



Chelsea First
 United Methodist Church
 128 Park Street
 Chelsea, Michigan 48118
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The Path Finder

*Finding your way to
 acts of purpose and faith*

OUR MISSION - is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world

OUR VISION - Ordinary people living differently because of the love of Christ

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

September 16, 2018

Prayer Requests

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

Prayers for Comfort for:

* Family and friends of Mary Lou Jury *

Prayers for Healing for:

* Linda Kimball * Amie Mongeau * Pat Martin * Dianne Kelley *
 * Ed Brown * Eugene Bacungan * Joanne Weber *
 * Christopher Gilbert * Pat Marlatt * Joel Colbry *
 * Rob Logan * Gary Packard * Earle McIntosh * Ed Greenleaf *
 * Karen Bamsey * Alice Steklac *

Prayers for Strength for:

* Dave Pastor * Judy McArthur * Jean Storey * Carolyn Luciani *
 * Brown & Vanderspool family * Joan Hoffmeyer *
 * Sue Willis * Charlotte Simmons * Tom Lewis' daughter,
 Margaret and family *

Prayers for all service personnel overseas, and especially for:

* Matt Daoust * Clinton Olberg * Reece W. Porath * Laura Heaney *

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.

Fellowship Hosts and Bakers Needed

We need a few more volunteers to help with Fellowship Hour. If you can spare a few hours a month to serve at Fellowship Hour, or donate a few dozen baked goods, please contact Amanda Reginaldo (734)545-3527 or AReginaldo6302@yahoo.com

Friends 65+

Our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 18th. We will meet in Grams hall from 1:30 – 3 p.m. Please let me know if you have any questions, comments or concerns.

Chelsea First UMC

Annual Church Conference

Saturday, September 29th,

9:30 a.m. - Noon at Howell First UMC

Come to share in a new format for the annual church conference.

We will gather with eight other UM congregations at Howell First UMC, along with our district superintendent Rev. Elizabeth Hill.

Email List

Would you like to be on the All Congregation email list for announcements during the week or the bi monthly newsletter called the Path Finder? Send your email to lgray@chelseaumc.org, or call the church office 475 8119 to sign up.



***Living Faithfully: Human Sexuality
and The United Methodist Church***
**Sundays: September 16th, 23rd, 30th,
October 7th, 4:00 - 5:15 p.m.**

This small group study was created especially for United Methodists to use as a guide for conversations about what it means to be the Church when it comes to homosexuality, same-gender marriage, and the ordination of LGBTQ persons. These conversations can be emotionally charged and highly divisive. This study encourages openness, humility, a spirit of grace, and above all, love for one another. This study is based on Scripture; diverse viewpoints provide multiple lenses through which to consider various perspectives. Ron Mourad will facilitate the study.

**A Disciple's Path – All Congregation read
and small group study**

Do enjoy prayer? Do you wonder whether there is a "correct" way to pray? There are, in fact, many approaches to prayer, to making contact with God. We will read about and talk about some of these questions and many others in the small groups beginning October 7th.

Using *A Disciple's Path* as our discussion guide, we hope to increase our knowledge and fellowship with God and with each other. Wherever we are in our faith journey, we seek to grow in God's love and grace, developing spiritual practices that nurture our relationship with God. Groups will meet at varied times and in a variety of places.

You may sign up in Grams Hall.

An orientation meeting for ALL participants will be Sunday, September 30th, from 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. You will receive your book at that time, along with information about preparing for your first small group session.

COMPASSIONATE CONNECTION

Do you have a day(s) of the week available should a member of our congregation need groceries or an occasional ride to their doctor appointment or the airport?

Contact Liza Gray (lgray@chelseaumc.org)
or Jeanne Franks (youth@chelseaumc.org)



**Are your babies all grown?
Think about being a mentor mom!**



2018-2019

MOPS

FIND YOUR FIRE

Chelsea MOPS will be starting the new year in Sept. 2018.

We are open to all mothers with children birth - Kindergarten. We are also looking for caring mentor moms who can attend meetings with us, walk alongside us, and help support our moms. In addition, we need loving individuals who can help care for our children for 2 hours approximately twice a month. We have paid and volunteer positions available. Please consider helping our ministry by volunteering your time. You can contact us at

info@chelseamops.org or by phone:

Heather Turek ([734-323-5031](tel:734-323-5031))



The Merling Trio – Western Michigan University
Sunday, October 14, 2018 – 3 p.m.

