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
April 17, 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:
* Bob Couch on the loss of his daughter *
* Family and friends of Robert Reed *

Prayers for Healing for:
* Maryann Myers’ daughter-in-law * Roberta Anderson *
* Charles Schmunk * Biff Weber * Warren McArthur *
* David Church * Dianne Kelley *

Prayers for Support for:
* Johnson Francois in the Dominican Republic *

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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.

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Stephen Ministry Opportunities

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Caring Relationship for the Love of Christ
Contact: Pam Mansfield 475-7548, Norm Colbry 475-7321

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Joel Raney, Piano & Jane Holstein, Organ
April 24, 2016 . 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

This is a FREE Community Concert!
Everyone is Welcome!

The Spiritual Life Committee of the Chelsea Retirement Community Resident Council invites you to participate in a Community Prayer Service, Friday, May 6th, at the CRC chapel.

A time of gathering and refreshments will begin at 10:00 a.m. and the prayer service will begin at 10:30 a.m. If work or other responsibilities prohibit you from being present in person, you are invited to simply pause wherever you are for a few moments of silence and prayer that morning.

The intent it is offer intercessory prayer on behalf of our community and for all who are suffering. For more information, please contact Rev. Cathy Rafferty at the Chelsea Retirement Community, crafferty@umrc.com.
Calling all current 2nd graders: Come and "Try" Praise Bells!

All current 2nd graders are invited to come and "try" Praise Bells, to see if it's something they might want to do in 3rd grade! We will have 4 rehearsals and then play in worship on June 12th at 10 a.m.

All current youth ringers in Praise Bells, Random Ringers or Accidentals are invited to come ring and assist with this group as leaders.

We will rehearse at the following times.

Sundays:
- May 15th 8:30-8:55
- May 22nd 8:30-8:55
- May 29th (OFF, Memorial)
- June 5 9:30-9:55
- June 12th 9:30-9:55, 10am Play in Worship

If your 2nd grader or current ringer is interested in ringing, or leading please email April Murphy (amurphy@chelseaumc.org)

The new 2015/16 Babysitting/Pet sitting/House sitting/Yard worker list is available! Contact Courtney for a copy.
Community Breakfast!
May 14, 2016
When you sacrifice your time for those you claim to love, you ultimately demonstrate that you do.
160 guests were served & 20 bags of paper products were distributed. 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.

FLINT WATER CRISIS:
UNITED METHODIST RESPONSE
Hello Friends,
We are in need of serious Volunteers on a regular basis:
Every Monday and Wednesday at 1 p.m. we have full semi-loads of water delivered and distributed at Calvary UMC, 2111 Flushing Rd., Flint, 48504.
Every Thursday around 11:30 p.m. we have 10 skids of water delivered and distributed at Asbury UMC 1653 Davison Rr., Flint, 48506
We need volunteers to help. Please give this your consideration.
Thanks, Peter Plum
Emergency Water Crisis Coordinator at The United Methodist Church - Crossroads District

You are invited to - CHANGE the WORLD 2016...
a Ginghamsburg missional church conference on April 21/22, 2016.
Changing the world seems like a BIG, seemingly IMPOSSIBLE job. Except . . . it's NOT.
So, how do you do it? ONE life at a time.
CHANGE the WORLD is designed to eliminate our big "buts," providing the tools, information and inspiration we need to change the world ONE life, ONE community or ONE special point on the globe at a time - regardless of church size, location or budget.

FAITH IN ACTION PANTRY NEEDS:
Sugar    Juice    Mac & Cheese
Body Lotion    Children’s shampoo    Stewed Tomatoes
Boxed Pasta (not spaghetti)    Diced Tomatoes

Cass Community Social Services Mud Mats for Sale

Mud mats made from abandoned tires retrieved from the streets of Detroit are for sale in Grams Hall.

Small – 25.00
Medium – 35.00
Large – 45.00

To all of the Adult Prayer partners & the KidConnect Prayer buddies, to Deb Noye who gathered them in, to all of you who donated food and money and prayers of your own:
Thank you.

Thank you for affording us the opportunity to offer music ‘that speaks to the part of us that wants to be well.’ Thank you for the opportunity to offer the love of Jesus Christ to the broken and the hurting, the homeless, the abused, the traumatized and the marginalized that we might be one.

Thank you for supporting CCSS and the ministries of CFUMC.
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.

Spare pants needed for the nursery! If you have some 3T or 4T pants that your children have outgrown, we would love to have a couple of spares for the nursery. Just drop them off at Courtney’s office. Thanks!

