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## CUMC Apparel

Hurry! Our store will be closed tonight, Thursday, February 15th.  
All sales are final.



**CUMC Apparel Is Back!**

Just click on the image above, choose your merchandise, and  
order the color, size, and delivery option of your choice!  
(We find that Women's sizes run small!)

## Important Message from Bishop John Schol



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Click on the image above to read a Call to Prayer and Action from  
Bishop Schol in response to yesterday's tragic event at  
Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida.

## This Week at CUMC

### Lenten Small Groups Begin Meeting this Sunday

We're delighted to offer a Lenten opportunity to grow in faith by deepening

our relationships with God and one another in a small group. Through the season of Lent we'll be using Exploring the Way - An Introduction to the Spiritual Journey. Wherever you may be on your own faith journey, you're welcome to join fellow pilgrims in exploring spiritual practices and engaging in community. For further information contact Associate Pastor Sharon Yarger at the church office or at [scyarger@optonline.net](mailto:scyarger@optonline.net). The sign up sheet for small groups is located outside Jeff's office. Dates and times are listed below:

**Dates and Times are as follows:**

**Sundays, 10:15-11:00 AM, Room 6**  
Facilitators: Janice Szarko & Ron Yarger  
Feb. 18, 25, March 4, 11, 18, & 25

**Mondays, noon - 1:00 PM, Wesley Room**  
Facilitator: Penny Sutterby  
Feb. 19, 26, March 5, 12, 19, & 26

**Wednesdays, 7:30 PM - 8:30 PM, Wesley Rm**  
Facilitator: Tom Kitson  
Feb. 21, 28, March 7, 14, 21, & 28



The church office will be closed on **Monday, February 19th** in observance of Presidents Day. The office will reopen on Tuesday, February 20th at 9:00 AM.



**UMW Meetings this week:**

**Abigail Circle** will meet on **Tuesday, February 20th** at 7:30 PM in the Asbury Room.

**UMW Planning Meeting** is scheduled for **Wednesday, February 21st** 10:00 AM in the Asbury Room.

Chatham High School Choirs and Chamber Orchestra's performance of Mozart's *Requiem*, Wednesday, February 21st, 7:00 PM Sanctuary. Guest speaker, Dr. Vincent Rufino, an expert on Mozart and the *Requiem*, will give a pre-concert lecture on the piece. *This is a free event.*



**Lenten Soup and Spirit Begins February 22nd**

**Thursdays, 6:00 PM, Asbury Room**

Come and nourish body and spirit throughout Lent. Friends and general public are all welcome to participate in these inter-generational events in sharing a meal and prayer. Volunteers are needed to provide bread, and/or a pot of soup (vegetarian or other) for about 20 people! *Sign-up*

*sheet is located across from Jeff's office.*

**Men's Group**



**Saturday, February 24th, 9:00 AM,**

Hosted by Caesar and Peggy Schweitzer,  
9 Rowan Rd. in Chatham



## **UMW Lent Family & Friends Soup Supper**

**Sunday, February 25th 5:00 to 7:00  
PM**

**Rodda Hall *All are Welcome!***

The new executive Director of CUMAC, **Mark Dinglasan**, will be telling us about CUMAC and the work they are doing. Bring your family and any friends that you think may be interested in hearing more about CUMAC.

A couple of other United Methodist Churches are also being invited, so it will be an opportunity for us to welcome others to CUMC. Food donations for CUMAC will be welcomed and can be left in the usual spot at the bottom of the stairs.

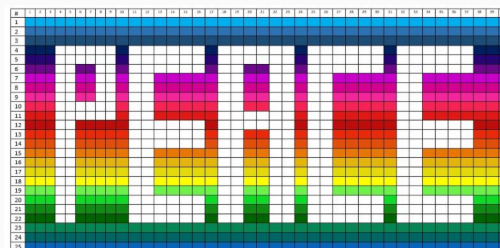
## **Announcements**

### **Help Paper Cranes Take Flight**

*The Legend of 1000 Cranes* states that whoever folds 1000 origami cranes will receive a sense of peace and serenity in their hearts. **Miriam Yarger** will be folding 1000 cranes to create a mural as a part of the Humanities Academy at her high school. Each crane will have a name written inside of it. Each person named on a crane will receive a portion of the peace and serenity that forms after all the cranes have been folded.

