

Our 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Abraham Luncheon was held on Wednesday, April 25<sup>th</sup>.  
Thank you to all who helped organize and attend this special event.



5th Annual  
Abraham  
Luncheon

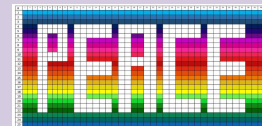


April  
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## Thank You!

Miriam Yarger, who had been collecting names for her origami crane project, has reached her goal of receiving 1000 names! She thanks all who participated in her project. All names are received, and the folding continues!!!



Thanks to everyone for helping with our Annual Spring Rummage Sale! **Mark the Date:**  
Our next Sale is October 13, 2018.

~Sheri Omelczuk

## Announcements



### WANTED: A gently-used piano

CUMC is looking for a used piano that would replace the one currently in the Activities room. The piano would be used in the music program here at CUMC but also to support the programs of the New Jersey Youth Chorus that meets here each week.

If you wish to donate a piano, *and Peter Hill determines it is suitable*, CUMC will supply a letter documenting your generous donation, pay for moving the piano, and for tuning. If you are interested or have information about a piano, contact the church office at (973) 635-7740 or Peter Hill at [petepiano@mac.com](mailto:petepiano@mac.com) if you are interested.

*Thank You,*  
Linda Connors for the CUMC Trustees

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## *Altar Flower Dedication Opportunities!*

There are currently a number of Sundays open on our Altar Flower Calendar. Please consider choosing a Sunday to honor a loved one or a loved one's memory with an arrangement from Sunnywood's florist. Arrangements add beauty to our worship service and can be taken home after to enjoy. **All Sundays are open this May!** Please see the calendar across from Jeff's office to sign up and fill out a form.

## *Mother's Day is Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup>!*

Support Chatham United Methodist Church when you shop for the Moms in your life. Go to [smile.amazon.com/ch/22-1659495](https://smile.amazon.com/ch/22-1659495) and Amazon donates to Chatham United Methodist Church. **You may also click on the image below.**



## *This Week and Next at CUMC*

**Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup>**, *Memorial Service for Bob Stannard*, 11:00 AM  
Sanctuary, Reception to follow in Rodda Hall

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## *Family Promise Host Week Begins*

*April 29<sup>th</sup> - May 6<sup>th</sup> Volunteers Still Needed!*

Karen Olsen, the founder and president emeritus of Family Promise, derived a volunteer based solution to homelessness from her conviction that "people are compassionate, they want to make a difference." Today Family Promise has 203 affiliates in 42 states, and has served over 700,000 individuals by mobilizing more than 180,000 volunteers in 6,000 congregations coast to coast providing shelter, meals and support. Once again it is our turn. **Our guests arrive this Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup>**, and with them our chance to address a major social issue, and make a huge impact in their lives, right within the walls of our very own house of worship. **All are welcome to participate. Volunteers still needed.** You can make a nutritious meal, prepare a warm cozy bedroom, help a young mom parenting a new infant, play with the children, help a teen with homework, or just be a comforting presence to walk with the families through whatever may befall in the night. Hosting slots are 2 hours; overnight shifts are from 9:00 pm to 6:30 am the next morning. Two CUMC hosts work together at all times. The specific needs depend on our guests, but there is always something important to do, always serving up dignity, always rewarding.

*Please visit the sign-up sheet opposite Pastor Jeff's office, email or call Claudia Shaw at [chs1mnk@gmail.com](mailto:chs1mnk@gmail.com), (973)454-2014. Call to volunteer or just to learn more about the ministry.*

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**Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup>** *Abigail Circle -5:00 PM, Family Promise Dinner*

## Monday Noontime Bible Study: *Exploring the Book of Esther*

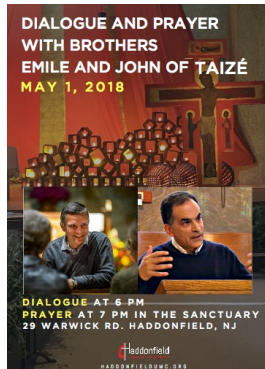
April 30th Room 7

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. Feel free to bring your lunch or a snack, and feel free to bring a friend – whether or not they are part of CUMC. The group has decided to explore the book of Esther this Spring. **Questions?** Contact Associate Pastor Sharon Yarger at [scyarger@optonline.net](mailto:scyarger@optonline.net) or Dr. SuJung Shin at [sshin@nbts.edu](mailto:sshin@nbts.edu). Hope to see you there!

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Tuesday, May 1st, *Sarah Circle*, Asbury Room 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

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### Invitations to Explore Taizé Spirituality

Brother John and Brother Emile of Taizé will be visiting New Jersey's *Haddonfield United Methodist Church* on Tuesday, May 1, 2018

- Meet at Chatham UMC at 3:00 PM for carpool. *(If interested, contact Rev. Jeff Markay at [revjmarkay@earthlink.net](mailto:revjmarkay@earthlink.net))*
- Arrive at Haddonfield at 5:00 PM for dinner at a local diner.
- Conversation with the Brothers of Taizé: On Joy at 6:00 PM.
- Prayer with the Brothers and community at 7:00 PM.

Haddonfield United Methodist Church  
29 Warwick Rd. Haddonfield, NJ 08033  
Rev Chris Heckert: [office@haddonfielddumc.org](mailto:office@haddonfielddumc.org)

## Looking Ahead

Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup> Fire Pit & Friends, 7:15 - 8:15 PM

Friends in our church family and beyond are invited to gather around a fire pit on our church front lawn, sing songs, roast marshmallows, make s'mores, and enjoy fellowship and refreshments. *Bring a lawn chair or blanket, bring a guitar or ukulele, and come May 6 from 7:15-8:15 pm!*



*This Fire Pit and Friends event is sponsored by the Chatham UMC Church Council.*

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Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, Mother's Day Brunch, Rodda Hall

*Join us for Brunch!* Don't want to be stuck in the kitchen on Mother's Day? Don't want to fight the crowds in the restaurants? The 2018 RISE team wants to help you celebrate your mother by preparing brunch for you between services on

Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup>. Relax with Mom and your CUMC friends/family in Rodda Hall while enjoying a tasty breakfast casserole and other brunch goodies. And won't Mom be proud that you're supporting a good cause, our 2018 RISE Team!

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## A Special Invitation for CUMC Members

You are cordially invited to attend a farewell dinner to honor and celebrate

former CUMC member and Associate Pastor, the Rev. Frances Preston

on the occasion of her retirement.

Saturday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>

Hors d' Oeuvres 6:30 PM , Dinner 7:30 PM

Pines Manor,

Edison, New Jersey

Please RSVP by Tuesday, May 15<sup>th</sup>

All details including RSVP information and cost are listed on the invitation.

To view invitation, [please click here](#).

### May at a Glance:

- **Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup>**, *Ruth Schreiber Memorial Service*, Sanctuary, 11:00 AM, reception to follow in Rodda Hall.
- **Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup>**, *Family Promise Departure Day*
- **Wednesday, May 9<sup>th</sup>**, *Taize Prayer Service*, Asbury Room 7:30 PM
- **Thursday, May 10<sup>th</sup>**, *Rebecca Circle*, 1:00 PM, Ice Cream Social at Dot's, 103 Maple Glenn, Lantern Hill
- **Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup>**, *Mother's Day Brunch*, between worship services, Rodda Hall
- **Wednesday, May 16<sup>th</sup>**, *UMW Spring Salad Luncheon*, Rodda Hall, 11:30 AM - 2:30 PM "Bring a Salad to Share!"
- **Wednesday, May 16<sup>th</sup>**, *Richard Rohr Discussion Group*, Asbury Room, 7:30 PM

### Music News



For this **Sunday's, April 29<sup>th</sup>** 9:00 a.m. service, the *Covenant Choir* perform *Christ is the Vine* by Marilyn and James Biery. In the 11:00 a.m. service, Yang-Hee Song and Peter Hill will perform *God of Grace and God of Glory* as an organ and piano duet. Join us!

The *Wesley Ringers* will be participating in a bell festival at St. John's Lutheran Church in Summit (587 Springfield Avenue) this Sunday afternoon (4/29) at 4:30 p.m. Come and support our hand bell ministry and hear twelve hand bell choirs will be performing together!

The *Ukulele Orchestra* will next meet on Saturday morning, **May 5<sup>th</sup>** at 9:15 a.m. in the Music Room. All ukulelists are welcome! If you are new to ukulele, you are invited to come at 9:00 a.m. for an introduction to the instrument.

The *New Jersey Youth Symphony* will hold an Honors Recital in our sanctuary on **Friday, May 11<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00 p.m. All are invited to this free recital! Come and hear fantastic young classical musicians in our sanctuary!

On **Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup>**, in honor of Mother's Day, all of the gentlemen of the church are invited to sing an easy-to-learn anthem! Rehearsal will take place at 8:20 a.m. before the service. Please talk to Peter Hill for more information!

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).

VBC Registration is Here!



## Are you ready for Adventure?

You're invited to *experience the ride of a lifetime with God* at the **Chatham United Methodist Church** for **Rolling River Rampage** VBC!

**June 25 - 29, 2018, 9:00 am - 12:00 noon**

For more information and to **register** or **volunteer** for our Vacation Bible Camp, click on the button below. If you have questions, call or email Karen Berry at (973) 635-7740, [youthchatumc@optonline.net](mailto:youthchatumc@optonline.net).  
*"When you pass through the waters, I will be with you." (Isaiah 43:2)*

Register for VBC 2018!

## 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 [bbabbitt@optimum.net](mailto:bbabbitt@optimum.net).

[Click Here to Sign Up](#)

### Greeters Needed!

If interested in signing up or finding out more about our Greeting Ministry, please contact **Penny Sutterby** at 315-777-6376, [psutterby@drew.edu](mailto:psutterby@drew.edu) or **Becky Meyer** at 201-400-0039, [drbbmeyer@aol.com](mailto:drbbmeyer@aol.com)

### 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.

Did you miss something? To revisit previous E-News, please visit our archived news on our website by clicking the button below.

News

All submissions for next week's CUMC Weekly E-news is due to Eileen Ruggiero by Tuesdays, 2:00 PM  
Submissions may be emailed to [chatumc@optonline.net](mailto:chatumc@optonline.net).

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