

# Circuit rider

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF  
**CHANNAHONUNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
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*Faithfully committed to  
Building Disciples ~ Growing Faith ~ Serving God*

**BEST YEAR EVER!**

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*The Preschool is out for the Summer but the teachers are still here often with tours and projects. Please be respectful when you are here in the church.*

## back 2 school prayer

"Dear Lord, use my eyes to *see* new friends.

Open my ears to *hear* my teacher.

Open my mind to *learn* new things.

Let my heart *remember* YOU are near  
when I'm afraid.

Help me to *love* others like you do.

I want to *shine* your light so bright in my school."  
*Amen.*

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Sunday, August 20th

## Blessing of the Backpacks

Bring your backpack,  
briefcase or satchel to  
church to kick off the  
school year with a special  
blessing!



# Church & Community News & Events

## August Birthdays

8/2 Barb Seehafer  
8/3 Joan Waller  
8/8 Micki Thompson  
8/9 Emma Jones  
8/10 Lindsey Barrett  
Tom Leatherwood  
8/13 Kathy Leatherwood  
Mary Ann Lehman  
8/14 Matthew Kulisek  
8/15 Janet Weakley  
8/16 Susan Schuler  
8/18 Gordon Steele  
8/25 Elena Warren  
8/27 Cassie Blazekovich  
8/28 Holly Walsh  
8/30 Tom Koscik

## August Anniversaries

8/2 John & Barb Tschopp  
8/5 Jim & Joan Waller  
8/11 Terry & Joanie White  
8/15 Steve & Cindy Boyer  
8/27 Bob & Susie Eaton  
8/30 Steve & Marcia Kezerle

*If we have missed your birthday  
or anniversary and you would like  
it to be added to the weekly  
bulletin announcement and  
monthly Circuit Rider calendar,  
please contact the church office  
at 815-467-5275  
or email:  
[Office@channahonumc.org](mailto:Office@channahonumc.org)*

## Our Deepest Sympathy

*Lamentations 3:21-23*

*Yet this I call to mind and therefore I have hope:  
Because of the Lord's great love we are not  
consumed. For his compassions never fail.*

Prayers for the family & friends of Nancy Allen, a faithful member of  
CUMC since 2005. Services are at Channahon UMC  
Sunday, July 30<sup>th</sup> Visitation 3p-6p

Monday, July 31<sup>st</sup> - lie in state at 10am until the service at 11am.

Prayers for the Lewis/Bleuer family on the recent passing of Patti Bleuer,  
the daughter of the late Mary Lewis.

Prayers for Lana Stafford and her family on the passing of her husband  
Dave Stafford. Memorial service will be held here at CUMC on  
Saturday, August 5<sup>th</sup>, 11am w/ luncheon to follow.

Prayers for Gwen Tunney on the recent passing of her sister Carol.

Prayers for the Davis family & friends on the recent passing of  
Garrett B. Shaver of Bolingbrook.



## Senior Luncheon

**August 2<sup>nd</sup> ~ 12:00n**

**Doors open 11:30am**

**Suggested donation - \$5**

**Call 847-738-1268 to RSVP by July 31<sup>st</sup>**

*Please call to RSVP w/ Janet 847-738-1268*

*or sign up in the Narthex*

**Menu:** Breaded Baked Pork Tenderloin, Mashed Potatoes w/gravy, veggies,  
salad, fruit and dessert.

## Food Drive



## CUMC's Fall Food Drive

Collection is Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup>  
Donations will support Minooka UMC  
Food Pantry (at St. Mary's Parish)

Bags and needs list will be out on  
Sunday August 18<sup>th</sup>

For the safety of our staff  
and preschool kids - the  
church front doors will be  
locked during School and  
Office Hours.  
Please use the appropriate  
door bell for entry.



