

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

January 3, 2016

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 for Comfort:

* Family and friends of Lynda Collins *

* Family and friends of Bill Sharpe (Joe Krugh grandfather) *

Prayers for Healing for:

* Sipiwe from Malawi * Friend of Maxine Hardy *

* Ann Kraft * Kennedy Aldrich * Casey Wooster *

*Len Niehoff * Pat Martin *

Prayers for Support for:

* Johnson Francois in the Dominican Republic *

* Paul & Joanne Weber * Hertha Laupmanis *

* Refugees around the world * Deb Kennedy as she moves to New Mexico * Rod Craig's brother who is in prison *

* Family members (several) of Valisa Bristle facing difficult situations *

Worship Workshop

The Worship Team of Brighton First UMC invites area churches to a worship workshop on Saturday, February 6th, from 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Rev. Cathy Townley is the leader for the day. The theme is "increasing your church's impact through worship."

The worship team at Brighton First has hired Rev. Cathy Townley as a worship consultant; with her coaching they believe they are improving the quality of their worship experiences. You may learn more about Rev. Townley at townleycoaching.com.

I invite you to consider this opportunity. If you are interested in attending, have questions, or would like more information, please speak with Pastor Joy.



Sanctuary Celebration Day Sunday, January 24th, 2016

Come and celebrate our return to our renovated worship space at our 9 a.m. or 11 a.m. worship services!

Organ Dedication Concert:

will be from 4 - 5 p.m. with

Dr. Melissa Plamann & CFUMC Friends

Max Plank, Cynthia Standefer, Brian Brill, Kyle Webber

Reception to follow! Child Care Available

Lance Luce, Theater Organist

Sunday, February 21st: 4 - 5 p.m.

Southpaw Isle: Steel Drum Band

Friday, March 4th: 7 p.m.

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.

Announcements

Dinner for Eight (or 7 or 9)

Dinner for Eight is a delightful way for the adult members of our congregation to spend time in Christian fellowship with those we haven't yet had the pleasure of meeting and those we already know, but would like to spend more time getting to know better. It has been an excellent way for newer members of our congregation to get to know people in the church.

Here's how it works: All who are interested sign up in Grams Hall - couples and singles.

Groups of eight are formed - sometimes 4 couples, sometimes 3 couples and 2 or 3 singles - you get the picture. Each group meets for dinner once a month for four months, in the homes of the members of the group.

The host couple provides the entrée and beverages, while the others provide an appetizer, salad or dessert. What we end up with is a delicious dinner and interesting, lively conversation.

If you have questions, please contact Linda Logan at 433-9157 or e-mail at dllogan@charter.net.

This round of Dinner for Eight will include the months of February, March, April and May
Sign up in Grams Hall by January 20, 2016

Training for Kitchen Workers!

Do you work at one of the many church food events? Wondering if you're doing things the best way to keep food safe or use the equipment properly? Then reserve your space at the Serv Safe Food Handler Class on Saturday, Feb 6th, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. in Grams Hall.

This Chelsea Community Kitchen class, taught by our own Judy Radant, gives you all you need to handle food properly and use our kitchen equipment safely. Contact the Food Ministry Council through Dayle Wright (dwright192900mi@comcast.net, 475-1563) to register or ask questions.

Signup sheet also available in church office.

NOTE: Those who attended previous training, but missed the equipment specific piece can sign up for the last hour.

Festival of Tables

Don't miss the fifth annual Chelsea Festival of Tables to be held at the Chelsea First United Methodist church, Grams Hall on Saturday, February 27, 2016.

This popular event features a delicious lunch catered by Wesley's Catering all served on creatively decorated tables. Tickets are \$20 which includes lunch and a chance to vote for your favorite table.

Tickets will be available beginning January 11, 2016 and should be purchased in advance from the Chelsea Senior Center. Call 475-9242 for more information.

CREATIVE PLAY 2016 "JOY-RIDING WITH JOHN"

There is room for more families to come join in the adventure during the winter months!
Creative Play is offered two mornings a week, Mon or Tue, from 9:30 to 11 a.m.

