The Path Finder

Finding your way to acts of purpose and faith

Chelsea First United Methodist Church

128 Park Street, Chelsea, MI 48118

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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

* Harry & Lois Gibson following the death of Harry's sister *

* Jane & Tim Newbound following the death of Jane's Mother,
Pat Hamblin * Remembrance of Scott Sumner &
Matthew Tuttle (9th anniversary of their deaths) *

Prayers for healing for:

* Carol Brock * Sue Comstock * John Boote *
 * Alyssa Gray * Tom Davis' friend, Mark *

Prayers for support for:

* Johnson Francois in the Dominican Republic *

* Jim & Charlotte Simmons * John & Anna Boote *

* Colleen Thompson * Carol & Bob Benedict and their entire family * Participants in the 30-hour famine *

* Valisa's friend, Deanna * All caregivers *

* Law Enforcement Officers *

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.

A sincere and heartfelt THANK YOU

To everyone who volunteered or said "Yes" when asked to be a Prayer Partner. The 21 youth and 8 adults who participated in the Accidentals and Company Alternative Spring Break Trip to Toronto as well as the 27 youth who participated in The 30 Hour Famine so appreciated the prayer support.

There is just something about knowing someone is intentionally praying for you that offers a sense of joy, encouragement, peace, and blessing.

As the school year begins to wind down and summer approaches, there will be opportunity for you to be a Prayer Partner on several occasions. There will be mission trips and summer camp experiences. It is the goal for each youth and adult to have a Prayer Partner for these opportunities.

Perhaps you are unfamiliar with what a Prayer Partner does. Basically you are given the name of someone to pray for along with pertinent details, such as where the person is going, when they leave and return, and maybe some specific prayer requests. The Prayer Partner will then pray intentionally for that person. It is a way to be supportive and encouraging, especially to the youth of our church family. Blessings abound, both for the person being prayed for as well as for the person doing the praying!

If you would like to volunteer to be a Prayer Partner for an upcoming event or have questions about how things work, please contact Debbie Noye (debnoye10@gmail.com or 475-1096). Thank you!

Give the gift of life and give blood

The Red Cross Blood Drive is May 7th from 7 a.m. until 6:45 p.m. here at CFUMC. You can call Carol Brock at 475-9898. Walk in' are welcome.

Dates to Remember/Announcements

ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS AND FRIENDS 65 +

The Senior Citizens' discussion meeting will take place this Tuesday, April 21st at 1:30 in Grams Hall. Please come for some fellowship and conversation, interesting discussion and a chance to meet new friends as well as relate to long-time friends as well. We will conclude about 3:00 p.m.

Light refreshments will be served.

Personal Perspectives on Sexuality: I Love You No Matter What

Open Minds/Reconciling Hearts is hosting a gathering on Sunday, April 26th from 3:00 - 4:30 pm.

We would like to provide a place for sharing personal experiences with a family member or friend coming out as gay, lesbian, bisexual, or transgender.

This is a time for 'telling our stories' in a safe environment. We'll be meeting in Grams Hall.

All are welcome to come and hear or share their own personal stories.

MEDICAL HELP NEEDED THIS SUMMER AT CAMP KINAWIND

Camp Kinawind, a rustic United Methodist Camp located near Boyne City (MI), is in need of volunteer Health Officers for three camps this summer. RNs, PAs, MDs and DOs are needed. This is a great way to share your skills, to meet some amazing young people, and to connect with God and others in a relaxing, Christian atmosphere. Below are the three weeks and an indication of their level of work.

June 20th - 27th: Very light duty

July 12th - 18th: Normal week

July 19th - 25th: Normal week

You can find out more information by contacting the Director of Camp Kinawind,

Fred Elmore at <u>campkinawind@gmail.com</u>.

LETTER OF GRATITUDE FROM ST. FELIX CENTRE:

The whole group was a tremendous help to us here. If your group had not come to us for the time that they did one sole person would have had to do all the work that they completed throughout their entire stay.



They made our centre a buzz with excitement about the work that they were doing especially in the kitchen and they all did it with smiles on their face.

