the bridge

March 1, 2026 - 9:45 AM

WORSHIP MUSIC
Goodbye, World, Goodbye
Bigger Than Any Mountain
He Knows Just What I Need
Great Are You, Lord
Are You Washed in the Blood?

SCRIPTURE
John 3:1-17 NIV

SPECIAL MUSIC
In Christ Alone
Monte Nagy

MESSAGE
Very Truly I Tell You
Thomas Evan Moody

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FRESH START SERVICE

March 1, 2026 - 8:30 AM

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

WORSHIP MUSIC

Let God Arise
Unstoppable God
We Believe
Great Are You, Lord
Today is the Day

SPECIAL MUSIC

In Christ Alone
Monte Nagy

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 43

MESSAGE

Planting Garlic
Joshua Wortham

March 1, 2026 **A Service of Worship and Praise** **11:00 AM**
Second Sunday in Lent

Welcome, Announcements & Greeting

Prelude ***Be Thou My Vision*** *with* ***My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*** David Raposo, Cello

* Call to Worship[1] Claudia Nagy, Liturgist

Leader: Great is the grace and glory of God.
People: We give thanks with hearts of joy.
Leader: Great is the strength and mercy of our creator.
People: We give thanks with hearts of hope.
Leader: Great is the courage and hope of our Lord.
People: We give thanks with hearts of faith.
Leader: Great is the mercy and compassion of the Holy One.
People: We give thanks with hearts of love.

* Prayer of Confession

Leader: O Lord, forgive us when we fail to respond to your call with faith.
People: Through your Spirit, we rest in the assurance of your acceptance.
Leader: Forgive us when we are shackled by our narrow understandings of discipleship and our clouded sense of purpose.
People: Through your Spirit, we are drawn into the illumination of your empowering love.
Leader: Forgive us when we are frightened of the future or pull back from the demand of your calling. Forgive us when we fail to sense your presence in our past, to acknowledge your grace in the present moment, and to trust you for our future.
People: Through your Spirit, we offer ourselves in discipleship. We come together as your disciples. We seek renewed and renewing faith. Touch us now with your Spirit, Lord. Touch us now with your Spirit.

* Hymn No. 155 ***All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*** *Stanzas 1, 2, 4 & 6*

Anthem ***He Never Said A Mumbalin' Word*** Chancel Choir
David Raposo, Cello

Why We Give
Offertory ***In Christ Alone*** Monte Nagy

* Doxology No. 99

To God be the glory, to God be the glory, to God be the glory for the things he has done.
With his blood he has saved me; with his power he has raised me;
to God be the glory for the things he has done.

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer — Rev. Mike Browder, Ph.D.

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

Prayer Hymn No. 483 — ***Kyrie Eleison***

Introduction — Rev. Mike Browder, Ph.D.

Scripture — ***1 Corinthians 15 :1-11*** — NRSVUE

Sermon — ***As of First Importance*** — Rev. Sergei Nikolaev, Ph.D.
President, Moscow Theological Seminary of the UMC

Holy Communion — Rev. Keith Moore

* Hymn No. 653 — ***Christ the Victorious***
* Benediction
* Choral Amen — Chancel Choir

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

[1]https://ministrymatters.com/2021-08-01_worship_options_february_6_2022/
[2]https://www.umcdiscipleship.org/worship-planning/where-you-are-far-horizons/fifth-sunday-after-the-epiphany-year-c-lectionary-planning-notes/fifth-sunday-after-the-epiphany-year-c-liturgical-resources

Assisted Listening Devices are available for anyone who has trouble hearing during worship in the Sanctuary.

Calendar

March 1, 2026– March 8, 2026

Today: Sunday, March 1

8:15 AM Nursery until 12:00 PM
8:30 AM Fresh Start Worship- Davis Fellowship Hall
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
12:30 PM Key Club- 116
2:00 PM Hurricane Mission Trip Meeting- 226
4:00 PM Youth Group- Annex
5:30 PM Confirmation Class- Youth House/ Annex

Monday: March 2

6:30 PM Boy Scouts- DFH
7:00 PM Jean Craig Fllwshp- 205

Tuesday: March 3

10:30 AM Joy Singers- Music Suite
12:30 PM The Psalms for Lent, Book Study- 221
2:00 PM Stephen Ministers- 226
3:00 PM Rest Stop- Annex
6:30 PM Junior Girl Scouts-116
7:00 PM ESL- 205, 214, 221, 226

