

March 18, 2020

Chelsea First United Methodist Church family,

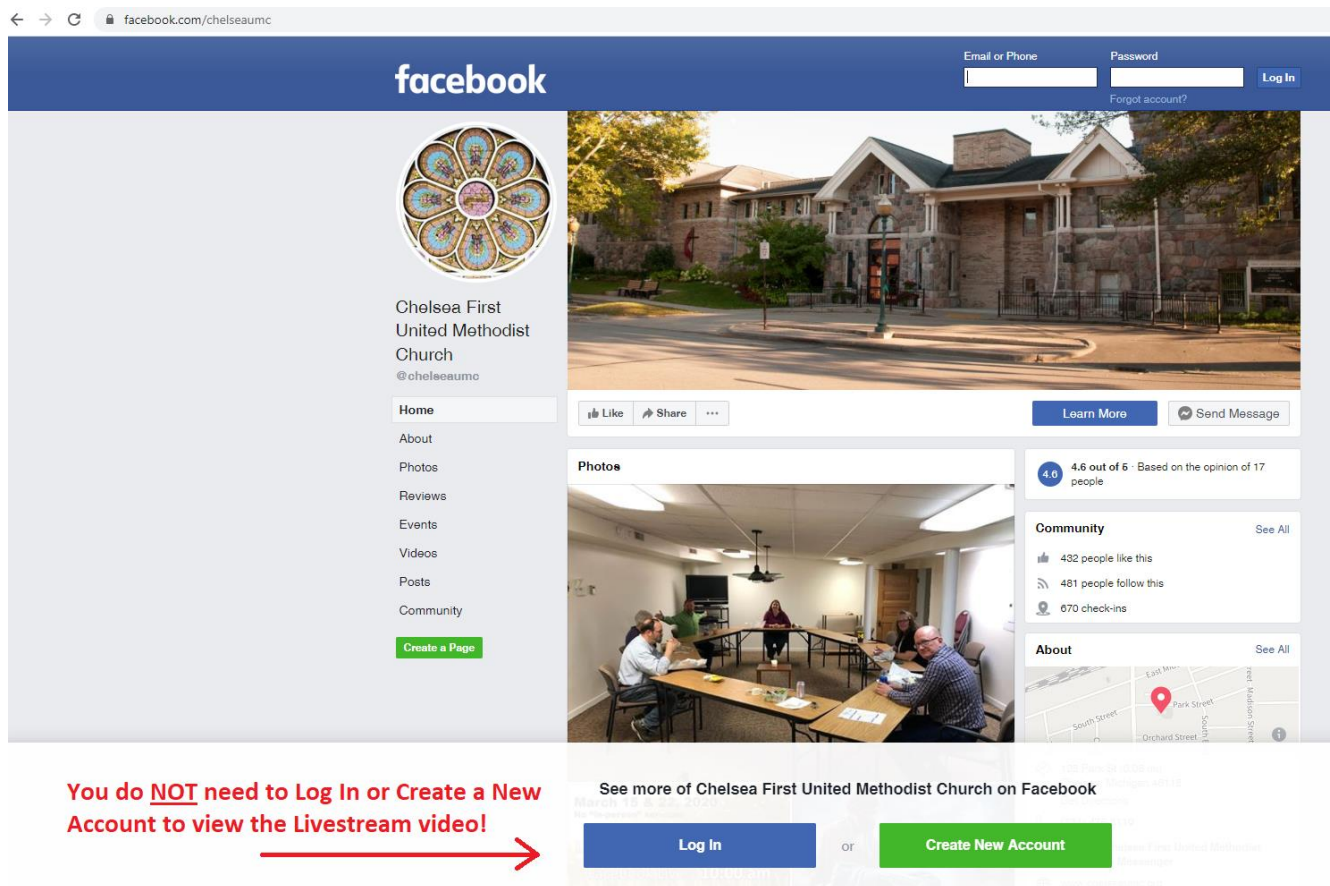
“In-person” worship services remain cancelled for March 22 and 29, but we will continue to broadcast a service those days on Facebook Live that you will be able to view online. Our March 15 livestream service reached many folks and was received well, despite a few minor tech hiccups. We will be working to fix these issues and improve the overall quality of the broadcast.

The online services will happen Live at **10:00 am** on **March 22 and 29, 2020**. You will need internet access to view them. When you open your web browser, please visit our Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/chelseaumc

If you are already on Facebook and have yet not visited our page, you may also find us by searching “chelseaumc” or “Chelsea First United Methodist Church” in the search bar.

