



Chelsea First
 United Methodist Church
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The Path Finder

*Finding your way to
 acts of purpose and faith*

**OUR
 MISSION**

Ordinary People Living Differently Because of the Love of Christ

Connecting with God • Learning in Community • Making a Difference in the World

February 4, 2018

Prayer Requests

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

Prayers for Comfort for:

* Judy Park and family following the death of her mother, Maxine Hardy *

Prayers for Healing for:

* Amy Whitesall * Denise Whitesall * Mary Loring *
 * Tom Lewis' daughter, Margaret * Joanne Weber *
 * Marnie Addie * David Schaffer * Bernice Packard *
 * Sandy Gasiewski *

Prayers for Strength for:

* Suzie Weber * Joanne Weber * Dave Pastor * Judy McArthur *
 * Taylor McMullen doing mission work abroad *

Prayers for all service personnel overseas, and especially for:

* Matt Daoust *

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 quilt top is finished and is now on the quilter's rack. Origami stars are being created in preparation for February and Chocolate chip banana bread has been delivered to the high school counseling office that it might become snack for those experiencing homelessness. Ordinary people living differently because of the love of Christ .





Friends 65+

The next meeting of the Friends 65+ will be Tuesday, February 20th, from 1:30 p.m. - 3 p.m. in Grams Hall.

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Gemini Friday, March 2nd at 7 p.m.

This family friendly concert will feature the talents of twin brothers San and Laz Slomovits.

Gemini writes and plays acoustic music for children and families, celebrating the fun, warmth, and humor of family life. Based in Ann Arbor, this duo has performed concerts to enthusiastic audiences around the country.

Saturday, April 21st

CFUMC Collage Concert at 7 p.m.

Featuring many talented members of CFUMC and is a Fundraiser for 2018 youth mission trip

Sunday, April 29th

3 p.m.

Capital City Brass Band – lead by Director Jim Otto, traditional British brass band hymns and marches to virtuoso transcriptions of orchestral standards, jazz and show tunes.

HOPING TO GO TO CAMP THIS SUMMER?

Rev. George Ayoub will be visiting us on Feb. 18th to share some of the fun and excitement possible at United Methodist camps this summer for all ages. The experiences we have with others related to our faith during our formative years continue to shape our understanding of the world for years to come. He'll speak directly with each of the children's BLAST classes, as well as be available in Grams Hall from 10 -11 a.m. for interested youth or adults to speak with him directly about registration for the particular programs offered in Summer 2018. Please speak to LeAnn Seto about available scholarships.

Chelsea Festival of Tables

Saturday, February 24th at the Chelsea First United Methodist Church. \$20 per person includes one ticket for voting and a meal. All proceeds benefit Chelsea Meals on Wheels.

Can't attend the lunch or need more time to look? Don't miss the Table Preview on Friday, 2/23 from 5-7 p.m., \$1 per person to get in. Reservations for both contact the Chelsea Senior Center 734-475-9242.

Altar Flower Sign Up will be Different for 2018

Altar flowers are a nice way to remember someone, honor or celebrate someone's birthday, wedding, or anniversary.

If you would like to sign up for one of the above ways, please fill out the purple form you will find on the bulletin board in the coat room hallway. You may leave it on the board or put it in Liza Gray's mailbox down in the office area.

If you would prefer to donate to the flower fund instead of listing something, call the church office and speak to Liza Gray 734-475-8119 and she will let you know what to do.

Path Finder by Email

Would like to be on the Path Finder or All Congregation email list for announcements during the week.

Send your email to lgray@chelseaumc.org, or call the church office 475 8119 to sign up.

Stephen Ministry at CFUMC

"Ordinary people serving others
because of the love of Christ"



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

Romans 12:15 "Rejoice with those who rejoice;
mourn with those who mourn."



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 lseto@chelseaumc.org to be added to the list.

Our virtue and verse for January:

Kindness: Showing others they are valuable by how you treat them.

