
from them. 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](mailto:JLMinNaples@msn.com)

**The Gathering Small Group:** 9:45 AM, Room 205. Join with other young families for a time of  
study and fellowship. POC: Brion & Sonja Seward [1bseward@comcast.net](mailto: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>.

POCs: Carolyn Landis [landisfamily05@gmail.com](mailto:landisfamily05@gmail.com) and Eric Houglund [ehouglund88@gmail.com](mailto:ehouglund88@gmail.com)

**Seekers Sunday School Class:** 9:40 AM, Room 226. On October 6, we will begin the book,  
*Leverage Your Life*, by Josh Barrick. All adults are welcome.  
POC: Gordon Jones [JONESGJ215@gmail.com](mailto:JONESGJ215@gmail.com)

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

**Middle & High School, Sunday School Class:** 9:45 AM, Annex Loft. Grades 6-12.  
POC: Juliana Paradie [julianaparadie@chesterumc.org](mailto:julianaparadie@chesterumc.org)

**Youth Group:** Grades 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 PM -5:30 PM, Annex. We will be meeting weekly for fun,  
fellowship and outreach. POCs: Emily Smith & Jess Hargraves  
[youthleaders@chesterumc.org](mailto:youthleaders@chesterumc.org)

**Bridge Builders:** Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Sundays, 12:15 PM, Room 116. Join us as we pursue ways to build  
bridges of acceptance for our neighbors who do not look, think, speak or pray like us.  
POC: Maureen Coker [mcoker2003@comcast.net](mailto:mcoker2003@comcast.net)

**United Methodist Men:** 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](mailto: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](mailto:smorris787@aim.com)

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

**Beginner Reading-Music Classes:** Mondays, (beginning on October 7), 7:00 PM, Music Suite. Learn to read music. For more information, call or email Tom McHugh at (804) 240-2456 [ythokietom@gmail.com](mailto:ythokietom@gmail.com).

**Joy Singers:** 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](mailto:music@chesterumc.org)

**English as a Second Language (ESL) Classes:** Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7:00 PM- 8:30 PM. POC: Pastor Nathan for more information. [nathandecker@chesterumc.org](mailto:nathandecker@chesterumc.org)

**Youth Bible Study:** Wednesdays, 5:45 PM- 7:00 PM, Trinity UMC, 6600 Greenyard Rd, Chester. POC: Juliana Paradie [julianaparadie@chesterumc.org](mailto:julianaparadie@chesterumc.org)

**Kidz Zone Wacky Wednesdays:** Wednesdays, 5:45 PM-7:00 PM, Trinity UMC, 6600 Greenyard Rd, Chester. POC: Juliana Paradie [julianaparadie@chesterumc.org](mailto:julianaparadie@chesterumc.org)

**Chancel Choir Rehearsals:** Wednesdays, 7:00 PM. Singers of all skill levels are welcome to join! POC: Joshua Wortham [music@chesterumc.org](mailto:music@chesterumc.org)

**Handbells:** Wednesdays, 5:45 PM, Sanctuary. For Adults. POC: Joshua Wortham [music@chesterumc.org](mailto:music@chesterumc.org)

**Thursday Morning Men's Bible Study:** Thursdays, 7:30 AM at Grants Coffee Co., 11884 Chester Village Drive. POC: Gordon Morris [gordo15458@aim.com](mailto:gordo15458@aim.com)

**Women's Fellowship Luncheon:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays, 11:30 AM. (New time moving forward) Join us each month at a local restaurant for good food and conversation. October 17 Luncheon will be held at River's Bend Grill. RSVP by October 14. POC: Joan Osborne [josboro61@gmail.com](mailto:josboro61@gmail.com)

**Prayer Shawl Group:** Thursdays, 1:30 PM, 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 (804) 914-0433 [wva\\_lady@verizon.net](mailto:wva_lady@verizon.net)

**Women's Christian Book Club:** 1<sup>st</sup> Thursdays, 6:30 PM, CUMC Parlor. *The Potluck Club Takes The Cake*, by Shepard & Everson. POC: Jennifer Brame [jrbrooksiee@gmail.com](mailto:jrbrooksiee@gmail.com)

**Kidz Zone Night:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays, 6:00 PM, Join us for food and a variety of fun activities! POC: Charlotte Brummette [Charl208@yahoo.com](mailto:Charl208@yahoo.com)

**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

- **The Jean Craig Fellowship:** Meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of each month at 7:00 PM, Room 205. Call Susan Petrey for details. 804-938-5396
- **The Ada Mae Bookman Fellowship:** Meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month, 10:30 AM, Room 226. 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 the 11:00 AM worship. Speaker TBA. Bring a salad or dessert to share. The Jean Craig Fellowship will host.