Also, the locks on the  
exterior doors have  
been changed. Please  
contact the church  
office if you need a new  
key or access to the  
church



## Community Blood Drive

**Saturday, July 29<sup>th</sup>**  
**St. Mary's Parish Center**  
*Behind Minooka Post Office*

Please schedule your appointments by either calling John at  
815-325-8409 or sign up online at [www.Heartlandbc.org](http://www.Heartlandbc.org).  
(Search Minooka/60447)

Appointment times will be respected, 1<sup>st</sup> time donors are  
encouraged, walk-ins will be worked into the schedule.  
Remember to bring a photo ID and eat a good meal before  
donating. Help us reach our goal of 80 units donated.

*Sponsored by the Channahon & Minooka  
Knights of Columbus with Heartland/Versiti  
Blood Center.*



## Channahon United Women in Faith

Enjoy delicious nuts,  
candy and snacks while  
supporting missions for  
women, children & youth!

Place your order at:

[channahonuwf.terrilynn.com](http://channahonuwf.terrilynn.com)

*They will ship to wherever you'd like!*



## CHAIR YOGA



**Wednesday Mornings at 9:00am**

*In Fellowship Hall*

**Check our website calendar  
for any changes or updates.**

**All are welcome.**

**Please bring a mat.**

**NO YOGA August 16<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>**

## Philippians 4:8

**Finally, friends, whatever is true,  
whatever is honorable, whatever is  
just, whatever is pure, whatever is  
lovely, whatever is commendable, if  
there is any excellence, if there is  
anything worthy of praise, think  
about these things.**

# BUILDING DISCIPLES

Matthew 28:18-19

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

## Sunday Morning Worship

9am - In-Person and Online with Live Stream  
Communion celebrated 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month!

Masks are NOT REQUIRED at this time.

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

Anyone not feeling well, with ANY symptoms, a positive test, or exposure to someone with COVID-19 - The CDC recommends to isolate for 5days & mask for 10days. If COVID-19 levels increase, masking may be recommended and/or mandated again.

FIRST Sundays of the month - we will worship with Minooka UMC here in our sanctuary and share in Holy Communion, choir and children's time. NO COMBINED SERVICE IN AUGUST.

Can't make it to church? Join us online LIVE at 9am or watch at your convenience - from our Youtube page -

[www.youtube.com/@channahonumc813/streams](http://www.youtube.com/@channahonumc813/streams)

The church is open and available for use for meetings, groups and events. Please be sure to confirm all usage, availability, and changes with the church office.

Join us as we gather for fellowship after our worship service.

Any WEEK  
is a GREAT  
time to...

Invite  
someone  
TO  
CHURCH



## Kids Sunday School

Ages 3yr - 12<sup>th</sup> grade

10:30am - 11:15am

in Education Wing

Sunday School Open House will be on  
Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup> and classes  
begin on Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>

FRIENDS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!

YouTube

Find us on YouTube  
and subscribe!!

Please subscribe to our YouTube channel! Go to our  
YouTube Channel and click the red Subscribe button!

[www.youtube.com/@channahonumc813/](http://www.youtube.com/@channahonumc813/)

After 100 subscribers we can have our own channel URL  
address, which can be used in various ways. It is another  
small milestone for our online ministry, so please help us!

## 3 WAYS TO GIVE



In Person



By Mail



Electronic  
Giving

2 Corinthians 9:6-8

Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.



### Weekly Giving & Attendance Report

7/2 - \$3,440/79 7/9 - \$10,666/69

7/18 - \$3,199/65 7/23 - \$1,395/104

Thank you for your continued support of  
the life, mission & ministry of our church.

## 2023

### Communion & 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Offerings

Communion Sunday offerings will be sent to the  
Conference, designated for a special cause.  
The Church Council will decide where these monies  
will be appropriated and when to send based upon the  
amounts given and collected in the "Communion  
Sunday Designated Funds" account.

5<sup>th</sup> Sundays will be July, October & December -  
Monies will support the **United Voices for Children**  
again and offering envelopes are provided on these  
special giving Sundays.