Wednesday: March 4

10:00 AM Visitation Team-205
12:00 PM Lenten Luncheon- Bermuda Hundred UMC
2:00 PM Grief Share-213
5:00 PM Key Club Banquet- DFH
5:45 PM Wacky Wed.- Trinity
5:45 PM Handbell Choir
(continued)
6:15 PM Youth Bible Study-Trinity
6:30 PM Crew- 206
7:00 PM Chancel Choir- Music

Thursday: March 5

1:30 PM Prayer Shawl- Parlor
6:30 PM Young Adult Bible Study- Annex
6:30 PM Women's Christian Book Club- Annex
7:00 PM ESL- 205, 214, 221, 226
7:00 PM Walters State Chamber Choir Concert- Sanctuary

Friday: March 6

Saturday: March 7

7:00 AM Running for HIS Glory- CUMC Parking Lot
9:00 AM Preschool Open House

Next Sunday: March 8

8:15 AM Nursery until 12:00 PM
8:30 AM Fresh Start Worship- Davis Fellowship Hall
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
11:45 AM Walk to Emmaus Planning Meeting- Parlor
4:00 PM Youth Group- Youth House/Annex
5:30 PM Confirmation Class- Youth House/ Annex

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 will not be here today. We are sorry for any inconvenience.

Stephen Ministers will be at the back of the congregation *TODAY* during the Fresh Start Service and at the front, behind the altar rail during the Bridge and Traditions Services. You are welcome to go to them after you receive communion if you'd like them to pray with you. If you prefer, there are prayer request forms in the red pew pads to write down your prayer requests and place them in the offering plate when the ushers collect the offerings. The ushers will give them to a Stephen Minister after the service, and your Stephen Ministers will pray for you in confidence. The forms are also designed to be mailed to the church.

Lenten Book Study: Tuesdays through March 31, 12:30 PM, Room 221. Rev. Dr. Mike Browder will be teaching his newly published book, *The Psalms for Lent*. Come in-person or use this link to attend the Bible Study via Zoom. For information contact Mike at browdermh@outlook.com. https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86375242348?pwd=w5hzFH4ODMFoRKiNO8Dd43cUmdQvGN.1

Lenten Lunch Series: Wednesdays, through April 1, 12:00 PM, Bermuda Hundred UMC. Bermuda Hundred UMC invites Chester UMC to share in its Lenten Luncheon series of worship during Lent. There will be a brief worship with hymns and a message, then a light lunch.

Walters State Community College Chamber Choir in Concert: Thursday, March 5, 7:00 PM, Sanctuary. We are delighted to welcome this FANTASTIC choir back to Chester! Don't miss this concert! A free-will offering will be received.

He's Alive: A Musical Celebration of the Easter Story: Presented on **Sunday, March 29, at 8:30 and 11:00 AM** and on **Monday, March 30, at 7:00 PM**. Grab some postcards in the Welcome Center and invite your friends and neighbors!

Rev. Dr. Sergei Nikolaev, President of the Moscow Theological Seminary of The United Methodist Church in Moscow, Russia, is a global leader of the church. Born in 1972, he accepted Christ in the Russia United Methodist Church while studying engineering physics at Moscow Engineering Physics Institute (National Research University). Having served as a Sunday school teacher and assistant to the pastor, he entered the Russian United Methodist Theological Seminary in Moscow, Russia, and was a member of the first graduating class in 1997. Academically, the Rev. Dr. Nikolaev specializes in the fields of evangelism, interchurch relations, history and theology of the Methodist Church, the Eastern Orthodox Church and the history of Christian thought. He also holds a PhD in Christian Tradition from Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas. In 2005, the Rev. Dr. Nikolaev returned to Russia as the E. Stanley Jones Professor of Evangelism at the Moscow Theological Seminary of The United Methodist Church, and in 2008, he was elected President of the seminary.

Keep In Prayer: Victoria Harrington; Bill Comer; Chester & Pat Baake; The family of Jim Shelburne; Laney Phillips; Reed Willingham; Walt Stone; Monty Nunery; Bruce Nugent; Sharon Buchanan; Linda Willingham; Susan May; Eliza Furr; Cynthia Corley; Wayne Scruton; Dick & Lynn Weis; Bruce Highley; Ann Stuart; Bert Watson; Jo Kiser; Ella Hilton; Erika Hilton; Susan Young; Harold Worcester; Lynda Richardson; Summer Lannan; Brooke & Mary Ann Hamilton; Wayne & Ginny Virag

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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.
The Chimes – Submit items to assistant@chesterumc.org no later than the 3rd Wednesday of January***,*** *March,* May, July, September, and November.

