

## 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

March 22, 2015

## 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***

\* Family of Martha Shirtum, sister-in-law of Lois Gibson \*

#### ***Prayers for healing for:***

\* Ruth Nelson \* Craig Zuehlke \* Ginni O'Quinn \*  
\* Betsy Olberg \* Leslie Lewis \* Hertha Laupmanis \*  
\* Norm Colbry \* Brian Hutcheon \* Arley Lake \*  
\* Sue Comstock \* Alyssa Gray \*

#### ***Prayers for support for:***

\* Johnson Francois in the Dominican Republic \*  
\* Milliken family \* Neta Mills \* Bonnie Wilcox \*  
\* Frances Lorenz \* Carrol Lewis \* Gene & Pat Schmidt \*  
\* Jim & Charlotte Simmons \* John & Anna Boote \*

### Holy Week Schedule

March 29<sup>th</sup> - Palm Sunday Worship at 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.

April 2<sup>nd</sup> - Maundy Thursday Worship at 7 p.m.

April 3<sup>rd</sup> - Community Good Friday Worship at 12:15 p.m.

Will be held at the First Congregational Church, 121 E. Middle  
2 p.m. Prayer Vigil at CFUMC begins

Prayer Vigil ends Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m.

April 5<sup>th</sup> - Easter Worship 9 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Nursery is open

No music rehearsals, BLAST Classes or Youth groups

### Prayer Support

You can contact Anne Zuehlke  
(475-2535, [alzuehlke@yahoo.com](mailto:alzuehlke@yahoo.com)) or Debbie Noye  
(475-1096, [debnoye10@gmail.com](mailto: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.

### Parents and Friends Toronto Spring Break Trip

On Monday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 21 youth and 8 adult chaperones will  
leave from church and embark on an adventure to Toronto  
for The Accidentals and Company Alternative Spring Break  
Tour and Mission Trip. Youth will present 3 handbell  
concerts as well as do mission work at St. Felix Centre.

There is an opportunity for you to support the youth and this  
mission trip by becoming a Prayer Partner. A Prayer Partner  
will be given the name of one of the people going on the trip  
and be asked to pray intentionally for that person during the  
time leading up to the trip and during the trip itself.

In addition, each Prayer Partner is asked to write a note of  
support and encouragement to the person they are praying  
for. These notes are passed out during the trip and become  
a special connection to the church family.

If you have questions about being a Prayer Partner or would  
like to sign up, contact Debbie Noye by e-mail  
([debnoye10@gmail.com](mailto:debnoye10@gmail.com)) or phone (475-1096). There is also  
a sign up sheet on the bulletin board in Grams Hall.

Thank you!

Or if you would like to help and supply food for the trip.

Please look over the sign up  
for items you would like to donate.

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0f4aa9aa238-toronto>

All of the items need to be taken to the church between  
Monday, March 30<sup>th</sup> and 12 noon on Saturday,  
April 4<sup>th</sup>. There will be labeled boxes in Grams Hall along the  
wall next to the courtyard. If you have questions,  
please call Barbara Brown, 475-7674  
or Debbie Noye 475-1096.

## Dates to Remember/Announcements

### **CFUMC Women's Retreat!**

Women of the church - come **Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup>** for a relaxing day apart. We'll gather and playfully explore 'how is it with my soul?' through creating collages, gentle laughter, and sharing our stories as we work. Time is **9 a.m. to 4 p.m.** at **Towsley Village** on the Chelsea Retirement Community campus (Multipurpose Room). Lunch will be simmering on the sidelines as we work; snacks and beverages will be provided. Sign-up through the signup genius <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f094ba8a87-cfumc1> or by calling the church office 475-8119. Y'all come!

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### **Only one more**

#### **"Mystery Date" sign up left!**

For one more Saturday in March, you have an opportunity to go on a mystery date (created by the church!) with your spouse or significant other.

*Here are the details:*

You must sign up no later than the Sunday March 22<sup>nd</sup> for the Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup> date.