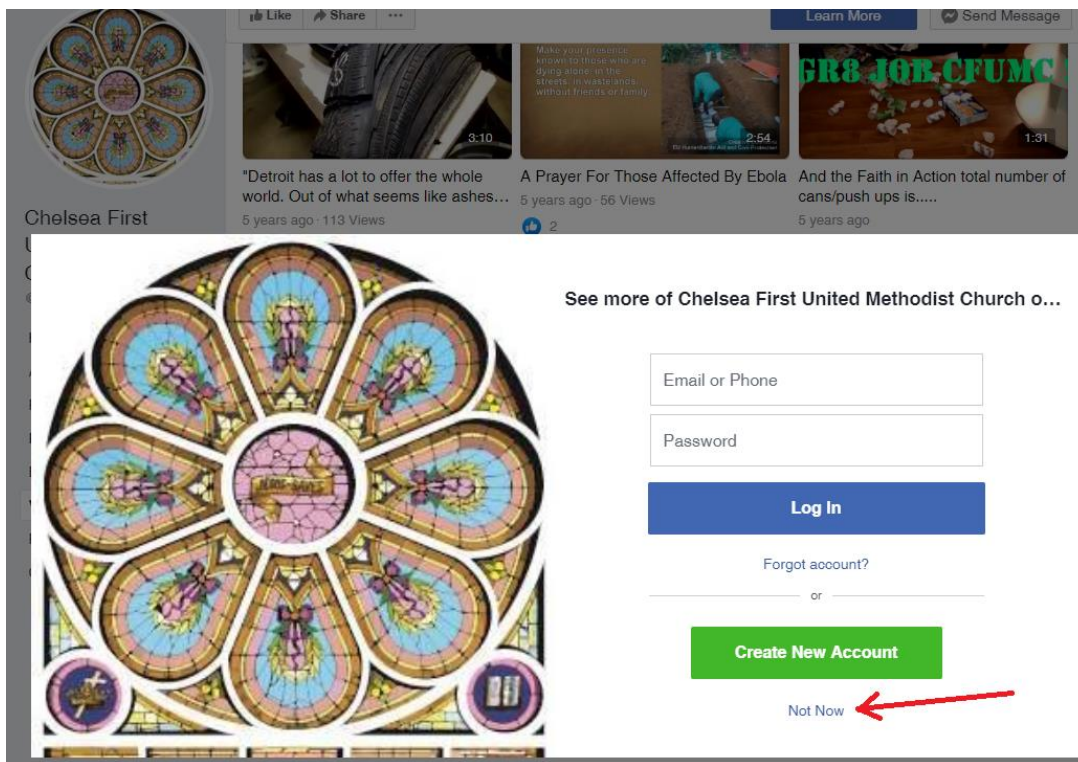
It is important to note that you do **NOT** need to have a Facebook account in order to view this video. For those not connected with Facebook already, when you visit the above address, you may see a message pop up that says “See more of Chelsea First United Methodist Church on Facebook – Log In or Create New Account.” (See images below.) This message can be dismissed if you would prefer not to sign up with Facebook. You should be able to either just disregard this message and continue navigating, click an ‘X’ to close the message or click on ‘Not Now’ if prompted again.



The image is a screenshot of a web browser displaying the Facebook page for Chelsea First United Methodist Church. The browser's address bar shows the URL facebook.com/chelseaumc. The Facebook page header includes the 'facebook' logo, a search bar, and fields for 'Email or Phone' and 'Password' with a 'Log In' button. Below the header, the church's profile picture (a circular stained glass window) and name 'Chelsea First United Methodist Church' are visible. A large photo of the church building is featured prominently. Below this, there are sections for 'Photos' (showing an interior view of people at tables), 'Community' (with 432 likes, 481 followers, and 670 check-ins), and 'About' (with a map showing the church's location). At the bottom of the page, a blue banner reads 'See more of Chelsea First United Methodist Church on Facebook' and contains 'Log In' and 'Create New Account' buttons. A red arrow points from the text below to the 'Log In' button.