Our Virtue and Verse for April

Perseverance
Refusing to give up when life gets hard.

"But those who trust in the Lord will receive new strength. They will fly as high as eagles. They will run and not get tired. They will walk and not grow weak."
Isaiah 40:31, NIrV

Get the conversation going with your child as each of you share the answer to this question: What is the hardest thing you’ve ever had to do? How did you get through it?

Newsflash! The 3-5th graders’ candle sales raised $589 to donate to Windwood Farms Home for Children in South Carolina. Way to go!

Pre-K - 2nd grade sleepover April 22nd - 23rd! Two ways to get involved -- Cookie Baking fun on April 17th and/or join us for the sleepover fun on the 22nd!
Okay Pre-K through 2nd graders -- It's your turn! Come join us for a sleepover at CRC! We will be playing games with the residents, having story time, a scavenger hunt and a photo booth. The sleepover will be done by 8:15 a.m. on Saturday morning, so you will make it to soccer or whatever your day's events may be!
We will also have a cookie baking day on April 17th at 2 p.m. in Grams Hall to make cookies to share with the residents when we visit!! If you cannot attend the sleepover, you are still welcome to bake cookies!

RSVP to Courtney by April 17th (this Sunday) if you will be attending the sleepover this year, and if you will be attending the cookie baking day. (At least one parent from each family must stay overnight for the sleepover as well)

Looking Ahead . . . May!
On the first of May, children from BLAST will meet after the second service to create "May Day" baskets and then deliver them residents of the Pines. This is a wonderful, feel good event that ushers in Spring and the joy that flowers and children can bring to others.
We look forward to serving with you and your children on May 1st!

On May 15th, we will be celebrating the end of the BLAST year with special food and appreciation for our leaders. Adults, please consider helping on this special day so our leaders "don't have to lift a finger".
Let Courtney know if you are available to help. More details to come . . .

Looking WAY ahead -- July!
As you map out your summer, current 3 - 5th grade families should mark their calendars for the summer mission trip to the Brightmoor neighborhood of Detroit. This weekend of serving is always a fulfilling and eye opening experience for our families to understand and serve communities in Michigan that are only one hour away from us. The 2016 dates are July 30th - 31st.
MARCH MADNESS RESULTS - Winners and last place 'winner' announced THIS Sunday

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**XP3 Middle School**
9:15 a.m. in room 216

**XP3 High School**
10:30 a.m. in room 216

April 17th LIKE ME - Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. Philippians 4:16 NIV

You made all the delicate, inner parts of my body and knit me together in my mother's womb. thank you for making me so wonderfully complex! Your workmanship is marvelous - how well I know it. Psalm 139:13-14 NLT

BOTTOM LINE: When I feel unlikeable, God still likes me.

April 24th DON'T LEAVE ME

For more parenting tips and information, check out the [http://theparentcue.org/](http://theparentcue.org/)

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**Confirmation**
April 17th 11:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. Room 216
The Way of Discipleship

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**DATES TO REMEMBER**

Community Breakfast - May 14th 8 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Change the World Conference - April 21st - 22nd
Ginghamsburg Church, Tipp City, OH.
See page 3 for more info.

NO XP3 on May 8th - Music Celebration Sunday

30 Hour Famine - May 21st - 22nd

**YOUTH SUNDAY SERVICE** - May 22nd 9 & 11 a.m.

**INSTAGRAM**
Social Media explained by the experts aka Middle School youth.

PUBLIC OR PRIVATE ACCOUNT -
"Some people like to have public accounts so that they can have lots of followers (feel popular); but that means that anybody can see your photos."

"I like a private account because I choose who I allow to see my photos. I accept only the friend requests of people I know. My cousin's friends wanted to follow my account, but I don't know them and I'm not going to accept their request."

If you have questions that you would like to ask the experts (aka the youth), email me at youth@chelseaimc.org.
Thank you.

High School Summer Mission trip - July 24th - 30th
We are headed to the Upper Peninsula to serve with God's Country Cooperative Parish.

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**Bible Study for Middle School Girls**
When: Mondays
Where: Chelsea First UMC, Room 223
Time: 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. Led by: Emma Adkins

So, chosen by God for this new Life Of Love, dress in the wardrobe God picked out for you: compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, forgiveness & patience; and regardless of what else you put on, wear Love. It's your basic all purpose garment. Never be without it. Colossians 3:12-14

They tore lettuce, chopped tomatoes and carrots, and slammed basketballs into a makeshift hoop. Together with brothers in residence in the activity area, they stood in a circle smiling widely at each other after a whoopee cushion sounded off one last time. No designer wear, simply the hearts of the Designer Himself.

