

The Path Finder

Finding your way to acts of purpose and faith

Chelsea First United Methodist Church

128 Park Street, Chelsea, MI 48118

www.chelseaumc.org

January 31, 2016

Our Mission:

*Ordinary people living differently
because of the love of Christ.*

Connecting with God

Learning in Community

Making a Difference in the World

PRAYER REQUESTS

These prayer concerns were lifted during services
or were called into the church office.

Prayers for Comfort:

* family and friends of King Hanna, Robert Strong,
Jacob S. a Tecumseh HS Student, the Marines who perished
in the helicopter crash, those whose beloved pets have died *

Prayers for Healing for:

* Siphwiwe from Malawi * Charma's sister-in-law *

Prayers for Support for:

* Johnson Francois in the Dominican Republic *
* Paul & Joanne Weber * Hertha Laupmanis *
* People of the Grass Lake Federated Church *
* Randy Hurst * Elaine & Phil Alexander *
* Jim O'Sullivan * Friends of Elaine & Dave Pastor
who are expecting their third set of twins *

PRAYER SUPPORT

You can contact Anne Zuehlke
(475-2535, alzuehlke@yahoo.com) or Debbie Noye
(475-1096, debnoye10@gmail.com) or a member of the
church staff and ask that your request be added to the prayer
chain. If you would like to join the group who prays for such
requests, contact Debbie Noye or Anne Zuehlke.

The Season of Lent

The liturgical season of Lent begins with Ash Wednesday,
February 10th. You are invited to worship at 6:30 p.m.
Led by our Middle School Youth, the service features
imposition of ashes and Holy Communion.

Building Committee Recognition

In recognition of and grateful appreciation for our
Building Committee: Dennis Deppner, Mark Drow,
Dianne Kelley, Mike Vanderspool, Casey Wooster,
and Fred Mills; our Trustee Chair Mark Wellman,
and in special recognition and appreciation for the tireless
efforts and expertise of Rob Long, our congregation is
making a gift in their honor to Heifer International.

If you would like to contribute to this effort, make your
check payable to the CFUMC with the memo line
"BCRecognition"

Thank You!

Thank you so much for all the support we have been given by
our church family, especially the cards that are signed by
congregation members and sent in the mail.
It really means a lot to be cared by so many people.
Thank you Joanne Weber.

Announcements

Donate to help feed the homeless!!

As part of the 3rd - 5th grade sleepover, the BLAST children will be preparing a meal to feed 200 homeless at Cass Community Services as well as creating a craft to sell to raise money in support of the youth mission trip to Charleston. We need the support of the entire church family to donate the items needed to prepare the meal, prepare the craft, and make the sleepover a success! Please consider how you can help by clicking on the sign up genius link below:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/qo/20f0c4ca4a92da5fd0-help>

Worship Workshop

The Worship Team of Brighton First UMC invites area churches to a worship workshop on Saturday, February 6th, from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Rev. Cathy Townley is the leader for the day. The theme is "increasing your church's impact through worship."

The worship team at Brighton First has hired Rev. Cathy Townley as a worship consultant; with her coaching they believe they are improving the quality of their worship experiences. You may learn more about Rev. Townley at townleycoaching.com.

I invite you to consider this opportunity. If you are interested in attending, have questions, or would like more information, please speak with Pastor Joy.

Festival of Tables

Don't miss the fifth annual Chelsea Festival of Tables to be held at the Chelsea First United Methodist church, Grams Hall on Saturday, February 27, 2016.

This popular event features a delicious lunch catered by Wesley's Catering all served on creatively decorated tables. Tickets are \$20 which includes lunch and a chance to vote for your favorite table.

Tickets will be available beginning January 11, 2016 and should be purchased in advance from the Chelsea Senior Center. Call 475-9242 for more information.

Join us for the District Leadership Training Day Saturday, February 27 - First UMC of Howell Where Ministry Meets Need

Schedule

8:30 a.m. Gathering and Refreshments
9:00-10:30 a.m. Worship & Keynote Speaker
10:45 a.m.-12:15 pm - Workshops

Keynote Speaker

Although Rev. Melanie Carey grew up in Chelsea, her life has been filled with a wide range of influences, including her parents taking on seven different foreign exchange students from all over the world. She was also an exchange student herself, spending time in Cartagena, Colombia. Her ties with Latin America were further strengthened when the family adopted a seven-year-old brother from Guatemala. Rev. Carey was ordained in 1993. She served three local church appointments: Hudson First, Livonia Newburg (assoc.), and Ypsilanti First. In 2011 Melanie was appointed as Superintendent of the newly formed Detroit Renaissance District. On July 1, 2015 Bishop Deborah Kiesey appointed Melanie as the Assistant to the Bishop. Bishop Kiesey recently announced that Melanie will soon be returning to where her greatest passion lies, leadership in the local church.