Our Presence on Sunday, February 22, 2026

8:30 AM, Fresh Start.....82
9:45 AM, Bridge 39
11:00 AM, Traditions.....139
Online.....62
Total 322

Leading Our Worship Today, Sunday, March 1, 2026

Greeters:	**8:30**	Bill & Karen Comer	
	9:45	Andy & McDuff Steck	
	11:00	Linda Large, Marian Perkinson	
Ushers:	**8:30**	Wendell Landis*, Ron Dombrowski	*Head Usher
	9:45	Brenda Stacy*, Jesse Stacy	
	11:00	Beth Stewart*, Bob & Jane Huffman, Tommy Petrey, Geoff LeSueur	
Communion:	**8:30**	Rev. Keith Mottley, Evan Moody, Nathan Hamm, Caroline Morgan	
	9:45	Rev. Keith Moore, Cornelia DeWitt	
	11:00	Rev. Keith Moore, Rev. Dr. Sergei Nikolaev, Rev. Dr. Mike Browder, Steve Osborne	
Donut Disciple:		Laura Hougland	
Nursery:		Carla Adams, Morgan Hall	

New Member Sunday: Join us on Sunday, April 12 for New Member Sunday! We will joyfully welcome those who are becoming part of our church family. A special luncheon for our newest members will be held following the 11:00 AM Traditions worship service. If you have been considering church membership, we invite you to take this meaningful step. For more information about becoming a member, please contact our New Member Coordinator, Joan Osborne, at josborn61@gmail.com . We would love to welcome you!

Easter Cards for Veterans: *S*hare the Easter message with the Veterans at Richmond VA Medical Center and Sitter & Barfoot Veterans Care Center. Please do not sign your last name or seal the envelope. Address envelopes "To a Special Veteran," "To a Hero," "Happy Easter." Place cards in the Sharing Bin outside or in the Missions Closet. **Deadline is Sunday, March 29.** Thank you for your cards and notes. POC: Karen Cole karen.k.cole67@gmail.com

Pint with a Pastor: Beginning on March 8. Ever had a question about faith you were afraid to ask? Pastor Nathan will be making himself available to the congregation and community at Three Leg Run on Sundays at 3:00 PM, for "Pint with a Pastor", where we can journey together with our concerns, questions, and seeking. POC: Pastor Nathan nathandecker@chesterumc.org

The Hurried Gospel of Mark: Thursdays, April 9 through May 7, 10:00 AM, Room 221. This Bible Study will be led by Pastor Nathan. POC: Pastor Nathan nathandecker@chesterumc.org

Grief Recovery Group: Wednesdays, 2:00 PM, Room 213. A ***New session begins Wednesday, March 4***. This is a Christ-centered program for those who have lost a loved one within the past two years. There is a $20 book fee. Scholarships are available. Go to GriefShare.org, then click "*Find A Group",* and message Keith Mottley. POCs: Keith Mottley, keith.mottley@comcast.net, and Sandy Sims, sandygeosims@hotmail.com.

Volunteer Opportunity: Friday, March 6, at C.C.Wells Elementary. Celebrate literacy during the Read Across America event at C.C.Wells Elementary School. They are looking for volunteers to read stories to their Kindergarten through 5th grade classrooms. Use this link to sign up as a guest reader. See sign up slots for specific times.
https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0845AAAC2EABFDC25-62345001-ccwells#/

Leading Our Worship Next Sunday, March 8, 2026

Greeters:	**8:30**	Joan & Steve Osborne, youth	
	9:45	Brenda & Jesse Stacy	
	11:00	Terry Dombrowski, Will Schmidt	
Ushers:	**8:30**	Tracey Wright*, Tommy Wright	*Head Usher
	9:45	Jim Watkins*, Kim Young	
	11:00	Will Herrmann*, Harold Crowder, Bob Kutz, Patrick Mims, Tommy Petrey	
Donut Disciples:		Andy & Eileen Steck	
Nursery:		Carla Adams, Morgan Hall	

