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July 20, 2025

Thomas – The Honest Seeker

SCRIPTURE: John 20:24-29

Theme: Faith in the Midst of Doubt

Thomas shows us that doubt isn't failure—it's often part of faith's journey. His honesty leads to a powerful declaration of belief. **Big Idea:** *Heroic faith leaves space for questions and meets God in the mystery.*

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



A Fresh Brew This Summer!

This summer, we're brewing Fair Trade coffee for our Laughter & Lemonade fellowship time! Look for the sign near the beverage station to learn more about the coffee we're serving. Previously, we used coffee from Costco, and we're excited to hear your thoughts on this new option.

The Laughter & Lemonade host teams would love your feedback—let us know what you think about the flavor! Submitted by Dayle Wright on behalf of the Food Ministry Team.



Leadership Board will host retreat, town hall in August

Members of the Chelsea First's Leadership Board are making final plans for their annual planning retreat in August and the congregation town hall that will follow. [Read More...](#)



Chelsea First UMC will be collecting items for the Jackson Interfaith Shelter for July. [Read More...](#)



Mission Opportunity: Serve in Michigan's Upper Peninsula! Volunteers Needed – And Great News: Price Drop! [Read More...](#)



We'll explore the story of *Thomas – The Honest Seeker* (John 20:24–29). Through Thomas's questions and doubts, we'll discover that faith isn't about having all the answers—it's about trusting that Jesus meets us in our wonderings. Kids will learn that asking questions is part of growing in faith! **Children's Newsletter** [Read More...](#)

This Sunday at Youth Group: Heroe-of-the-Faith: Thomas: The Honest Seeker. We'll be diving into the story of *Thomas* (John 20:24–29)—a disciple who asked the hard questions and still found deep faith. Thomas reminds us that doubt isn't the opposite of belief—it's part of the journey. When we show up with our questions, we create space to encounter God in real and honest ways. **"Faith doesn't mean having all the answers—it means showing up with your questions."** Youth Newsletter [Read More...](#)



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