

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:

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

Join us this Sunday for week 2 of our 5 Week Sermon Series '5 Promises'. Last week we heard Pastor preach about PRAYER. This week it will be on PRESENCE.

Be sure to have your PROMISE CARD with you to fill in each week. Extra cards are available in the Narthex.

5 Promises' ~ *When we join the church, we promise to support it with our prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness. Please join us Sunday as we share how this has impacted many lives and given all of us an opportunity to help make disciples for Jesus Christ and to help change this world.*

This Sunday is the last of the Sermon series : Feb 12 - "Witness & Baptismal Reaffirmation"

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 12th 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)

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.

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 upcoming schedule:

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

There will be a 2nd movie in the Education Wing, for the younger kids each week during the showing of the Chronicles.

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

Craft Night: Friday – March 3rd, 6pm.

February Newsletter – has been sent out – printed copies are in the Narthex. Any news, events, details for March Circuit Rider, submission date is February 24th.

Laity Convocation 2023 "Thinking Outside the Church" - **February 11, 2023**, 9am - 12:30pm - People may participate in-person at Barrington UMC, Disciples UMC in Mount Morris, or Faith UMC in Orland Park (*new location*). You may also participate on-line. Registration is now ready for LAITY CONVOCATION 2023 at www.umcnic.org (Carpooling is an option!)

Bishop's Day on the District - Bishop Schwerin will visit our Prairie South District. You are invited to join in a time of introduction, reflection, and conversation with our new Bishop.

Wednesday, February 15, Sycamore UMC, 160 Johnson Ave, Sycamore, IL - Clergy 9:30 am, Laity: 7:00 pm (carpooling is an option!)

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

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 \(terrilynn.com\)](http://FundraisingforChannahonUMW/UWF.Channahon,IL(terrilynn.com)) - 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 February 18th – A Labrinth Party – 1pm - 2:30pm. This is a church community women's invitation.

UWF will host a Plant & Garden sale again – **May 3rd – 4th**. Looking for plants, gardening tools, accessories, etc for donation the week of the sale.

UWIF New Book Club - Will meet Tuesday, Feb. 21st 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: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86871145617?pwd=TTM0VXBKRExkSnlFR0FpdThhMTh1Zz09>) call office if more info is needed.

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

Faith & Fellowship Night with the Chicago Wolves Hockey team – Saturday, February 25th if anyone is interested in Faith & Fellowship Night at a Chicago Wolves Game 7pm game – we need to know and to have a minimum of 15 persons to get the group discount of \$10 per ticket. You can also go on online for family tickets starting at \$14ea. Contact the church office right away of your interest and # of tickets. We might be able to get a group to go and enjoy a night of hockey fun!

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 mid February – 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 [Calendar - Channahon United Methodist Church \(channahonumc.org\)](http://channahonumc.org/Calendar)

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://channahonumc.org/Prayer-Requests) - You can also find it at www.channahonumc.org/Prayer-request

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

Continued prayers for Dave Stafford for healing strength and recovery.

Continued prayers for Chip Williams. He is currently at SCH inpatient rehab until about Feb. 15th.

Sandy Fletcher is at Alden in Shorewood for rehab after hip surgery.

Michelle Blazekovich is recovering from surgery after a fall.

Kris Hayden – prayers for the Mueller family facing some health issues. Prayers for my friend Jackie's Dad and his nursing home with an outbreak of a bad flu. Prayers for my friend Jackie who is having a serious esophagus surgery on Feb. 13th. Prayers for David Wike suffering from neurological health issues.

Sandy Fodero – Prayers for my friend Gayle Waranowski who is now under hospice care.

JOYS - Thank You's

Outreach thanks everyone for the Valentine treats and candy for the Veterans. March, we will start collecting Easter treats and candy to fill treat bags on April 2nd.

Brittany Alcantar – my new little nephew got to come home after being in the NICU for several weeks.

Celebrations this week and Next: Feb 8 - 14

Birthdays: Larry Schuler, Donna Buckley, Aileen Cotter

Anniversaries: Bob & Elaine Coen (*Valentine's Day!*)

Amos 5:14 Seek good, not evil, that you may live. Then the LORD God Almighty will be with you, just as you say he is.

James 1:17 Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows.

Nehemiah 1:11 O Lord, let your ear be attentive to the prayer of this your servant and to the prayer of your servants who delight in revering your name. Give your servant success today by granting him favor in the presence of this man.

Have a very blessed week – Find favor in the Lord by being a “Witness to His Goodness”.

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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