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Sunday, April 7th
10:15 a.m.

Worship Service & Communion

Nursery is available for infants, toddlers, and preschool-age children.
Sunday School for children ages 5 and older takes place at 11:15 a.m.

The service will also be available via YouTube for those desiring to participate from home.

Click Here: <http://youtube.com/channel/UCBYMT5pV5dLXGHjX5iaYXYQ/live>



In Prayer

- Donna Whatley, Waid Whatley's mother, passed away. Please keep Waid, Carol, and their family in prayer.
- Bev Feierabend's dear friend, Vicky Block, is getting her strength back after complications following hip surgery, but still experiencing issues.
- Michelle Liebl asks for prayers for her three nephews, Sam, Noah, and Maki as they battle health issues.
- Doug Allen, John Burgart, Mykayla Cunningham, Julie Ford, Louise Ford, Jordan Kerr, Cheryl Marsch, Ken Puglisi, Sandy Rippie, Nolan Sapp, Gail Stalpes, Amanda Trosen, and Traci White-Hobson.

Book Group – Date Changed THIS Month ONLY

Due to a conflict, we are moving the April Book Group get-together to Thursday, April 18th @ 1:00 pm. No assigned book this month, everyone will read and share a book of their own choosing. All are welcome!



- When: **Saturday, April 20th 9:30 - 11:00 am**
- Chanhassen location (18732 Lake Dr E, Chanhassen)
- Sign-up sheet is in the narthex. If you need a ride to FMSC, let Barb O. know.

Kids and adults of all ages are welcome to volunteer to hand pack **nutritious MannaPack[®] meals** specifically designed to assist in reversing and preventing undernutrition.

FMSC distributes meals in schools, orphanages, clinics and feeding programs around the world to deliver hope and break the cycle of poverty. To a starving child, hope can only begin with a reliable source of nutritious food.

It is Time to Recognize our Fantastic Search & Call Committee

Join Us on Sunday, April 14th - Following Worship



Spring 2024 continues to be a busy, celebratory time for Chapel Hills! On Sunday, April 14th, we invite you to join us as we recognize and thank the Search Committee: Mike Camilli, Emily Gray, Julie Guelich, Pat Heiman, Joann Hunt, Ron Molony & Chris Solso.

Their dedicated, thoughtful, and consistent commitment has resulted in our community selecting Rev. Christián Briones as our Settled Minister and we are extremely excited about our future. Make no mistake, under Chris' leadership this group "did the work" necessary and as a congregation, we very much appreciate it.

Fittingly, our recognition will feature an array of sweet and savory snacks and root beer floats after service. Please join us on the 14th!

April Birthdays

Julie Ford – 5th
Sonny Sherman – 8th
Ashley Sherman – 9th
Joann Hunt – 21st
Ron Molony – 23rd
Ethan Norris-Weber – 27th



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Looking Ahead

4	APR, THU	● 9 – 11:30am	MnCAN Aphasia Group
7	APR, SUN	● 9:15 – 10:15am	Adult Choir Rehearsal
		● 10:15 – 11:15am	Communion
		● 10:15 – 11:15am	Worship Service
		● 11:15 – 11:45am	Sunday School (Ages 5 & Older)
8	APR, MON	● 4:45 – 9pm	Villard Studio Cello Lessons
9	APR, TUE	● 11am – 12:30pm	MnCAN Aphasia Group
		● 1 – 2:30pm	MnCAN Aphasia Group
		● 3 – 8:45pm	Villard Studio Cello Lessons
10	APR, WED	● 3:45 – 6pm	Villard Studio Cello Lessons
		● 7:30 – 8:30pm	Adult Choir Rehearsal
14	APR, SUN	● 9:15 – 10:15am	Adult Choir Rehearsal
		● 10:15 – 11:15am	Worship Service
		● 11:15am – 12:15pm	Reception Following Worship in Honor of the Search Team
		● 11:15 – 11:45am	Sunday School (Ages 5 & Older)



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“Marks of Faith”

Second Sunday of Easter

https://www.ucc.org/science_and_technology_network_page/

Today you are invited into the story of Thomas. Whether it is new to you or very familiar, take a few moments to read his story in the book of John. Sit with one or more of these questions. What words, phrases, or ideas jump out at you? What seems comforting? What is unsettling? What about this story stands the test of time? What part of this story seems better left in the past? What is God calling you to, using this story?

Although he is sometimes called “Doubting Thomas,” the disciple’s willingness to ask questions does not show doubt but in fact its opposite; curiosity and a deep desire to experience the risen Christ using all of his senses. This post-Easter impulse, to deeply know the risen Christ however one can, is at the heart of the United Church of Christ’s Science and Technology Network.

The Network is guided by the Pastoral Letter on Faith and Science, an epistle that turns twenty-five years old this year. Some issues, like the rise of the use of AI, for example, and a more global awareness of the seriousness of climate change, are new. But the questions the Pastoral Letter on Faith and Science asks are just as salient today as they were two and half decades ago.

As you were invited into the story of Thomas, take some time to read or re-read the Pastoral Letter on Faith and Science. You can find it online at <https://www.ucc.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/pastoral-letter-on-faith-and-science.pdf>

As you read, ask yourself the What words, phrases, or ideas jump out at you? What seems comforting? What is unsettling? What about this letter stands the test of time? What part of this letter seems better left in the past? What is God calling you to, using this letter?