Special envelopes  
will be available on  
July 30<sup>th</sup>



Affiliated Agencies: Wills Above All • MFL • Resources

### Stay connected in God's Word

There are many online daily devotionals. Finding the right one for  
you is important. Find suggestions and links here each week to feed  
your SPIRIT - Spiritually!



great resource:

Upper Room Daily ONLINE Devotions link  
<https://upperroom.org/devotionals>

July/Aug devotional books are available  
in the Narthex, on the card ministry table

Be sure to pick one up or call the  
office to have one mailed to you.





Colossians 3:16

*Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you, with all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another with psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God.*



*for the broken hearted, lost and suffering!*

'Broken to Beautiful' is a support group here at CUMC for our **members, families, friends and community** for anyone suffering a loss. A loss of any kind is GRIEF, and we come together as ONE to support ONE another!

JOIN US - Thursday, August 24, @ 2pm in Fellowship Hall.  
All are invited and Everyone is Welcome!

The point is NOT, (and it NEVER will be) to STOP the Grief.  
That's like stopping the Ocean.  
The point is to find WAYS to SWIM!



## CUMC's Family CRAFT & MOVIE NIGHTS

Are starting back up in September.

For Adults and Kids - All Ages!

These are **FREE** Family Friendly Events  
An Open Invitation for ALL!

**Craft Night ~ Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> at 6pm**  
All supplies will be provided!

**Movie Night ~ Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6pm**  
Popcorn and refreshments provided.  
Bring your favorite blanket & pillow!  
Movie TBA



**2023-2024 Registration is OPEN**

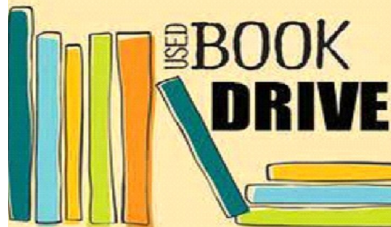
Space is limited for each classroom!

Call - 815-467-4708 or email

[ChannahonUMPreschool@gmail.com](mailto:ChannahonUMPreschool@gmail.com)

Join the Preschool in the  
**Channahon Parade August 13<sup>th</sup>**  
Call the preschool for more details of  
location/time etc.

The Channahon UMC Preschool has an  
Amazon Needs List - Want to help support  
the school - visit the Amazon Link  
<https://rb.gy/lh4dq>



Channahon UMC Preschool is collecting  
USED BOOKS for a USED BOOK SALE  
Fundraiser in October.

Please consider donating your gently used  
books of all genres, types and all age groups,  
to help our families and community share the  
love of reading.

Collection bins will be in the Narthex and the  
Education Wing. Any questions,  
contact Mrs. Smith 815-467-4708



United  
Women  
in Faith

## YOU'RE INVITED

The invitation is always open...  
TO JOIN A Channahon United Women in Faith CIRCLE!

Perhaps you are ready to get connected and get involved  
and join a UWF circle.

If you have any questions, please contact one of the  
following UWF members:

*Dottie Priddy, Lana Stafford, Anita Young  
or call the church office.*

**Circles will not meet through the Summer.**



Channahon United Women in Faith  
**READING CLUB MEETING**

**Wed., Aug. 9, 2023**

6 p.m.

**CUMC Room 145**

Is when we will meet to  
discuss the 2 books we have  
been reading. A new book  
will be selected at this  
meeting. Contact Anita  
Young with any questions.



**Saturday, August 12**

The Men of the church meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday  
of each month at 7:45am at Grandma's Pancake House  
669 W. Mondamin St ~ Minooka

Men Sr. High School and older are invited!

## CUMC's Sunday Farmer's Market

If you have an abundance of home-grown  
goods that you would like to share with the  
congregation, please bring them in on  
Sunday morning -

The proceeds from the Farmer's  
Market **FREE WILL OFFERING**  
help support the supplies for the  
church garden each Spring.







John 12:26

Whoever wants to serve Me must follow Me, so that my servant will be with Me where I am. And my Father will honor anyone who serves Me.



