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September 13, 2026 - 9:45 AM

WORSHIP MUSIC
I Saw the Light
I Stand Amazed in the Presence
Bigger Than Any Mountain
Awesome is the Lord Most High

SCRIPTURE
2 Timothy 3: 10-17 CEB

SPECIAL MUSIC
Spark of Creation
Rise Up
Katrinah Carol Lewis

MESSAGE
We are Equipped
Pastor Mel Fleischer

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FRESH START SERVICE
September 13, 2026 - 8:30 AM

WORSHIP MUSIC
Today is the Day
Father, Spirit, Jesus
Lord, I Need You
Awesome is the Lord Most High

SPECIAL MUSIC
Spark of Creation
Rise Up
Katrinah Carol Lewis

SCRIPTURE
Psalm 119:33-40 CEB

MESSAGE
An Inner Life in the Word
Rev. Nathan Decker

September 13, 2026 **A Service of Worship and Praise** **11:00 AM**
Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Welcome, Announcements, and Greeting
Prelude ***A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*** Organist

* Call to Worship[1] Don Schmidt, Liturgist

Leader: God has been acting in our lives and in the world around us this past week.
People: We have come for this hour of worship to make ourselves more aware of God and to give thanks for God's presence with us.
Leader: God is here even now, ready to strengthen us and to urge us to greater faithfulness.
People: Fill us with your goodness, O God. Draw us into the orbit of your activity in the world that we might fulfill the purpose for which you created us. Amen.

* Opening Prayer[2]

O God, the Giver of life, we pray for the Church throughout the world. Sanctify its life, renew its worship, empower its witness, restore its unity. Remove from your people all pride and every prejudice that dulls their will for unity. Strengthen the work of all those who strive to seek that common obedience that will bind us together. Heal the divisions which separate your children from one another, that they may keep the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace. Amen.

* Hymn No. 600 ***Wonderful Words of Life***
* Affirmation of Faith No. 889
* 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.

Special Music ***Spark of Creation*** Katrinah Carol Lewis

Children's Message Whitney Graham

Why We Give
Offertory ***Ancient Words*** Chancel Choir

* 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!

Remembering 9/11

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

Hymn No. 328	***Surely the Presence of the Lord***	
Scripture	***Psalm 119:33-40***	CEB
Sermon	***An Inner Life in the Word***	Rev. Nathan Decker
Special Music	***Rise Up***	Katrinah Carol Lewis
* Hymn No. 598	***O Word of God, Incarnate*** *Sung to the tune for "The Church's One Foundation"*	

* Benediction
* Postlude

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* *Please stand as you are able.* **Bold print indicates a response in unison.**
[1] Flames of the Spirit, pg. 60, #10
[2] Book of Worship pg. 505

The Altar Flowers are given by Donnie and Sherri Snelson, to the glory of God and in memory of 9/11. We remember.

Altar Flowers: Providing altar flowers is a beautiful way to honor God and celebrate the people and special moments that are meaningful to us, such as loved ones, anniversaries, birthdays, and other special occasions. Please consider providing flowers for the altar. **Available dates are September 20, September 27, and December 27.** To sign up, please add your name to the flower chart outside the Church Office and complete one of the forms located under the chart. You may also email your chosen date and dedication to the Church Office at office@chesterumc.org. Please make arrangements directly with your preferred florist. River's Bend Florist will waive the delivery fee for altar flower orders. Thank you for helping beautify our sanctuary and honor God through this meaningful tradition.

Calendar

September 13, 2026– September 20, 2026

Today: Sunday, September 13

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
12:00 PM Church Picnic & Kids Carnival- Fellowship Hall and Lawn
4:00 PM Youth Group Kick Off- Youth House

Monday: September 14

11:30 AM Village Book Club- 226
2:00 PM Bridge Builders- 116
6:30 PM Boy Scouts-Fellowship Hall
7:00 PM Jean Craig- 205

Tuesday: September 15

7:00 PM ESL- 205, 214, 221, 226

Wednesday: September 16

12:00 PM Bulletin & Chimes Due
1:30 PM Emmaus Meeting- Parlor
2:00 PM Grief Share-213
5:45 PM Handbell Choir
5:45 PM Wacky Wednesday- Trinity UMC
6:15 PM MIDDLE- Trinity UMC
6:30 PM Crew- 206
6:30 PM Girls Scout Service Unit- Fellowship Hall
7:00 PM Chancel Choir