The sign up sheet is in Grams Hall on the bulletin board. Arrive at 5 p.m. at church on the Saturday of your date. Pay the church a minimum of \$20 towards your date. You will receive your date instructions at that time. Childcare will be available.

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### **2015 Good Friday Prayer Vigil**

**2 p.m. Fri., April 3<sup>rd</sup> to 10 a.m. Sat., April 4<sup>th</sup>**

#### **Sign up online through church**

[www.signupgenius.com/go/20f094ba8a87-24hour](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f094ba8a87-24hour)

Lent is a time to reflect on Jesus Christ and what his life, death, and resurrection means to us. It's an opportunity to prayerfully reflect on what God is asking to do through your life and our lives. Come, be one of those, who fills our lives and world with prayer.

Prayer stations will merge with the Stations of the Cross this year while the sanctuary is under renovation.

Start in the garden and wind your way through the second floor;

you'll find a variety of ways to experience prayer along the way. During your time in the vigil, move to the station of your choice, staying as long as it is meaningful.

Encounter scripture, move, meditate, listen, or sketch. Use all your senses or withdraw from them. Use words or silence. Gaze upon candle light or spiritual images. Come and experience what prayer can be in the Christian tradition.

Feeling worn-out by our long Winter and the endless demands of a busy life? Come rest in God's presence for a time, allow your weary soul to be refilled, and listen for what God is asking to do through you. All are welcome.

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### **The Chelsea Mothers of Preschoolers Spring Mom2Mom Sale**

Will be held on Saturday April 18<sup>th</sup>  
from 9 a.m. - noon.

NEW LOCATION: St. Mary's Catholic Church in Chelsea.  
Tables are still available to rent!

More info on [www.chelseamops.org](http://www.chelseamops.org) or contact Erin at [m2msale@chelseamops.org](mailto:m2msale@chelseamops.org). We hope to see you there!

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**Thank you to everyone who participated in  
"Five Buck Funday"**

**Your donations to the Sanctuary  
Renovation Fund added up to \$837!**

**MATERIAL GIRLS  
NEED THE FOLLOWING ITEMS**

tennis balls  
Legos

Altoid boxes - any size

Thank you for the many items you have given us this year.  
They are all appreciated.

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**May 5<sup>th</sup> State Ballot Proposal:  
What is it; what would it do?**

CHELSEA, MI – That is the topic to be discussed in a public information forum on Wednesday, April 8, 7 p.m., Chelsea Retirement Community Dancey House Theater, 805 W. Middle Street.

The League of Women Voters of the Ann Arbor Area with Sue Smith, president, LWV Michigan, will provide information on the ballot proposal to amend the Michigan Constitution and on new laws that will be triggered if the amendment is approved by the voters.

“The proposal is lengthy and complex,” said Ann Arbor League president, Nancy Schewe. The presentation will include information on how state revenue would be increased and how it would be spent. Pros and cons of passing the legislation will also be discussed.”

The League of Women Voters is a non-partisan political organization celebrating 95 years of Making Democracy Work by empowering voters to engage with government at every level through information and advocacy.

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**Stephen Ministry Opportunities**



**Caring Relationship  
for the Love of Christ**

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

**Children's Ministries**

*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](mailto:caldrich@chelseaumc.org) to be added to the list.*

**K-5<sup>th</sup> Grade BLAST**

**March BLAST Virtue:**

**Patience:**

Waiting until later for what you want now.

**March Memory Verse:**

“Wait for the Lord. Be strong and don't lose hope. Wait for the Lord!” Psalm 27:14, NIV

**April BLAST Virtue:**

**Peace:**

Proving you care more about each other than winning an argument.

**April Memory Verse:**

“So let us do all we can to live in peace. And let us work hard to build each other up.” Romans 14:19

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**Parents of pre-K-2<sup>nd</sup> Graders!**

The **Towsley Sleepover** is coming April 17-18<sup>th</sup>! Please join us for this special event with our resident buddies!

