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The people of The Chatham United Methodist Church

Chatham United Methodist Church HOLY WEEK

Palm/Passion Sunday, April 9th: 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services Holy Thursday, April 13th: 7:30 p.m. service Good Friday, April 14th, 7:30 p.m. service Easter Sunday, April 16th: 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services

460 Main Street, Chatham, NJ

Remembering in our thoughts and prayers



Funeral Service for Randy Gritzan Sunday, April 23, 2017 in the Sanctuary at 2:00 PM.

Visiting Hour in the Asbury Room at 1:00 PM.

Let us keep the Gritzan Family in our prayers as they grieve Randy's death, and celebrate his life, that in Christ is Eternal.

For Your Information

The Chatham United Methodist Church office will



be closed on Friday, April 14 for Good Friday. The building will remain open for meetings and worship services.

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

News

RSVP to Important Events Coming to CUMC!



Common Ground: Interfaith Prayer and Conversation- Care for Our Neighbors Tuesday, May 2nd 7:00 PM CUMC

Sanctuary

All are invited to enjoy a time of Interfaith singing, scriptures and prayer (in the Sanctuary) followed by A Time of Coffee, conversation and baklava! (in the Fellowship Hall) For more information visit

www.chathamumc.com.

Please RSVP for this event online by clicking <u>here</u>. This event is sponsored by the Chatham United Methodist Church, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, Or Ha Lev Jewish Renewal Congregation of NJ, and the Peace Islands Institute.



An Evening with Richard Rohr Thursday, May 25, 2017 7:00PM CUMC Sanctuary

Registration for this event is closed. We will be streaming the event on Facebook Live that evening.

If you weren't able to register for a seat, please join us online! Richard Rohr is a globally recognized ecumenical teacher bearing witness to the universal awakening within Christian mysticism and the Perennial Tradition. He is a Franciscan priest of the New Mexico Province and founder of the Center for Action and Contemplation in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

The event is free, but monetary donations will be received to support Richard's work at the Center for Action and Contemplation.

This Week at CUMC...

CUMC Music News!



On Maundy Thursday, April 13th, at 7:30 PM the Covenant Choir will offer the anthem, I Give You a New Commandment, by Peter Aston. On Good Friday, April

14th at 7:30 PM we will hear from Karen Berry and Ron Yarger playing a flute duet arrangement of Wondrous Love, Yang-Hee Song will play Fauré's Cantique de Jean Racine, and I will play Mozart's Adagio in B minor on piano.

On Easter Sunday, April 16th, the Covenant Choir, Youth Singers, and guests will sing for both services: including René Clausen's All That Hath Life and Breath and Hal Hopson's This Joyful Eastertide. The Chatham UMC Brass Ensemble will join the music to play a prelude and accompany the choir! Each service concludes with a sing-a-long of Handel's Hallelujah Chorus. All are invited to the chance to sing as Yang-Hee leads us in this joyful benediction.

On **Sunday, April 23rd**, Youth Singer, *Hanna Giedraitis* will sing a solo for the 9:00 AM service.

If you would like to know more about music@CUMC please contact Peter Hill at <u>petepiano@mac.com</u>.



Stephen Ministry will be meeting on Good Friday, April 14th, at 2:00 PM in the Wesley Room.

Looking Ahead at CUMC...



United Methodist Women District Meeting Saturday, April 22nd 8:30 AM-12 Noon Chatham United Methodist Church

Topic of the meeting will be 2017: Where Do We Go From Here? Guest speaker is Dr. Emily Filardo Associate Professor, School of Psychology and Coordinator of Women's Studies Minor, Kean University. We will be collecting contributions of Diapers, Wipes, and monetary donations to benefit CUMAC in Paterson. Please RSVP by calling or email to:

Islin Lawrence (201) 876-2895 <u>cashill2@verizon.net</u> or Sara Torres, Hispanic Liaison, at (908) 447-5392 <u>sara.torres45@gmail.com</u>



Men's Group Saturday, April 22nd

The next Men's Group meeting will be on Saturday, April 22nd, 9:00 AM at the home of *Alexander and Sally Strunc*, 23 Thornley Drive in Chatham. Our May meeting will be at

the home of Dave and Kelly Bramwell, 50 Oxbow Drive, New Providence

on May 20, 9:00 AM.

churchWIDE RUMMAGE SALE

UMW Spring Rummage Sale! Saturday, April 29th

Our Spring Rummage Sale will be on April, 29th. Please donate your items between 4/26-4/28. In order for our

sale to be successful, we will need numerous volunteers between April 26th-April 29th. More information to follow as we get closer to the date!



Open Mic Night! Sunday, April 30th 5:30 PM

It's an evening you won't want to miss! An event like no other!! On the evening of **Sunday, April 30 at 5:30PM**, the CUMC

stage will come alive for another "Open Mic Night!" - a fabulous evening of food and entertainment hosted by our Youth Musicians and the Youth RISE team. This will be a chance to hear our Youth Singers perform and be entertained as individual youth and members of the congregation show off their talents! The RISE team will serve a Baked Potato Bar Buffet where you can customize a potato with an array of tasty toppings to munch on during the show.

Proceeds from the evening will benefit our youth RISE summer mission trip.



Calling All Super Heros! VBC Needs You! June 26th - 30th 9:00 AM-Noon

Chatham UMC's Summer Vacation Bible Camp is open for registration! This year's VBC runs from June 26th to June

30th, 9:00 AM to noon. At HERO CENTRAL, kids ages 4 thru 5th grade will discover their strength in God and go on an adventure learning about Real Life Heroes - both in the Bible and in the world today. There will be a hero code, powerful music, crafts, snacks, and action-packed recreation. "Heroes" will learn how to use the powers God has given them to Do Good and join the team of real life super heroes! Click on the link below to register a child or to *volunteer*! VBC v*olunteers must have completed the 6th grade by June 26th.* To sign up to be a camper or on our volunteer team go to:

http://www.chathamumc.com/youthkids/vbc-vacation-biblecamp/

For more information call **Karen Berry at (973) 635-7740** or email **youthchatumc@optonline.net**.

Announcements...



Enquirers Group will meet on **Sunday**, **April 23rd** at 5:00 PM in the Wesley Room.



Noontime Bible Study will resume on April 31st.

Opportunities to Support our CUMC Family...



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 Liturgists Genius and reserve your date. If you are intrigued but not quite sure, please contact Barbara Babbit at

babbitt@optimum.net, or 973-660-1960, to discuss what this worship leadership entails. Find your voice...and share it!



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.

Opportunities to Support our Local Community...

5th Annual Town Spring Clean Saturday, May 6, Reasoner Park Gazebo

Are you community minded? Earth friendly? Environmentally aware? Join us Saturday, May 6th between 8 AM-1 PM to help! Meet at Reasoner Park gazebo and dress for the weather. We will be weeding, picking up trash, spreading mulch and doing other springtime chores as we freshen up our downtown public spaces. Free t-shirts while they last! Preregistration to reserve yours now! Contact Janice Piccolo, Director of *Community Services* at (973) 635-0674 x200 or email: jpiccolo@chathamborough.org.

Relay for Life, Chatham! June 3rd, 6:00PM-Midnight Haas Field, Chatham Middle School, 480

Main Street

This event has been becoming an annual tradition in Chatham. For more

information, to participate, and/or support, please follow the following link: RelayForLife.org/ChathamNJkyra.miller@cancer.org

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