Greetings Channahon UMC Family and Friends!

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:

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 .

Also - Please note Pastor Doh's office phone extension for Voice Message only for him – is now EXTENSION 18. He does not have a direct line to his office. Call the church office and you can be transferred to him when he's in the office.

Children's Sunday School - kids 3yr to 12^{th} grade at 10:30am in the Education Wing ~ 10:30a-11:15am.

CUMC Choir –Rehearsals are Wednesdays at 3:30pm with a brief schedule change – Choir sings 1st Sunday of Feb and March with Minooka UMC, rehearsals the Wednesdays prior – April will return to regular choir schedules . 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 organ 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: www.youtube.com/@channhonumc813/streams

(in Chronological Order)

2023 Lenten Schedule- begins with Ash Wednesday, February 22^{M} . Minooka UMC will hold a 10am service with fellowship following, and Channahon UMC will hold a 7pm service.

Lenten Study begins on Sunday, February 26, at 10:30a -11am. If you have not signed up in the Narthex to make sure a book is ordered for you, please do so, or call the church office to be added.

There are hand outs in the Narthex for the FULL LENTEN SEASON SCHEDULE.

<u>Family</u> 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 the1st Friday at 6 p.m. and Movie night on the 3rd Friday of each month at 6 p.m.

Here is the upcoming schedule:

<u>Movie Night</u> - Friday- February 17th at 6pm - popcorn and refreshment will be available /'Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, Witch and the Wardrobe' in the Education Wing.

There will be a 2nd movie for the younger kids in Fellowship

Hall featuring 'Toy Story'

March & April Movie Nights will continue with the Chronicles of Narnia series: March – 'Prince Caspian', April – 'The Voyage of the Dawn Treader'

& *Toy Story 2* & *Toy Story 3* <u>Craft Night:</u> Friday – March 3rd, 6pm.

NIC Diversity Training- Pastor Sarah will lead the class . All MUMC and CUMC are invited to attend. <u>Saturday, February 18th 4pm – 6pm.</u>

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 <u>Fundraising for Channahon UMW/UWF |</u> <u>Channahon, IL (terrilynn.com)</u> - Choose from delicious nuts, candy and snacks while supporting missions for women, children & youth! These make great teacher and co-worker gifts for any holiday or event.

Channahon UWF is also hosting an event this SATURDAY - **February 18**th – A Labrinth Party – 1pm -2:30pm. This is a church community women's invitation. UWF will host a Plant & Garden sale again – **May 3**^{td} – **4**th. Looking for plants, gardening tools, accessories, etc for donation the week of the sale. **UWIF New Book Club -** Will meet <u>Tuesday, Feb. 21st</u> at 6pm room 145 for discussion of 'THE BOOK WOMAN of TROUBLESOME CREEK' by Kim Michelle Richardson. Get reading and come join us for discussion and fellowship, bringing suggestions for our next book. ZooM will be available

(Link: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86871145617?pwd=TTM0VXBKRExkSnlFR0FpdThhM</u> <u>Th1Zz09</u>) call office if more info is needed.

Grief Support - our **last** grief support gathering will be <u>February 23rd at 2pm</u> in the Sanctuary. We will also discuss the possibilities of continued support through bible and/or book studies. All are invited.

February Newsletter – Any info, news, events, details for March Circuit Rider, submission date is <u>February 24th</u>.

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.

Channahon UMC Preschool - Open Enrollment is now open and fees will increase on May 24th. 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. OPEN HOUSE scheduled for March 25th 10a – 12n.

Outreach Team – We continue to collect snacks, pop, chips & microwave popcorn (all individually wrapped/prepared servings). March – we will start collecting Easter treats and candy to fill bags on April 2nd.

Upper Room Devotionals - March/April books will be out on Sunday – if you'd like one mailed to you, please call the church office.

UMC Church Calendar – is constantly changing and being updated –

Here is the link to our website church calendar <u>Calendar - Channahon United</u>

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 <u>Prayer Requests - Channahon United Methodist Church</u> (channahonumc.org) - You can also find it at <u>www.channahonumc.org/Prayer-request</u>

Altar Flowers – if you would like to provide flowers at the altar on a Sunday morning in honor or memory of someone or something, please let the office know so that details can be included in the Sunday bulletin that week.

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

REMINDER – Any groups that have scheduled building use with the church office PLEASE be sure to let the office know of any changes in your meeting dates/times, so that the heating/cooling can be adjusted accordingly to save energy and money.

Prayers from our Online Prayer Wall and Last Sunday Worship

Donna Szoke – prayers for my cousin Linda who is in hospice.

Kris Hayden – prayers for my friend Jackie's family on the death of her cousin Mikey. They were very close.

Continued prayers for Chip Williams, Sandy Fletcher, Michelle Blazekovich for strength and healing.

JOYS - Thank You's

So glad to see folks in church that haven't been in awhile: Sandy Yenerich, Char Blackwell, Lana, Lou & Donna - YEA!!!

Celebrations this week and Next: Feb 15 - 21

<u>Birthdays:</u>Pastor Doh <u>Anniversaries:</u> None this week

Romans 12:9 Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. **Ephesians 5:21** Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ.

Ephesians 4:15 Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into him who is the Head, that is, Christ.

Ephesians 4:29 Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen.

Have a very blessed week – Find favor in sharing God's LOVE this 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!

Kris