I personally gained a family to visit in Chelsea Michigan if I ever visit. (Jiffy biscuit mix..Yum)

They went above what was expected of them and it made us all appreciate the work that we do so much more because we saw it through their eyes.

Also the surprise of not only volunteering of their time but to then present us with a monetary donation was incredibly thoughtful and unexpected. Anytime you have a group that wants to come and volunteer with us we would definitely accommodate them even if we had to move mountains to do so.

On another note if it is at all possible if I could get you to ask any of the youth or adults to write about their experience in the kitchen or their experience in general and send it to me it would be greatly appreciated as we are always trying to improve our group experience.

Working with you to arrange this experience was very easy and a pleasure. Please feel free to contact me at anytime for anything. If I can help in any way I will.

Thank you so much! You have truly sent a blessed group our way and for that I am truly indebted to you.

Sincerely,
Julie Springer, Manager of Volunteers

Learning/Serving

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 to be added to the list.

K-5th Grade BLAST

April BLAST Virtue - Peace: Proving you care more about each other than about 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, NIrv

Summer Camp Opportunities!

There are summer camp brochures located in Grams hall with some amazing summer camp opportunities. If you would like to attend camp and finances are an issue, the church does have partial scholarships available.

Contact Courtney with any questions.

3 - 5th Grade Summer Mission trip to Brightmoor July 24th -25th (Fri.- Sat.) -- Save the Date!!

BLAST students exiting 3 - 5th grade are invited to come to the summer mission trip to the Brightmoor neighborhood in Detroit. Activities may include boarding up houses, cleaning lots, preparing food, working in the free store, working in the garden, etc. One parent must attend with each child.

Older siblings are welcome. More details about signing up will be coming later.

Sunday, May 5th: May Day BLAST Kindness Event. From noon - 2 p.m., we'll enjoy decorating, filling and delivering Kindness baskets, surprising seniors from our congregation around town!

Sunday, May 17th: is our last day of BLAST celebration! Plan on coming for our last BLAST of the school year as we celebrate with special snacks and games and show our leaders our appreciation!

June 11th: 6:15 - 7:30 p.m. Summer Craft & Stories at CRC. Come have fun spending time with residents of Chelsea Retirement Community sharing stories and making crafts.

Stephen Ministry Opportunities



Caring Relationship for the Love of Christ

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

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 or 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 or 475-8119 x12 for a copy.

Learning/Serving

Youth Ministries

If you have questions about youth ministries, contact Jeanne Franks at jranks@chelseaumc.org



April 19th

10:30 a.m.
in the youth
room
XP3
Now What?

April 22nd

3:30 p.m. in the youth room Outlet - Matthew 14:14-21

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY - MAY 3rd

Heidi Doyle has graciously created a sign up genius for Confirmation Sunday. All we ask for is a servant's heart and a fancy cake. Thank you for your contribution as we celebrate a very special moment in time for the confirmands.

http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0848AEA6238confirmation/



And the Winners......
will be announced this
coming Sunday.
Stay tuned.

Do you have a plastic mat from the game TWISTER that you would be willing to share? If so, drop it off in the Youth Room with your name written on the back in permanent marker or bring it to my office.

Thank you so much!



SAVE THE DATES:

Middle School Summer Mission Trip June 21st - 26th

"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 19th - 24th

*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.



Seniors

Please send your senior picture (for the graduation poster) to me as soon as possible.

We can fill in the blanks later. Thanks!

Mission Ministry Updates



COMMUNITY BREAKFAST

May 9, 2015

Because you serve, all are fed.

April Guests – 280

Guests who received Paper

Products – 40

Thanks to those of you who donate toilet paper, paper towels, and facial tissue. Thanks to those of you who wrapped silverware, cooked, served, and welcomed all who walked through the door.

Thank you: Connor Z, Lou Ann, Tavi, Massimo, Troop 455, Barbara, Lois, Harry, Lisa, Tim N, Dan, Evan, Todd, Jane, Charma, Linda, Rob, Joy, Tom Dr, Tom D, Ruth N, Ruth J, Ed, Virginia, John, Steve, Bob, Sue, Tim, Bev, Patrick S, Marjorie, Paul, Joanne, Judy F, Judy P, Maxine, Judy B, Debbie N, Art, Mary Ann, Chris V, Valisa, Raelynn, Harlee, Gene, Kay, Theresa, Kerry, Regan, Caley, Joanne, Vaughn, Janet, Alberta, Diane and Logan. Thank you to those who cleaned Grams Hall and reset the sanctuary.