For more information on speakers and topics you can find the brochure on the bulletin board in the coatroom hallway.

SANCTUARY PLEDGE INFORMATION

Summary

10/1/12 - 1/17/16

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|---------------------------|----------------|
| Number of Pledges | 182 |
| Total Pledge | 1,170,603 |
| Amount Received | 830,756 |
| Non-Pledged Contributions | 133,388 |
| Total Contributed | <u>964,144</u> |

FUND BALANCE

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|--------------------------------|----------------|
| Contributions | 964,144 |
| Contributions for Roof | 75,442 |
| Building Committee Recognition | 1,430 |
| Expenses | -606,145 |
| Net Balance | <u>434,871</u> |

Mission Ministries

Material Girls

Thank you for the many donations you gave us in 2015.
With them, we made 4500 gifts,
and we were able to give \$5000 to Faith in Action.

Here is a list of supplies we need for this year's projects
plain white mugs

band aids

alcohol prep wipes: small and individually wrapped

individual packages of antibiotic cream

decorative buttons

9" zippers: not invisible

old cookie sheets

charms shaped like hearts, stars,

and flowerscandles: any kind, new, used, scented,
or unseated wood burning sets

Thank you

The new 2015-2016

Babysitting/Pet sitting/

House sitting/Yard worker list

is available! Contact Courtney for a copy.

Altar Flower sign up for 2016

You can find the flower sign up in Grams Hall on the
bulletin board. Please fill out a form and write your name
on the sign up if you wish to furnish flowers for a certain
Sunday in 2016.

Forms can be left at the sign up or put in
Liza Gray's mail box by the LL Conf. Room.

You order the flowers from a local flower shop and they
deliver them by noon on Friday to the office.
Or you can bring in your own arrangement.
If you have any questions contact Liza Gray.



Community Breakfast!

February 13, 2016

When you sacrifice your time for those you claim to love, you
ultimately demonstrate that you do.

Thank you: Rob L, Steve F, Barbara B, Dorothy C, Ruth N,
Linda M, Mary and Tom M, Linda L, Judy P, Sue C,
Phyllis and Ken T, Nancy, Mike S, Ed A, Jan D, Tom Dr,
Sandy S, Bob D, Max P, Janet N,
Mack R, Pat E, Chris V, Marjorie and Patrick S, Bev D,
Dayle W, Ms. Virginia, Alberta C, Barbara B, Logan and Caleb,
Kerry, Theresa, and Regan P, Tom D, and all volunteers who
are not listed but also offered your hearts in service.

Thank you to those who drive to Chicago to pick up low cost
paper products for our guests. Thank you to all who make
this meal possible from beginning to end. Beyond the
numbers of meals served, lives that know the love of Christ
because of people living differently.

Alpha House

March 21 - 25, 2016

Service Opportunities Available
for Making & Serving Meals,
Spending Time With Children
Following Supper, etc.

Check out the mission kiosk in
Grams Hall and/or meet Bev
Dronen at the Ministry Fair in
Grams Hall on January 31st to
discuss how you might serve.



FAITH IN ACTION PANTRY NEEDS:

Flour Sugar Ketchup Mustard Mayonnaise Pancake Mix
Syrup Pineapple Beans: Pinto, Kidney, Refried

Children's Ministry

If you do not currently receive the "Weekly BLAST Parent Update" email that contains more detailed information about children's programming and upcoming events, please email caldrich@chelseaumc.org to be added to the list.

Our Virtue and Verse for January

Self-control: Choosing to do what you should do even when it is not what you want to do.

"A person without self control is like a city whose walls are broken through": Proverbs 25:28 NIV

3-5th grade sleepover

The 3rd - 5th grade sleepover will be held this year on March 4th - 5th. A fun addition this year is attendance at the Concert Series family concert by Mark Stone's steelband "Southpaw Isle". We will also be making a meal for Cass Community Services. The sleepover will run from 4:30 p.m. (pizza dinner included) Friday until 9 a.m. Saturday morning! RSVP to Courtney by February 7th!

Towsley Village Valentine Fun!

February 7, 2 - 3:30 p.m.

Come join us in an afternoon of serving and fellowship at Towsley Village! We will be making Valentines with the residents and enjoying ice cream together. RSVP to Courtney by February 4th if you will be attending.