Each family comes one morning a week to enjoy free play and creative "craft" activities, a Bible story told during snack time, a time of songs and active learning through simple skits or games, and we close with a quiet song and prayer. Weekly handouts include the words to the finger plays and songs and ideas for how the scripture passage can support Christian parenting.

If you would like to take part with your child or grandchild, call Darlene Schaffer at 475-9468 (h) or 734 730 4808 (c) to sign up. On line registration: www.chelseaumc.org

There is no charge for the program.

Anyone in the community is welcome. The parent or grandparent must attend with the child. Come join the fun!

*We meet in the Pre-school room at
Chelsea First United Methodist Church
128 Park Street, Chelsea, MI*

Announcements

Building Committee

We invite you to pick up one or a basket full of stones as keepsakes from the renovation/additions to your rock garden, etc. They are fragments of stones removed to widen the entrance into the sanctuary (formerly the exterior wall of the original 1899 building).

Altar Flower sign up for 2016

You can find the flower sign up in Grams Hall on the bulletin board. Please fill out a form and write your name on the sign up if you wish to furnish flowers for a certain Sunday in 2016.

Forms can be left at the sign up or put in Liza Gray's mail box by the LL Conf. Room.

You order the flowers from a local flower shop and they deliver them by noon on Friday to the office.

Or you can bring in your own arrangement. If you have any questions contact Liza Gray.

2016 Offering Envelopes will be available for pick up in Grams Hall.

Might You Have??

I am looking for a used hearing aid - one that someone doesn't need any longer. It can be for either ear, and in the ear or behind the ear, it is for Paul Weber.

Call 475-2741

if you have one that you feel you can part with.
Thank You! Joanne

Thank You!

Thank you to each one who participated in the Christmas Eve services: greeters, ushers, readers, sound system operators, singers, ringers, and all musicians, presenters of the crèche pieces, for those who realized a need and stepped in to help, and to all who were present. What a magnificent and holy time it was! Thank you for giving of yourself for the glory of God.

Material Girls give \$5000 to Faith-in-Action

Members of Material Girls hosted the 6th annual Children's Christmas Bazaar December 5th. A check for \$5000, the profits from the bazaar, was given to Julie Ripberger at a meeting of the Leadership Team. The group expressed their appreciation for the many ways Faith in Action serves families in Chelsea and gave them the check to help support programming in 2016.

The Material Girls, a 96-member organization, meets at Chelsea First United Methodist Church from February through November, on the second Tuesday of the month. Between noon and 2:30 p.m., members make the gifts that more than 350 children will purchase at the next bazaar.

This year, members made 5000 gifts, which they sold at four bazaars. The seven hundred gifts that were left over will be taken to Cass Community Social Services in Detroit for their Christmas Store.

At the same time the gifts are delivered, 200 pairs of hand-made, felted wool mittens will be delivered for the homeless in the neighborhoods of both Cass Community Social Services and the Brightmoor Campus.

The mittens were made by the Material Girls and our 6th through 12th graders and Youth Director, Jeanne Franks.

For more information about Material Girls, contact Barbara Brown
barbaraabrown@comcast.net

Children/Youth 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.

Our Virtue and Verse for January

Self-control: Choosing to do what you should do even when it is not what you want to do.

"A person without self control is like a city whose walls are broken through": Proverbs 25:28 NIV

Mark your 2016 calendar for some more Parent Education Opportunities this year!



January 31, 2016, 3:00 p.m.,
Chelsea First United Methodist Church
CSD Athletic Director Brad Bush,
"Youth and Sports . . . Striking a Balance"

February 28, 2016, 3:00 p.m.,
Chelsea District Library
CSD Band Director Rick Catherman and Music Together
Specialist Tara Vesprini, "Music and your child's mind"

Youth Ministries

Wednesday

3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
See you on January 6, 2016.



Sunday January 3rd

Middle School XP3 - Will remain in the sanctuary with your parents for the BLAST service.