UMCOR Kits for Conference: The United Methodist Committee on Relief operates two relief depots; Salt Lake City and Baldwin, Louisiana. For the past several years CUMC and the UMW have collected materials and assembled hygiene kits to be sent to Sager Brown. They collect kits to have on hand for disaster. Our goal for the June 17-20 Virginia United Methodist Annual Conference is 100 hygiene kits. You are invited to support this effort by donating items for kits. Pick up your "assignment ticket" today, from the display in the Welcome Center. Return the assigned items to the bin in the Church Mission Closet by **Sunday, April 5.**
POC: Susan Petrey, (804) 938-5396

Walk to Emmaus Meeting: Sunday, March 8, 11:45 AM, Parlor. Have you participated as a pilgrim in a Walk to Emmaus? If so, please consider helping to sponsor a woman (women) to the next walk (April 23-25). To coordinate our efforts we will meet following the Traditions Worship Service. You likely remember what a blessing your walk was. Let's extend that to another woman. Questions: Claudia Nagy, dgrammy@yahoo.com (804) 712-7733 or Marg Kutz, margkutz72@gmail.com (804) 305-6100.

Monthly Emmaus Gathering: For those who at any time in your lives attended a Walk to Emmaus, gatherings are held the 2nd Saturday of the month at Hopewell Methodist Church, Chesterfield. Meet at 6:00 PM for a covered dish fellowship, followed at 6:30 PM with worship and communion. The next Women's Walk will be April 23-26, at Chanco on The James, Spring Grove, VA. The next Face-to-Face encounter is October 16-17 & October 23-24**.** Face-to-Face is a daytime walk; Chanco is 3 days, overnight. POC: Claudia Nagy at (804) 712-7733.

Backpack Update: We are thankful for the many ways you support this ministry – financial donations, food donations, shopping, packing and delivering each week. It takes many people to ensure these children have food over the weekend. Donations of Pop Tarts, ramen noodles, canned pasta, canned meats (chicken, tuna, Vienna sausages), and peanut butter are always welcome! As you do your regular shopping, please consider adding an item or two to support this ministry. Thank you. POC: Carolyn Landis and Karen Comer kgcomer@verizon.net

Jail Ministry: Since March 2023**,** members of Bridge Builders visit men incarcerated at the Chesterfield County Jail for drug and alcohol-related offenses, where we facilitate a book study for the men participating in HARP (Helping Addicts Recover Progressively) program. CUMC is making an impact on our community! How can you help? Provide monetary donations (Jail Ministry in memo) used for study books, stamps and cards. Become a volunteer and pray for the men in the HARP program and those CUMC members going into the jail.
POC: Maureen Coker, mcoker2003@comcast.net

United Methodist Men: For men who are seeking to give and receive fellowship, mentorship, and service to Church and community. We study The Word of God with other men. Contact Brion for more information. POC: Brion Seward 1bseward@comcast.com

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? 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. Contact Rest Stop Team Leader, Susan Petrey, at (804) 938-5396, for more information.

Visitation Teams at CUMC – Help Needed! Teams of two people visit church members and family members who are experiencing illness, loss of a loved one, isolation, aging. There are usually seven visitation teams, but right now we are down to five. We need new volunteers to help with visiting. There is a monthly meeting on the first Wednesday morning at 10:00 AM at the church. If you are interested in serving on a visitation team, please call Karen Comer at (804) 796-2910 or Will Schmidt at (804) 931-3660. We need you!

Children's Ministry Give Back Day: Friday, March 20, 4:00 PM- 7:00 PM. CUMC Children's Ministry will be volunteering to give back to our community at the Chesterfield County Food Bank Distribution Center, 12211 Iron Bridge Road. Join us as we help sort donations, bag groceries, and load cars. This is a rewarding experience for parents and children! Sign up to join on the bulletin board outside the Davis Fellowship Hall, or email Whitney Graham at preschool@chesterumc.org

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 1st Monday of each month at 7:00 PM, Room 205. Next meeting will be Monday, March 2, 7:00 PM. POC: Susan Petrey (804) 938-5396.
- **The Ada Mae Bookman Fellowship**: Meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month, 10:30 AM, Room 226. POC: Martha Miles, (804) 748-5476.
- **Salad Luncheon:** Women of the Church are invited to a luncheon meeting of the UMW, **Sunday, March 22**, immediately following 11:00 AM Worship. Our speaker will be Maureen Coker and friends, who will tell us about their Bridge Builders Jail Ministry, their plans for the future, and how we can help. Bring a salad or dessert to share.