Bible Verse

"Do to others as you want them to do to you." Luke 6:31

Scouting Sunday on February 11th 9 a.m. worship service

Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts & Boy Scouts have a long history of connection with the United Methodist Church, and we are delighted to celebrate their work in our community and bless their adventures in learning and growing together. At least one of our local troops is actively working to complete their "My Duty to God" requirements, and so we are excited to welcome any scout families that Sunday who may not already have a church home and would like to explore what church is like here.

On this Sunday in February we invite *all girls and boys who are a part of the scouting program to wear their uniforms, along with their leaders*, and to attend the 9 a.m. worship to be recognized and blessed in their journey together.

Mystery dates are back!

The mystery date includes conversation starters, restaurant destination with gift card and free childcare from 5-8:00 p.m., all for a small donation. The Mystery Dates are being offered the first four Saturdays in March.

Only 10 spots are available per Saturday, and you may sign up for more than one Saturday.

Please sign up no later than Sunday, February 25th for the March 3rd date
Sunday, March 4th for the March 10th date
Sunday, March 11th for the March 17th date
Sunday, March 18th for the March 24th date

There is a sign-up in Grams Hall or contact Dianna Kause at Dianna.kause@comcast.net 734-475-8444 for any questions.

Valentine Fun at Towsley Village Sunday, February 11th 3 - 4:30 p.m.

Sharing love with the residents of the memory care unit at Chelsea Retirement Community is a great way for our children to practice Boldly Learning and Serving Together, our BLAST initiative at its best. It's an opportunity for the children to learn something about how fragile older people can become, and the kind ways we can care for them, even as we are much, much younger. This is empowering for our children to see and learn, even more so than it is for their parents.

Our wonderful Children's Mission and Ministry Team is coordinating the event. It begins with a time for teaching the youngsters about what to expect in their work with their elders, along with prayer together. Then the K-5th graders will share in making a simple craft activity followed by ice cream sundaes with sprinkles. If you would like to join the fun, please contact CMMT coordinator, Molly Avery at whippet99@yahoo.com.

A look at the month ahead!

Feb. 4th

8:30 a.m. Praise Bells
9 a.m. BLAST worship with communion
10:30 a.m. Glory & Random Ringers, VCI Small Groups
11:00 a.m. Disciple Discovery

Feb. 11th

8:30 a.m. Praise Bells
9 a.m. Worship, Scouting Recognition & Blessing
9:15 a.m. BLAST classes
10:30 a.m. Glory & Random Ringers, VCI Small Groups
11:00 a.m. Disciple Discovery
3 - 4:30 p.m. Valentine Fun at Towsley Village

Feb. 18th

8:30 a.m. Praise Bells
9 a.m. worship with information about Summer Camping following
9:15 a.m. BLAST classes with Camping presentations in each class
10:30 a.m. Glory and Random Ringers,, VCI small groups
11:00 a.m. Disciple Discovery

Feb. 25th

8:30 a.m. Praise Bells
9 a.m. worship, last Sunday to signup for Mystery Date on March 3rd
9:15 a.m. BLAST classes
10:30 a.m. Glory and Random Ringers, VCI Small Groups
11:00 a.m. Disciple Discovery
5 p.m. Parables at First Congregational "Queen Esther as Wonder Woman" All Abilities Inclusion Worship



February 4th

No Middle School XP3 - BLAST Worship

High School XP3 - 10:30 a.m. room 216

Confirmation - 11:45 room 216

February 11th

XP3 Middle School 9:30 a.m. - room 216
4 week series - Great Expectations

XP3 High School - 10:30 a.m. Meet in room 216.
Rich Young Ruler, Jesus, & Minimalism Part 2

March 9th/10th

30 Hour Famine

If you are the parent of a youth grades 6-12th
and would like to receive the Youth
Newsletter, please contact
lgray@chelseaumc.org. Thank you!

STILL WANTED:

AS through AXL T-shirts to make 2 quilts for
homeless teens in the Chelsea School District.
Does your child have a t-shirt they no longer wear with some
sort of Chelsea reference? Please wash it without using
fabric softener and we'll do the rest.
Thank you so much for your help with this project.

6th Grade
3:15 – 5:30 p.m.
Tuesdays with Tom.



7th/8th Grade
3:15 – 5:30 p.m.
Wednesdays

The preparation for Ash Wednesday begins

***Reminder: NO Outlet on snow days,
school district half days or vacation days.



Thank you for feeding
their bodies that we might
feast upon the
good things of God.

Tuesdays with Tom

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

Wednesday Outlet

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

Sunday XP3

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

Babysitter/Youth Helper list for 2017-18 now available!

Contact LeAnn Seto lseto@chelseaumc.org for a list of youth
helpers for babysitting, pet sitting, house sitting, or yard work.



**Middle School
& High School**

Ending the Homework Hassle

<http://theparentcue.org/ending-the-homework-hassle/>



MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

- February 10th Community Breakfast
 Chelsea
- February 10th Household Paper Products
 Chelsea
- March 9-10th 30 Hr. Famine
 Chelsea
 Contact Tom Lewis
 tom@outdrs.net
- March 10th Community Breakfast
 Chelsea
- March 10th Household Paper Products
 Chelsea
- March 19-23rd Alpha House
 Ann Arbor
 Contact Bev Dronen
 bdronen@msn.net
- March 26th Immigration Book Read
 Dearborn
 Contact Jeanne Franks
 youth@chelseaumc.org
- April 13th Liberian Nobel Peace Prize
 Winner, Leymah Gbowee
 Kalamazoo
 Contact J Franks
 youth@chelseaumc.org
- May 12th Landscape 3 Tiny Homes
 Detroit
 Contact J. Franks
 youth@chelseaumc.org

Current Pantry Needs

- Cereal Rice Sides
- Coffee Chef Boyardee
- Chili Beans



Book Read

Our next book for discussion is
The Namesake
by the Pulitzer Prize-winning author
Jhumpa Lahiri.

It deals with "the immigrant experience,
the clash of cultures, the conflicts of
assimilation and the tangled ties between generations."

This book has been selected by the Dearborn Public Library
for its Big Read for 2017-18.

From mid-March until the end of April, the library will be
sponsoring events for the community
to learn more about the book and its themes.

At our meeting we can decide if we would like to participate in
any of the events, as a group or individually.

Our discussion will take place on Monday, March 26th,
6:30 p.m., at First UMC in Dearborn
22124 Garrison St, Dearborn, MI 48124

Interested in Participating in an Early Response Training?

Early Response Teams (ERTs) fill a specific need in the early
days after a disaster to clean out flood-damaged homes,
remove debris, place tarps on homes, and otherwise help to
prevent further damage, while providing a
caring Christian presence.

ERTs are not a first-response group of emergency workers,
nor are they recovery, rebuild, or repair teams. Under very
specific guidelines, ERTs assist survivors, without causing
further harm or being a burden to the affected community.
Early Responders receive eight hours of training in order to
fulfill this important role.

The Basic ERT Training teaches participants the basics of
disaster response, including how to stabilize and
secure homes safely, and how to work effectively with
survivors and others on the response team. This standardized
class is required for the basic ERT UMCOR identification badge.
The Disaster Response Team of the Michigan Area continues to
set up ERT Training sessions. All trainings run 9 a.m. to
5 p.m.. Please contact Bob McCormick to register.
810-357-5617; mccor1958@gmail.com

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Sunday, February 4th

- 8:15 a.m. Youth Praise Band Warm Up
- 8:30 a.m. Praise Bells Rehearsal
- 9:00 a.m. BLAST Worship
- 10:00 a.m. Fellowship Hour
- 10:15 a.m. Rezound Handbells Warm Up
- 10:30 a.m. Glory & Random Ringers Rehearsal, VCI Small Groups, High School XP3, CFUMC Choir Warm Up,
- 11:00 a.m. Worship
- 11:15 a.m. Disciple Discovery
- 11:45 a.m. Confirmation Meeting
- 2:00 p.m. ReZound Handbells Concert at the Cedars of Dexter
- 4:00 p.m. VCI Leadership Team Meeting

Monday, February 5th

- 9:30 a.m. Creative Play
- 12:00 p.m. Mosaic Moms
- 12:30 p.m. Material Girls Group Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Open Minds, Reconciling Hearts

