

## **Greetings Channahon UMC Family and Friends!**

**Lots of things happening – be sure to check it all out here in this ENEWS and the current Newsletter.**

For upcoming and future events, please refer to the church website, with our current newsletter , church calendar, and prayer requests.

We LIVE STREAM our 9am worship services now– join us live or watch on our YOUTUBE page at your convenience.

Contact the church office if you'd like to be added to our emailing list.

Any of the highlighted links : *hover over the link and right click – to open*

### **Reminders & Upcoming News:**

With the covid levels in Will & Grundy Counties rising and currently at HIGH Risk , Masks are highly encouraged but NOT required !

Please sanitize as you enter the building.

You may CHOOSE to wear a mask at any time, especially if you are immunocompromised.

People with any symptoms, a positive test, or exposure to someone with COVID-19 must isolate for 5 days and wear a mask 10days following.

If the COVID-19 levels continue to increase, masking may be required again.

**The church is open and available for use for meetings, groups and events.**

**Please be sure to confirm all usage and availability with the church office!**

**Sunday Morning Worship & Fellowship** – Join us Sunday mornings for 9am worship and Fellowship following. Children's Sunday School is 10:30a - 11:15am

**Church Office Hours** – The office hours continue to be 9a-1p Tue-Fri, closed Mondays . Church office will be closed for Thanksgiving November 24th & 25th. Also - Please note Pastor Doh's office phone extension to leave a Voice Mail for him – is now EXTENSION 18 - when calling the church.

**Children's Sunday School** - kids 3yr to 12<sup>th</sup> grade at 10:30am in the Education Wing ~ 10:30a-11:15am.

**CUMC Choir** –Rehearsals are Wednesdays at 3:30pm. We invite anyone who is interested in singing or to share your musical talent. Come join the SPIRIT of MUSIC! If anyone is interested in learning to play the new organ, Sarah Randolph is currently scheduling private organs lessons. Call the church office for more information. If you know how to play but would like to come practice on our new organ, you are welcome to do so during office hours.

**Sunday Morning LIVE STREAM** - Can't make it to church? Join us LIVE at 9am on our YOUTUBE page – find the link on our church website homepage – 'Follow us on YOUTUBE' and select STREAMING NOW or even pick a past date to view – But either way – you can be with us in service or catch up at your own time and you don't have to wait for the EMAIL of the service.

Here is the direct link for your convenience: [\(90\) Channahon UMC - YouTube](#)

*(in Chronological Order)*

**December & January combined Circuit Rider Newsletter** - Printed copies are available in the Narthex for your convenience.

**Minooka UMC** - we welcome MUMC to our church. Their make-shift office is in the Nursery room 117. They will use our sanctuary for their services: Saturday at 3pm and Sundays at 11:30am.

**Grief Support** – December meeting will be Wednesday, December 14th at 2pm in Fellowship Hall. All are invited to attend.

**Christmas Cantata & Children's Musical** - will be Sunday, December 18th at our 9am worship service - or join us live online.

**Family Craft & Movie Night** - This is a **FAMILY FRIENDLY** program (Sep - May) All church and community, parents and children are invited.

Craft night will be offered on the 1st Friday at 6 p.m. and Movie night on the 3rd Friday of each month at 6 p.m.

Here is the schedule for January :

Craft Night: Friday - January 6th

Movie Night: Dec 16th Movie Night has been cancelled - Join us January 20th.

**Channahon United Women in Faith (UMW)** – is hosting a Pre-Plated Cookie Sale on Sunday, December 18th after church service. Suggested donation is \$10per plate. Anyone interested in baking cookies - -PLEASE NO GOOEY FROSTING! Have

cookies in the church kitchen by 9am Dec. 17th. Lockport UMC is hosting a cookie sale - Saturday, Dec 17th \$8 per pound - you choose the cookies!

**Upper Room Devotionals** - Jan/Feb books will be out December 18th. Be sure to grab one to be able to start the new year with your readings/prayers.