Thursday: September 17

Church Office Closed- Observance of Constitution/ Citizenship Day
10:00 AM The Broken Fellowship of John's and Jude's Letters- 221
11:30 AM Women's Fellowship Luncheon
1:30 PM Prayer Shawl- Parlor
6:30 PM Young Adult Bible Study- Youth House
7:00 PM ESL- 205, 214, 221, 226

Friday: September 18

Saturday: September 19

Next Sunday: September 20

8:15 AM Nursery until 12:00 PM
8:30 AM Fresh Start Worship- 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
12:00 PM Stephen Leaders- Parlor
2:00 PM NC Mission Trip Meeting- 226
3:00 PM Joshua's Album Release Concert- Sanctuary
4:00 PM Youth Group-Youth House
5:30 PM Young Families Cookout-Youth House

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 burgundy Welcome Bag from the Atrium or Narthex. Thank you for celebrating the Lord with us today!

Our Parish Nurse, Cindy Webb, is available today at 9:00 AM in Room 105.

Guest Musician Katrinah Carol Lewis is an award-winning actor, singer, director, playwright, and educator who has been based in Richmond for more than 25 years. She currently serves as Artistic Director of Firehouse Theatre. Performance highlights include Billie Holiday in Lady Day at Emerson's Bar & Grill, Nora in A Doll's House, Chelle in Detroit '67, Michelle in Dreamgirls, and Nettie in The Color Purple. Her work also spans cabaret, cover bands, and historical interpretation. She plays the ukulele and has been a featured soloist at Unity of Richmond for more than 17 years. Whether onstage, in the classroom, or in spiritual community, Katrinah is living her life's mission of creating compelling theatre in service of a more empathetic world.

Chester UMC Annual Picnic & Children's Carnival: *Today* at 12:00 PM. All are invited. Fried chicken and drinks will be provided. Please bring your lawn chair and a side dish or dessert to share. Indoor seating will be available in the Fellowship Hall.

Pastor Appreciation takes place during the entire month of October. Let's show our Pastors and Ministers how much we appreciate them. There are many ways to express gratitude such as sending a card or special note, gift cards, and praying for them.

Joshua's Album Release Concert: Sunday, September 20, 3:00 PM in the Sanctuary. Come hear hymns and sacred songs to soothe the soul and then pick up your copy of Joshua's new album, "This Is My Story," available on CD and streaming. All are welcome!

Chesterfest: Saturday, September 26, 10:00 AM–4:00 PM, 11804 Centre Street. CUMC will be sharing a booth as part of the UMCs of Chester partnership. Stop by our booth, say hello, and connect with people in your community! We'd love to see you there!

Thank You, Fair Volunteers! A heartfelt thank you to everyone who volunteered at the Chesterfield County Fair! Your time, energy, and willingness to serve made a tremendous difference. A huge shout-out to ***Stacey Ferrer*** for selflessly dedicating her time to organizing and supervising our volunteer efforts. Her leadership and hard work made it possible for CUMC to benefit from this wonderful opportunity. We are so grateful for each and every one of you **w**ho gave your time to impact our community. Thank you for making a difference!

Women's Fellowship Luncheon: Next luncheon will be September 17, 11:30 AM at Peking Chester. RSVP by Monday, September 14 to Joan Osborne josbor61@gmail.com.

Keep In Prayer: Sharon Brick; Judy White; Angie Lawhon; Victoria Harrington; Dawn York; Wesley Yandle; Cathy Epps; Bill Chapin; April Cibula; Billy Hopson; Cindy Webb; Emory & Linda Large; Audrey Comer; Barbara Dance; Lisa Dabney; Jennifer Dyson; Joshua Devericks; Monty Nunery; Bobbie Morrissette; Linda Nabors; Walt Stone; Sharon Buchanan; Bruce Highley; Dick & Lynn Weis; Ann Stuart; Bert Watson; Jo Kiser; Ella Hilton; Erika Hilton; Susan Young; Harold Worcester; Lynda Richardson; Summer Lannan; Brooke & Mary Ann Hamilton

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Prayer Chain Email: to subscribe or to submit a prayer request, email office@chesterumc.org with "Prayer Chain" or "Prayer Request" in the subject line.
The Chimes* Newsletter**– Submit items to assistant@chesterumc.org no later than the 3rd Wednesday of January**,** March, May, July, ***September, and November.

