

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

October 2, 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 of Comfort for:

* Family and friends of Paul Weber *

Prayers for Healing for:

* Biff Weber * Jean Sayre * Jane Johnston *

* Joanne Weber * Lois Gibson * John Seto's mother *

* Shirley Fischer * Meg & Dave Gilbert's son,

Christopher & niece * Betsy Coy's friend Krista *

* Jeff Comstock's father, Frank * Diane Spence's brother *

* Amie from Manchester *

Prayers for Strength for:

* Biff & Suzie Weber * Ryan Sweeny *

* JoAnne Weber and family *

* Dorothy Collins and family * Bob Brown and family *

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.

Stephen Ministry Opportunities



Caring Relationship

for the Love of Christ

Contact: Pam Mansfield 475-7548, Norm Colbry 475-7321

Open Child Caregiver Position

Chelsea First United Methodist Church has an open position for a part time child caregiver. The candidate must be 18 years of age or older with previous childcare experience. Weeknight and some Sunday afternoon availability will be required. Position may evolve into Sunday morning care in 2017. This is a paid position and is for 1.5 to 6 hours per week.

If interested in finding out more information, please contact the SPRC Chair, Bill Doyle at sprc@chelseaumc.com or Courtney Aldrich at the church office.

Funeral Meal Ministry

The Funeral Meal Ministry is a group that offers comfort, compassion, fellowship and of course food after a loved one's passing.

The Four areas that make up our ministry are food donations prior to a scheduled service, kitchen/food/table set up the day of the gathering, serving/maintaining a buffet and clean up.

Our ministry is in need of help in all the areas listed in addition to a lead role within these groups on the day of the fellowship time.

If you are interested in learning more or being a part of this meaningful ministry, please contact Debbie Noye (734)475-1096 or Susan Wellman (734)475-9050.

There will be more information and sign-up sheets in Grams Hall on Sunday, Sept. 25th.

The Kitchen Cleaning Bee that was scheduled on Saturday, October 15th at 10:30 a.m. has been canceled and will be rescheduled for a later date.

Announcements

Adult Education fall opportunities

Falling Upward: Spirituality for the Two

Halves of Life

When: Tuesdays - 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Where: LL Conference Room

Facilitator: Lisa Gray-Lion - lgraylion@gmail.com

Making Sense of the Bible

When: Fridays - 12 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Where: Room 207 (Upper Room)

Facilitator: LeAnn Seto - leanncesto@gmail.com

Jesus in the Gospels (Disciple V)

When: Mondays - 6:30 p.m. - 9 p.m.

Where: Room 207 (Upper Room)

Facilitator: Teresa Steklac - tssteklac@hotmail.com

Orientation to Chelsea First UMC

When: Thursdays on October 6th, 13th and 20th at 6 p.m.

Where: Grams Hall

Facilitators: Joy Barrett & Teresa Steklac

The Books Jesus Used (old testaments)

We will be looking at the first 5 books of the old testaments. The scripture that the rabbi would have taught in the temple where Mary, Joseph and family went to worship.

When: Sundays - 9:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

Where: Room 207 (Upper Room)

Facilitator: Rev. Lynn Wager. You can contact Lynn if you have questions about the class, 1-269-986-2876.

Material Girls Wish List

For the December Children's Christmas Bazaar we need

brown grocery bags and Christmas stickers
Please put them in the labeled boxes in Grams Hall

Thank you

If you have any questions, please contact Barbara Brown
barbaraabrown@comcast.net or 734-678-2868

Adoption Ministry: Fall Family Potluck

On Sunday, October 23rd 5 p.m. - 7 p.m., families and people touched by adoption are invited to come and enjoy some fall fellowship at the Strong family farm, 20501 Jerusalem Rd, Chelsea Michigan. Please bring a dinner dish to pass.

There is lots of space for kids to play, (a ga-ga pit, yard games, soccer, play structure, etc..)

Please invite friends and families you may know from around our community. This event is open to all! Email April Murphy (amurphy@chelseaumc.org) for more info.

Material Girls

For an afternoon of laughter, spirited conversation, crafting. Leaving with a sense of accomplishment, few friendships the knowledge you are an integral part of our community of faith

It began as an idea in early 2012 implemented by a core group of 20 women meeting once a month to provide quality items for the annual Children's Christmas Bazaar and to give the profits to Faith in Action

You are invited to participate in the Material Girls Ministry

Material Girls meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month February through November, 12:00 - 2:30 p.m. in Grams Hall
Project materials are provided

To express your interest or to have your questions answered, contact Barbara Brown barbaraabrown@comcast.net 734-678-2868

Special Needs Ministry with the Margins

Jesus spent his life giving attention to those on the margins of society. He kept reminding the comfortable, mainstream folks of his day that we all need each other: the rich need the poor, the privileged need the challenged, and the liberated need the lost. (Not just the other way around). We don't help others just because it's what God requires of us, but more importantly perhaps, because we see the face of God more clearly ourselves *when we take time to meet the "other" on equal terms* to both learn from and serve.