Chelsea Hometown Holiday Concerts
Sunday, December 2, 2018 – 3 p.m. & 7 p.m.

**Family Concert - Kuungana African Drum and
Dance Company – Featuring Kevin Collins**
Friday, March 1, 2019 – 7 p.m.

Seraph Brass
Sunday, March 17, 2019 – 3 p.m.

Brian Brill & Friends
Sunday, May 5, 2019 – 3 p.m.



Children's Ministry

If you have any questions or want to know more about children's programming please contact Michelle King at mking@chelseaumc.org

BLAST VIRTUE FOR SEPTEMBER

INITIATIVE:

Seeing what needs to be done and doing it.

BIBLE VERSE:

"Work at everything you do with all your heart. Work as if you were working for the Lord." Colossians, 3:23a NIV.

New Sunday Morning Schedule

8:45 a.m. - noon: Nursery open

9:15 - 10:30 a.m.: BLAST

11:15 a.m. - noon: Disciple discovery

Children are dismissed from worship to BLAST or Disciple Discovery. PreK-2nd grade need to be picked up by their parents at the end of class, 3rd - 5th graders will be dismissed on their own.

Safe Sanctuary Training

Anyone working with Child/Youth must go through this training.

If you were unable to attend the last Safe Sanctuary training there are two more opportunities coming up.

The next trainings will be on Sept 16th at 10:30 a.m. and on Sept 23rd following the 11:00 service.

Safe Sanctuary training is required for everyone who works with minors.

The annual renewal part of the training will be about 45 min long, if you are attending training for the first time the full training is about an hour. RSVP to Michelle King.

Upcoming Event!

Grandparents Day Celebration at Towsley

Join us on Sept 16th at 3 p.m. as we celebrate Grandparents with our resident buddies at Towsley Village! We will enjoy ice cream sundaes together, talk to the residents, and read to them. Children are invited to bring their favorite book with them to read to one of the residents. RSVP to Michelle King.

Want to get more involved?

There are many opportunities to get involved with the children's ministry! If you're interested in volunteering or helping out in some way contact Michelle King.

Let's Do Brunch!

Please Join Us For a Brunch to benefit Redford Brightmoor Initiative

Come to hear from our President, Pastor Ben Bower, and Program Director, Pam Griffin about how RBI is working to build community in Brightmoor and Redford.

Learn about our ongoing programs including our Free Store, Furniture Ministry, Food4U, and more! And hear about our newest program - a Computer Lab!

Saturday, September 30, 2018

12:30 Reception / 1:00 Brunch / 1:30 Program

Heathers Club

900 Upper Scotsborough Way
Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304

Suggested donation is \$40 per person.
Please RSVP by Monday, September 10th
to Hilary Kristal 313-326-4947

Admin@RedfordBrightmoorInitiative.org



Is designed to give students the lasting understanding of three things: I am created to pursue an authentic relations with my Creator. I belong to Jesus Christ and define who I am by what He says. I exist every day to demonstrate God's love to a broken world.

Middle School NEW TIME 9:00- 10:00 a.m.
GO DIRECTLY UPSTAIRS WHEN YOU ARRIVE

- Sept. 16th Says Who "Honoring authority now brings more freedom later." Hebrews 13:17
- Sept. 23rd Says Who (wk 2) "When you honor authority, you honor God." 1 Samuel 24: 3-4,12-15
- Sept. 30th Youth Sunday

Fearless - We Are Royals - September 29th

All Middle School Youth Welcome - Practice runs from 10 - 10:30 a.m. on Sundays in September

High School - 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

- Sept. 16th Like A Boss Hebrews 13:17
- Sept. 23rd Like A Boss Week 2 Colossians 3:23-25
- Sept. 30th Youth Sunday

Confirmation 11:45 a.m.

- Sept. 16th Confirmands, Parents, and Mentors. Please meet in room 216 at 11:45 a.m.



Tuesday (6th)

Wednesday (7 & 8)

Topic: What Fortnite Can Teach Us About Living For God

Suicide - The Ripple Effect

A film and a movement for hope and healing.

The film chronicles the story of Kevin Hines, who at age 19 attempted to take his life by jumping from the Golden Gate Bridge. Since then Kevin has been on a mission to use his story to help others stay alive and find recovery.

