

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 16, 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 Dorothy Collins *
- * Family and friends of Rev. Bob Brown *
- * Family and friends of Gary Briegel *
- * Family and friends of Pat Knapp *

Prayers for Healing for:

- * Biff Weber * Jean Sayre * Jane Johnston *
- * Joanne Weber * Lois Gibson * John Seto's mother *
- * Amie from Manchester * Boyd Wiltse * John Scott *
- * A friend of Tom Lewis * Pam Mansfield's father, Elmer *
- * Kelly Stoker * Edie Wiarda *

Prayers for Strength for:

- * Biff & Suzie Weber * Ryan Sweeny * Jamie Herbert's son, Frank *
- * those in the path of Hurricane Matthew - Haiti, Caribbean and Atlantic Coast *

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

Halloween Party October 31st, 5:30-6:30pm!

Come to the community Halloween Party in Grams Hall on October 31st as you kick off trick or treating or to warm up a little from the cold! We will have hot dogs, chips, hot cocoa and coffee as well as crafts for the kids. All are welcome!

(If you would like to help with this event, please see the link below or contact Courtney Aldrich,

caldrich@chelseaumc.org

or Heidi Doyle, hdoyle@charter.net)

www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0848AEA6238-cfumc4



Hayride and Bonfire fun at the Aldrich's

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

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/Family Ministries

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!)

Leaf Raking November 6th!

This is the third year of our three year commitment to raise funds for the sanctuary renovation capital campaign! We will be raking leaves to raise money through donations. Even if you have fulfilled your commitment to your campaign pledge, this is a fun afternoon of service to others. Use the link below to RSVP for this event and see other ways you can help! <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0C4CA4A92DA5FD0-3rdannual>

Priceless Gift Store Donations are being collected now!!

It is hard to believe but it is time to start cleaning out those toy closets as we approach another holiday season! Every year the BLAST children deliver gently used toys to the Priceless Gift Store in Jackson. Families in the Jackson area are given an opportunity to "shop for free" for their children's holiday gifts so that their children will have gifts to open Christmas morning. We are asking you to help stock the store with your used toys that are in good condition – gifts you would be willing to wrap and put under the tree. Please place your donations at the display in Grams Hall!

All BLAST children will also be invited to deliver the toys and help sort the items in the store on November 27th from 12-2:30 p.m. Please RSVP to Courtney if you will be attending and if you have space in your vehicle to haul toys!

Family Ministry

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 or Liza Gray 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

9:15 a.m. in room 216

XP3 High School

10:30 a.m. in room 216

WEEK 3 - This Sunday we wrap up the series with
OWN WORST ENEMY.

Bottom Line - If you sow better, you'll reap better.

Scripture - Since we're free in the freedom of God, can we do anything that comes to mind? Hardly. You know well enough from your own experience that there are some acts of so called freedom that destroy freedom. ~Romans 6:16 MSG

6th Grade

3:15 – 5:30 p.m.

Tuesdays with Tom.



7th / 8th Grade

Wednesdays

3:15 – 5:30 p.m.

On Tuesdays and Wednesdays, we end the afternoon by discussing the 'everydays' of middle school life.

We've covered feelings of inferiority, free time, preparing for adolescence, school, growing up, and one that we will continue from last week due to the rich discussion... Family Life.

Verses:

Children, do what your parents tell you. This is only right. "Honor your father and mother" is the first commandment that has a promise attached to it, namely "so you will live well and have a long life." Fathers (and mothers), don't exasperate your children by coming down hard on them. Take them by the hand and lead them

in the way of the Master.

~Ephesians 6:1-4 MSG

Good friend, follow your father's advice; don't wander off from your mother's good teachings. Wrap yourself in them from head to foot; wear them like a scarf around your neck. Wherever you walk, they'll guide you; whenever you rest, they'll guard you; when you wake up, they'll tell you what's next. For sound advice is a beacon, good teaching is a light, moral discipline is a life path. ~Proverbs 6:20-23

At the end of the month, the talk sheets are sent home with your child. If you haven't received them, extras rest in the cupboard in the youth room right next to the registration notebook.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Fri. - Sun. November 18th-20th

Fa Ho Lo Camp Retreat In Grass Lake

Open to 7th - 12th Grade

Registration forms available or online

U of M vs. OSU Women's Soccer Saturday Oct. 22nd 7:30 p.m.

Cost - Free 20 Tickets - 9 Tickets Available

U of M vs. OSU Hockey Men's Hockey February 3rd 8:00 p.m.

Cost - 10.00 30 Tickets - 7 Tickets Available

Youth Sunday Oct. 30th

All youth 6th-12th are invited to join the Random Ringers and Accidentals, and come ring during the processional on Youth Sunday. This will be very simple part, that can easily be learned and added in quickly. Please come promptly at 8:15 a.m. on Oct 30th, to practice and learn your part. No experience necessary. You will be ringing at both the services, 9 a.m. and 11a.m.

Please RSVP to April Murphy, so the bell parts can be prepared ahead of time. There will not be a part ready for you, if you do not RSVP. Email amurphy@gmail.com

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

Sunday October 16th at 11:45 a.m. in room

216. CONFIRMANDS ONLY

Please read Chapters 3 & 4 in your book of Luke.