Family Ministries

Mark your 2016 calendar for some more Parent Education Opportunities this year! The Parent Education series will bring in experts to speak on relevant parenting issues. All talks are free of charge and have childcare available. Our hope is to educate, support, energize and inspire parents. If you would like more information or would like to register for childcare, please visit the Chelsea First United Methodist Church Website and pick adults/special events.



The remaining speakers for 2015/16 are as follows:

January 31, 2016, 3:00 p.m., Chelsea First United Methodist Church

CSD Athletic Director Brad Bush, "Youth and Sports . . . Striking a Balance"

Brad has been the head football coach for 19 years, and president of the Michigan High School Football coaches Association. Brad is also a dad of three current/former athletes. Come listen to Brad discuss ways to support your son or daughter in youth sports.

Brad will present real research regarding the benefits of youth sports as well as discuss ways to help your child have the best sports experience possible.

February 28, 2016, 3:00 p.m., Chelsea District Library

CSD Band Director Rick Catherman and Music Together Specialist Tara Vesprini, "Music and your child's mind"

Family Camp 2016

I know it does not seem possible but it is time to think about your summer plans for Family Camp!!!

Family Camp will return this year to the White River Campground in Montague, Michigan (about 2.5 hours from Chelsea).

The dates for this year are August 11th - 14th. Campsite and cabin reservations are available.

Our group reservations will be made the first week of February, so if you plan to join in the fun, please email Courtney Aldrich by Jan. 31st at caldrich@chelseaumc.org and include: number of nights/which nights you are camping, tent/popup/RV or cabin, and number in your family attending. Visit <http://www.whiterivercampground.com/> for information about the campground, activities, pricing, etc.



Wednesdays

3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

We are looking to fill some spots for snack for Outlet.

Please check out the link to sign up. Thank You!

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f094ba8a87-middle>

Sundays in January

XP3 Middle School



January 30th Saturday Birthday boxes are delivered to Brightmoor. Leave Church 9:00 a.m.

Assist adults playing Bingo 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

January 31st YOUTH SUNDAY 9:00 a.m. service
All youth in Sanctuary

XP3 High School



January 31st YOUTH SUNDAY
9:00 a.m. service All youth in Sanctuary

Confirmation

1st and 3rd Sunday of the month
Confirmands and Mentors
11:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. Room 216

FOUND – IPOD with blue case

Tell me the beautiful quotation on the screen and claim it as yours.

Alternative Spring Break Trip 2016

Valparaiso, IN; Indianapolis, IN; Charleston, SC

Accidentals Handbell Ensemble
and the Youth of CFUMC

Sat. April 2nd - Fri. April 8th

Who Can Go? Youth currently in 6th - 12th grades, who are members of CFUMC or regular participants in the ministries or worship life of the church. You do not have to be in the Accidentals Handbell Ensemble to go on the trip. Non-ringing youth will be given an option of participating in the concerts if desired. Everyone will participate in the mission work.

How do I sign-up? Visit the church website to fill out the electronic permission form.

<http://www.chelseaumc.org/youth/missions.html>

How much will it cost? The cost of the trip is \$125. Scholarships are also available. For those interested in participating in the Alternative Spring Break this year- we are selling Valentines for \$5.00 each on January 31st and February 7th to raise money for trip expenses. This year, those who choose to make the woven heart baskets for the fundraiser will earn \$5.00 for every heart they make. This will be deducted from your total trip expense. Paper and instructions will be available in the bell room this Sunday afternoon. Contact Jeanne Franks for more information at youth@chelseaumc.org.

Will we get to do some sightseeing? Yes, A visit to Fort Sumter and some beach time in Charleston is planned.

Transportation: We will be renting two 15 passenger vans to travel from Chelsea to Indiana to South Carolina and back.

I'M IN... What do I need to do in order to participate?

- Fill out a permission form and return it to (see above) Kyle Webber in the church office. A deposit check in the amount of \$50 must accompany your registration. Checks may be made out to "CFUMC" with "ABS" in the memo. Deadline for registering is Feb. 28th
- Trip balances of \$75 are due on or before March 30, 2016.

Do I need to bring additional money on the trip?

Yes, you will need money for a couple dinners on the road (fast food) and any souvenirs desired. Suggested amount is \$50.

How do I apply for a scholarship? Speak to Kyle Webber if you would like to receive a partial or a full scholarship. Please do not let the cost of the trip prohibit participation.

Questions, contact Kyle Webber - kwebber@chelseaumc.org, or Jeanne Franks - youth@chelseaumc.org or call 475-8119.

