



No Bridge  
Worship on  
October 20! Join  
Us for Walk 4  
Water

October 13, 2024 - 9:45 AM

**WORSHIP MUSIC**

Unclouded Day  
Glory to His Name  
Blessed Be the Name

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

Beautiful City  
If I Stand  
Joel Furtick

**SCRIPTURE**

Exodus 18:13-23 The Message

**MESSAGE**

It's Not the Preacher's Job Alone  
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**

October 13, 2024—8:30 AM



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

**WORSHIP MUSIC**

Awesome is the Lord Most High

Open Up the Heavens

Holy Song

Our God

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

Beautiful City

If I Stand

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October 13, 2024

A Service of Worship and Praise  
11:00 AM

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Laity  
Sunday

Welcome, Announcements, and Greeting

Prelude *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* Organist

\* Call to Worship Voices of Laity

\* Hymn No. 451 *Be Thou My Vision*

Anthem *Gentle Shepherd* Chancel Choir

Why We Give

Offertory *Beautiful City* Joel Furtick

\* 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 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**

Special Music *If I Stand* Joel Furtick

Scripture Reading *Exodus 18:13-23* MSG

Message *It's Not the Preacher's Job Alone* Rev. Nathan Decker

\* Hymn No. 419 *I Am Thine, O Lord*

\* Benediction

\* Choral Amen

Chancel Choir

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

**The Altar Flowers** are given to the glory of God by Herb and Penny McCulloch.

# Calendar

October 13, 2024 – October 20, 2024

## Today: October 13– Laity Sunday

- 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-Sanct
- 11:00 AM Children Play Practice-205
- 12:00 PM UMW Salad Lunch- DFH
- 12:15 PM Bridge Builders-116
- 4:00 PM Youth Activities- Annex
- 5:30 PM LGBTQ+ Bible Study- 226

## Mon: October 14

- 6:30 PM Boy Scouts
- 7:00 PM Music Reading-Music Ste

## Tues: October 15

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

## Wed: October 16

- 12:00 PM Bulletin Deadline
- 5:45 PM Children's Wacky Wed-  
Trinity UMC
- 5:45 PM Youth Bible Study-Trinity
- 5:45 PM Handbell Choir- Music Ste
- 6:00 PM Cub Scouts- 226
- 6:30 PM Girl Scouts - DFH
- 7:00 PM Chancel Choir- Music Ste

## Thurs: October 17

- 11:30 AM Women's Luncheon-  
River's Bend Grill
- 1:30 PM Prayer Shawl- Parlor
- 7:00 PM ESL-205, 213, 221, 226

## Fri: October 18

- 9:30 AM Feed More Distribution-  
Greenleigh Community

## Sat: October 19

- 6:30 PM Community-Family Movie-  
The Lawn at Trinity UMC

## Next Sunday: October 20- Mission Sunday

- 8:15 AM Nursery until 12 PM
- 8:30 AM Fresh Start Worship- DFH
- 9:45 AM **NO Bridge Worship**  
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
- 12:30 PM Youth Mission Trip  
Meeting- Sanctuary
- 4:00 PM Youth Activities
- 6:00 PM Youth Pumpkin Patch-  
Trinity UMC

## Date

October 20

## Next Sunday's Worship Schedule

- 8:30 AM Rev. Tom Eggum
- 9:45 AM NO Worship Service- Mission Sunday
- 11:00 AM Joshua Wortham

*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.

**Salad Luncheon:** *Today*, 12:00 PM, Davis Fellowship Hall. All Women of the Church are invited to a luncheon meeting of the UMW, immediately following the 11:00 AM worship. The Speaker will be CUMC's Director of Christian Formation, Juliana Paradie. She will tell us about our programs for children and youth, the missions they are involved in, and how we can help. The Jean Craig Fellowship will host.