We will arrive at Towsley on Friday night, and share in crafts, snack, and a story with our resident buddies, followed by a movie and sleepover at Towsley! The next morning we will have breakfast and participate in a service project. The entire event runs from approximately 5:30 p.m. Friday - 8:15 a.m. Saturday. At least one parent must attend with the children in your family. Please RSVP to Courtney if you will be attending this year!

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**Babysitting list -- pets,  
house sitting and yard work, too!**

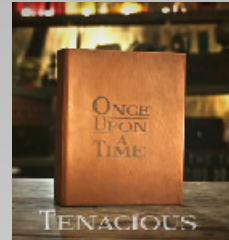
Our babysitting list has taken on a life of its own and morphed into a list for any kind of help you might need! If you need help with any sort of childcare, pet care, house sitting, and now yard work. Contact Courtney at [caldrich@chelseaumc.org](mailto:caldrich@chelseaumc.org) or 475-8119 x12 for a copy.

**Youth Ministries**

If you have questions about youth ministries, contact Jeanne Franks at [jfranks@chelseaumc.org](mailto:jfranks@chelseaumc.org)

**XP3**

**Sunday, 10:30 a.m. in the youth room  
Once Upon A Time Tenacious**



**BOTTOM LINE:  
WHEN IT COMES TO  
PRAYER, DON'T QUIT  
BECAUSE IT'S QUIET.**

**INTRODUCTION**

Have you ever wanted something really badly and didn't get it?

Or maybe the answer wasn't "no". It was "we'll see" or "maybe". Sometimes that's even more frustrating. What are you supposed to do? Just wait? Keep asking? Give up? A lot of us feel that way when it comes to prayer. Maybe you prayed and nothing happened. Maybe you wonder if God even heard you or if you should just give up and try to figure things out on your own.

That's exactly what some of Jesus' followers were wondering when He launched into one of his famous "Once Upon A Time" moments. It was a story about a man who needed something badly and his only option was to go to a friend in the middle of the night. He wasn't sure what the answer would be, but he had no other options. And through his story we may just find the courage to pray and keep praying even when it's silent.  
(reprinted from the Rethink Orange curriculum)

**OUTLET**

**Wednesday, 3:30 p.m. in the youth room**  
Role Playing – Our verse for the day 1 John 4:12

**Confirmation March 29<sup>th</sup>,**

**9 a.m. - 2 p.m.; Leave the church at 7:50 a.m.**  
Brightmoor Aldersgate United Methodist Church has invited us to join them on Saturday March 28<sup>th</sup> for worship at 9 a.m. We then work in the kitchen to prepare lunch for 50 students from the University of Michigan. Lunch will be provided for us as well. Following lunch, we will clean the nearby street to make the walk to school safe for children!

Join the Confirmands as we complete the journey and deliver the Books to Brightmoor!  
**EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**

**Books accepted until 3/22!**



**Seniors**

Please send your senior picture (for the graduation poster) to me as soon as possible. We can fill in the blanks later. Thanks!

**Join us for March Madness**

Prizes awarded for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and Last place. No sports knowledge necessary, just a willingness to have a little fun. Turn in your brackets by Wednesday via email or the youth room. [http://www.ncaa.com/march-madness/bleacher-report-bracket?xid=br\\_article\\_links](http://www.ncaa.com/march-madness/bleacher-report-bracket?xid=br_article_links)



I would like to extend a special note of gratitude to Janet Kuras who has agreed to be our Youth Representative to the Food Ministry Council.

**\*SAVE THE DATES:\***

**April 18<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup>**

**30 Hour Famine**

For more information, contact Tom Lewis at [tom@outdrs.net](mailto:tom@outdrs.net)

**Middle School Summer Mission Trip**

**June 21<sup>st</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup>**

"Give me a word that comes to mind when you hear the word DETROIT" "Rebuilding. Rundown. Alleys. River. Debt. History." "Give me a word that describes the people of Detroit." "African American. Different (fun). Poverty. Important. Hard Working. Nice. For being homeless, they are very thankful. The media is wrong."