LeAnn Seto is pursuing her first call into professional ministry by assisting the Chelsea community in establishing special needs ministry programs in both Chelsea First UMC and First Congregational UCC. She is working with CFUMC staff, interested members of the congregation, and others in our community to develop supportive ideas for our students on Sunday mornings, as well as developing a support group for parents and grandparents of kids with special needs. Eventually, a unique Sunday worship program will be planned at First Congregational as a way to both empower and to learn from those profoundly affected by disabilities of all kinds.

Currently, interested people are meeting monthly to lay foundations for this work. If you are interested in being part of this exciting new ministry, please contact Courtney Aldrich (caldrich@chelseaumc.org) or LeAnn (leanncesto@gmail.com).
Stay tuned for more updates here in the Pathfinder!

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 September:

Courage

Being brave enough to do what you should even when you are afraid.

Bible Verse

*"Be strong and brave. Do not be afraid. Do not lose hope.
I am the Lord your God.
I will be with you wherever you go. Joshua 1:9b NIV*



Reverse Trick or Treat at CRC

4:15 p.m. - 5:45 p.m.

October 30th

**many ways to participate
please RSVP to Courtney!**

Join the fun on October 30th as we celebrate Halloween with our buddies at CRC! Come at 4:15 p.m.

(bring your costume!)

if you would like to help decorate tables and stuff goodie bags to give away to the residents. Come at 5 p.m.

(wear your costume!) if you would like to just participate in handing out the goodie bags to the residents.

Or start the fun one week early and come paint pumpkins on October 23rd immediately following BLAST in the 4th/5th grade classroom. (We will use the pumpkins to decorate the dining room tables at CRC on the 30th!)

Family Ministry

ParentConnect 2016!

Intentional Parenting: 10 Ways to be an Exceptional Parent in a Quick Fix World. Will be held on 5 consecutive Tuesdays, Oct. 4th - Nov. 1st from 6 - 7 p.m. Dinner, Yes at 5:30 p.m.; Entire family is welcome. Childcare for birth - 4yrs. KidConnect is for 5yrs. and up. KidConnect is a service based program for children. To sign up or ask questions contact Courtney Aldrich.



Save the date! Hayride and Bonfire

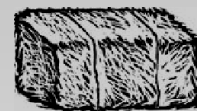
October 9th, 5:30 p.m.!

Come to the Aldrich house,
11664 Boyce Rd.,

for some fall fun on Sunday, October 9th at 5:30 p.m.!

We will have a hayride and bonfire for all ages.

All are invited -- Bring your family! Bring a friend!



Safe Sanctuaries Training

October 23rd

CFUMC has now adopted a "Safe Sanctuaries" Policy that replaces the former Gabriel Policy. All volunteers who work with children or youth will be required to attend training in "Safe Sanctuaries".

The next training is on October 23rd at 2 p.m.

Please RSVP to Courtney if you will be attending.

The 2016/17

Babysitting/Pet sitting/House sitting/Yard

worker list is available!

Contact Courtney for a copy.

Next Parent Education Series

Social Media Savvy for Parents

Sunday, Nov. 20th from 3 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.,

Chelsea First United Methodist Church

Family centered approaches to managing technology and social media.

Presenter: Sarita Schoenebeck, U of M School of Information Assistant Professor.

Youth Ministry



Sundays

XP3 Middle School

Oct. 2nd No XP3 for Middle School,
youth remain in worship

XP3 High School

10:30 a.m. in room 216



We begin the year with a series called *What Makes You Happy*. Scripture - Matthew 22: 36-39

Happiness is more about *who* than *what*. Happiness comes from having peace with God, self, and others.

Loving people is more important than loving things.

This week, we focus on one person to whom we can show love by showing kindness, encouraging, or saying 'I'm sorry.'

Week 2 - Peace with God paves the way to peace everywhere else. God loves you. He wants there to be peace between Him and you, whether that's for the first time, or the first time in a while. Scripture - If we claim to have fellowship with him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live out the truth
1 John 1:6

Peace with God paves the way to peace everywhere else. With others and ourselves. It makes our lives better. And I promise, when you're at peace with God, yourself, and everyone else, you'll be a happier person. Scripture - Whoever claims to love God yet hates a brother or sister is a liar -1 John 4:20

6th Grade

3:15 – 5:30 p.m.

Tuesdays with Tom. Come eat, relax,
play hard, laugh harder, & look for God
in the midst of our everyday lives.



