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**June 22, 2025**

**Barnabas – The Encourager**

**SCRIPTURE: Acts 4:36-37; 11:22-26**

Encouragement & Uplifting Others

Barnabas plays a crucial support role in the early church. He lifts others, invests in potential, and fosters community.

Big Idea: Heroic faith is sometimes quiet—shown in encouragement and steady presence.



Click [HERE](#) to watch the 10 am Sanctuary Service on the church's YouTube Channel. Click [HERE](#) for the bulletin.



**Parables Worship at 11:30 am in the social hall.**



## Chelsea First Members Help Launch New Flint Freedom School Site—with a Special Banner to Inspire

On June 12, 2025, five dedicated members of Chelsea First United Methodist Church—Marna Balazer, Kathryn Putnam, Marjorie Switz, Cathy Fitzgerald, and Edie Wiarda—traveled to Flint, Michigan, to support the setup of the newest site for the Flint Freedom Schools

Collaborative (FFSC), located at Potter Elementary School. [Read More...](#)



## The Leadership Board is already planning for the future

With the permission-giving guiding principles now in place, the Chelsea First Leadership Board is starting to plan for the coming year. [Read More...](#)



## Michigan UMC Annual Conference

### 2025: *Unfinished in Christ*

Nearly 1,300 United Methodists from across Michigan gathered in Grand Traverse Resort, Traverse City, from May 30 to June 1, 2025, for the seventh session of the Michigan Annual Conference. [Read More...](#)



## Meet Susan: Our New Lifelong Faith Formation Director

I'm so grateful to serve as the new Lifelong Faith Formation Director at Chelsea First United Methodist Church. [Read More...](#)

## We still have open spots for volunteers for June 27!

Chelsea First is a member of the local Habitat for Humanity group called Good News House <https://www.h4h.org/goodnewsgroup>. The Good News House is made up of area United Methodist and other churches, and this year is renovating 1015 Gault Dr, Ypsilanti. [Read More...](#)







**Meets every second Sunday  
of the month**

Messy Church may not look like church as you know it. At Messy Church, all ages meet together to learn about Christ through games, crafts and activities, music, and storytelling from the Bible.

**We still have open spots for  
volunteers! Mission  
Opportunity: Serve in  
Michigan's Upper Peninsula!**  
Chelsea First UMC and  
Newburg UMC are heading  
north!

Join us August 17–21 as we  
serve alongside God's Country  
Community Ministries to  
support communities in need  
through home repairs and  
other ministries. [Read More...](#)



This Sunday, our focus will be on the Scripture of Acts 4:36-37; 11:22-26. **This Sunday's Heroe of the Faith: Barnabas**

Join us as we learn about **Barnabas**, a quiet hero in the early church! Barnabas encouraged others, believed in their potential, and helped build a strong, loving community. His story reminds us that **heroic faith doesn't always shout—it often shows up in steady presence and kind words.** **Children's Newsletter** [Read More...](#)

This Sunday, our focus will be on the Scripture of Acts 4:36-37; 11:22-26. Our focus is on Barnabas. Barnabas had a special gift - the gift of encouragement! What makes someone an encourager? Barnabas plays a crucial support role in the early church. He lifts others, invests in potential, and fosters community. **Youth Newsletter** [Read More...](#)





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#### Office Hours

Monday - Wednesday 8 - 4 pm

Thursday - Friday 8 - 3 pm



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