Middle School responses following a week with the people of Cass Community Social Services in Detroit, Summer 2014.

**High School Summer Mission Trip**

**July 19<sup>th</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup>**

\*The place of greatest growth is in urban areas. If the church is to be relevant to the next generation, we need to be active in the cities. \*A state's infrastructure is dependent upon the health of its urban areas.\*" "An affluent group of teenagers arrived on their tour bus. They stepped out of the bus and immediately began to cry. They returned to the bus and drove home. This is where I was raised and I'm proud of my city." - Tayshon

Love one another. We're headed to Cass Community Social Services for the week. If you can only come for one or two days, you are still welcome to join us and make a difference.

In the evenings, we'll head to Belle Isle, the River Walk, Tiger stadium (if you vote to do so), attend a warehouse service next to the Green Gym, and dine out in downtown Detroit.

During the day, we're the Justice League.



**COMMUNITY BREAKFAST**

**April 11, 2015**

**Because you serve,  
all are fed.**



**March Guests – 301**

**Paper Products Distributed – 42**

Judy P, Maxine, Judy B, Debbie N, Harry, Ed, Linda, Tom Dr, Tom D, Jules, Ruth, Cheryl, Hailey, Charma, Linda M, Bob, Cole, Hunter, Madison, Michelle, Dayle, Pat E., Ruth J, Boyd, Arlene, Mark, Dorothy, Girl Scout Troop 40303, Tom Mc, Dan, Rachel, Kate, John, Elaine, Chris, Bev, Patrick, Marjorie, Deb K, Dave, Kyle, Kelsey, Trey, Mackenzie, Todd, Eileen, Deb D, Shirley, Sandy, and Kara:

Thank you for donating toilet paper, paper towels, and facial tissue. Thank you for wrapping silverware. Thank you for cooking, serving, and demonstrating extravagant hospitality. Thank you to Mark, Boy Scout troop #425, Connor B, Connor P, Brennan, Ben, Colby, Ethan, Max, Kerry, Teresa, for their exceptional service in cleaning Grams Hall and resetting the sanctuary.

**IN NEED OF THESE PANTRY ITEMS:**

**OUT OF:** Juice            Coffee/Tea        Hash  
**LOW ON:** Syrup            Sugar                Oranges  
Peaches    Beef Soup        Gravy                Broth

**DONATIONS ACCEPTED:**  
Canned Pasta    Tomato Sauce    Cooking Oil  
Soup Beans-Kidney, Pinto, etc.



**Thank you  
for participating in the  
Kroger Community  
Reward program.**



All participants must re-enroll in the month of April to earn funds for Missions during May 2015-April 2016. Again, thank you for supporting the Mission Ministry of CFUMC while you shop.

On the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month, trained volunteers travel to the Detention Center in Monroe to fellowship and pray with the men who reside there from 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. There is no obligation to visit twice a month, simply the invitation to afford dignity and respect to your neighbor.



**WHAT:** A ROYAL BABY SHOWER  
**WHEN :** Sunday March 29, 2015 1-3 p.m.  
**WHERE:** Metropolitan UMC  
8000 Woodward, Detroit, MI

**WHY:** All NEW unwrapped gifts received will benefit infants of homeless parents at Cass Community Social Services in Detroit. Types of gifts requested: Infant clothing 0-12 mos., Diapers, Wipes, Bottles, Bibs, Blankets, Burp Cloths, Small Toys, Diaper Bags. Rev. Faith Fowler, who is passionate on behalf of all God's children will be the featured speaker. All ages welcome.

Wear your most elegant hat to complete your outfit. You are never too old to dress up and never too young to make a difference.



**ALPHA HOUSE**

**March 30 - April 3, 2015**

This is an exceptional opportunity to serve in a nearby shelter for those experiencing homelessness. Bring a friend and sign on to an experience that will fill your heart. Slots are still open to spend time with children in the play room following the evening meal as well as slots to spend the night in your own room.

