



# Chester Bethel UMC

Sept. 28, 2025

9:30 AM

## **Sharing in Worship Leadership this morning:**

Preacher: Rev. Kelly Conner  
Organist: Carmella Lynch  
Special Music: Pam and Carmella  
Bell Choir Director: Pam Manochio  
Greeter: Bill White  
Usher: Sylvia Illuzzi  
Worship Leader: Yvonne Kaciuban

*Flowers are given  
to the glory of God*

## **Prayer Joys and Concerns:**

H=Health; L=Loss; LT=Long Term; O=Other

Keith Saulsbury (H); Harry Taylor (H); The Barnhart Family (O); Steve Schellberg (H); Brione (H); Donna (H); Ken Donahoe (H); Joseph Glasgow (H); Bill Hazel (H); Linda Lyons (H); KFK (O); Jean Andrews (H); Andrew R.(O); Bill and Doreen Jones (H); Mary Ann Box (H); Ramona Harlow (LT); Holly Dorner (H); Donna McCormick (H); DeBrock Family (O); Allison (H); Kim Nally; Amy (H); Gail Kracyla (H); Dominic King (LT); Jill Brownback (LT); Nancy Walker (LT); MaryAnn Rumford (LT); Rick Browne (LT); all peoples impacted by war (LT)

*Please add prayer requests and updates to the list in the Narthex*



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September 28, 2025  
16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

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### Announcements

- Fall Bible study will continue this week with “Acts: Catching Up with the Spirit” by Matthew L. Skinner, available online or by calling the church office. The Zoom link for Tuesdays at 7 will be sent out by email each week; in-person sessions are held every Thursday at 10. All are welcome!
- If you would like to carpool to the annual Church (formerly Charge) Conference on Monday evening, Oct. 27 please put your name on the signup sheet in the Narthex (Pastor will be out of town so we’ll organize it from there.)
- We need a Finance Director ASAP– if you feel led to volunteer, please speak with Pastor Kelly. We need to fill this position by December to avoid a full overhaul of our leadership structure.

### Dates To Remember

- Oct. 12—Missons meeting after church
- October 19—Blessing of the Animals service, outdoors, weather permitting.
- October 26—Guest preacher
- October 27 – Church Conference at Ezion-Mt. Carmel, 6:30 PM (we will have a carpool)

### PRELUDE

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Psalm 113)

Leader: Praise the Lord!

People: **Praise, O servants of the Lord!**

Leader: Blessed be the name of the Lord from this time on and forevermore.

People: **The Lord is high above all nations, and his glory above the heavens.**

Leader: He raises the poor from the dust, and lifts the needy from the ash heap.

People: **He kept his promises to Sarah and Hannah, and he will keep his promises to us.**

All: **Praise the Lord!**

\*OPENING HYMN – “God Will Take Care of You” UMH #130

### OPENING PRAYER

**O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.<sup>1</sup>**

### THE APOSTLES’ CREED

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he arose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right**

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<sup>1</sup> From the Episcopal *Book of Common Prayer*.

**hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,<sup>2</sup> the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

#### SPECIAL MUSIC

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.<sup>3</sup>**

OLD TESTAMENT READING      Jeremiah 8:18-9:1

NEW TESTAMENT READING      1 Timothy 2:1-7

#### SERMON

#### SPECIAL MUSIC

**\*HYMN OF RESPONSE – “Take My Life, and Let it Be”  
UMH # 399**

#### THANKSGIVINGS AND INTERCESSIONS

#### PASTORAL PRAYER

#### THE LORD’S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

#### GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*You may place your cash or check offering into the plates we pass around at this time or mail your tithes and offerings to the church office. Thank you for working as Christ’s hands and feet in the world!*

#### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

#### OFFERTORY

#### \*DOXOLOGY

UMH #94

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow! Praise Him all creatures here below! Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise Him, the source of all our gifts; praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

**\*CLOSING HYMN – “God Be With You till We Meet Again”  
UMH # 672**

#### \*BENEDICTION

#### POSTLUDE

*\*Standing in body or in spirit*

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<sup>2</sup> “Catholic” in this instance means “universal.”

<sup>3</sup> UMCdiscipleship.org.