Tuesday, Oct. 9th at 7:30 p.m. at the Goodrich Quality 16 in Ann Arbor. The event will only take place if we get at least 67 people to reserve tickets. You can reserve tickets and track our status at <https://gathr.us/screening/23729>

For more info contact Jeff Hackett - hackettj@washtenaw.org or 734-740-9444

You feed their bodies that we might feast contented on the good things of God.



6th Grade -

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

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

7th & 8th Grade -

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

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

High School and Middle School -
Sunday morning XP3 9:00, 10:30, & 11:45 a.m.

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

Thank you.



What to Expect in ninth grade

http://theparentcue.org/what-to-expect-in-ninth-grade/?inf_contact_key=c8ca03127dc759831b2e59a20c2b744f7d15bb7eae4b43a7815b9c89efdaefc9



YOUTH 2019 IS FOR ALL UNITED METHODIST YOUTH, GRADES 6th - 12th, AND THEIR LEADERS.

Join thousands for 4 days of discipleship, worship, Bible study, service opportunities, and life-changing fun! Expect inspiration, support, and challenges to grow authentically as a world-changing disciple of Jesus Christ.

The YOUTH Event is the National Gathering for United Methodist Youth, it will be in 2019 and traces its' roots all the way back to the first YOUTH event of 1988. YOUTH 2019 will provide youth and their leaders with chances to connect with each other, denominational leaders, and connectional agencies to help them discover the wide variety of ministries of the United Methodist Church.



SERVICE/MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

- September 15th , October 15th/16th Habitat for Humanity see board in Grams Hall to volunteer
- September 21st Gimme Shelter – Alpha House Fundraiser
RSVP - <https://www.alphahouse-ihn.org/2018gimmeshelter>
- September 24th Immigration Policy & Practice: God's Call to Action - Ypsilanti First
- October 7th/14th Middle School Nut Sales
- November 25th CASS Angel Tree
- November 26th Justice For Our Neighbors Book Discussion



See the board in Grams Hall for opportunities to volunteer.

You can make a difference

When you shop for back to school supplies at smile.amazon.com Amazon donates.

You shop. Amazon donates.
amazon.com/smile



Go to smile.amazon.com and designate Chelsea First United Methodist Church as your charitable organization. Thank you!

Immigration Policy and Practice: God's Call To Action

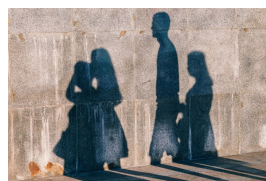
Join us for a panel discussion, Monday,
Sept. 24th, 7 - 8:30 p.m.

Come learn about immigration policy and advocacy efforts in our community and enjoy some ice cream! Speakers: William Lopez, PhD, Washtenaw Interfaith Coalition for Immigrants Rights (WICIR). Mary Anne Perrone, Washtenaw Congregational Sanctuary Steering Committee; Pastor Joe Summers, Episcopal Church of the Incarnation.

Washtenaw Congregational Sanctuary
1414 Hill Street, Ann Arbor

Current Pantry Needs

- Beef Stew
- Crackers
- Chili Beans
- Canned Chile
- Canned Pasta
- Granola Bars
- Oatmeal



Fasting for Families

You know about the children at the border who are still separated from their parents; You know about the Dreamers, who were brought to the United States as young children and call this country home; You know about the refugees fleeing violence and struggling to keep their family safe; You know about the asylum seekers hoping to escape persecution; And you know about mothers and fathers seeking, simply, a better life for their kids.

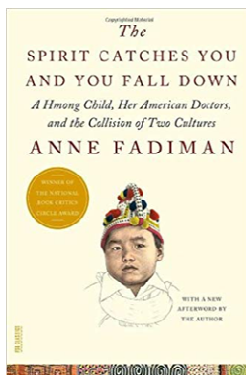
You can help these families today by joining Fasting for Families. We will be fasting as an act of resistance to cruel immigration policies—particularly those that separate families. Join Justice for Our Neighbors-Michigan as we highlight stories, build community, and raise funds to bring justice to families that aspire to live the American Dream.

Pledge to fast (as you define it) for a 24-hour period, anytime between September 11th and the International Day of Peace (September 21). When you sign up, we will send you reminders and sample social media messages you can use to promote your participation and the serious issues behind our fast. If you would like to donate in lieu of fasting or in addition to fasting, please visit jfonmi.org/donate/ or send your donation to: JFON-MI 20000 W. 13 Mile Road, Beverly Hills, MI 48025.

Thank you for all you do to support immigrant families and to make our communities places of welcoming hospitality.