Sign Up sheet in Grams Hall. Questions?  
See Bev Dronen or Jeanne Franks

Openings Still Available  
Play with Children Downstairs for 1.25 hr.  
(volunteer must 15 yrs & older)  
Mon. Wed. & Friday 6:45 – 8 p.m.

Overnight Stay  
You sleep in your own room & are available if needed in case of emergency.  
Wednesday Thursday Friday  
8:30 p.m. – 7 a.m.

View the church calendar at <http://www.chelseaumc.org/calendar/index.html>

**Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>**

8:30 a.m. Praise Bells Rehearsal  
9:00 a.m. Worship  
9:15 a.m. BLAST Music and Classes - Preschool - 5<sup>th</sup> grade  
10:00 a.m. XP3 Food Fest, Coffee Hour  
10:30 a.m. XP3 6<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Small Groups  
11:00 a.m. Worship  
11:15 a.m. Disciple Discovery Pre-K - 5<sup>th</sup> Grades  
12:15 p.m. Rezound Handbells Rehearsal  
4:00 p.m. Marriage Class, Random Ringers, Accidentals Rehearsal  
5:00 p.m. Lenten Study Group

**Monday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>**

6:30 p.m. Disciple IV

**Tuesday, March 24<sup>th</sup>**

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting  
7:00 p.m. Pictorial Directory Meeting

**Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup>**

3:30 p.m. Middle School Outlet  
6:00 p.m. Share & Study  
7:00 p.m. Mission Team Meeting  
7:30 p.m. CFUMC Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday, March 26<sup>th</sup>**

6:15 p.m. Jubilee Ringers Rehearsal  
7:30 p.m. Finance Committee

**Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup>**

8:15 a.m. Praise Bells & Random Ringers Warm Up  
9:00 a.m. Palm Sunday Worship  
9:15 a.m. BLAST Music and Classes - Preschool - 5<sup>th</sup> grade  
10:00 a.m. XP3 Food Fest, Coffee Hour  
10:30 a.m. XP3 6<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Small Groups  
11:00 a.m. Palm Sunday Worship  
11:15 a.m. Disciple Discovery Pre-K - 5<sup>th</sup> Grades  
12:15 p.m. Rezound Handbells Rehearsal  
4:00 p.m. The Accidentals Rehearsal, Random Ringers, Marriage Class  
5:00 p.m. Lenten Study Group

**Monday, March 30<sup>th</sup>**

6:30 p.m. Disciple IV

**Tuesday, March 31<sup>st</sup>**

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting

**Wednesday, April 1<sup>st</sup>**

3:30 p.m. Middle School Outlet  
6:00 p.m. Share & Study  
7:00 p.m. MOPS Steering Team Meeting  
7:30 p.m. CFUMC Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>**

7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Worship

**Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>**

12:15 p.m. Community Good Friday Worship at the Congregational Church

2:00 p.m. Good Friday Prayer Vigil starts

**Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup>**

10:00 a.m. Good Friday Prayer Vigil ends

**Volunteers Serving March 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Greeters:

8:30 a.m. Biff & Suzie Weber, Judy Park  
10:30 a.m. John Seto, Liza & Alyssa Gray

Ushers:

8:30 a.m. Todd Hubbard, Tim Sweeny, Kerry Franks  
10:30 a.m. Mark Peterson, Debbie Kennedy, Larry Martin

Acolyte:

8:45 a.m. Isaac & Fiona Stoker

Nursery Workers:

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

**Volunteers Serving March 29<sup>th</sup>**

Greeters:

8:30 a.m. Janet & Jim Alford  
10:30 a.m. Aaron & Dorothy Craft

Ushers:

8:30 a.m. Tom Lewis  
10:30 a.m. Karen, John, Katie & Ryan Easley

Acolytes

8:45 a.m. Colin Ledbetter, Sean Little

Nursery Workers:

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

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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>