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Veteran's Day Saturday, November 11, 2017

Thank you to our veterans for your service.



Church Office Closure Notice

Please note that the Church office will be closed on Thursday November 9th Friday and November 10th due to the school closure for Teachers Convention. The Office will reopen on Monday, November 13th.

We Remember in Our Prayers



Marlee Frahn, longtime member of the Chatham UMC passed away on November 2nd. She is survived by her husband, Carl Frahn. Marlee was an active member of the Chatham UMC and served in many areas including Lay Leader, President of the Board of Trustees, and also helped co-found the Chatham Methodist Nursery School.

A memorial service will be held on **November 18, 2017** at 2:00 pm, followed by a reception at:

Grace Christian Fellowship
1250 Fisher Avenue
Cortland, NY 13045

Memorial donations can be sent to:

1. Grace Christian Fellowship - at the address above

Please mark "In memory of Marlee Frahn c/o Food Pantry" on the memo line

2. Chatham United Methodist Church

Please mark "In memory of Marlee Frahn" on the memo line

Announcements



CUMAC Thanksgiving Day Food Donations

Collection until **THIS Monday,**

November 13th

Turkey Day is only two weeks away!

Let's fill our bags with all the essential, non-perishable items for Thanksgiving Dinner, such as: *canned pumpkin, cranberry sauce, gravy, stuffing mix, canned sweet potatoes & vegetables.*

This has been a very busy "Giving Season" for everyone, but let's help make this a Great Thanksgiving at CUMAC! Monetary donation are always appreciated. Plastic grocery bags are needed to take food home.

Please place your donation in the stairwell by **this Monday, November 13th**. We plan to make delivery on **Tuesday, November 14th**.

Thank you and have a Happy Thanksgiving.

The committee: *Ruth Moloney & Barbara Bennett*

Alter Flowers



Flowers This Week

Did you know that the donated Sunday altar flowers are brought to our church members at home or in care facilities? The colorful bouquets not only brightens their day, they offer spiritual support and reminds recipients that they are so very important to our church community. If you are interested in being a part of this uplifting ministry, contact Dona Franklin for more details.

Our 2018 Calendar will be available next week.

A Message from the Stewardship Committee

Glimpses of Generosity was the focus of the sermon on October 29th. Rev. Markay invited members of the men's group to share their experiences regarding people who impacted their own sense of generosity. We encourage



the CUMC community to view this conversation and reflect on the generous people in your own network of family and friends who modeled generosity in their lives.

[Click here for a video of the Sermon](#)

Others from our congregation will share similar experiences in the coming weeks. On **November 19th** we will all share our generosity through the pledges we present to support the many ministries of CUMC for the year ahead.

This Week at CUMC

It's Family Promise Week November 5th-12th



Family Promise guests are in residence downstairs in our church through this Sunday, November 12th. *We still have need for volunteers for this Sunday.* Volunteers can sign up on the sheet posted on the hallway. If you know the ropes, thank you, and please sign up if you are able. If you want to know more about the ministry and volunteer opportunities, please contact Claudia Shaw chs1munk@gmail.com / (973) 454-2014.

*Do you know how long we have been sheltering and feeding homeless families at CUMC - mothers, fathers, babies, toddlers, teenagers? As of 2017 - 30 YEARS! Up to 15 people, 4 times per year, one week at the time. Our members long ago committed to work with Family Promise of Morris County to end homelessness one family at a time. Since then thousands of volunteers have extended to hundreds of families the dignity of radical hospitality. This legacy of compassion is now in our hands.
Please help.*

Enquirers Group

Sunday, November 12th Enquirers Group will meet at 5:00 PM in the Asbury Room.



Monday Noontime Bible Study

Monday, November 13th Noontime Bible Study - Room 7. Whether you're brand-new to the Bible, or know it inside and out, you're welcome! *The group will meet each Monday from noon-1:30 pm in Room 7.* We will continue to read and explore the Book of Ruth this fall. Feel free to bring your lunch or a snack, and feel free to bring a friend-whether or not they are part of CUMC. *Questions?* Contact Associate Pastor Sharon Yarger at scyarger@optonline.net or Dr. SuJung Shin at sshin@nbt.s.edu. Hope to see you there!



Richard Rohr Discussion Group

Wednesday, November 15th
7:30 PM, Asbury Room



We will share reflections on Fr. Richard's daily emails from the prior week; as well as some videos and webcasts from Richard Rohr. To sign up for Richard Rohr's free email subscription, please visit the Center for Action and Contemplation's website at www.cac.org. Conversation and spiritual practices will be facilitated by our Senior Pastor, the Rev. Jeff Markay. You may register for Taize Prayer or Richard Rohr Discussion Group by [clicking here](#). You may also call the church office at (973) 635-7740.

UMW Planning Meeting
Wednesday, November 15th
10:00 AM Asbury Room



Looking Ahead

Community FoodBank of NJ Annual
Turkey and Food Drive
Saturday, November 18th
9:00 AM - 2:00 PM



Local drop off site: Chatham United Methodist Church

Please drop of your donation of a frozen turkey and/or other nonperishable foods at the truck parked at the west end of the church, just off the Main Street entrance to the Chatham Middle School.
Thank you and Happy Thanksgiving!

Men's Group
Saturday, November 18th
9:00 AM



The next meeting will be hosted by Tom and Meg Belding's home, 7 Milton Ave. in Chatham.