**Bridge Builders:** Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday, 12:15 PM, 116. Are you a disciple who believes God is calling you on a journey of racial justice and reconciliation? To build relationships in the community promoting understanding, compassion and togetherness? Join us as we pursue ways to build bridges of acceptance for our neighbors who do not look, think, speak or pray like us. “Do justice, love kindness and walk humbly with your God”-Micah 6:8.

POC: Maureen Coker [mcoker2003@comcast.net](mailto:mcoker2003@comcast.net)

**Bridge Builders Jail Ministry:** As part of our mission to make change in the community, Bridge Builders has a Jail Ministry with the Chesterfield County Jail HARP program (Helping Addicts Recover Progressively). A team of volunteers visits the jail the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays of the month, facilitating a book study. These men have shared joys, sorrows, dreams and talents such as poetry, music, songs and stories, enriching the lives of the men as well as the volunteers! Become a volunteer involves submitting paperwork for access into the jail, writing to the men, providing monetary donations for study books, and praying for the men in the HARP program, as well as those ministering to them. POC: Maureen Coker [mcoker2003@comcast.net](mailto:mcoker2003@comcast.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. 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.

**CUMC Preschool Fall Festival Fundraiser:** Friday, October 25, Fall Festival & Trunk-Or-Treat. All are invited to enjoy games, bounce house, food, pumpkins, and tons of fun. We need volunteers for our trunk or treat! We are looking for volunteers to decorate their trunk and hand out candy. We also need donations of Halloween candy and trinkets for our bucket in the Welcome Center. This will help supply all of the children with goodies on this fun night! Email Whitney Graham, Preschool Director, [preschool@chesterumc.org](mailto:preschool@chesterumc.org) if you can help!

**Fall Festival & Trunk or Treat:** Saturday, October 26, 3:00 PM – 6:00 PM, Trinity UMC. Carnival games, crafts, and cake walk 3:00 PM- 4:30 PM, Trunk or Treat 4:30 PM- 6:00 PM, food trucks 5:00 PM- 7:00 PM. Volunteers are needed. Candy is needed. Small prizes (pens, pencils, fidgets, etc), Baked Goods (homemade/ store bought), Decorated Trunks & Candy Distributors. Candy and prizes can be dropped off at Trinity UMC. Baked goods should be dropped off Friday, October 25 or Saturday, October 26 at Trinity UMC. Trunks should arrive by 3:00 PM to the back lot at Trinity UMC. Candy will be provided. Volunteers can sign up on this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0F4EA4A62FABFF2-51635147-fall>  
POC: Vickie Webe [vjbrynildsen@gmail.com](mailto:vjbrynildsen@gmail.com)

**Backpack Ministry:** Adopt a Backpack Student! In the first three weeks of September, we have already had an increase in the number of students the schools are asking us to help. We currently have 63 students! This is higher than we have been in past years, and we fully expect the number to rise. You can help us meet the needs by “adopting” a backpack student. A donation of \$35.00 per month to the Backpack Ministry is about a month of food for the weekends, for one student. Checks can be placed in the offering plate with the memo, *Backpack*. With the help of our congregation, we will continue to meet the needs at both Curtis and Wells Elementary schools. Thank you for your help. POC: Karen Comer [kgcomer@verizon.net](mailto:kgcomer@verizon.net)



**Stephen Ministry:** Stephen Ministry needs your help! There are people in our congregation and community who could benefit from the care of a Stephen Minister. You can likely name two or three yourself: A young person seeking direction

Someone grieving a loss  
A person with chronic or life-threatening illness  
Someone whose marriage has ended. We also have trained Stephen Ministers ready to walk alongside these same people. If you are aware of someone who could benefit from a Stephen Minister, please talk to Pastor Nathan, [pastordecke@gmail.com](mailto:pastordecke@gmail.com) or Steve Osborn [sosbor60@gmail.com](mailto:sosbor60@gmail.com). By sharing this name you could bring hope to someone.