High School XP3
10:30 - 11:30 a.m. - Room 216



Confirmation: Confirmands only
11:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. Room 216

SPRINGHILL WINTER YOUTH RETREAT



<https://register.springhillcamps.com/Registration/RequestCode/257203>

<https://www.springhillcamps.com/experiences/youth-retreats/winter-teen-retreats>

WHAT: SPRINGHILL WINTER YOUTH RETREAT
WHEN: FEBRUARY 12-14, 2016
WHERE: SPRINGHILL CAMP EVART, MICHIGAN

ONLY TWENTY SPACES AVAILABLE - There is now a wait list as many other youth from Michigan will be in attendance.

Speaker: Jeffery Dean

Jeffrey is a Christian teen speaker, ordained Pastor, Counselor, and Author. Jeffrey has since spoken to more than 3 million throughout our nation's churches, conferences, prisons, and public schools since 1993. Band: Alive City - is a worship movement that comes out of a local church in the Detroit area.

A whole different level of fun — outdoors & indoors
5-Lane Tubing Hill with guaranteed snow!
5-lane tubing hill with more than 100 tubes, and a Magic Carpet so you don't have to walk up the hill. We have 4 commercial snow makers and a grooming machine to keep the hill in tip-top shape. Annual Broomball Tournament
A winter weekend at SpringHill would not be the same without the tradition of Broomball. We have created the bracket; you just show up with the best strategy to win, make memories and have a blast. And so much more...
Here are some of the highlights of the activities available to your group.

- 30 sets of cross country skis
- 7 ice rinks & equipment
- 50 horses for trail rides
- 160-capacity indoor pool with 2 waterslides
- Indoor high ropes course with 20 elements
- 2 paintball courses with all the equipment
 - 1000-foot zipline
 - Cafe

Mission Ministries



Cass Community Angel Tree Delivery

Thank you to everyone who participated in the glue and glitter of the Angel Tags, the purchase of the gifts for children and teens; and the purchase of pretzels made by the confirmands which raised over \$500.00 for Subway, McDonalds, CVS, and AMC gift cards for the teens at Cass. Rev. Faith Fowler was deeply appreciative and raised her arms high shouting, "Chelsea!" as she walked toward the group to greet and answer questions.

On Monday, as each parent shopped with a cart in the Cass Christmas store, the gratitude was palpable. One young mother found a matching hat and mittens for her child's coat and the joy overflowed. "This is going to be a good Christmas"

Thank you for the ways in which your hearts demonstrate time and time again how ordinary people live differently because of the love of Jesus Christ.

On behalf of the Mission team, thank you for supporting the mission ministries of CFUMC through the purchase of the Terri Lynn products.



JFON is a faith based ministry, welcoming immigrants into our churches and communities by providing free, high-quality immigration legal services, education, and advocacy.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y0FmIIUXR9A&feature=youtu.be>

Interested in learning a bit more about Justice For Our Neighbors?



Community Breakfast!

Invite a friend to serve alongside you in the kitchen or dining room so that they may then pass on the blessing to another.

January 9, 2016

When you sacrifice your time for those you claim to love, you ultimately demonstrate that you do.

By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. 1 John 3:16

Rob L, Dayle W, Norm C, Mike S, Ruth N, Max P, Tim N, Lois G, Harry G, Evan S, John C, Mack R, Mark S, Teresa S, Mackenzie B, Bev D, Chris V, Tom D, Tom Dr, Pat E, Jane N, Patrick S, Marjorie S, Art S, Jeanne A, Mary Ann M, Lisa GL, Ms. Virginia, Elaine A, Jan D, Ellen A, Steve F, Kerry, Theresa, Regan & Caley P, Arlene W, Ed A, Amanda R, Mary Beth L, Stephanie D, Kathryn H, Katelyn H, Valisa B, & all of the MOPS and volunteers who are not listed but also offered your hearts in service.

Thank you to those who drive to Chicago to pick up low cost paper products for our guests. Thank you to all who make this meal possible from beginning to end.

Beyond the numbers of meals served, lives that know the love of Christ because of people living differently.