**Feed More Food Distribution:** ***VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!*** 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 volunteer, use this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D44ACAF2CAAF5C16-51619916-feed/> RSVP by October 14. POC: Eric Hougland (804) 212-7857 [ehougland88@gmail.com](mailto:ehougland88@gmail.com)

**Walk 4 Water:** Sunday, October 20, 9:30 AM, Three Leg Run, 4418 W Hundred Road. Check-in at 9:30 AM, walk begins at 10:00 AM. 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. Scan the QR code to register 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)

**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)

**Thank You Cards for Veterans:** Veteran's Day is Monday, November 11! Let's show our Veterans how much we appreciate them and all that they sacrificed. Please consider writing thank you cards. Deliver the unsealed cards to the labeled bin in the sharing bin outside the Welcome Center or place them in the Missions Closet in the church by Sunday, November 3. Adults and children are encouraged to participate. Please, only sign your first name.  
POC: Karen Cole [karen.k.cole67@gmail.com](mailto:karen.k.cole67@gmail.com)

**ALL Saint's Sunday:** Sunday, November 3. As we honor our loved ones who have claimed the promise of Glory, bring a photo with you to Worship and place it near the altar in their memory.

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

**Our Presence on October 6, 2024**

8:30 AM Fresh Start.....	85
9:45 AM Bridge Worship.....	42
11:00 AM Traditions.....	150
Online.....	44
<b>Total Worship Attendance.....</b>	<b>321</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, October 13, 2024**

<b>Greeters:</b>	<b>8:30</b>	Steve & Joan Osborne	
	<b>9:45</b>	Ed & Marian Garrett	
	<b>11:00</b>	Hunter Beazley, Martha Miles	
<b>Ushers:</b>	<b>8:30</b>	Gordon Jones*, Ron Dombrowski	* Head Usher
	<b>9:45</b>	Herb McCulloch*, Kim Young	
	<b>11:00</b>	Gordon Morris*, Andrew Brummette, Harold Crowder, Bob Kutz, Larry Koon	
<b>Nursery:</b>	<b>8:30, 9:45, 11:00</b>	Staff Members; Carla Adams, Samantha Garcia	

**Saving Grace: A Guide to Financial Well-Being:** Sunday, October 13 and October 20. 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. POC: Sonja Seward [Sonjaseward@yahoo.com](mailto:Sonjaseward@yahoo.com) or text 804-543-3036.

**Walk4Water CUMC Youth Team:** Calling all Youth! Sunday, October 20, 9:30 AM. We have 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)

**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 are still available for vendors. For information, contact Katey McCarney at [ks.petrey@gmail.com](mailto:ks.petrey@gmail.com)

**Turkey Pot Pie Dinner,** Saturday, November 9, 6:00 PM, DFH. All Members of the Chester Community are invited to feast on turkey pot pie and all the trimmings, plus musical entertainment from CUMC’s own Minister of Music, Joshua Wortham. Proceeds will help support the mission projects of the United Methodist Women, including, but not limited to CUMC Food Pantry, Back Pack Ministries, Christmas Mother, Samaritan Fund, and Rest Stop. **Tickets are available TODAY** in the Welcome Center following each worship service. Tickets are required, \$15 per person, checks made payable to Chester UMW. Call the Church Office, 748-6006 or Susan Petrey, 938-5396, for more information.

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

**Leading Our Worship Next Sunday, October 20, 2024**

<b>Greeters:</b>	<b>8:30</b>	Laura Hougland	
	<b>9:45</b>	Donna Nunnery	
	<b>11:00</b>	Jim Rhodes, Janis Hargrave	
<b>Ushers:</b>	<b>8:30</b>	Wendell Landis*, Bill Comer	* Head Usher
	<b>9:45</b>	Jim Watkins*, Scott Pugh	
	<b>11:00</b>	Beth Stewart*, Bob Huffman, Jane Huffman, Tom Petrey, Geoff LeSueur	
<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. We are studying 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, 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. Our October book is, *If It Rains*, by Jennifer L. Wright. Amazon Link: <https://a.co/d/46DdmVI>  
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.