Help Feed the Young Adult Bible Study Group: The Young Adult Bible Study group that gather on Thursday evenings always appreciate dinner and dessert, as many come straight from work or school. Contact Evan Moody if you can provide a meal. youthleaders@chesterumc.org

Youth Guatemala Mission Trip Fundraising: Over 30 youth and their families will be traveling to Guatemala in June 2026 to complete medical missions, construction projects, and VBS camps for children. Our goal is to raise enough money to fund the trip with airfare included. POC: Emily Smith Smith.family21@outlook.com

- **Guatemala Youth Yard Sale**: We are excited to host another Youth Yard Sale on **Saturday, March 14, 8 AM to 12 PM**. Due to the incredible success of last June's sale, we are wrapping up our fundraising efforts with this event once again. This year, we have limited certain items based on what did and did not sell well previously**.**

***Due to the limited storage space at the church, we ask that you please do not drop off your donations prior to March 8*. If you have any questions or concerns, contact Emily at (804) 721-2168**.

- ✓ Clothing donations will not be accepted**.** We will still gladly accept coats and shoes**.** Any unsold items may be donated to a local mission or Veterans home.

- ✓ Beginning March 9, tables will be set up and clearly labeled by category. If possible, we ask that donated items be separated by category to help streamline sorting. We completely understand if this is not feasible due to mobility or other challenges.

- ✓ Donations will be accepted **throughout the week of March 8-12, during regular church hours: 8:30 AM- 2:00 PM**, as well as **all day Friday, March 13**. For larger items, we kindly ask that they be brought on Friday, or that you reach out in advance so a member of the Guatemala team can assist with unloading. We respectfully ask that church office staff be asked to assist only when necessary, as they are working to complete their daily responsibilities and may not always be available to help with drop-offs.

- **Look Into Your Employer!** For example, did you know if you are an HCA Employee you could donate through *YourCause* and HCA will match up to $500. The Hope 4 Kids Tax ID is 47-1686704, please enter Chester UMC Guatemala June 2026 Mission in the memo and reach out to Emily Smith at (804) 721-2168 so she can notify Hope 4 Kids.

- **Donate Directly to the Guatemala Trip!** Use this **QR code** to donate directly or place your donation in the offering plate. Please note this in the memo area of your check or envelope

Easter Sunday Communion Schedule

- Communion *will be* offered during the April 5th, Easter Sunrise Worship service at 6:30 AM, Annex lawn.
- Communion *will not be* offered on April 5th, Easter Sunday, during the Fresh Start, Bridge, or Traditions Worship.
- Communion *will be* offered the following Sunday, April 12; served by the newest Confirmands.

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Walk 4 Water Chester: Sunday, April 12, 12:30 PM, Three Leg Run Brewery, 4418 W Hundred RD. Eleven million people in Uganda do not have access to clean and safe water. Help bring clean, safe water to the village of Kasaya East in Uganda. POC: Sonja Seward sonjaseward@yahoo.com Use the QR code or the link to Register/ Donate.
https://support.h4ki.org/event/2026-walk-4-water-chester-va/e749657

Graduate Prayer Shawls: High school graduation season will be here soon! If you have a student graduating in **Spring 2026,** please let us know as soon as possible. The Prayer Shawl Ministry is busy creating beautiful, custom-made shawls in each graduate's school colors. To ensure your graduate receives a shawl, please email the church office at office@chesterumc.org with your name, your child's name, and high school

Summer Camp Opportunities: It may be cold outside, but it's not too soon to be thinking about summer camp. Did you know there are some awesome opportunities for children and youth to attend summer camps affiliated with the United Methodist Church? Click the links below to explore three camps in different geographical areas of Virginia.
Bay: https://www.ootbay.org/summer-camp-options/
River: https://www.westviewonthejames.org/
Mountains: https://www.altamons.org/

Singles Seniors Group: Informational meeting, Sunday, March 22, 12:00 PM in Room 226. For those men and women who enjoy attending events together, such as dinners, concerts, or other local outings. More details are coming soon.
POC: Mel Talley Melindakelleytalley@gmail.com (804) 928-1725.

Vacation Bible School: June 22-26, 9:00 AM- 12:00 PM. Children that are preschool age through 5th grade. Volunteers are needed and appreciated! Please use this QR code to register as a volunteer and/or to register your child to attend VBS. POC:Whitney Graham, preschool@chesterumc.org

Altar Flowers: Consider providing flowers for the Altar. You will need to make arrangements with your preferred florist. (River's Bend Florist will waive the delivery fee). Write your name on the flower chart near the Church Office and fill out one of the flower forms below the chart. Return the form to the Church Office. Check the flower chart for available dates.

