



Welcome to the weekly digital newsletter.  
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## Sunday Worship

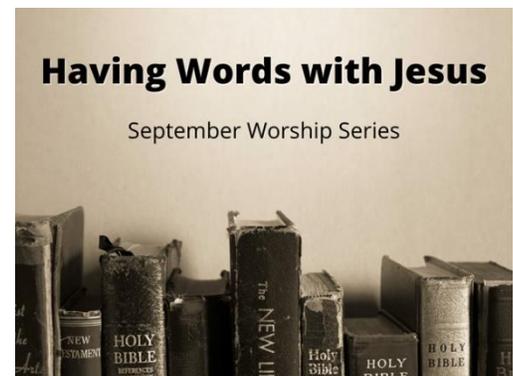
**10 am in the sanctuary**

Face masks are no longer mandated, yet still encouraged, inside the church building. You can also watch the service live-streamed on the church's YouTube Channel, click [HERE](#). Subscribe to the church channel and you will get a notification when something new is available.

## New Worship Series starting Sunday

### Having Words with Jesus

Our September worship series is called "Having Words with Jesus" to reflect a variety of moods and meanings. Maybe we want to argue, or turn away, or give up. Or maybe we really want to know, to spend some time in his presence to understand and to explore, and finally, to hear. This is a call to listen again, even to the more difficult passages that we sometimes want to skip over. Join in this month as we have words with Jesus in worship.



### Week 1: Counting the Cost

This first week of this "Having Words" series is a great time to remind ourselves of the commitment that we made to make and to be made into disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

## Video from Sunday, August 28 on Mental Health

Reiley Curran spoke in worship on Sunday, August 28. She talked about a video that was created by SRSly. Here is the link and a description of the video: <https://youtu.be/UHBFgmnEel>

*We asked almost 200 CHS students what they want their community to know about mental health and substance abuse, this is what they said. For the full story, student art pieces, and more, visit: <https://www.srsly.org/post/substance->*

We hope you take a moment to view this video to see what our youth are thinking and feeling in regard to mental health. This video is a snippet of what they published. Be sure to check out the link to SRSly for the full story.



Coffee, Cookies, and Conversation will follow the 10 am service in the social hall

### September 11

- Return of two worship services
- Return of Children's Ministry
- Return of Youth Ministry

The following slides have more information!



## RETURN TO TWO WORSHIP SERVICES

9:00 AM & 11:00 AM

BEGINS SEPTEMBER 11

# CONNECT!

9 am Every Sunday

**Ages Preschool through Grade 5**

Children will start the morning in the 9 am worship service. They will be released during the service to go to their class.

The first Sunday of the month the children stay in worship.

## Youth Ministry

- Middle School Youth meet Sundays @ 9 am in room 216
- Confirmation Class meets Sundays @ 6pm to 7:30pm
- Outlet for Middle School meets Wednesdays @ 3:30pm - 5:30pm in room 216
- High School Youth meet Thursdays @ 3:30pm - 5:30pm in room 216



Coming Soon...



September 25, 2022

## All-Church Celebration Lunch on Sunday, Sept 25

The Parables implementation team is planning an all-church lunch after the 11:00 am services on Sunday, September 25 from noon to 1:00 pm to celebrate the launch of the new Parables worship service and ministry.



Hot dogs and ice cream will be provided. Please show your support for this new ministry by donating food items for the lunch, helping with setup, serving, and cleanup, and attending the lunch. Food donations should be dropped off at the church kitchen by 9 am on Sunday, September 25. To assist in food planning, please let us know if you plan to attend the celebration. Sign up

here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0848AEA6238-allchurch1>

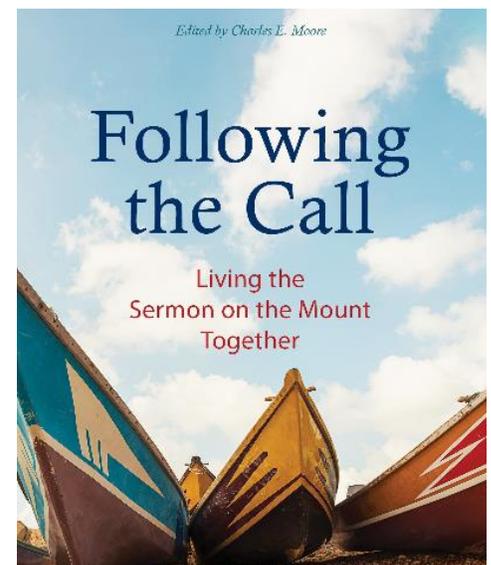
Thank you for your support of the new Parables ministry!

## ADULT BOOK STUDY

Beginning September 12, Mondays - 6:30-8 pm. You may participate either in person or via Zoom. Facilitators: Dawn Goellner and Max Plank. ALL ARE WELCOME!

This 13-week intensive study of the Sermon on the Mount features writings by some of the most renowned writers in history. Each week we will be exploring two chapters of the book, often encompassing only a few verses of Matthew. Each chapter is relatively short, the longest in the entire book being seven pages.