**Combined Summer Potluck Sundays**  
**AUGUST 6<sup>th</sup>**  
**Pot Luck has been cancelled and we will not continue into the Fall!**  
*Thank you to everyone who helped with our June & July dates!*



Interested in our Hospitality Ministry for Ushering, Greeting and Liturgy?

Please contact the church office or see Donna Buckley to be added to the rotation list.



Outreach team is cooking & serving dinner at Daybreak Shelter in Joliet on Monday, August 28<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.

Donations list will be out soon.



Our 'Adult Choir' sings on Sunday Mornings  
 New Schedule is April thru December  
 Break is Jan-Feb-March - NO CHOIR

Rehearsals are on Wednesday at 3:30pm and sing at our 9am worship services (Apr-Dec)

Anyone interested in being a part of the Sunday Morning Choir or musicians interested in playing during worship, Please see Brittany or call the church office for more information.

## Sunflower Harvest Craft & Vendor Fair

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14<sup>TH</sup>, 2023**

**9A - 2P**

Channahon United Methodist Church

24751 W. Eames (Rt. 6) ~ Channahon, IL

Over 30 Crafters and Vendors expected on site

### Crafters & Vendors WANTED!

**Vendor Space** (to fit 1 - 3x8 banquet table) **\$45**

Spaces are limited and available on FC basis  
 Pre-approval is REQUIRED prior to submitting registration by contacting:  
 Channahon UMC/Kris Hayden ~ 815-467- 5275 (ext. 10)  
 email: [Office@channahonUMC.org](mailto:Office@channahonUMC.org)

**Channahon UWF will have a BAKE SALE during the event - They need baked goods donated for the sale!**

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR TO COME SHOP GREAT DEALS AND GET A HEAD START ON HOLIDAY SHOPPING - OVER 40 VENDORS EXPECTED TO BE ON SITE!!**



The Veterans are so grateful for all of our support and donations.

**They are needing Pepsi & Coke cola products & Gatorade ZERO (orange/red flavors) and breakfast bars!**

We continue to collect the Little Debbie snacks and bite-size candy bars!



Will meet the 1st Monday of the month in Fellowship Hall.  
 Bring your scissors!!!  
 Next meet ~ August 7<sup>th</sup> at 10am in FH

**Prayer Blanket Ministry for**



HOPE, HEALING, AND JUSTICE FOR ABUSED CHILDREN

**Meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday**  
**Summer Schedule**  
 August 9<sup>th</sup> - 10:30am/FH  
 Bring your scissors!



### August Shop Schedule

Thursday	Aug 3	10a - 2p
Sunday	Aug 6	after service
Monday	Aug 7	6p - 8p
Thursday	Aug 17	10a - 2p -10¢ Sale
Monday	Aug 21	6p - 8p -10¢ Sale
Thursday	Aug 31	10a - 2p New Inventory

Be sure to pick up a new schedule there have been some changes!

Donation Shed will be closed August 13<sup>th</sup> through September 3<sup>rd</sup> for restocking.



# More... Serving God



Narcotics Anonymous recovery group meets here at the church on Wednesday evenings at 6:30pm in room 143.

Enter around back through door #4.

For more information, contact NA Rep.  
Pete - 815-530-1065



More information about CoDA can be found at [www.CoDA.org](http://www.CoDA.org)  
CUMC contact person is Nancy G.  
708-912-3056

CoDA Group is not meeting at this time.



## Channahon United Methodist Church



### GOOD SAMARITAN MINISTRY

A church ministry, funded by the congregation and community, designed to ensure the ministry of Jesus Christ, by helping those in need around our community to the best of our ability.

