Please see the Chatham UMC Response Efforts inside to support those devastated by the impact caused by Hurricane Harvey.



– Open hearts. Open minds. Open doors. The people of the Chatham United Methodist Church

And people should eat and drink and enjoy the fruits of their labor, for these are gifts from God.

Ecclesiastes 3:13



Summer Worship Schedule- Final Weekend in Rodda

Hall

Service: 10:00 AM in Rodda Hall, Hymn sing begins at 9:55 AM.



Flowers for our **Sunday**, **September 3rd** service are given to the glory to God and in loving memory of Ruth Hughes given by Jan and Danielle Dvorkin.



The Church office will be closed on Friday, September 1st and will also be closed on Monday, September 4th in observance of Labor Day. Our normal office hours will resume on Tuesday, September 5th.

We Remember in Our Prayers



Chatham UMC members, **Doris Ervin** and **Claire Dale**, entered Life Eternal this Monday, August 28, 2017.

Let us keep in our prayers the families and friends of both **Doris Ervin** and **Claire Dale** as they grieve their deaths and celebrate their lives.

Services for Doris Ervin will be held on Saturday, September 2, 2017 at 11:00 AM in the Sanctuary.

Details on services for Claire Dale will be communicated at a future date.

CUMC Response to Hurricane Harvey



Dear Friends,

This week, we have all watched Hurricane Harvey generate unimaginable tragedy and devastation in Texas and Louisiana. Despite our geographical distance to those residing in that area, we remain neighbors. We feel compelled towards action in helping our neighbors in distress. As history has proven, we are all at our best when we are reaching out in love to those in need.

Because we are a community of love and action, **Chatham UMC** will be organizing a response to aid our neighbors who are most impacted by Hurricane Harvey. This is an opportunity for our **Chatham UMC** family to invite our greater local community to join us in our efforts.

This is a community effort. We invite our CUMC family and friends to create "Flood Bucket" Cleaning Kits for those affected by the devastation of Hurricane Harvey. The Chatham UMC will be collecting these Cleaning Kits (aka. Flood Buckets) throughout the next few weeks.

Below is a link to a printable version of our flier. We ask you share our

flier to family, friends, and our surrounding community. A shopping list and instructions are located on the back of the flier.

Harvey Disaster Response Flier

Families and individuals can put these kits together on their own, and bring them in to:

Chatham United Methodist Church: Rodda Hall 460 Main Street, Chatham, NJ 07928

Chatham UMC will make arrangements to bring the kits to a Greater New Jersey Conference shipping location. **UMCOR** is already giving out kits in Texas. Our kits will be put into the pipeline that will be given out in the coming weeks and months.

At this time, Chatham UMC will not be collecting anything other than Flood Buckets...no clothing, no food, etc.

For the UMCOR official video on making Cleaning Kits please click the image.



Monetary donations can be made to:

Chatham United Methodist Church. *Please write "UMCOR Flood Relief" in the memo line.* You may also give to United Methodist Committee on Relief directly if you wish. Online donations can be made via their website:

100% of either donation will go to efforts on the ground in Texas and Louisiana.

Time to Plan for Rally Day!



Trustees Rally Day: Clean, Fix & Fellowship -Take pride in our home - Our church!

Join us for a day of fellowship beginning with our 10:00 AM service in the Sanctuary! Students may bring their school backpacks for a special blessing as they begin their new academic year!

BBQ lunch in Rodda Hall will begin after our worship service followed by an afternoon of "Fix & Fellowship!" People should come dressed to work/clean. We will probably work till 4:00 PM, but you can stay as long or short as you can.

"Picnic" Lunch Details:

*Lunch to be held in Rodda Hall.

*We will be serving Hamburgers/Hot Dogs/Veggie Burgs/Chips Potato Salad please bring a covered dish and/or dessert to share!

*We need picnic volunteers to:

*Set-up (serving tables/chairs etc. in Rodda Hall) *Grill volunteers *Clean-up

Fix-Up and Fellowship Details:

We will have chores for young and old and even if folks cannot work for whatever reason - please stay for the fellowship and encouragement.

We will be doing projects such as:

* Replacing some rotting wood outside of church (good RISE team opportunity)

- * Vacuuming Sanctuary Rug
- * Wiping down church pews
- * Washing windows
- * Seal some wood window sills in hallway
- * Painting rails of stairways
- * Repainting the yellow caution stripe on concrete front steps
- * Planting mums below front church sign
- * Washing floors
- * Fixing/connecting down spouts to ground drain
- * Possible retile elevator floor
- * More to come

To sign up to help with lunch and/or our Fix and Fellowship projects, please click here. You may also find a sign up sheet across from Jeff's office or you can call the Church office at (973) 635-7740 for assistance.

Disciples Needed!



Summer Liturgy-

Thank you to all of those signed up to help guide us through summer worship. We're are still in need of fellowship hosts this weekend. Sign up on the Summer Worship Leaders Signup Genius web page by clinking <u>HERE</u>! You may also see the sign up sheet across from Jeff's office.

Bread Ministry - Disciples needed for Sunday!

We need volunteers for Saturday night, Sunday morning shifts! Please see Sign-Up Genius using <u>this link</u> for more information and to sign up!

Disciples are need for the Bread Ministry for this Sunday, September 3rd. Please sign up using the above links. Thank You!



Join Us and Volunteer at CUMAC on Saturday, September 9th!

You are invited to CUMAC in Paterson to serve for about 2 hours on Saturday, September 9, 2017. We can all travel together by carpool. We are going to need about 4 people to volunteer to drive.