Our Presence on Sunday, September 6, 2026

8:30 AM, Fresh Start.....…88
9:45 AM, Bridge 48
11:00 AM, Traditions.....125
Online.....52
Total……...313

Leading Our Worship Today, Sunday, September 13, 2026

Greeters:	**8:30**	Joan Osborne	
	9:45	Jesse & Brenda Stacy	
	11:00	Pam Kasky, Jim Rhodes	
Ushers:	**8:30**	Tracey Wright*, Tommy Wright	*Head Usher
	9:45	Brenda Stacy*, Steve Davies	
	11:00	Gordon Morris*, Larry Koon, Bob Kutz, Doug Riney; Don Schmidt	
Donut Disciple:		Laura Hougland	
Nursery:		Carla Adams, Vicki Hankins	

Parenting in the Digital Age: Sunday, September 27, 4:00 PM, in the Fellowship Hall. Pastor Nathan will lead a conversation on "Parenting in the Digital Age", for parents with children of all ages. From managing daily screen time to navigating the world of Artificial Intelligence, parenting today looks completely different than it did just a few years ago. Join us for a supportive community conversation for parents and guardians. Together, we'll explore practical ways to protect your child's cognitive development, no judgment. Discuss actionable strategies to help your kids grow up healthy, balanced, and safe.
POC: Pastor Nathan, nathandecker@chesterumc.org

Georgia Rogers Farmer In Concert: Sunday, October 25, 3:00 PM in the Sanctuary. Georgia is Richmond's premier cabaret artist! With her incomparable mix of vocal skill across numerous genres, and her gift of storytelling and humor, you won't want to miss this delightful afternoon of music that offers something for everyone! Georgia is accompanied by Joshua Wortham on piano, Bentley Cobb on drums, and Alex Kehayas on bass. A free-will offering will be received.

Give a Dog a Job 5K- Canine Companion 5K run/walk:
Saturday, October 10. This family and dog run/walk supports Canine Companions, (www.canine.org), a non-profit that provides service dogs to children, adults and veterans with disabilities, at no cost to them. Our very own Andy, Eileen, & McDuff Steck will be there this year working the donut and water table. Use this link to register today. Share this information on to friends and family.
https://runsignup.com/Race/VA/TBD/GiveaDogaJob5krunwalk

Turn Your RMD into a Charitable Gift if you are eligible to take Required Minimum Distributions (RMDs) from your IRA, please consider making your tithes and charitable gifts directly from your IRA to the church through a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD). When eligible, giving directly from your IRA can satisfy all or part of your RMD while potentially reducing your taxable income. Please consult your financial or tax advisor and ask your IRA custodian to send the contribution directly to the church. It's a wonderful way to support our ministry while making your giving more tax efficient. For more information, contact Julie Jones, Finance Administrator at finance@chesterumc.org.

Leading Our Worship Next Sunday, September 20, 2026

Greeters:	**8:30**	Patrick & Gina Dobbs	
	9:45	Stephanie Decker	
	11:00	Pam Kasky, Marian Perkinson	
Ushers:	**8:30**	Wendell Landis*, Ron Dombrowski	*Head Usher
	9:45	Jim Watkins*, Scott Pugh	
	11:00	Gary Williams*, Bob Huffman, Jane Huffman, Doug Riney, Kay Williams	
Donut Disciples:		Chip & Laurie Cobb	
Nursery:		Carla Adams, Vicki Hankins	

Backpack Ministry: School has begun and we are again operating our Backpack Ministry. We need canned chicken, peanut butter, Pop Tarts, Rice-a-Roni, Spam, and Tuna Helper. Please think of us when you are shopping and pick up a few of these items. Place items in the Missions Closet in the bin labeled Backpack. Financial gifts are always welcome! Thank you for your continuous generosity and support. POCs: Carolyn Landis landisfamily05@gmail.com and Karen Comer kgcomer@verizon.net

Become A Stephen Minister: Stephen Minister training teaches principles and skills that equip you to provide high-quality, Christ-centered emotional and spiritual care to others. The 20 training sessions will begin in the fall and end in February. To help accommodate your schedule the training will work around fulltime working folks via hours/day and virtual/hybrid. If you would like to talk to somebody about participating, please contact Lynn Crump at lynncrumppla@gmail.com or Andy Steck at coop1kate@gmail.com.