Middle School Girls Bible Study

Next meeting, Sunday, October 16th 5:15 - 7:00 p.m.

Youth Room (216)



For more parenting tips and information, check out

Middle School

<http://theparentcue.org/being-present-during-the-awkward-years/>

High School

<http://theparentcue.org/choosing-a-passion/>

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

Mission Ministries



Haiti needs our help

Dear Friends,

Last week, Hurricane Matthew, a Category 4 storm with sustained winds of 145 mph, smashed through the Caribbean and on to our nation's coast leaving in its path a wake of death and destruction. Haiti was one of the worst places of damage. The death toll is expected to surpass 1000, with over 95% of structures in the path of the storm totally destroyed. The Haitian people are living outside with little food and no clean water. First responders are already reporting the outbreak of Cholera. We must pray for all those lost and affected, but we can also help.

Yesterday, the Michigan Area Haiti Task Force met to formulate a caring and compassionate response.

It is a natural response to want to travel to Haiti to help or send supplies, however, the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) and all relief agencies are urging us to only send funds at this time. For that reason, I urge our Michigan Area congregations to take an offering this Sunday or a date soon supporting UMCOR's international relief fund Advance #982450. You can use the link below to donate:

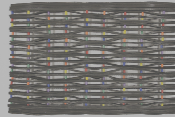
https://secure3.convio.net/gbgm/site/SPageNavigator/umcor_donate.html?type=1002&project=982450

Once first response needs are met, the Michigan Area Haiti Task Force will announce other ways we can help.

Watch our website MichiganUMC.org and [Facebook](#) for details. Please continue to pray for the people affected by Hurricane Matthew. Let us also offer gifts of compassion for the people of Haiti.

Grace and Peace,

Bishop David Alan Bard



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!

On Saturday Oct. 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. Please contact 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>



Justice for Our Neighbors Southeastern Michigan is a United Methodist supported organization that provides free legal services to immigrants who cannot afford an immigration attorney. Come celebrate the work of this important ministry at their 2016 Fall Fundraiser! Enjoy hearty

appetizers and drinks while listening to the music of special guests, jazz guitarist Gary Allen and popular folk singer Katie

Sunday, October 16th

- 8:00 a.m. Children's Ministry Mission Team Meeting
- 8:30 a.m. Praise Bells, The Accidentals 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, 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
- 4:30 p.m. SPRC Church Conference Meeting
- 5:00 p.m. Middle School Girls Bible Study
- 6:30 p.m. Ministry with the Margins, VCI Team

Monday, October 17th

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

Tuesday, October 18th

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

Wednesday, October 19th

- 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 20th

- 1:00 p.m. Material Girls Work Group
- 6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry

Friday, October 21st

- 9:00 a.m. MOPS Meeting
- 12:00 p.m. Making Sense of the Bible

Saturday, October 22nd

- 9:30 a.m. CFUMC Choir Retreat
- 6:00 p.m. MS/HS MI vs Ohio State Soccer Game - Off site

Sunday, October 23rd

- 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, Pumpkin Painting, Jubilee Warm Up
- 11:00 a.m. Worship
- 11:15 a.m. Disciple Discover
- 12:00 p.m. Rezound Handbells
- 2:00 p.m. Safe Sanctuary Training
Rev. Robert Brown Visitation
- 3:00 p.m. Memorial Service for Rev. Robert Brown
- 4:00 p.m. Random Ringers, The Accidentals
- 5:00 p.m. The Accidentals Pizza Party at Jet's - Off Site

Monday, October 24th

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

Tuesday, October 25th

- 9:30 a.m. Creative Play, Staff Meeting
- 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 26th

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

Thursday, October 27th

- 6:00 p.m. Ministry with the Margins
- 7:00 p.m. Renew Band Rehearsal

Friday, October 28th

- 11:00 a.m. MOPS M2M Sale Set Up
- 12:00 p.m. Making Sense of the Bible

Saturday, October 29th

- 9:00 a.m. MOPS M2M Sale

Volunteers Serving October 16th

Greeters:

- 8:30 a.m. Arlene Wiltse, Barbara Brown
- 10:30 a.m. John & Ellen Aldighieri

Ushers:

- 8:30 a.m. Harry & Lois Gibson, Boyd & Arlene Wiltse
- 10:30 a.m. Ruth Ammon, Gerry Boettger, Teresa Steklac

Nursery Workers:

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

Coffee Hour Hosts:

- Eileen Blough, Jane Newbound, Susan Wellman

Coffee Hour Bakers:

- Casey Wooster, Lillian Long, Eileen Blough, Janet Alford, Bernice Packard

Volunteers Serving October 23rd

Greeters:

- 8:30 a.m. Linda Meloche, Judy Park
- 10:30 a.m. Jon Seto, Liza Gray

Ushers:

- 8:30 a.m. Todd Hubbard, Tim Sweeny, Kerry Franks
- 10:30 a.m. Mark Peterson, Larry Martin
- Acolytes: Peter and Luke Mourad

Nursery Workers:

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

Coffee Hour Hosts:

- Dan & Chris Cobb, Dianne Kelley, Jessica & Bob Fahlgren

Coffee Hour Bakers:

- Emily Kuo, Jane Newbound, Dianne Kelley, Patti & Kayla Sweeny