SUNDAY SMALL GROUPS

Children's Sunday School, Kidz Zone: 9:45 AM. Pre-K (Room 107); K-2 (Room 204) Grades 3-5 (Room 206). Come join our Kidz Zone Ministry.
POC: Whitney Graham, preschool@chesterumc.org

Adult Small Group Bible Study: 9:45 AM, Room 213 "Our Pad". All adults are welcome. POC: Jeff Marlin jeff.marlinabd@gmail.com

Fresh Start Sunday School Class: 9:45 AM, Room 221, at the top of the old stairway. Join the Fresh Start Sunday School Class in study, fellowship, and service. All are welcome. We are currently studying, *When Bad Things Happen to Good People,* by Rabbi Harold S.Cushner. 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. Join with other young families for a time of study and fellowship. Anyone interested in joining us is welcome.
POCs: Sonja Seward (804) 543-3036; Andrew Brummette (678) 409-3683; and Brion Seward 1bseward@comcast.net.

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 and Eric Hougland, ehougland88@gmail.com

Seekers Sunday School Class: 9:40 AM, Room 226. All adults are welcome.
POC: Laura Hamm, Laura.hamm83@yahoo.com

Middle & High School, Sunday School Class: 9:45 AM, Youth House (Annex). Grades 6-12. POC: Evan Moody, youthleaders@chesterumc.org

Youth Group: Grades 6th-12th, 4:00 PM -5:30 PM, Youth House (Annex). Meets weekly for fun, fellowship and outreach. POC: Evan Moody, youthleaders@chesterumc.org

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

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

Bridge Builders- Jail Ministry- Acceptance is the Answer. Meets every other Monday, 3:40 PM at the Chesterfield County Jail. Help us as we build relationships with the men of HARP (Helping Addicts Recovery Progressively). Maureen Coker, mcoker2003@comcast.net

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

Grief Recovery Group: Wednesdays, 2:00 PM, Room 213. A Christ-centered program for those who have lost a loved one within the past two years. Go to GriefShare.org, then click "*Find A Group"*, and message Keith Mottley. POCs: Keith Mottley, keith.mottley@comcast.net and Sandy Sims, sandygeosims@hotmail.com

ESL Classes: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7:00 PM- 8:30 PM. Click on this link: https://sites.google.com/view/cumcenglishclasses POC: Rebecca Hodell, rhodell7@gmail.com

Youth Bible Study: Wednesdays, 5:45 PM- 7:00 PM, Trinity UMC.

Kidz Zone Wacky Wednesdays: Wednesdays, 5:45 PM-7:00 PM, Trinity UMC.

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

Handbells: Wednesdays, 5:45 PM, Sanctuary. For Adults. POC: Joshua Wortham music@chesterumc.org

Thursday Morning Men's Bible Study: Thursdays, 7:30 AM at Grants Coffee Company, 11884 Chester Village Drive. POC: Gordon Morris gordo15458@aim.com

Women's Fellowship Luncheon: 3rd Thursdays, 11:30 AM. Join us each month at a local restaurant for good food and great conversation. POC: Joan Osborne josbor61@gmail.com

Prayer Shawl Group: Thursdays, 1:30 PM, Parlor. All are invited to join! We can provide yarn and will happily teach you how to knit or crochet. POCs: Beverly Trevillian (804) 337-2367, and Betty Stone (804) 914-0433 / wva_lady@verizon.net

Young Adult Bible Study, Thursdays, 6:30 PM, Annex. Ages 19-30. Dinner provided. POC: Evan Moody, youthleaders@chesterumc.org

Women's Christian Book Club: 1st Thursdays of *odd months*, 6:30 PM, CUMC Annex. POC: Jennifer Brame jrbrooksieee@gmail.com

EASTER LILIES to ADORN the SANCTUARY

Please help us decorate the Sanctuary for Easter by ordering Easter Lilies in honor/memory of your loved ones. **The cost is $18 per pot** (4-6 blooms).

The deadline to order lilies is Sunday, March 22. Please submit your order, with payment to the Church Office or place in the offering plate during worship. You may take your flowers home with you after the 11:00 AM Easter Sunday service. Make checks payable to CUMC (Memo: Flower Fund or Lilies). **Please fill out the order form below.**

How many total lily pots are you ordering? _____

2 pots $36

Your TOTAL COST ($18 each) **$ _____**

3 pots $54

Please check one box below and **clearly print names**.

4 pots $72

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