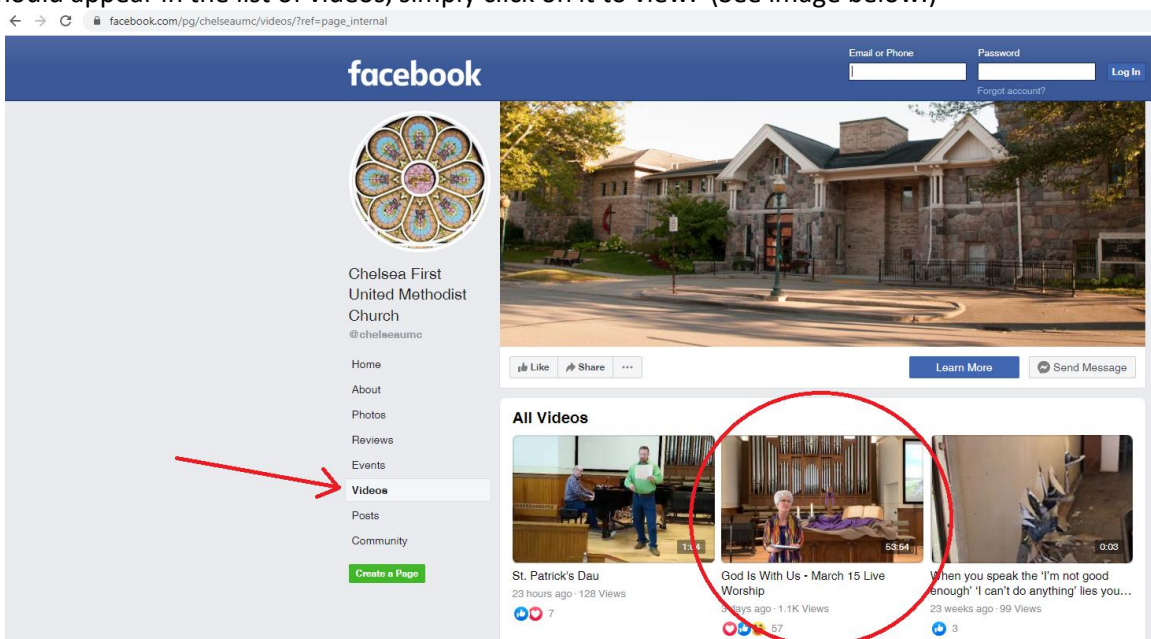
You do **NOT** need to Log In or Create a New Account to view the Livestream video!





Once you are on our Facebook page, there appear to be several methods of finding the video. As it is happening live, it may appear automatically in our Facebook “feed,” meaning it will show up in the stream of postings that the church sends out. The news feed is in the main, central part of a Facebook page, under the heading “Posts.” You can check to see if the video is in the feed by simply scrolling down the church Facebook page to get to “Posts,” and if the video appears there in the central part of the screen, simply click on it to view. (As you scroll down, you will pass sections that say “Photos,” “Recommendations and Reviews,” “Upcoming Events,” and “Videos” before you reach “Posts.”)

If you do not see the video in the live feed, you can click on ‘Videos’ on the left-hand side navigation bar to find it. It should appear in the list of videos, simply click on it to view. (See image below.)



In fact, if you would like to try this out and watch or re-watch our March 15 broadcast, we invite you to do so. Follow the above instructions to go to our church Facebook page and click on 'Videos' to watch the test video. It is named "God Is With Us" and is about 53 minutes long. You can see it in the image above.

This brings up another very important note: that tomorrow's video can be watched, or re-watched, later on. So if you for any reason have any difficulty or are unable to connect as the service is happening at 10:00 am, don't worry! Once the live broadcast is concluded, the video will be available in the 'Videos' section of our page.

This would be a great opportunity for the church to drastically increase our reach with the community via Facebook. If you have a Facebook account and are logged in, please take a moment to "Like" our page if you haven't done so already. You can "Like" our page at the top of the page, just underneath the picture of the church. And you can also consider "Sharing" the live video as it is happening. This greatly increases the number of viewers, and may help anyone having difficulty finding the video locate it. You will find buttons to "Like," "Comment," or "Share" the video right along with the video, either below it or off to the right-hand side. You can also host a "Watch Party" of the livestream video if you'd like.

Lastly, if you would like to make any prayer requests that will be shared on this live broadcast, we would like to still be able to accommodate these. Please send an email message to media@chelseaumc.org if you would like to make a prayer request. Please keep in mind that this video will be shared publicly, and will likely have a reach beyond our normal "in-person" service audience.

Thank you for your patience and please do not hesitate to contact us with any tech issues, as our goal is to have these virtual services available to all!

In peace and hope,

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