ORDER THE BOOK on Amazon or from Cokesbury. To sign up for this experience you or questions you may contact the Church Office at 734-475-8119.



Our own Randy Umfleet was featured in the Sun Times News.  
Click [HERE](#) to read the article.



### SINGERS THIS IS FOR YOU

Join choir on Wednesday nights in the Music Room (#209)

The Sanctuary Choir at Chelsea First is open to all people high school age and older who have a desire and passion to sing. We are a group of folks with mixed musical skills and experiences that learn and rehearse a wide variety of music to help enhance worship at the 11 am service and special services and events throughout the year. We aim to positively impact our community and enjoy being together as a group of people who share a common interest in vocal music. No auditions are required for participation in the choir and new members are welcome at any Wednesday night rehearsal.

So if you are a car or shower singer, or maybe a karaoke star, or just a keen amateur, come and join us!



The Material Girls crafting group meets on the second Tuesday of each month from February through November. Any woman, 16 years and older, is invited to participate. The meetings run from 12-3 pm in the Social Hall of Chelsea First United Methodist Church. Join us for an afternoon of crafting and fellowship. Please contact the church office if you are interested in attending. [Material Girls | Facebook](#)

## **Lectio Divina Scripture Study to be Offered**

Chelsea UMC is invited to participate in Lectio Divina with Newburg UMC, led by Dr. Frank Dunbar. Lectio Divina is a Latin phrase meaning Divine Listening. The practice is a simple spiritual discipline that allows one to have a deep encounter with scripture. The first session will be on Tuesday, September 6 at 1:00 pm. The study should last 45 minutes or so, but it's a rewarding time! The study will continue on Tuesdays. The sign-up will only have 1 day listed but the same link can be used continuously.



The class meets in a hybrid format with live participants, safely spread out, and an online Zoom group as well. In that way, both groups, online and on-site, can participate together. The only requirement of the class is to have your Bible with you, or accessible. In Lectio Divina, after everyone is settled in, the same scripture passage is read four times. After each reading, the leader invites you to respond to the passage:

- Be attentive to a word or phrase that catches your attention
- Pay attention to the feelings the passage evokes
- Seek to find an image, thought or memory that rises in response to the passage
- Focus on how God is speaking to you through the passage

Participants are asked to share these thoughts, but no one is required to share. That said, the easy, spiritual style of this study, where responses to the scripture are prayerfully held and considered, is quite special.

Newburg is looking forward to sharing their experience of Lectio Divina with the Chelsea UMC congregation as a way of sharing in God's love. If you are interested in participating in Lectio Divina, please let Rev. Gasaway know by registering at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c48ada629a57-lectio>. Information or a link will be sent to you.

## Your Connection to Consumer Protection



The Michigan Department of Attorney General would like to invite you to a presentation to learn about Phone, Mail, and e-Scams. They will provide information on how to learn the telltale signs of scams. Join us Wednesday, September 7 at 3 pm in the sanctuary at Chelsea First UMC. Click [HERE](#) to see the flyer.

In-person training on the “QPR” approach to suicide prevention will be offered at Chelsea First on Wednesday, Sept 7 from 6:30 to 7:30. The presenter will be Sarah Wilczynski of St Joe’s Chelsea SRSly. QPR stands for “Question, Persuade, Refer.” We hope for a broad turnout, even among people who do not regularly interact with youth. As will be described in the upcoming sermon series of Aug 21-28, QPR can be approached as a spiritual discipline. Please participate as a way to be in solidarity with our youth, or with anyone who is experiencing mental health challenges. This program is open to anyone aged 14 or older. Contact [Sarah.wilczynski@stjoeshealth.org](mailto:Sarah.wilczynski@stjoeshealth.org) to register. Click [HERE](#) to see the flyer.



**PRAYERS** - If you have prayer concerns to share, please call the church office or click [HERE](#) to submit.

### Prayers of Comfort for:

\* Kay Miller, family, and friends following the death of her husband, Gene \*

**Prayers for Healing for:**

\* Eunice Peters \* Carla Elliott \* Becky Welter \* Lynda Van Dusen \* Beverly Stumph \*  
\* Patti \* Kathy Quinn \* Ruth Rawson Mayday \* Don Noye \* Linda Ammon \* Al Novak \* Liam Kaltz \*  
Gordon Schleicher \* Olivia (Meridith) \* Ruby Schrieck \* Ted Martin \* Kate Russell \* Felicia Hurst \*  
Denise Frahm \* Shirley \* Gary McCalla \* Linda Fields \*

**Prayers for Strength for:**

\* John and Carla Elliot \* Dan and Lillian Long \* Sherry & Brian Laskowski \* Roger and Eunice  
Peters \* Linda Logan, family, and friends following the death of her husband, David \* Gary \*

**Prayers for all service personnel overseas, and especially for:**

\* Matthew Daoust \* Ethan McPherson \* Jack Coon \*

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Monday - Wednesday 8 - 4 pm

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