CUMC members and friends are invited to submit as many names as they wish on the forms across from Jeff's office. Names may also be submitted by email to [Gingerdog555@gmail.com](mailto:Gingerdog555@gmail.com). The names can be of people alive or no longer living. You may also submit the name of a pet, alive or no longer living.

This is the template for the final mural. Each box represents one crane containing a name that has been submitted.



## **Music News**

This **Sunday, February 18th** for the 9:00 a.m. service,



the Covenant Choir will sing *Pilgrim Journey* arranged by Roger Summers. The Wesley Ringers will also perform for the the early service ringing *I Want Jesus to Walk With Me*, and perform the Special Music for the 11:00 a.m. service. Join us!

The Ukulele Orchestra will next meet on Saturday morning, **March 3rd** at 10:30 a.m. in Rodda Hall. All ukulelists are welcome!

The next concert in CUMC's sanctuary will be Mozart's Requiem performed by the Chatham High School Choral Program and Orchestra on **Wednesday, February 21st** at 7:00 p.m. *The concert is free and open to the public; all are invited!*

All of our music groups welcome newcomers: the Covenant Choir, the Wesley Ringers, the Kenaniah Praise Band, the Youth Singers, the Youth Ringers, the Kids' Bells, the Brass & Wind Ensemble, and the Ukulele Orchestra! If you would like to know more about music@CUMC see our page at [www.chathamumc.com/music](http://www.chathamumc.com/music) or contact Peter Hill at [petepiano@mac.com](mailto:petepiano@mac.com).

## Looking Ahead



### You are Invited to Join Us:

#### Tax Reform Risks and Opportunities: What You Need to Know Now

Friday, March 2nd, 10:00 AM - 12:00 noon  
Chatham UMC, Rodda Hall

What are the changes in the new tax law? How will they impact New Jersey residents? How may the new laws change charitable giving patterns? On **Friday, March 2nd from 10:00 AM - 12:00 noon**, you will find some answers to these and other questions related to this important piece of legislation. *Regent Atlantic*, the largest private wealth manager in New Jersey, will be providing this cutting edge information in our Rodda Hall at Chatham United Methodist Church. [Click here for a printable flier of the event.](#)

*Please feel free to invite your friends and neighbors. This is a free event.*

We hope you can come and ask that you click on the RSVP button below in order to let *Regent Atlantic* know you will attend so we all may plan our event accordingly. *If you are unable to register online using the link below, please call the church office at 973-635-7740 for assistance.*

RSVP Here

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### March at a Glance:

Thursday, March 1st, *Lenten Soup and Spirit*, 6:00 PM Asbury Room

Friday, March 2nd, *Regent Atlantic Presentation on Tax Reform Risks*, 10:00 AM Rodda Hall

Tuesday, March 3rd, *Sarah Circle*, 9:30 AM, Asbury Room

Tuesday, March 3rd, *Rebecca Circle*, 1:00 PM, Asbury Room

Wednesday, March 14th, *Taizé Prayer*, 7:30 PM, Asbury Room

## Ministry Updates

### Raise Your Voice and Share it! Liturgists Needed

All are welcome! New Dates Added through to Spring! Disciples are needed to raise their voices at both the 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM services. If you're interested and would like to sign up please click the link below 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](mailto:babbitt@optimum.net).

[Click Here to Sign Up](#)



### Bread Ministry

Volunteers are needed in brief shifts to help Saturday nights and Sundays to ensure that this ministry continues to be successful. [Sign Up Here!](#)

More information can be found on our website:

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



### 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.



## Updates

### Bags to Benches

We accept bags/film that are "clean", no residue, trash or waste inside or on the plastic. Spread the word and help us meet our goal of 500 lbs.!! Blue Receptacles are located at the rear entrance to the building.

**Update: We have collected over 381 lbs of plastic as of February 2nd!**

If you would like to help with bringing the plastic to the Acme in New Providence please contact Carolyn Palma at 973-635-3828.

**Souper Bowl Of Caring Through April 1st.**



My name is Kate Ziegler, and I am spearheading the SouperBowl of Caring food drive again this year. **From now through Easter Sunday, April 1st**, there will be a table outside of the Asbury Room for canned goods and monetary donations to be placed. I would like to encourage the congregation of CUMC to support my efforts to help CUMAC ECHO. Thank you for your continued support.

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**The people of the Chatham United Methodist Church**

All submissions for next week's E-News are due to Eileen Ruggiero at [chatumc@optonline.net](mailto:chatumc@optonline.net) by 2:00 PM Tuesdays.

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