*Matthew 5:42*

*Give to the one who begs from you, and do not refuse the one who would borrow from you.*

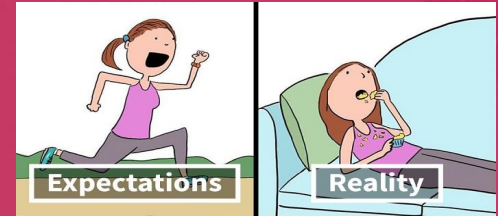
*Psalms 82:4*

*Rescue the weak and the needy, deliver them from the hands of the wicked*

**Contributions are welcome!**

Please use envelopes provided in the Narthex

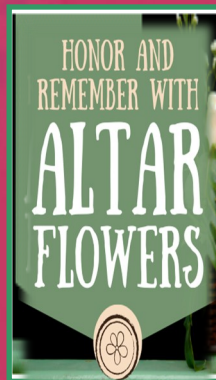
Dispose of your old worn and tattered flags here at the church in the bin outside of Fellowship Hall. The Troop 444 Boy Scouts will dispose of them through a Troop Ceremony. Thank you for honoring our Country.



**I lost my khakis.**



**What it means in Boston.**



Arrangements can be brought in for Sunday Morning Worship in memory or honor of someone or something!

Please let the office know what date and the details so it can be included in the Sunday bulletin.

## Back 2

## School

BACKPACK  
BELL  
BOOKS  
CLASSROOM  
ENGLISH  
GYM  
HISTORY  
HOMEWORK  
LOCKER  
LUNCH

MATH  
PAPER  
PENCIL  
PRINCIPAL  
QUIZ  
RECESS  
REPORT CARD  
SCHOOL BUS  
SCIENCE  
TEACHER

### SCHOOL

K O U E C F R M U Q N G Y Y V J S A R V  
F C X Q L Z L G Y M C F Y S E L G G D H  
Y X D H A B I L O C K E R U I I X M G C  
E Q N O V E L Q I D Q O H E F V L B E O  
N W U G G L Y R H Z S O L J E J F T K E  
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AUGUST 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<div>30</div> <div>9am - Worship-In Person &amp; 10am - Coffee Fellowship 11:30am - Minooka UMC Sunday</div>	<div>31</div> <div>Church Office Closed</div>	<div>1</div> <div>10am - UMW Leadership Mtg - FH 11:45am - MUMC Bible Study - 5pm - Preschool Parent 6pm - Garden Club - FH</div>	<div>2</div> <div>9am - Chair Yoga 11am - Thrift Shop Open 11:30am - Senior Luncheon 3:30pm - Choir Rehearsal - 6:30pm - NA - Narcotics</div>	<div>3</div> <div>10am - THRIFT SHOP OPEN 5:30pm - BSA Troop 444 &amp; 454 -</div>	<div>4</div> <div>11am - D. Stafford Celebration of 5pm - Minooka UMC Saturday</div>	<div>5</div>
<div>6</div> <div>Communion Sunday 9am - Worship- In person &amp; online 10am - 11am Thrift Shop Open 10am - Coffee Fellowship 11:30am - Minooka UMC Service 12:30pm - MUMC - FH 7pm - CS Comm. Mtg - N</div>	<div>7</div> <div>Church Office Closed 10am - Prayer Blanket Ministry - 6pm - THRIFT SHOP OPEN 7pm - Staff Parish -144 @</div>	<div>8</div> <div>11:45am - MUMC Bible Study -</div>	<div>9</div> <div>9am - Chair Yoga 10:30am - Children's Prayer 3:30pm - Choir Rehearsal - 6pm - UWF Book Club - 145 6:30pm - NA - Narcotics</div>	<div>10</div> <div>5:30pm - BSA Troop 444 &amp; 454 -</div>	<div>11</div> <div>7:45am - Men's Breakfast - OS @ 5pm - Minooka UMC Saturday</div>	<div>12</div>
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More details and information is available on our church website calendar.





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*Church office is closed on Mondays*

**Channahon United Methodist Preschool**

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# The **CIRCUIT** *RIDER*

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## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

**Sunday Worship Service 9:00am**

*In person, live stream and online!*

**Coffee Fellowship 10:00am**

*Children's Sunday School is offered for  
Pre-school – 12<sup>th</sup> grade (Sept. - May)  
10:30a - 11:15*

*All are welcome when we resume in the Fall!*



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