STEPHEN MINISTRY

Bridge Builders Ministry is asking for help supporting the Men's HARP program with new toiletries for the men leaving jail and for those coming into the jail until their commissary accounts are started. Items needed are new deodorant, soap, body wash and shampoo. Please leave your donations in the Mission Closet in the designated bin. Thank you for your support. POC: Maureen Coker, mcoker2003@comcast.net

A Place of Miracles Cafe and Clothes Closet appreciate your support with the following donations: fall clothing, sweatshirts/hoodies, zip up jackets for men, women and children; new personal hygiene items; kitchen utensils and small kitchen appliances. Thank you for all your support.

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. POC: Susan Petrey, (804) 938-5396.

- **UMW Salad Luncheon:** Sunday, October 11 in the Fellowship Hall, immediately following the 11:00 AM Worship. Women of the Church are invited to a luncheon meeting of the United Methodist Women. Bring a salad or dessert to share.
  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. 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.

CUMC Emmaus Reunion Group Lunch: Sunday, September 27, 12:00 PM, Fellowship Hall. If you have participated in the Walk to Emmaus anywhere, you are welcome to join us. Lunch will be provided. We look forward to sharing food, faith and fellowship. We will discuss plans for our Emmaus Reunion Group. Please contact Don Schmidt for details at wahoodon45@gmail.com.

American Red Cross Blood Drive: Wednesday, October 7, 10:00 AM-3:00 PM, Fellowship Hall. October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Consider making a difference through blood donation. Every minute, blood products are needed to help cancer patients undergoing treatment, and your donation could support their journey. Donors will receive a $15 e-gift card as a thank-you for saving lives.
https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=chesterumcva

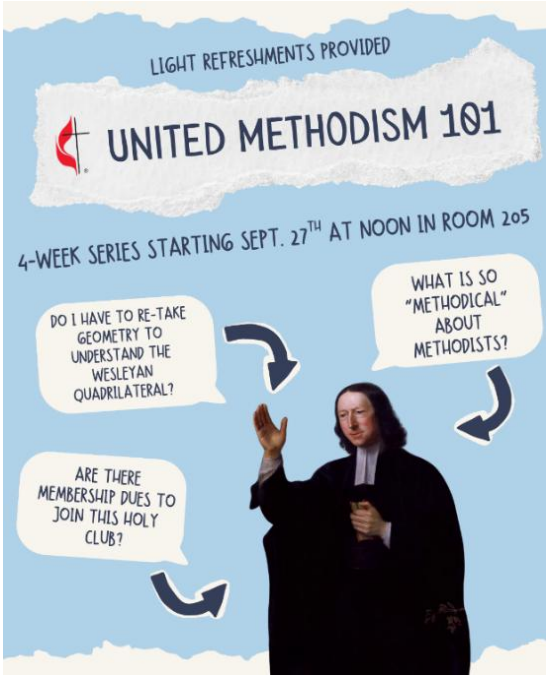
Feed More Food Distribution: Friday, October 16, 9:30 AM -12:30 PM. One way to impact our community is to help with a Feed More food distribution at the Greenleigh Mobile Home Park. We are looking for ten volunteers to assist with this event. If you are new to mission work, or a veteran of this event, this is a great way to serve your community and build relationships! Tasks for the volunteers include: unload the food truck; set up tables and separate food; organize the food distribution; place food allotments in vehicles; traffic control; collect and breakdown empty boxes; and clean up afterwards. Use the QR code or visit the link below to sign up to volunteer.
Please sign up no later than Monday, October 12. POC: Eric Hougland, ehougland88@gmail.com
LINK: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D44ACAF2CAAF5C16-65476323-october#/

Interested in Joining Chester UMC? Our next New Disciple Sunday will take place on October 25, during worship. We warmly invite you to become a member. Please contact our Membership Coordinator, Joan Oborne at josbor61@gmail.com, (540) 270-4251.

