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"We're building a community where everyone feels welcome, valued, encouraged, and invited to a lifelong spiritual journey."

Even in Our Fear, We Are Called Forward
December 14, 2025

Scripture: Luke 1:26–39 | Jeremiah 1:4–10

Fear often greets us at the doorstep of a calling. Mary hears the angel's words and is "greatly troubled." Jeremiah tries to shrink back with excuses. And yet, God invites them both forward—not because they're fearless, but because they're willing.

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Click [HERE](#) to watch the 9 or 11 am Sanctuary Service on the church's YouTube Channel. Click [HERE](#) for the 9 am bulletin, click [HERE](#) for the 11 am bulletin.



Parables Worship at 11 am in the social hall



WINTER COAT DRIVE



November 16 - December 14

December 14 by 12 pm is the final day to drop off coat donations. Thank you for all the generous contributions we've received so far!

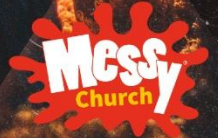
A Messy Manger

**DECEMBER 14, 2025
4:00 - 6:00 PM**

"Where people of all ages come together to share in music, storytelling, creative crafts, and a delicious dinner."



128 Park Street
Chelsea Michigan



Bishop David Bard



Transcript - [Read More...](#)

First & Third Tuesday of each month
7:00 - 8:15pm

Quiet Center

A time, place, space to
"Be at peace, and simply be."



Christmas Eve Worship December 24, 2025

5:00pm Intergenerational Worship

9:00pm Candlelight & Music Worship

*Low Sensory Room Available

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Christmas Eve — Good News is Louder than Fear

On this holy night, we gather to remember that the birth of Christ was anything but quiet. It was loud. It was messy. It was glorious. A chorus of angels lit up the night sky, declaring good news to shepherds who couldn't help but run and share the story. This was no hushed moment—it was a divine disruption! [Read More...](#) about the 5 pm, 9 pm, and the low sensory space available at the 9 pm.

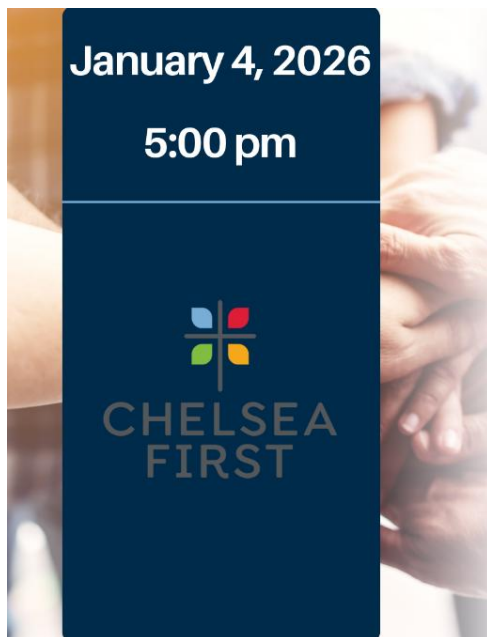
The Church Building will be closed...

DECEMBER 25, 2025

The Church Office will be closed...

DECEMBER 26, 2025





“SOUP-ER” SUNDAY SPEAKER SERIES

TOPIC:

The Journey to Wild Goose Lake (WGL):
A Local Black Community

Speakers:

Michael Russell

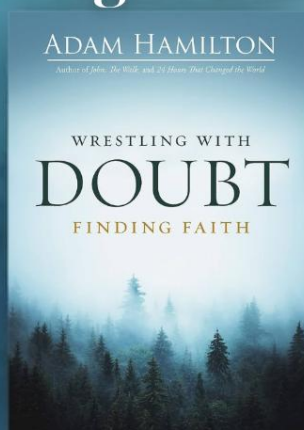
Mark Baker

Laura Damschroder

Michael Russell (resident of WGL), Mark Baker (resident and descendant of WGL Founder), along with Laura Damschroder (Chelsea resident and budding local historian), will tell the story of WGL—a community just up the road from Chelsea. [Read More...](#)

You are warmly invited to join a new study on Monday evenings in the new year. Using Rev. Adam Hamilton's book *Wrestling with Doubt, Finding Faith*, we will explore a variety of matters of faith. [Read More...](#)

Monday Night Bible Study



New Study Begins January 5, 2026



Sunday in CONNECT

This Sunday, we'll explore what it means to *Trust God's Promises*. Life is full of surprises—some wonderful, some scary, and some just overwhelming. We can't control everything that happens, but we *can* choose how we respond. When we trust God's promises—that God is with us and working in our lives—we find courage and confidence, even in uncertain moments. **Children's Newsletter** [Read More...](#)



Sunday in Youth Gathering

This Sunday, our youth will explore what it means to trust God's promises—especially when life feels uncertain. We'll hear stories of courageous people who boldly named and relied on God's promises, even in difficult moments, and we'll reflect on how we can do the same. **Youth Newsletter** [Read More...](#)



This Week's Prayer List

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

Prayer List [Read More...](#)



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Monday - Wednesday 8 - 4 pm

Thursday - Friday 8 - 3 pm

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