*Alpha House 2016*
View the church calendar at [http://www.chelseaumc.org/calendar/index.html](http://www.chelseaumc.org/calendar/index.html)

### Sunday, April 17th
- **8:00 a.m.** Children’s Ministry Mission Team Meeting
- **8:30 a.m.** Praise Bell Rehearsal
- **9:00 a.m.** Worship
- **9:15 a.m.** BLAST music and classes - Pre-K - 5th, Middle School XP3
- **10:00 a.m.** Coffee Hour
- **10:30 a.m.** High School XP3, CFUMC Choir Warm Up
- **11:00 a.m.** Worship
- **11:15 a.m.** Disciple Discovery
- **11:45 a.m.** Confirmation Meeting
- **2:00 p.m.** Cookie Baking for CRC
- **3:30 p.m.** General Conference Prayer Time
- **4:00 p.m.** Random Ringers Rehearsal, Stephen Ministry Training

### Monday, April 18th
- **9:30 a.m.** Creative Play
- **3:00 p.m.** Bible Study for Middle School Girls
- **6:30 p.m.** Covenant Bible Study Group

### Tuesday, April 19th
- **9:30 a.m.** Creative Play, Staff Meeting
- **6:30 p.m.** Administrative Council

### Wednesday, April 20th
- **3:15 p.m.** Middle School Outlet
- **6:00 p.m.** Share & Study
- **7:30 p.m.** CFUMC Choir

### Thursday, April 21st
- **1:00 p.m.** Covenant Bible Study Group
- **7:30 p.m.** Renew Band Rehearsal

### Friday, April 22nd
- **8:30 a.m.** CFUMC Choir Warm Up, Praise Bells Rehearsal
- **9:00 a.m.** Worship
- **9:15 a.m.** BLAST music and classes - Pre-K - 5th, Middle School XP3
- **10:00 a.m.** Coffee Hour
- **10:30 a.m.** High School XP3
- **10:45 a.m.** Knitting Group
- **11:00 a.m.** Worship
- **11:15 a.m.** Disciple Discovery
- **3:30 p.m.** General Conference Prayer Time
- **4:00 p.m.** Marriage Class, Random Ringers Rehearsal, Concert Series “Joel Raney & Jane Holstein”
- **6:00 p.m.** Stephen Ministry Training

### Saturday, April 23rd
- **9:00 a.m.** Mom2Mom Sale

### Sunday, April 24th
- **8:30 a.m.** Covenant Bible Study Group
- **9:00 a.m.** Worship
- **10:00 a.m.** Coffee Hour
- **10:30 a.m.** High School XP3
- **10:45 a.m.** Knitting Group
- **11:00 a.m.** Worship
- **11:15 a.m.** Disciple Discovery
- **3:30 p.m.** Marriage Class, Random Ringers Rehearsal, Concert Series “Joel Raney & Jane Holstein”
- **6:00 p.m.** Stephen Ministry Training

### Monday, April 25th
- **9:30 a.m.** Creative Play
- **3:00 p.m.** Middle School Girls Bible Study
- **6:30 p.m.** Covenant Bible Study

### Tuesday, April 26th
- **9:30 a.m.** Creative Play, Staff Meeting
- **6:30 p.m.** Staff Parish Relations Committee

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**Volunteers Serving April 17th**

**Greeters:**
- **8:30 a.m.** Linda Meloche, Arlene Wiltse, Barbara Brown
- **10:30 a.m.** John & Ellen Aldighieri & Mackenzie Benning

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

**Acolytes:**
- Natalie Morr, Kate Krugh

**Nursery Workers:**
- **8:45 a.m.** Katie Seto, 10:45 a.m. Lori Campbell

**Coffee Hour Host:** Eileen Blough, Jane Newbound, Susan Wellman

**Coffee Hour Bakers:** Casey Wooster, Lillian Long, Eileen Blough, Janet Alford, Tara Basso

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**Volunteers Serving April 24th**

**Greeters:**
- **8:30 a.m.** Nikki & Pat Little, Judy Park
- **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

**Acolytes:** Nolan Little, Shane McLaughlin

**Nursery Workers:**
- **8:45 a.m.** Katie Seto, 10:45 a.m. Lori Campbell

**Coffee Hour Host:** Dan & Chris Cobb, Dianne Kelley, Bob & Jessica Fahlgren

**Coffee Hour Bakers:** Emily Kuo, Jane Newbound, Dianne Kelley, Patti & Kayla Sweeny, Betsy Coy