The Memorial Service for Dale Canfield will take place in the sanctuary on Saturday, November 18, 2017 at 11:00 AM. Following the service, there will be a reception in Rodda Hall. *If you would like to give to the "Organ Re-leathering Fund" in Memory of Dale Canfield, checks can be written to: Chatham UMC and earmarked "In Memory of Dale Canfield."*



Looking Further Ahead...

Thursday, November 23rd Thanksgiving Day

Sunday, November 26th United Methodist Student Day

Tuesday, November 28th *Trustees Meeting, 7:30 PM Room 7.*

Saturday, December 2nd *Food With Friends Pot Luck Dinner 6:00 PM*

Sunday, December 3rd 1st Sunday of Advent

Sunday, December 3rd *Christmas Giving Tree Deadline*

Sunday, December 3rd *Alternative Gift Fair (see below for more details)*



Save the Date! Alternative Gift Fair 2017 Sunday, December 3rd 10:00 AM - 12 Noon Rodda Hall

On December 3, from 10:00 AM to noon, Chatham United Methodist Church hosts the annual gift fair in Rodda Hall. Come learn about organizations doing charitable work here and abroad while choosing gifts that offer greater meaning to the giver and the recipient and supporting organizations with much needed exposure and funding. Organizations represented include Heifer International, Family Promise of Morris County and more. Come do some Christmas shopping, visit our famous bake sale and have a cup of coffee while sharing the spirit of the season. *We also welcome bakers for the bake sale and volunteers - just an hour of your time makes a huge difference and allows us to keep the event going!*

Music News



The *Praise Band* will lead music for the 9:00 AM service on **November 12th** with music by Keith and Kristyn Getty and Billy Bragg. On **Sunday, November 19th**, at the 9:00 AM service, the *Youth Singers* will sing *You Will Be Found* from Dear Evan Hansen. Join us!

If you would like to know more about music@CUMC see our page at www.chathamumc.com/music or contact Peter Hill at petepiano@mac.com.

Youth News

Christmas Giving Tree Time!

The CUMC Youth Fellowship group is helping children by coordinating our annual **Christmas Giving Tree** again this year under the guidance of Dave and Becky Meyer. The tree is up already so that

we can meet our December 3rd deadline for gift delivery to CUMAC. The tree, which you'll find near the top of the stairs by the elevator, is decorated with gift tags containing info about the new gifts requested by families in need. This year we are sponsoring 25 children ages 6 months to 16 years old.



Here's what you do:

- Take a gift tag (or two!) from the tree
- Check off on the clipboard the gift you are buying
- Return the appropriate unwrapped gift to the gift box by the tree by *Sunday, December 3rd*.

Take-home directions are available at the tree.

Please remember, that while these children have little, their wishes are similar to those of any other child.

A donation box will be available in the office for monetary donations which will be used to shop for additional items for children and families. *Checks can be made out to CUMC noting Giving Tree in the memo.*

If you have further questions please contact David or Becky Meyer at 973.701.6965

Thank you and Bless You

Happenings in Our Chatham Community

"Flowers In Art"

Wednesday, November 15th

1:00 PM, Library of the Chathams

214 Main Street



The Perennial Garden Club of Chatham will be hosting the Newark Museum's program: "Flowers In Art". The community is invited. Light refreshments will be served.

Blood Drive

Saturday, December 2nd

8:30 AM - 2:30 PM

Chatham Emergency Squad, 31 N.
Passaic Ave.



The Chatham Emergency Squad (CES) will again host a blood drive on Saturday, December 2 at the Chatham Emergency Squad. We invite the community to stop by and support the blood drive with a donation. There is a constant scarcity of blood. Less than 5% of the population donates. Please try to donate on December 2nd.

Donors, ages 17-76, should be in good health and have some form of identification with them. Teenagers, age 16 can also donate with parental permission; forms for this will be available at the site. Anyone with questions about donating can call the blood center at 800-688-0900.

Ministry Spotlight

Bread Ministry

Please consider giving your gift of time this weekend or future weekends. Volunteers are needed in brief shifts to help Saturday nights and Sundays to ensure that this ministry continues to be successful.



[Sign Up for a shift by clicking here](#). Even if you are not available this weekend, please consider signing up for a future weekend. Thank you!

Liturgists Needed

CUMC needs more voices bringing the Word of God in worship! Disciples are needed to raise their voices at both the 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM services; there are open time slots through February 2018.



At this time we are requesting disciples only sign up for one of the first service slots; this will ensure that everyone has an opportunity to serve. Please [click here to sign up](#) and to secure your slot. If you have any difficulty with the sign up and need assistance, or if you have any questions about this ministry, please feel free to contact *Barbara Babbitt* at babbitt@optimum.net.

Care Corps

CUMC remains committed to our neighbors in need throughout the year with our Care Corps Ministry. If you or someone you know needs meals or transportation, please call the CUMC office at (973) 635-7740 or Marie Watt at (973) 635-7326.



Recycling Fact



How many plastic bags are thrown away each year in the US?

100 billion plastic bags

In a landfill, these single-use bags will take up to 1,000 years to

degrade. According to The Wall Street Journal, the U.S. goes through 100 billion plastic shopping bags annually. An estimated 12 million barrels of oil is required to make that many plastic bags. Four out of five grocery bags in the US are now plastic!

Did you know that 94% of tap water in the United States is contaminated with microscopic plastic fibers?

Earth Stewardship is our responsibility as we collectively care for God's creation. At CUMC we recognize the enormous impact plastics have on our environment. **Our response effort to address this will be announced soon!**

Did you miss something? To revisit previous E-news letters, please visit our website by clicking below for our archived news.

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