When: Depart CUMC at 9am on September 9, returning to CUMC around 1pm

This event is open to all people ages 12 and up. We can take a total of 20 volunteers.

If you are interested please email Christiana at <u>chriskofo13@yahoo.com</u>.

"With Thanks"

Thank You Chatham UMC



Chatham UMC 460 Main St Chatham, NJ 07928-2142

Dear Friends,

Thank you so much for your generous \$1510 contribution from your church collection! Your gift is critical to ensuring that CUMAC, and most importantly CUMAC's clients, make it through the uniquely challenging summer months.

As you know, summer is a difficult time for food pantries. The donations that make our work possible drop and supplies dwindle. Despite this, the need for food support not only remains high, but often increases as families must find a way to make up for meals their children otherwise receive in school.

While we're in the middle of a truly busy summer, I'm so happy to share that thanks to your support our shelves are full of food. Lines in our pantry remain long, but each and every person who comes to us will receive bags brimming with groceries. We have so much produce coming in from our reclaimation parterships and summer gardens that we're welcoming clients to come back as often as they need for fresh produce. We have been able to offer each child accompanying a parent to our pantry a toy or snack to make their visit more enjoyable. Thanks to you, countless families and individuals experiencing hardship will leave our pantry with all the supplies they need to put food on the table. Thanks to you, nobody who comes to us will experience hunger this summer.

Because of your generosity, all of CUMAC's programs are helping friends and neighbors in need break the chains of hunger and poverty, and for that we are so grateful. If you have questions about your donation please don't hesitate to reach out. I look forward to our continued partnership, because together we are truly feeding people and changing lives.

Because of you:

- CUMAC's food pantry has fed 15,500 people and counting this year!
- Our 2 mobile pantries are providing vital food support to neighborhoods in need!
- Nearly 300 people have received disaster relief in 2017 so far!
- Place of Promise residents have moved into a new home!
- We're on track to give 500+ fully supplied backpacks to returning students!

With gratitude, Hyporu Imex

Stephanie Ames Development Director

Thank you do much for all you do on behalf of those we serve. your kindness and generooing help us to make such a difference.

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Save the Dates!



Church Conference Meeting for Chatham UMC is Wednesday,

8/15/2017

October 11, 2017. Also, if you or your ministry team has a report that you would like included in the *Chatham UMC Church Conference Journal*, please email it in Word format to our church secretary, Zrinka Cvetkovic, at churchsecretary@optonline.net. *Updates must be received prior to Sept. 11th.*

Rummage Sale is Saturday, October 25th. Do these early cool days lead you to "cleaning out"? If so, keep those treasures for our Fall Rummage Sale!

September is here! If you have a group or circle planning on resuming your meetings, please confirm your dates to ensure we can include them in future E-blasts and Ministry Opportunities!

Music News



Music News!

On **Sunday**, **September 10th** at the final 10:00 AM service before our schedule changes back to two services, there will be a lot of music: the Chatham UMC Brass will play the

prelude, Covenant Choir will sing Special Music, and Youth Musician, Elisabeth Incardona will sing a solo. Join us!

CUMC's music program season begins again this fall! Please mark your calendar with these important dates:

- Music for *adult* singers and handbell ringers begins on Thursday evening of September 7th with the Wesley Ringers at 7:00 PM in the sanctuary and the Covenant Choir at 8:00 PM in the Music Room.
- Youth Music for middle and high school students begins on Sunday evening of September 17th with a parent and student musician meeting at 5:45 PM (with refreshments!) and a Youth Ringers rehearsal at 6:30 PM.
- Kids' Bells for ringers from second through fifth grade begins on **Tuesday, September 19th at 4:00 PM.** All musicians are welcome!

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

CUMC Ministry and Group Updates

Bread Ministry: Disciples needed for Sunday morning. Please see Sign-Up Genius using <u>this link</u> for more information and to sign up! If you are unable to sign up online, please call the church office for Summer Liturgy: Thank you to all of those that helped guide us in Summer Worship. We need still need a fellowship "host" for this Sunday. You may sign up online with link below, or call the CUMC office. Sign assistance.

We need assistance this Sunday morning!

The Adult Sunday School Class:

will continue meeting through the summer, on Sundays at 9:00 AM, in Room 6. Our discussions typically focus on the scripture lesson that's used in worship that day. Janice Szarko and Ronald Yarger will share the leading of the class.

Care Corps:

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.

Frustrated with online registration? Please call the CUMC Office at 973-635-7740; the office staff will assist you with registration or questions you may have.

up Here.

Taizé Prayer: Our Taizé Prayer service is held the second Wednesday of the month from 7:30 PM - 8:30 PM. Our next scheduled dates are as follows: September 13, November 8, and December 13. *Please note we will not be meeting in October.

Richard Rohr Discussion Group:

Our group meets the third Wednesday of month from 7:30 -8:30 PM. 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 <u>www.cac.org</u> Dates are as follows: September 20, October 18, November 15, and December 20.

Conversation and spiritual practices will be facilitated by our Senior Pastor, the Rev. Jeff Markay. You may register for Taize and/or Richard Rohr groups by <u>clicking here</u>.

Community News



Blood Drive! Saturday, September 9th, 8:30 AM - 2:30 AM the Chatham Emergency Squad (CES) will again host a blood drive on at the "Farmers' Market/Health Fair" in the Borouah. The bloodmobile will be located at the South Plaza

Chatham Railroad Station. We invite the community to stop by and support

the blood drive with a donation. Please try to donate on September 9.

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.

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