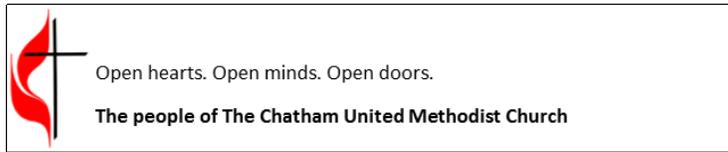


Would you like to include your meeting or announcement in our next email? All submissions due by Tuesdays, 2:00 PM to Eileen Ruggiero: [chatumc@optonline.net](mailto:chatumc@optonline.net).



To revisit previous E-newsletters, please visit our website!

## News

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### We remember in our prayers...



The Memorial Service honoring the life of Robert Bergmann will be held on **Monday, March 6th at 10:00 AM** in the Sanctuary. Letters of condolences may be sent to Mrs. Kathleen Bergmann at 16 Crestwood Drive, Chatham, NJ 07928.

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### Important Lenten Dates...



#### Lenten Small Groups Begins Saturday, March 4th

We will be offering Lenten Small Groups using Rev. Adam Hamilton's book and DVD *"Creed: What Christians Believe and Why"* [Click here](#) to view an introductory video on the study.

Groups will meet at various days and times to accommodate busy schedules. To see our confirmed schedule of groups and to read a more in-depth description please click on:

[2017 Lenten Small Group Information.](#)

Books (hardcover or Kindle) can be ordered from Amazon at:

<https://www.amazon.com/Creed-What-Christians-Believe-Why/dp/1501813714>

Books are also available for purchase at the church for \$10.

Sign Up sheets for groups are across from Jeff's office.

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## Soup and Spirit

Thursdays in Lent, beginning March 9th  
6:00-6:45 PM Rodda Hall

Come and nourish body and spirit throughout Lent. Friends and general public are all welcome to participate in sharing a meal and prayer. Soup Makers needed! Sign-up sheet is located across from Jeff's office.

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## 2017 Easter Flower Donation and Mission Giving

Our sponsored causes for our church ministry this year will be the following:

*Local-* Interfaith Food Pantry, Morristown

*National-* United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR)

*Global:* Doctors Without Borders/Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF)

*Opportunities to participate will be available in coming weeks.*

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## This Week at CUMC...



### Sarah Circle

will be meeting on Tuesday, March 7th at 9:30 AM in Asbury Room.

**Abigail Circle** will be hosting the Family Promise Dinner on March 19th.

**Rebecca Circle** will be meeting on Wednesday, April 5th from 1:00-4:00PM in the Asbury Room.

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## Taizé Prayer Service, Wednesday, March 8th,

7:30 - 8:15 PM Asbury Room

In the midst of the frenetic pace of news, work, life and stress, it is a wonderful opportunity to enjoy the music, beauty, stillness, scriptures, and prayers of a Taizé Prayer Service. All are invited to come and enjoy the serenity.

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## Stephen Ministry

is scheduled for Friday, March 10th.

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## Next Week at CUMC...



### Enquirers Group

is scheduled for Sunday, March 12th at 5:00 PM in the Asbury Room; our topic will be "In the Footsteps of Paul."

\*Please note there is no meeting scheduled for 3/5 or 3/26

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### Perennial Garden Club of Chatham

will be hosting a meeting on **Wednesday, March 15th at 12:30-3:00 PM** in the Asbury Room; the presentation will be by the *Newark Museum's Speakers Bureau* and the topic is "Flowers In Art".

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### Men's Group

is scheduled for **Saturday, March 18th at 9:00 AM**. Please note that for this month the meeting in the Wesley Room.

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### Fellowship and Fixing!

**Saturday, March 18th 10:00 AM - 4:30 PM**

Join in at any time or for the whole day! There will be projects for all skill sets and lunch provided by those who sign up to help with food. Please see the sign-up sheet in the hallway near the elevator. Signing up is encouraged but walk-ins are welcome! Join in for some fun and fellowship!

*Sponsored by the Chatham UMC Board of Trustees*

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## Important Announcements...



**Noontime Bible Study** will not be held during Lent and will resume after Easter.

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**CUMC to Rise Against Hunger! Sunday, March 12th,**

**2:00-4:00 PM Rodda Hall**

We'll be packing 10,000+ meals to be distributed to orphanages, refugee camps and other situations world-wide where people are hungry. This event is open to all people ages 4 and up. A wonderful inter-generational opportunity for families to serve together!

*You must register to participate, so we know how many volunteers we will have. [Please click here to register.](#)*

Questions? Contact Associate Pastor Sharon Yarger at the church office

or [scyarger@optonline.net](mailto:scyarger@optonline.net)

For more information on Rise Against Hunger (formerly Stop Hunger Now) visit [www.riseagainsthunger.org](http://www.riseagainsthunger.org)

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## Family Promise Call For Volunteers March 19th-March 26th!