Tuesday, February 6th

- 9:00 a.m. Material Girls Group Meeting
- 9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting, Creative Play
- 10:00 a.m. VCI Small Group
- 3:15 p.m. 6th Grade Middle School Outlet
- 7:00 p.m. VCI Small Group

Wednesday, February 7th

- 1:00 p.m. Prayer Group, Food Ministry Council Meeting
- 3:15 p.m. 7/8th Grade Middle School Outlet
- 6:00 p.m. VCI Small Group
- 6:30 p.m. Jubilee Ringers
- 7:30 p.m. CFUMC Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, February 8th

- 10:00 a.m. VCI Small Group
- 6:30 p.m. Finance Committee
- 7:30 p.m. Administrative Council Meeting

Friday, February 9th

- 8:00 a.m. VCI Small Group
- 9:00 a.m. MOPS Meeting
- 10:00 a.m. VCI Small Group
- 7:00 p.m. Community Breakfast Set Up

Saturday, February 10th

- 8:00 a.m. Free Community Breakfast

Sunday, February 11th

- 8:00 a.m. Children's Ministry Mission Team Meeting
- 8:30 a.m. Praise Bells Rehearsal, CFUMC Choir Warm Up
- 9:00 a.m. Worship
- 9:15 a.m. BLAST Classes Preschool - 5th grade, Middle School XP3
- 10:00 a.m. Fellowship Hour
- 10:30 a.m. Random & Glory Ringers Rehearsal, High School XP3, VCI Small Groups, Jubilee Ringers Warm Up
- 11:00 a.m. Worship
- 11:15 a.m. Disciple Discovery
- 12:15 p.m. Rezound Handbells Rehearsal
- 3:00 p.m. Towsley Valentine's with Buddies at Towsley
- 3:45 p.m. Youth Praise Band Rehearsal
- 4:30 p.m. The Accidentals Rehearsal

Monday, February 12th

- 9:30 a.m. Creative Play
- 4:00 p.m. Material Girls Set Up

Tuesday, February 13th

- 9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting, Creative Play
- 10:00 a.m. VCI Small Group
- 12:00 p.m. Material Girls
- 3:15 p.m. 6th Grade Middle School Outlet
- 7:00 p.m. VCI Small Group, Trustees

Wednesday, February 14st

- 9:00 a.m. Material Girls Group Meeting
- 1:00 p.m. Prayer Group
- 3:15 p.m. 7/8th Grade Middle School Outlet
- 6:00 p.m. VCI Small Group, CFUMC Choir Warm Up
- 6:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Worship
- 7:30 p.m. CFUMC Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, February 15th

- 10:00 a.m. VCI Small Group
- 6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry

Friday, February 16th

- 8:00 a.m. VCI Small Group
- 10:00 a.m. VCI Small Group
- 6:45 p.m. Mosaic Moms

Saturday, February 17th

- 8:00 a.m. The Brotherhood of Christ

Volunteers Serving February 4thGreeters:

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

Ushers:

- 8:30 a.m. Liza Gray, Joe Krugh, Diane Brown
- 10:30 a.m. Charles & Sandy Schmunk, Phil Radant

Nursery Workers:

- 8:45 a.m. - Amy Whitesall
- 10:45 a.m. - Lori Campbell

Coffee Hour Hosts:

Barbara Brown, Eileen Blough, Mackenzie Pfeiffer

Coffee Hour Bakers:

Charma Dick, Linda Detterman, Jody Croskey, Dawn Putnam

Volunteers Serving February 11thGreeters:

- 8:30 a.m. Linda Logan, Allison Vanderspool
- 10:30 a.m. Lois & Dick Willis, Julie & Dennis Deppner

Ushers:

- 8:30 a.m. Bill & Brendan Doyle, Tom Lewis, Todd Hubbard
- 10:30 a.m. Teresa Steklac, Anne Zuehlke, David & Tammee Fensch

Nursery Workers:

- 8:45 a.m. - Amy Whitesall
- 10:45 a.m. - Lori Campbell

Coffee Hour Hosts:

Sandy & Charles Schmunk, Phyllis & Ken Tillman

Coffee Hour Bakers:

Linda Logan, Amanda Reginaldo, Susan Wellman, Kasie Cousino, Dorothy Craft, Sandy Schmunk