**Channahon UMC Preschool** - has an online SILENT AUCTION **Dec 5 thru Dec 19** - all proceeds will benefit the preschool - visit [Silent Night Auction | 32auctions](#)

**Adult Matinee 'The Chosen'** - will host a Christmas Special of THE CHOSEN on Tuesday, December 20th at 11am in Fellowship Hall- Come experience the CHRISTMAS Story like never before!

**Christmas Eve Candlelight Service** - will be at 7pm - All are welcome to attend. Invite family, friends and neighbors. We will have our Sunday 9am worship on Christmas and New Year's Day.

**Church Office** - will be closed January 26th - Jan 2nd in observance of Christmas & New Year holidays.

**Senior Luncheon** –will be January 4th - doors open at 11:30am, lunch served at 12n, age 60+, suggested donation is \$4.

If you are not already on the guest list (from Dec. Luncheon sign-up), please call 847-738-1268 to RSVP or sign up in the Narthex.

**Unhanging of the Greens** - will be Tuesday, January 3rd at 9am with a light lunch when we are done. If you can help out - please sing up in the narthex so we make sure to have enough food/beverages.

**Channahon United Women in Faith (UMW)** - continues the online fundraiser. It's an online store with Terri Lynn Fundraising. You can check out the items and order right online – at [Fundraising for Channahon UMW/UWF | Channahon, IL \(terri Lynn.com\)](#) - Choose from delicious nuts, candy and snacks while supporting missions for women, children & youth! These make great teacher and co-worker gifts.

**Outreach Team** – is collecting some things for the Manteno Veterans Home – needing NEW Men's Winter Puffer Coats (size: L, XL, 2x navy/black or dark gray) you can find these at Amazon (\$22-\$24) also collecting Holiday Little Debbie treats and bite size candy bars for their Christmas parties.

**UMC Church Calendar** – *is constantly changing and being updated* –

Here is the link to our website church calendar [Calendar - Channahon United Methodist Church \(channahonumc.org\)](#)

**CUMC Online Prayer Wall** - prayers can be posted on our church prayer wall on our website. You can also see prayers and generate a note to the folks that you prayed for them.

Here is the link [Prayer Requests - Channahon United Methodist Church \(channahonumc.org\)](http://www.channahonumc.org/Prayer-requests) - You can also find it at [www.channahonumc.org/Prayer-request](http://www.channahonumc.org/Prayer-request)

### **Prayers from our Online Prayer Wall and Sunday Worship**

Pat Williamson - healing prayers for my son Craig, who had a knee replacement.

Mary Baker - prayers for Mark. He has pneumonia and is at home recovering.

Lana Stafford - my sister-in-law Karen Karr was diagnosed with stage 4 stomach cancer. She has surgery in Florida.

Mary Easton - prayers for Veronica as she travels each weekend now to Lexington KY in preparation for the World Level Color-guard competition beginning in January.

Nancy Geldean - Prayers for Rick Lyman who is home from the hospital after suffering blood clots in each lung. Also, for my good friend Stella who is battling brain cancer.

Kris Hayden - prayers for my pastor and friend who is struggling in her marriage. I am sad to have my sister and her family moving to Sheridan. Will soon be an hour away - not just 2 houses away! Prayers for the Jage family. John Jage of Lemont/New Lenox passed away unexpectedly at the age of 55. Prayers also for my friend's daughter Ingrid who performs at Dollywood is having some issues with her voice.

**JOYS - Thank You's** Thank you to all who came to help decorate the church for Christmas – it looks festive and beautiful.

### **Celebrations this week and Next: Dec. 7 - 13**

Birthdays: Sandy Fletcher, Gwen Tunney, Jim Gray, Joni Meyer, Diane McConnaughay

Anniversaries: None this week

**John 10:14-15** - [Jesus said,] "I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me – just as the Father knows me and I know the Father – and I lay down my life for the sheep."

**John 10:7,9-10** Jesus said, "I tell you the truth, I am the gate for the sheep; whoever enters through me will be saved. He will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full."

**John 8:12** When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

**John 6:35** Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never go hungry, and he who believes in me will never be thirsty."

## **Blessings for a wonderful Advent week!**

*Respectfully submitted with abundant blessings and prayers to experience God's presences all around you ~ and take in the beauty of God's amazing artwork this Fall Season!*

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