Our Family Promise Guests will stay with us during the week of March 19th - March 26th. We need volunteers to host during the day and overnight, and to cook dinner. Please visit the sign-up sheet opposite Jeff's office or contact Claudia Shaw: [chs1munk@gmail.com](mailto:chs1munk@gmail.com), (973) 454-2013. Please help our families usher in a Spring of hope for the future.

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## The Sweetest Thanks from the RISE Team!

The RISE team would like to thank everyone who came to the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper this week. Your support and contributions will help our youth to live out their faith, to love our neighbors, and to be in mission to those less fortunate as they work "to make homes warmer, safer, and drier" on the RISE trip to Steuben County, NY in July. Please [Click Here](#) to see some pictures from Tuesday Night's Festivities!

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## Music News...



### CUMC Music News

- On Sunday, March 5th, for the 9:00 AM service, our Youth Singers will sing *Lay 'Em Down* by Needtobreathe as the Covenant Choir sing's Mozart's *Ave Verum* for the 11:00 AM service.
- On Sunday, March 12th, the Wesley Ringers will perform for both services.
- Our very own Youth Musician, Adam Rack, will be playing in the orchestra for performances of *Bye Bye Birdie* at Hanover Park High School on March 2nd, 3rd, and 4th at 7:00 PM. For tickets go to <http://www.hanoverpark.org> and support Adam!
- *The Suburban Music Study Club's* recital scheduled for Thursday, February 9th has been rescheduled because of the snowstorm. Everyone is invited on Thursday, March 9th at 10:30 AM in the Chase Room at the Madison Public Library to hear our music director, Peter Hill, play piano as well as Merynda Adams, harp, and Charity Wicks, piano.

### Other Music Opportunities at CUMC:

\* On Saturday, March 4th at 3:00 PM in our sanctuary, the *New Jersey Youth Chorus'* group, Sola Voce, comprised of female voices in grades 6 through 8, will join with the *Sister Cities Girl Choir*. The concert is free to the

public and all are invited to hear the NJYC's collaboration with this awesome girls' chorus from Philadelphia and Camden!

\* On **Saturday, March 4th at 8:00 PM** and **Sunday, March 5th at 3:00 PM** *Harmonium Choral Society of Morristown* will be performing their winter concert at CUMC. *Harmonium* will present **FROM HEAVEN DISTILLED A CLEMENCY**, featuring Durufle's *Requiem* and works by O'Regan, Poulenc, Heath, Chesnokov and Nico Muhly, with strings, harp and organ.

If you would like to know more about music at CUMC, please contact Peter Hill at [petepiano@mac.com](mailto:petepiano@mac.com).

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## Opportunities to Support our CUMC Family...



### Chatham Methodist Preschool-Registration is Open

We have a few spots open in our Full day Fives Class and Kindergarten Enrichment. Here are a few of the unique highlights about the classes. Please share with your friends and neighbors with young children what a wonderful preschool we have at CUMC!

#### Our 5-Year Old Full Day Program Highlights:

**Monday-Friday 8:45 AM -2:15 PM**

- \* Creatively designed by veteran SDOC faculty, Peggy Melvin
- \* Program coordinated by certified Kindergarten teacher
- \* Exploration of Literacy, Math, STEM , Science, Social Studies and Art
- \* Experiential learning.....have fun, learn by doing!
- \* Nurturing Class Size - maximum of 12 students
- \* At the completion of the year, a teacher evaluation to recommend class placement for next year, kindergarten or first grade

#### Our Kindergarten Enrichment Program Highlights:

**Mornings: 8:45 AM-12:00 PM, BYO lunch**

**Afternoons: 11:30 AM-2:30 PM, BYO lunch**

- \* Certified teachers with kindergarten experience.
- \* Creatively designed by caring staff to complement and reinforce your Kindergartner's school day.
- \* Communication with district Kindergarten teachers to reinforce NJ State standards.
- \* Exploration of Literacy, Math, Science, and Art.
- \* Explore new ideas and interests together....have fun, learn by doing!
- \* Our goal is to provide opportunities to develop skills essential for lifetime learning.
- \* 3 days a week

For tours and program information, please call Director, Amy Crandall, 973-635-5261. Please visit our website at

[www.chathampreschool.org](http://www.chathampreschool.org)

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## Seeking Liturgists

Raise Your Voice! All ages welcome! If you're interested and would like to sign up please click here to go to the Sign Up Genius and reserve your date. If you are intrigued but not quite sure, please contact **Barbara Babbit** at [babbitt@optimum.net](mailto:babbitt@optimum.net), or 973-660-1960, to discuss what this worship leadership entails. Find your voice...and share it!

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## A Message from Care Corps

Care Corps is the way we take care of each other in our church family. If you or someone you know needs meals or rides to doctor's appointments, please call the **CUMC office** at 973-635-7740 or **Marie Watt** at 973-635-7326. We can always use additional volunteers for meal preparation and rides.

STAY CONNECTED:

