"In summer, the song sings itself." ~William Carlos Williams Please open to read our new, important announcements



Summer Worship Schedule - 10:00 am Rodda Hall - Through September 2nd Church Office Summer hours- M-Th 10 am to 2 pm

The Church Office will be closed on Fridays from June 29th– August 31st Church Office Closed: Labor Day, Monday, September, 3rd The Church Office will return to regular schedule beginning Tuesday, September 4th. *Rally Day New Date: Sunday, September 16, 2018*

Remembering in our Prayers

Jane Strangfeld entered Life Eternal on August 2, 2018.



There will be a memorial service for Jane, held at the Chatham UMC, towards the end of August. The date is still to be determined. Until then, let us keep Jane's entire family in our prayers, as they grieve her death, and celebrate her life, that in the love of Christ has no end.

Cards of love and support can be sent to her son John Strangfeld: 30 Chapin Road Bernardsville, NJ 07924

Farewell Celebration for Yang-Hee Song



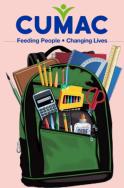
On Monday, August 6th the *Staff Parish Relations Committee* shared that our organist, Yang-Hee Song, has resigned after 18 years of dedicated ministry. She will be pursuing a career opportunity at the Princeton United Methodist Church which is closer to where she lives. *To read SPRC's announcement in its entirety, please click here.*

Her last day at Chatham UMC will be on Sunday,

September 9, 2018. Please come to the 10:00 AM Worship service in the Sanctuary where we will celebrate her exquisite musicianship and ministry. Join us in Rodda Hall after worship to continue the celebration and our appreciation of Yang-Hee.

If you would like to write letters or cards of appreciation, they can be sent to the church office. If you would like to send a monetary gift, please make checks payable to CUMC and earmarked: Yang-Hee's Gift.

DEADLINE APPROACHING!!!- CUMAC Annual School Drive



Donations due to CUMC Office by Tuesday, August 14th!

Supplies being delivered Wednesday, August 15th. Every summer CUMAC collects and distributes backpacks and school supplies to local children in need just in time for the new school year. By donating supplies for different ages we can ensure we're able to serve all who come, regardless of grade level. While all supplies are appreciated, our greatest need is backpacks. New backpacks and supplies only, please.

Backpack & School Supply Drive

Accepted Items:

#2 pencils

backpacks

composition

notebooks pencil sharpener crayons erasers coloring books blue/black pens drawing pad folders pencil cases glue washable markers 3 ring binders white out ruled) rulers facial tissue se construction paper assignment b

subject dividers colored pencils graph paper highlighters USB flash drives loose leaf paper (wide & college

rulers facial tissue scissors (safety & sharp) construction paper assignment books spiral notebooks (wide &college ruled) hand sanitizer index cards pocket dictionaries/thesauru

TI-34 calculators/TI-84 calculators

pocket dictionaries/thesaurus weekly planners

Thank you for your continued help for the school collection,

Ruth and Barbara

Well Done and Thank You!!!



Anita Hoffman Richard Sodeke Angel Cristina Murphy Cheryl Chester Grace Asirvatham Hannah Rebecca Sue Burlingame Hilary Stannard Steve Shaw (not pictured) Christiana Aromolaran (not pictured)

Recently this terrific group of CUMC folks spent their summer Saturday morning serving at the Center for United Methodist Aid to the Community (CUMAC) in Paterson. Many thanks to Christiana Aromolaran and Anita Hoffman for their leadership. *Well done, good and faithful servants!*

CUMAC helps to feed hungry children, adults, and seniors, provides quality lowcost clothing and household goods through their Community Closet, builds job skills through their Pathways to Work program and provides supportive housing through Place of Promise. To learn more about CUMAC and the ways they are making a difference, visit <u>www.cumac.org</u>.

Grateful for our CUMC Family Promise Volunteers Thanks to so many volunteers who served the families in 2018! Thanks as well to many in our CUMC family who made monetary donations



allowing us to reimburse volunteers' expenses so that everyone can participate. To our new volunteers, welcome and thank you for taking a chance on this ministry. Big thanks to our Pastor Jeff, for generous attention to our guests and for helping us pursue new church partnerships to sustain the program long term. And of course, thanks to Donald and his team, our colleagues who work closely with us to share our building, and our office staff, all without whom this simply would not be possible. We had a great year with our guests and look forward to 2019. *Thanks to all! ~Claudia*

Family Promise Update for 2019!

In 2019 we will host our Family Promise guests as follows: January 20 - January 27; May 26 - June 2; December 8 - December 15. *Look for us at the Alternative Gift Fair next December for a chance to purchase a special gift to help families experiencing homelessness.*



Our Thanks!

A very sincere "Thank You" to our numerous volunteers that took the time to keep our CUMC Church Office open and running smoothly during the week of July 30th. We are grateful for the time you took to warmly welcome our visitors, answer the phones, sort the mail, and manage any various requests that might have come up.

Thank you to Audrey Nunes, Anne Fullarton, Cheryl Chester, Cristina Murphy, and Jerry Cunningham.

With Gratitude~ Ana, Zrinka, & Eileen

Rally Day 2018: New Date!!!

Rally Day 2018 is now scheduled for Sunday, September 16th. Join us for worship at 10:00 AM in the Sanctuary. Immediately following worship, enjoy a church family lunch followed by an afternoon of giving our CUMC building and grounds a little "TLC spruce up." Look for more information about our Rally Day "Fellowship and Fix Up" in the coming weeks!



2018 Trustees Summer Project Update for 8/9/2018

The trustees have been working diligently to maintain and upgrade CUMC and would like to share with you what has been/will be going on at the church. To read more about the projects click here.

Current projects:

- Parking lot paving Update:
 NO DRIVING ON THE PAVEMENT UNTIL AUGUST 12TH.
- Nursery school space expansion: DOOR INSTALLATION: AUGUST 21ST.

DO YOU KNOW ANYONE? We are looking into having the hinges on the Sanctuary Doors replaced. If you have ideas for contractors who would do this please let us know! Also, if you have or know of someone who has a piano they would like to donate or give to the church for a small fee please let Peter Hill know (specific features are necessary).

SAVE THE DATE: Work and fellowship day Sunday, September 16th.



Music News



All of our music groups will begin again this Fall following our Summer hiatus; rehearsals will begin again after Labor Day weekend. Our music program welcomes all newcomers to the the Covenant Choir, the Wesley Ringers, the Kenanaiah 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 or contact Peter Hill at petepiano@mac.com.*

Ways to Help Make a Difference this Summer

Liturgists Still Needed!

We still need liturgists for a couple weekends until September! Please consider where you might be called and sign up! Click Here to choose your Sunday!



SUMMER ALERT!

CUMAC's supply of canned goods is low and we've been asked if we could help with:



Canned:

- Vegetables
- Fruit
- Protein
- Peanut Butter

Also low in supply: Baby Diapers, all sizes. Help keep our pantry shelves stocked and make a donation today! Thanks again for your generosity. Ruth & Barb

Help Us "STAMP OUT DESPAIR"

First Friends of New Jersey and New York are collecting writing materials for detainees, asylum seekers, and refugees who are being held in detention centers in NJ so that they may be able to keep in touch with family members. Chatham UMC is



supporting this effort as we are currently collecting the following:

- PAPER
- ENVELOPES
- STAMPS
- PHONE CARDS

Supplies can be dropped off at the Chatham UMC, at information ledge, 1st floor; please look for the collection box. We are located at 460 Main Street, Chatham NJ 07928. (Across from the CVS)

First Friends of NJ and NY Mission:

First Friends of NJ and NY upholds the inherent dignity and humanity of detained immigrants and asylum seekers. We provide compassion and hope through volunteer visitation, resettlement assistance and advocacy.

Ministry Sign-Ups

- Raise Your Voice and Share it! Liturgists Needed!!
- Bread Ministry

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

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.

Bags to Benches Update

Please continue to recycle your plastic bags and plastic film! The next collection site will be Gloria Dei Lutheran Church located at 300 Shunpike Road, Chatham Township, beginning in September 2018. We will update as we get more information from Gloria Dei. Thank you for helping us care for the Creation!

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 are due to Eileen Ruggiero by Tuesdays, 2:00 PM Submissions may be emailed to chatumc@optonline.net.

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