Thank you all so very much for your extravagant hospitality.

"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink... whatever you did for one of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." Mt 25:35,40

IN NEED OF THESE PANTRY ITEMS: OUT OF:

Juice Coffee/Tea Hash Sugar Oranges Mayo Syrup Kidney Beans for soup

Tomato Sauce Ketchup Beans in Chili Sauce

Cooking Oil Tomato Paste

DONATIONS ACCEPTED:

Peaches Beef Soup Canned Pasta Gravy/Broth Soup beans - pinto, etc



Alpha House

You sacrificed a most precious commodity, your time, in order to extend compassion toward those experiencing homelessness. Thank you to those of you who created and



served meals, played with the children, and stayed overnight:
Wally & Melanie Hopp, Bev Dronen, Harry & Lois Gibson, Boyd
& Arlene Wiltse, Ruth Nelson, Chris Varner, CFUMC Disciple IV
Class, Jen Morr, Rachel Krugh, Liza Gray &
Girl Scout Troop 41807, Elizabeth Hammer,
& Virginia McIntosh.

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You are invited to the United Methodist Women's

Spring Tea

Saturday, May 2nd at 10 a.m.
North Lake UMC
14111 North Territorial Road, Chelsea, MI
Our mission recipient is Cass Community Social Services

Please bring an item to donate:
Gift List for Cass: Laundry Detergent, Shampoo, Tissues,
Bath Soap, Toothpaste, Toothbrush, Feminine Products,
Toilet Paper, Kids Clothes Sizes – 2T, 3T, 4T

Please R.S.V.P to Jo Page 734-355-3391 by April 20th

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.



Sunday, April 19th

8:00 a.m. Children's Ministry Mission Team Meeting

8:30 a.m. Praise Bells Rehearsal

9:00 a.m. Worship

9:15 a.m. BLAST Music and Classes - Preschool - 5th grade

10:00 a.m. XP3 Food Fest, Coffee Hour 10:30 a.m. XP3 6th - 12th Grade Small Groups,

Jubilee Ringers Warm-Up

11:00 a.m. Worship

11:15 a.m. Disciple Discovery Pre-K - 5th Grades

12:15 p.m. Rezound Handbells Rehearsal

4:00 p.m. The Accidentals, Random Ringers, Marriage Class

Monday, April 20th

6:30 p.m. Disciple IV

Tuesday, April 21st

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting 6:30 p.m. Ad Council

Wednesday, April 22nd

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, April 23rd

6:15 p.m. Finance Committee

Sunday, April 26th

9:00 a.m. Worship

9:15 a.m. BLAST Music and Classes - Preschool - 5th grade

10:00 a.m. XP3 Food Fest, Coffee Hour

10:30 a.m. XP3 6th - 12th Grade Small Groups

11:00 a.m. Worship

11:15 a.m. Disciple Discovery Pre-K - 5th Grades

4:00 p.m. The Accidentals, Random Ringers, Marriage Class

Monday, April 27th

6:30 p.m. Disciple IV

Tuesday, April 28th

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting

6:30 p.m. Staff Parish Relations Committee

Wednesday, April 29th

3:30 p.m. Middle School Outlet

6:00 p.m. Share & Study

7:30 p.m. CFUMC Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, April 30th

6:15 p.m. Jubilee Ringers

Friday, May 1st

9:00 a.m. MOPS Meeting

Volunteers Serving April 19th

Greeters:

8:30 a.m. Linda Meloche, Arlene Wiltse, Ann Brill

10:30 a.m. John & Ellen Aldighieri & Mackenzie Benning

<u>Ushers:</u>

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

10:30 a.m. Debbie Kennedy

Acolytes:

8:45 a.m. Isaac Stoker & Fiona Stoker

Nursery Workers:

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

Volunteers Serving April 26th

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

Acolytes

8:45 a.m. Peter Mourad, Natalie Morr

Nursery Workers:

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

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