**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.

**A Place of Miracles Clothing Closet** is so thankful for the many contributions. They are collecting personal hygiene items, linens, towels, diapers, and un-opened formula.  
POC: Diane Merryman at [dianemerryman@gmail.com](mailto:dianemerryman@gmail.com), 804-586-4189.

**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. Email Whitney Graham, Preschool Director, [preschool@chesterumc.org](mailto:preschool@chesterumc.org).

**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 and candy donations are needed. Small prizes (pens, pencils, fidgets, etc), baked goods (homemade/ store bought), decorated trunks and candy distributors. Candy and prizes may be dropped off at Trinity UMC. Baked goods may 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 Weber [vjbrynildsen@gmail.com](mailto:vjbrynildsen@gmail.com)

**Backpack Ministry:** Adopt a Backpack Student! We currently have 63 students and are growing! 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 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 contact Pastor Nathan, [pastordecker@gmail.com](mailto:pastordecker@gmail.com) or Steve Osborne [sosbor60@gmail.com](mailto:sosbor60@gmail.com). By sharing this, you could bring hope to someone.



**Service to Flooded Damascus, VA** – Due to Hurricane Helene there is a great need for clean-up and rebuilding. We have been contacted by Ministry BGAV, ImpactMissionsMovement.org, that we worked with in Grundy a couple of years ago. If we have enough interest, we will pull together a team. If you are interested in going to Damascus to help, please contact Lynn Crump at [lynncrumppla@gmail.com](mailto:lynncrumppla@gmail.com). Thank you!



**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?

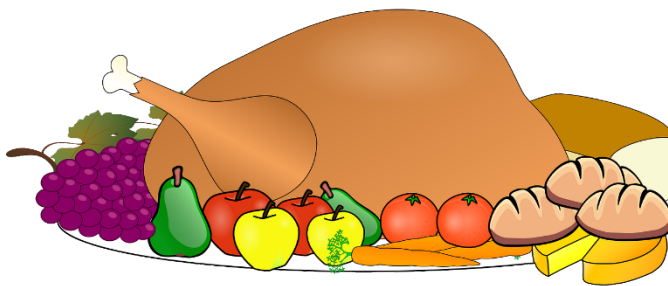
Contact Andy & Eileen Steck [andyei10twitchell@gmail.com](mailto:andyei10twitchell@gmail.com)



**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, [finance@chesterumc.org](mailto:finance@chesterumc.org)



**THANKSGIVING MEAL GIFT PACKAGES:** Chesterfield Colonial Heights Alliance for Social Ministry (CCHASM) Thanksgiving Meal Packages are distributed every year to the needy in our area who have preregistered with CCHASM. A \$20 gift card for perishable items (butter, fresh vegetables, turkey) is included in every package. (CCHASM purchases these at a discount.) **Please consider donating money** for the gift cards because these are always needed. (Checks payable to CUMC; Memo: CCHASM Thanksgiving.) CCHASM assisted over 3,000 Chesterfield County families last year! POC: Barbara Yandle [dkyandle@verizon.net](mailto:dkyandle@verizon.net)

***Monetary donations and meal packages are due by Sunday, November 10.***

### **A COMPLETE MEAL GIFT PACKAGE INCLUDES**

- 1 – 40 OZ. CAN of YAMS or SWEET POTATOES
- 1 – 13 OZ. BOX of MASHED POTATOES
- 1 – 14 OZ. CAN of CRANBERRY SAUCE
- 2 – 15 OZ. CANS of CORN
- 2 – 15 OZ. CANS of GREEN VEGETABLES
- 2 – BOXES of “Stove Top” ® Stuffing Mix (*no bags*)
- 2 – CANS or PACKAGES of GRAVY (*no glass jars*)
- 1 – BOX of HOT CHOCOLATE MIX
- 1 – BOX of TEA BAGS
- 1 – Large BOX or BAG of COOKIES

#### **PLEASE TAKE NOTE**

- ✓ CCHASM cannot give out expired food.
- ✓ All items must be in their original, unopened, saleable package.
- ✓ If possible, place in doubled paper bags with handles or canvas grocery bags.

## 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

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