Sunday, January 31st

- 8:00 a.m. Accidentals Warm Up
- 8:15 a.m. Random Ringers Warm Up
- 8:30 a.m. Praise Bells Rehearsal
- 9:00 a.m. Worship
- 10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour/Ministry Fair
- 11:00 a.m. Worship
- 11:15 a.m. Disciple Discovery Pre-K - 5th grades
- 12:00 p.m. Rezound Handbells Rehearsal
- 3:00 p.m. Parent Education Series "Brad Bush"
- 4:00 p.m. Random Ringers Rehearsal, Accidentals Rehearsal
- 6:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Training

Monday, February 1st

- 9:30 a.m. Creative Play
- 6:30 p.m. Covenant Bible Study Group

Tuesday, February 2nd

- 9:30 a.m. Creative Play, Staff Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. MOPS Steering Team Meeting, Trustees

Wednesday, February 3rd

- 3:15 p.m. Middle School Outlet
- 5:30 p.m. ParentConnect/KidConnect
- 6:00 p.m. Share & Study
- 7:30 p.m. CFUMC Choir

Thursday, February 4th

- 1:00 p.m. Covenant Bible Study Group
- 6:15 p.m. Jubilee Ringers
- 6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry
- 7:00 p.m. Renew Band Rehearsal

Friday, February 5th

- 9:00 a.m. MOPS Meeting

Saturday, February 6th

- 9:00 a.m. Food Handlers Training

Sunday, February 7th

- 8:15 a.m. Renew Band Warm Up
- 8:30 a.m. Praise Bells Rehearsal
- 9:00 a.m. Worship BLAST Worship
- 10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour
- 10:30 a.m. High School XP3 Classes, Choir & Jubilee Warm Up
- 11:00 a.m. Worship
- 11:15 a.m. Disciple Discovery Pre-K - 5th grades
- 11:45 a.m. Confirmation Meeting
- 12:00 p.m. Rezound Handbells Rehearsal
- 2:00 p.m. Children's Ministry Valentine's w/buddies at Towsley
- 3:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Training
- 4:00 p.m. Random Ringers & Accidental Handbell Rehearsals

Monday, February 8th

- 9:30 a.m. Creative Play
- 3:00 p.m. Material Girls Set Up
- 6:30 p.m. Covenant Bible Study Group

Tuesday, February 9th

- 9:30 a.m. Creative Play, Staff Meeting
- 12:00 p.m. Material Girls

Wednesday, February 10th

- 9:00 a.m. Material Girls
- 3:15 p.m. Middle School Outlet
- 6:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Worship

Thursday, February 11th

- 1:00 p.m. Covenant Bible Study Group
- 6:15 p.m. Jubilee Ringers
- 7:30 p.m. Finance Committee

Friday, February 12th

- 7:00 p.m. Community Breakfast Set Up

Saturday, February 13th

- 8:00 a.m. Free Community Breakfast & Paper Products

Volunteers Serving January 31st

Greeters:

- 8:30 a.m. Jessica Emmert, Brandon Emmert
- 10:30 a.m. Jenna Gileczek, Kathy Dickinson

Ushers:

- 8:30 a.m. Gabby Noble, Brendan Doyle, Kaylee Roehm, Catherine Wellman
- 10:30 a.m. Jeremy Northrop, Joey Argiero, Conner Gilbreath

Acolytes:

- 8:30 a.m. Gabe Morr, Jack Krugh, Gavin Crawley
- 10:45 a.m. Kaylee Plank, Mckenna Fletcher

Nursery Workers:

- 8:45 a.m. Katie Seto, 10:45 a.m. Lori Campbell

Coffee Hour Host: Melanie & Wally Hopp, Janet Kuras

Coffee Hour Bakers: Marjorie Switz, Sally Bouton, Janet Kuras, Evan Sweeny, Amanda Reginaldo, Lu Parsons

Volunteers Serving February 7th

Greeters:

- 8:30 a.m. Tom Davis, Jeff & Sue Comstock
- 10:30 a.m. Dan Aldrich, Jon Van Hoek

Ushers:

- 8:30 a.m. Liza Gray, Harry & Lois Gibson
- 10:30 a.m. Charles & Sandy Schmunk, Laurie Schiller, Phil Radant

Nursery Workers:

- 8:45 a.m. Katie Seto, 10:45 a.m. Lori Campbell

Coffee Hour Host: Allison Vanderspool, Jody Hay, Barbara Brown

Coffee Hour Bakers: Charma Dick, Linda Detterman, Heidi Doyle, Dawn Putnam, Lois Gibson

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and find us on the church facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/chelseaumc>

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