For more information, please contact Tori Booker at tbooker@jfonmi.org.

The Spirit Catches You and You Fall Down explores the clash



between a small county hospital in California and a refugee family from Laos over the care of Lia Lee, a Hmong child diagnosed with severe epilepsy. Lia's parents and her doctors both wanted what was best for Lia, but the lack of understanding between them led to tragedy. Winner of the National Book Critics Circle Award for Nonfiction, the Los Angeles Times Book Prize for Current Interest, and the Salon Book Award, Anne Fadiman's compassionate account of this cultural impasse is literary journalism at its finest.

Where: Chelsea First United Methodist Church

When: November 26, 2018 7:00 p.m.

Questions: Contact Suzanne Stichler 734-340-1117 or Elizabeth Hammer ejhammer@fastem.com

Sunday, September 16th

- 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, Middle School XP3
- 9:15 a.m. BLAST Classes Preschool - 5th Grades
- 10:00 a.m. Fellowship Hour
- 10:30 a.m. High School XP3, Random Ringers Rehearsal, Safe Sanctuary Training
- 11:00 a.m. Worship
- 11:15 a.m. Disciple Discovery
- 11:45 a.m. Confirmation Meeting
- 12:15 p.m. Safe Sanctuary Training
- 1:00 p.m. Dorothy Beach Birthday Celebration
- 3:00 p.m. Grandparents Day with Towsley Buddies - At Towsley
- 3:45 p.m. Praise Band Rehearsal
- 4:00 p.m. Living Faithfully: Human Sexuality and the UMC
- 4:30 p.m. The Accidentals Rehearsal

Monday, September 17th

- 9:00 a.m. Chelsea Community Kitchen ServSafe Manager Training

Tuesday, September 18th

- 9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting
- 1:30 p.m. Friends 65+
- 3:15 p.m. Tuesdays with Tom - Outlet
- 6:00 p.m. Staff Parish Relations Committee

Wednesday, September 19th

- 1:00 p.m. Prayer Group
- 3:15 p.m. 7/8th Grade Outlet
- 6:30 p.m. Jubilee Ringers Rehearsal, Trustees
- 7:30 p.m. CFUMC Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 20th

- 7:00 a.m. Red Cross Blood Drive
- 6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry

Friday, September 21st

- 9:00 a.m. Mothers of Preschoolers Meeting (MOPS)

Sunday, September 23th

- 8:30 a.m. Praise Bells Rehearsal
- 9:00 a.m. Worship, Middle School XP3
- 9:15 a.m. BLAST Classes Preschool - 5th Grades
- 10:00 a.m. Fellowship Hour
- 10:30 a.m. High School XP3, Random Ringers Rehearsal, CFUMC Choir Warm Up
- 11:00 a.m. Worship
- 11:15 a.m. Disciple Discovery
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- 3:45 p.m. Praise Band Rehearsal
- 4:00 p.m. Living Faithfully: Human Sexuality and the UMC
- 4:30 p.m. The Accidentals Rehearsal

Tuesday, September 25th

- 9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting
- 3:15 p.m. Tuesdays with Tom 6th Grade MS Outlet
- 6:00 p.m. Staff Parish Relations Committee

Wednesday, September 26th

- 1:00 p.m. Prayer Group
- 3:15 p.m. 7/8th Grade MS Outlet
- 6:30 p.m. Jubilee Ringers Rehearsal
- 7:00 p.m. Mission Team Meeting
- 7:30 p.m. CFUMC Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, September 29th

- 9:30 a.m. Annual Church Conference held at Howell FUMC

Volunteers Serving September 16th

Greeters:

- 8:30 a.m. Arlene Wiltse, Jack & Glenna Bittle
- 10:30 a.m. John & Ellen Aldighieri

Ushers:

- 8:30 a.m. Boyd & Arlene Wiltse, Harry Gibson
- 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

Fellowship Hosts:

- Eileen Blough, Jane Newbound, Susan Wellman

Fellowship Bakers:

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

Volunteers Serving September 23rd

Greeters:

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

Ushers:

- 8:30 a.m. Todd Hubbard, Tim Sweeny, Kerry Franks
- 10:30 a.m. Mark Peterson, Larry Martin, Cathy Riedel

Nursery Workers:

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

Fellowship Hosts:

- Dan & Chris Cobb, Dianne Kelley, Susan McCalla

Fellowship Bakers:

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

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

Concert Series page <https://www.facebook.com/chelseaumc.concerts>