Chester Chums is a ministry to welcome new members, to help acclimate them to the Church, and to help get them involved in activities at the Church. Current members who choose to become a Chester Chum are paired with new members to serve as their "sponsors". Please consider becoming a Chester Chum. Contact Joan Osborne at josbor61@gmail.com

New Bible Study, The Broken Fellowship of John's and Jude's Letters:
Thursdays, September 17- November 5, 10:00 AM, Room 221. Led by Pastor Nathan. This study will focus on the Letters of 1, 2, and 3 John as well as Jude discovering what the early church struggled with about who Jesus was and is and what that means for us as a people of faith today. POC: Pastor Nathan, nathandecker@chesterumc.org

Living Waters District Charge Conference: Tuesday, October 20, 7:00 PM at CUMC. The Charge Conference directs the work of the church and gives general oversight to the Church Council, reviews and evaluates the mission and ministry of the church, sets salaries for the pastor and staff, elects the members of the Church Council, and recommends candidates for ordained ministry.



United Methodism 101 Class:
Sundays, September 27 through October 18, 12:00 PM, Room 205. Join Pastor Mel for a crash course on the United Methodist Church history, traditions, and theology. All are welcome!
POC: Pastor Mel, pastormel@chesterumc.org

Dinner for Six/Eight: Couples and singles gather once a month for dinner in a host's home, September–November (sometimes December) and January–May. The host provides the meat and beverages, while others bring an appetizer (optional), bread, salad, vegetables, or dessert. Groups of six and up to eight will enjoy dinner together once a month. This is a wonderful opportunity to get to know fellow churchgoers! You do not have to be a CUMC member to participate.
If you're interested or have questions, email or call Mary Musselwhite. Let her know if you're willing to host. POC: Mary Musselwhite (804-330-0014), softshl1@gmail.com

Album Release Concert

*Sunday, September 20 * 3:00 PM*

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TODAY!

Chester UMC

PICNIC

and Kids' Carnival

Sunday, September 13, 12 PM

Fried chicken and drinks provided.
Please bring a lawn chair and a
side dish or dessert to share.
Indoor seating available.

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. New to CUMC? Looking for a small group? Join the Fresh Start Sunday School Class in study, fellowship, and service. Visitors and new members are always welcome. Beginning September 13: *Wesleyan Vile-tality* calls us back to the roots of our identity. Ashley Boggan argues that Wesleyan vile-tality is at the core of who we are as Methodists.
For information, call 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, Youth House and Google Meet, Join by video link: https://meet.google.com/ptm-pieh-vve. We are currently studying the book of Acts.
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!***. We are working through the book, *"Disciples 2 Fast Track", (*New Testament - Luke and Acts).
POC: Laura Hamm, Laura.hamm83@yahoo.com

Middle & High School, Sunday School Class: 9:45 AM, Youth House.
Grades 6-12. POC: Pastor Mel Fleischer, pastormel@chesterumc.org

Youth Group: Grades 6th-12th, 4:00 PM -5:30 PM, Youth House. Meets weekly for fun, fellowship and outreach. Snacks are provided.
POC: Pastor Mel Fleischer, pastormel@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

Bridge Builders- Jail Ministry- Meets every other Monday, 3:40 PM at the Chesterfield County Jail. Helping the men of HARP. 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. Participant workbook is $25. Go to GriefShare.org, then click "*Find A Group"*, and message Keith Mottley, keith.mottley@comcast.net or 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

Wacky Wednesdays: Wednesdays, 5:45 PM- 7:00 PM, Trinity UMC. Children of all ages are welcome. Dinner will be provided.

M.I.D.D.L.E. Youth Bible Study: Wednesdays, 6:15 PM-7:15 PM, Trinity UMC. Middle School- Grades 6-8. Dinner will be provided. POC: Pastor Mel, pastormel@chesterumc.org

WOW: Kid's Ministry: 1st Wednesday of the month, 5:00 PM-7:00 PM, Room 205. Preschool- 5th Grade. Light dinner provided. Please RSVP to Whitney Graham, (804) 691-0383, preschool@chesterumc.org.

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. *Next Luncheon September 17* at Peking Chester. 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: Meets every other Thursday, 6:30 PM, Youth House. Age 18-30. Contact Pastor Mel for dates and details. POC: Pastor Mel, pastormel@chesterumc.org

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

United Methodist Men: For men who are seeking to give and receive fellowship, mentorship, and service to Church and community. POC: Brion Seward 1bseward@comcast.com