7th and 8th Grade

Wednesdays from 3:15 – 5:30 p.m.

Come eat, relax, play hard, laugh harder, & look for God in the
midst of our everyday lives.

COMING OCTOBER 9th

Gigi Colombini LMSW - Suicide Prevention Specialist - Learn
How We Can Give Help and Hope for This Silent Epidemic
CFUMC – Grams Hall Adults 10:30-12 p.m. Youth 12 p.m.-
1:00 p.m. (lunch provided for youth in Rm 216 at 11:30)

If you are interested in attending,
please contact youth@chelseaumc.org

Youth will remain upstairs in room 216 during the adult
discussion. Food will be provided for them until they head to
Grams Hall. If you need childcare, please contact
Courtney Aldrich prior to October 9th. Please join us.

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XP3 FEEDING THE MASSES Food Donations

These links are to the sign up genius which provides snacks
for the youth of this church.

Thank you so very much for
your support.

Sunday mornings (Middle school/High School)

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f094ba8a87-xp3feeding>

Outlet on Tuesdays

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

Outlet on Wednesdays

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

Confirmation

This Saturday October 1st, we head to Brightmoor to
participate in Hands4Detroit. Please arrive at the church at
7:30 a.m. We will leave promptly at 7:45 a.m.
Please bring your own sack lunch, a bottle of water, rain gear,
closed toed shoes/boots, quality work gloves.

If you have not turned in your registration and permission
form, please fill them out by following the link below.

<http://www.chelseaumc.org/youth/forms--resources.html>

October 2nd

11:45 a.m. - 1 p.m. Room 216

Discussion topic - God

Please read Chapters 1 & 2 in your book of Luke.

**For more parenting tips and information,
check out theparentcue.org**

**Thank you for the privilege of spending time
with the greatest of teachers
who continue to show me The Way.**

Mission Ministries



HANDS4DETROIT BRIGHTMOOR 2016 Saturday October 1st 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

For those joining us. If you would like to carpool, please arrive at the church at 7:30 a.m. We will leave promptly at 7:45 a.m. Remember to bring a sack lunch, rain gear, a water bottle, closed toed (waterproof) boots/shoes, good quality work gloves. The weather forecast predicts rain. Join us at Neighborhood Cleanup Team 6 (see website) Invite a friend or friends and head to Brightmoor to choose from any number of projects including trimming branches for an elderly couple, cleaning a neighborhood, boarding houses, harvesting a garden, registering participants, etc.

Hands4Detroit is an annual day of service and food drive sponsored by the Detroit Renaissance District of the United Methodist Church. Held on the first Sunday of October, Hands4Detroit brings together a thousand volunteers of all ages from across Metro Detroit who, alongside residents of the community, put their hands to work on clean up and beautification projects.

<https://events.rethinkchurch.org/hands4detroit>

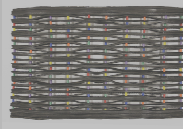


To each and every person who filled a backpack, made a donation, and/or extended your hand as the backpacks were blessed: If you need a tax receipt for goods purchased, please contact Jeanne Franks at youth@chelseaumc.org.

UPDATE ON THE AVALON HOUSING PROJECT

1. Success with the initial application to the Federal Home Loan Bank for funds to put toward the development.
2. The second successful piece thus far is the community based pre-development fund that you have contributed toward, which has allowed Avalon to complete initial environmental and site work that have allowed the project's applications to move forward.

“As we at FIA are working hard to learn the ins and outs of this complicated process and work actively with Avalon Housing to bring this project to fruition, we are grateful to such generous community partners, who have been willing to embark on this ambitious project with us to improve the lives of local struggling people with the addition of a potential of 17 units of affordable housing in Chelsea.”
Sincerely, Nancy Paul



Cass Community Social Services Mud Mats for Sale

Mud mats made from abandoned tires retrieved from the streets of Detroit are now on sale at the Mission Market Place, 117 S. Main St. Chelsea. Small – 25.00, Medium – 35.00, Large – 45.00. Thank you for supporting CCSS and the ministries of CFUMC.



cass community social services
fighting poverty, creating opportunity



Workers needed!

In two weeks, the foundations for six homes will be laid. On Saturday October 15th, we will head to Cass to offer our skill set in order to bring them closer to completion. We will be painting, drywalling, cleaning, or prepping the ground... whatever is needed at that point. Thank you to the Brotherhood of Christ who will join us that day. We will leave from the church at 8 a.m. Please contact Tom Drinkwater at 734-274-1723 or Jeanne Franks youth@chelseaumc.org or 475-8119 x20



Interested in viewing the construction live?