**Whaley Pecans Annual Sale** by the Ladies of Faith. Orders are being taken now. Harvesting will be late October with delivery in early November. Payment can be made in advance or when picking up pecans. Proceeds earned from the pecan sale are donated to the church. *Register in the pew pad today*, or call Lorraine Young (804-748-6852) to order. \$12.00 per pound for halves or pieces. *Please make checks payable to Ladies of Faith.*

**Join Our Small Groups and Ministries:** We invite everyone to join our small groups and ministries. Come grow with us and connect with other disciples! Use the QR code or link to sign up or to get more information on small groups that you want to learn more about. One of our small group coordinators will contact you.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090545AEAF2CA3FA7-50725972-small#/>

POCs: Beth Stewart [bethstew@gmail.com](mailto:bethstew@gmail.com) or Marg Kutz [margkutz72@gmail.com](mailto:margkutz72@gmail.com)



**Snacks for ESL:** CUMC provides snacks for adult ESL students throughout the year. If you can volunteer, please contact Lynn Crump [lynncrumppla@gmail.com](mailto:lynncrumppla@gmail.com)

**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](mailto:andyei10twitchell@gmail.com)



**Zelle Giving:** Zelle is a great way to send your donations to the church. Find Zelle in the mobile banking app of your bank. You must have a smartphone to use Zelle. If your bank or credit union does not offer Zelle yet, just download the Zelle app to get started. Once you enroll, all you need to donate money to the Church is our e-mail address [finance@chesterumc.org](mailto:finance@chesterumc.org) Simply select the Zelle payment option on your bank's app, input our e-mail address above or scan this QR Code. Choose the amount of money you want to send. It will

automatically be deducted from your selected bank account and deposited immediately in the Church's bank account. The Church will incur ZERO fees!

POC: Julie Jones, Financial Administrator, at [finance@chesterumc.org](mailto:finance@chesterumc.org)

**Kroger Rewards:** We encourage you to link your rewards card to our Community Rewards account. Kroger has adopted a policy to never share a customer's personal information. Your own rewards will not be taken from your account.

From May 28 through August 27 we have earned \$711.23.

## Upcoming Children and Youth Events

### Kidz Zone Calendar

Every Wednesday - Wacky Wednesdays at Trinity UMC - 5:45 PM-7:00 PM

October 19- Community Movie on the Lawn night at Trinity UMC - 6:30 PM-8:30 PM

October 26 - Fall Festival at Trinity UMC- 3:00 PM-6:00 PM

November 8- 5th/6th Grade game night at the Annex - 6:30 PM-8:30 PM

November 16 - Community Night at Chester UMC – 6:00 PM-8:00 PM

December 14 - Santa Breakfast at Trinity UMC – 8:00 AM-12:00 PM

December 15 - Christmas Pageant at Chester UMC - 8:30 AM

December 20 - Parent Night Out at Trinity UMC – 5:00 PM – 9:00 PM

December 22- Kids Christmas play at Trinity UMC – TBD

### Youth Group Calendar

Every Wednesday - Youth Bible Study at Trinity - 5:45 PM-7:00 PM

September 22 - Youth Group at the Annex – 4:00 PM-5:30 PM

September 27 through September 29 - Harvest for Hope Youth Mission Trip - Lynchburg, VA

October 4 through October 6 - District Youth Retreat - Trinity UMC - Willow Run

October 6- Youth Group at the Annex – 4:00 PM-5:30 PM

October 13 - Youth Group at the Annex, 4:00 PM-5:30 PM

October 20 -Youth International Mission trip interest meeting -Sanctuary, 12:30 PM

October 20- Youth Pumpkin Patch at Trinity 6pm-7:30pm

October 26 - Fall Festival at Trinity- 3:00 PM -6:00 PM

October 27 - Youth Haunted Hayride w/Trinity -6:00 PM-9:00 PM

November 3 -Youth Group at the Annex – 4:00 PM-5:30 PM

November 8- 5th/6th Grade Game Night at the Annex -6:30 PM-8:30 PM

November 10 -Youth Group at the Annex – 4:00 PM-5:30 PM

November 17 - Youths giving & Escape Room at the Annex – 4:00 PM-6:00 PM

November 24 -Youth Group at the Annex – 4:00 PM-5:30 PM

December 15- Christmas Party – TBD