

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

### **HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!!**

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 Christmas, Dec. 26 – Jan 2.

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. Choir is on a break and will resume on Sunday, January 13th

**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)*

**SUNDAY COUNTERS NEEDED** - anyone interested in being an Offertory Counter, please see John Tschopp or call the church office. Finance chair, John Tschopp will give you the information and details needed to be added to the rotation list.

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

**Channahon UMC Choir** – is on a winter break – They will resume on Sunday, January 15<sup>th</sup> (run through at 8am) No Wednesday rehearsal until January 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Minooka UMC** - & CUMC will be hosting combined worship service on Communion Sundays, with each church alternating choirs/sermons/planning. MUMC will host January 1<sup>st</sup> and CUMC will take Feb 5<sup>th</sup>. MUMC will host their Lord's Ladies Women's Prayer Breakfast – LAST Saturday of each month at 9am in Fellowship Hall. Women of the church and community are invited.

**Channahon UMC Preschool** - - Priority Registration is offered to Channahon & Minooka UMC families for the 2023/2024 – to enroll early and hold a spot. Priority Registration opens January 9<sup>th</sup>. Enrollment will open to the community on January 30<sup>th</sup> and fees will increase on May 24<sup>th</sup>. Registration information and forms are available in the church offices or contact the school director for more information or a school tour - Andrea Smith 815-467-4708.

**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: THIS Friday - January 6th - SNOWY FUN  
with Snowflakes and Snowmen!**

Movie Night: Friday - January 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Next Senior Luncheon** –will be February 1<sup>st</sup> - doors open at 11:30am, lunch served at 11:45am, age 60+, suggested donation is \$4.

If you are not already on the guest list (from January Luncheon sign-up), please call 847-738-1268 to RSVP or sign up in the Narthex before January 30<sup>th</sup> .

**Channahon United Women in Faith (UMW)** - continues the online fundraiser throughout the year and UWF will receive commission. It's an online store with Terri Lynn Fundraising. You can check out the items and order right on line and they will ship directly to the person you are ordering for. – at [Fundraising for Channahon UMW/UWF | Channahon, IL \(terrilynn.com\)](https://www.terrilynn.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 continuing to collect NEW Men's Winter Puffer Coats for the Manteno Veterans Home - (size: L, XL, 2x navy/black or dark gray) you can find these at Amazon (\$22-\$24)

**Upper Room Devotionals** - Jan/Feb books are out. Be sure to grab one to be able to start the new year with your readings/prayers. Call the office if you'd like one mailed.

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

Here is the link to our website church calendar [Calendar - Channahon United Methodist Church \(channahonumc.org\)](https://www.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 \(channahonumc.org\)](https://www.channahonumc.org) - You can also find it at [www.channahonumc.org/Prayer-request](https://www.channahonumc.org/Prayer-request)

**Old Christmas Cards** - Donna Szoke is collecting old Christmas cards, instead of throwing them away, bring them in to be repurposed!

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

Wilson & Anita Young - Juanita Burnett, the president of Jonestown MS Habitat for Humanity, passed away on Dec. 31, 2022. Her funeral is Sunday, January 8, at Union Grove Church in Clarksdale MS. Juanita was passionate about the work she did to help people rise up out of poverty to own their own homes and will be missed by many. She had been in failing health for a few years and CUMC sent her a prayer blanket a few

years ago when she had a heart attack. Looking to send flowers to her funeral with a message of sympathy from the Jonestown Habitat volunteers of CUMC.

Kathy Gregory – prayers for 2 neighbors with health concerns: Sue Mores and David Abday.

## **JOYS - Thank You's**

Happy New Year to all!

Kris Hayden – my youngest son, Camron has enrolled in the Romeoville EMT Fire Academy. A new adventure. Prayers for much success and safety!

## **Celebrations this week and Next: Jan. 4 - 10**

Birthdays: Cindy Boyer, Barb Tschopp, Michelle Lyman, Frieda Manion, Jack Breen, Isaac Stricker

Anniversaries: Don & Joni Meyer

**Amos 5:14-15** Seek good, not evil, that you may live. Then the Lord God Almighty will be with you, just as you say he is. Hate evil, love good; maintain justice in the courts.

**Ephesians 5:1-2** Be imitators of God as dearly loved children and live a life of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

**1 Peter 1:13** Prepare your minds for action; be self-controlled; set your hope fully on the grace to be given you when Jesus Christ is revealed.

**Isaiah 1:16-17** Stop doing wrong, learn to do right! Seek justice, encourage the oppressed. Defend the cause of the fatherless, plead the case of the widow.

## **May the NEW YEAR bring blessings of good tidings and good cheer!**

*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!*

*Kris*

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