<https://casscommunity.org/tiny-homes-2/>

Construction on the model home is well under way. The Scott building is just to the left of the photo and in the background are the Antisdel Apartments. Rev. Faith Fowler discusses tiny homes in the one minute vimeo clip below.

<https://vimeo.com/167127037>

Bicycles and those who Repair Bicycles Needed –

If you have a bicycle that you would like to donate or have the skills to help repair the bicycles,

Sunday, October 2nd

- 8:30 a.m. Praise Bells
- 9:00 a.m. BLAST Worship
- 10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour
- 10:30 a.m. High School XP3, CFUMC Choir Warm Up
- 11:00 a.m. Worship
- 11:15 a.m. Disciple Discovery
- 11:45 a.m. Confirmation
- 12:00 p.m. Rezound Handbells
- 4:00 p.m. Random Ringers, The Accidentals
- 5:00 p.m. Middle School Girls Bible Study

Monday, October 3rd

- 9:30 a.m. Creative Play
- 6:30 p.m. Disciple V

Tuesday, October 4th

- 9:30 a.m. Creative Play
- 3:15 p.m. 6th Grade Middle School Outlet
- 5:30 p.m. ParentConnect/KidConnect, Middle School Leadership Team
- 7:00 p.m. Falling Upward Book Study, Trustees, MOPS Steering Team Meeting
- 7:30 p.m. Halloween Planning Meeting

Wednesday, October 5th

- 3:15 p.m. 7th/8th Grade Middle School Outlet
- 6:00 p.m. Share & Study
- 6:15 p.m. Jubilee Ringers Rehearsal
- 7:30 p.m. CFUMC Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 6th

- 6:00 p.m. Safe Sanctuaries Team Meeting
New Member's Orientation Class
- 6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry

Friday, October 7th

- 9:00 a.m. MOPS Meeting
- 12:00 p.m. Making Sense of the Bible
- 7:00 p.m. Community Breakfast Set Up

Saturday, October 8th

- 8:00 a.m. Free Community Breakfast

Sunday, October 9th

- 8:30 a.m. Praise Bells, CFUMC Choir Warm Up
- 9:00 a.m. Worship
- 9:15 a.m. Preschool - 5th Grade BLAST Classes, MS XP3, The Bible Jesus Used
- 10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour
- 10:30 a.m. High School XP3, Rezound Handbells Warm Up
Gigi Colombini - "Suicide Prevention Program"
- 11:00 a.m. Worship
- 11:15 a.m. Disciple Discover
- 12:00 p.m. Rezound Handbells
- 4:00 p.m. Random Ringers, The Accidentals
- 5:30 p.m. Hayride & Bonfire off site at the Aldrich's house

Monday, October 10th

- 9:30 a.m. Creative Play
- 3:00 p.m. Material Girls Set Up
- 6:30 p.m. Disciple V

Tuesday, October 11th

- 9:30 a.m. Creative Play, Staff Meeting
- 9:00 a.m. Material Girls
- 3:15 p.m. 6th Grade Middle School Outlet
- 5:30 p.m. ParentConnect/KidConnect
- 7:00 p.m. Falling Upward Book Study

Wednesday, October 12th

- 9:00 a.m. Material Girls Group Meeting
- 3:15 p.m. 7th/8th Grade Middle School Outlet
- 6:00 p.m. Share & Study
- 6:15 p.m. Jubilee Ringers Rehearsal
- 7:30 p.m. CFUMC Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 13th

- 7:00 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting

Friday, October 14th

- 12:00 p.m. Making Sense of the Bible

Saturday, October 15th

- 10:00 a.m. Paul Weber Visitation
- 11:00 a.m. Paul Weber Memorial Service

Volunteers Serving October 2nd

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 Gibson
- 10:30 a.m. Charles & Sandy Schmunk, Phil Radant
- Acolyte: Kiera Crawley

Nursery Workers:

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

Coffee Hour Hosts:

- Barbara Brown, Dayle Wright, Liza Gray

Coffee Hour Bakers:

- Charma Dick, Linda Detterman, Heidi Doyle, Dawn Putnam

Volunteers Serving October 9th

Greeters:

- 8:30 a.m. Linda Logan, LuAnn & Loren Heller
- 10:30 a.m. Lois & Dick Willis, Julie & Dennis Deppner

Ushers:

- 8:30 a.m. Bill Doyle, Tom Lewis, Todd Hubbard
- 10:30 a.m. Teresa Steklac, Anne Zuehlke,
Art Stoll, MaryAnn Myers
- Acolyte: Marah Putnam

Nursery Workers:

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

Coffee Hour Hosts:

- Sandy Schmunk, Phyllis & Ken Tillman

Coffee Hour Bakers:

- Linda Logan, Amanda Reginaldo, Susan Wellman,
Kassie Cousino, Dorothy Craft