FAITH IN ACTION PANTRY NEEDS:

Canned Meat (tuna, chicken, ham)
Mandarin Oranges Canned Peaches Chunky Style Soup
Canned Stews

Sunday, January 3rd

- 8:30 a.m. Praise Bells Rehearsal
- 9:00 a.m. BLAST Worship
- 10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour
- 10:30 a.m. High School XP3 Classes
- 11:00 a.m. Worship
- 11:15 a.m. Disciple Discovery Pre-K - 5th grades
- 11:45 a.m. Confirmation Meeting
- 12:00 p.m. Rezound Handbells Rehearsal
- 4:00 p.m. Random Ringers Rehearsal, The Accidentals Rehearsal

Monday, January 4th

- 9:30 a.m. Creative Play
- 6:30 p.m. Covenant Bible Study Group

Tuesday, January 5th

- 9:30 a.m. Creative Play, Staff Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Trustees Meeting, MOPS Steering Team Meeting

Wednesday, January 6th

- 3:15 p.m. Middle School Outlet
- 5:30 p.m. ParentConnect/KidConnect
- 6:00 p.m. Share & Study
- 7:30 p.m. CFUMC Choir

Thursday, January 7th

- 1:00 p.m. Covenant Bible Study Group
- 6:15 p.m. Jubilee Ringers
- 6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry
- 7:30 p.m. Open Minds Reconciling Hearts

Friday, January 8th

- 8:00 a.m. MOPS Meeting
- 6:00 p.m. Chelsea Girl Scout Lock In
- 7:00 p.m. Community Breakfast Set Up

Saturday, January 9th

- 8:00 a.m. Free Community Breakfast and Paper Product Distribution

Sunday, January 10th

- 8:30 a.m. Praise Bells Rehearsal, CFUMC Choir Warm Up
- 9:00 a.m. Worship
- 9:15 a.m. BLAST Music & Classes preschool - 5th grade
Middle School XP3
- 10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour
- 10:30 a.m. High School XP3 Classes
- 11:00 a.m. Worship
- 11:15 a.m. Disciple Discovery Pre-K - 5th grades
- 12:00 p.m. Rezound Handbells Rehearsal
- 4:00 p.m. Random Ringers Rehearsal, The Accidentals Rehearsal

Monday, January 11th

- 9:30 a.m. Creative Play
- 6:30 p.m. Covenant Bible Study Group

Tuesday, January 12th

- 8:00 a.m. Material Girls Retreat
- 9:30 a.m. Creative Play, Staff Meeting

Wednesday, January 13th

- 8:00 a.m. Material Girls Retreat
- 3:15 p.m. Middle School Outlet
- 6:00 p.m. Share & Study
- 7:30 p.m. CFUMC Choir

Thursday, January 14th

- 8:00 a.m. Material Girls Retreat
- 1:00 p.m. Covenant Bible Study Group
- 6:15 p.m. Jubilee Ringers

Saturday, January 15th

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

Volunteers Serving January 3rd

Greeters:

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

Ushers:

- 8:30 a.m. Liza & Alyssa Gray, Harry Gibson
- 10:30 a.m. Charles & Sandy Schmunk,
Laurie Schiller, Phil Radant

Nursery Workers:

- 8:15 a.m. and 9:45 a.m. Katie Seto, Lori Campbell

Coffee Hour Host: Allison Vanderspool,

Joy Hay, Barbara Brown

Coffee Hour Bakers: Charma Dick, Linda Detterman,
Heidi Doyle, Dawn Putnam, Lois Gibson

Volunteers Serving January 10th

Greeters:

- 8:30 a.m. Linda Logan, LuAnn & Loren Heller
- 10:30 a.m. Lois & Dick Willis, Julie & Dennis Deppner

Ushers:

- 8:30 a.m. Bill, Brendan & Kyle Doyle, John Cugliari
- 10:30 a.m.

Acolyte: Natalie Morr, Kate Krugh

Nursery Workers:

- 8:15 a.m. and 9:45 a.m. Katie Seto, Lori Campbell

Coffee Hour Host: Sandy Schmunk, Mackenzie Pfeiffer,
Janet Kuras, Phyllis Tillman

Coffee Hour Bakers: Kathy Carter, Mackenzie Pfeiffer,
Linda Logan, Kasie Cousino, Dorothy Craft

Stephen Ministry Opportunities



**Caring Relationship
for the Love of Christ**

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

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