



CHARLTON CHURCH

**CHARLTON
AT THE MOVIES**

Finding Faith in Film

The Notebook

July 28, 2024

CHARLTON CHURCH

A United Methodist Community

Where Faith Meets Life

† Standing, as able.

GOD'S CHILDREN GATHER

PRELUDE

WELCOME

LIGHTING THE CANDLE OF PEACE & UNITY

† **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Friends, we have gathered today to talk about

Love!

We can speak like prophets, but we still have to

Love!

We can build great buildings, but we need to

Love!

We can preach and pray and give thanks, but we must

Love!

Be patient and kind, with no envy in mind,

Love!

Don't be rude or resentful; don't insist on your own way,

Love!

How can we live without it?

Love!

How can we sing without it?

Love!

Who can serve God without it?

Love!

We gathered today so that God could remind us to

Love!

† **HYMN**

"Where Charity and Love Prevail" (#549)

Omer Westendorf | Alexander R. Reinagle

Where charity and love prevail, there God is ever found;
brought here together by Christ's love,
by love are we thus bound.

With grateful joy and holy fear true charity we learn;
let us with heart and mind and strength
now love Christ in return.

Forgive we now each other's faults
as we our faults confess;
and let us love each other well in Christian holiness.

Let strife among us be unknown,
let all contention cease;
be Christ the glory that we seek, be ours his holy peace.

Let us recall that in our midst
dwells God's begotten Son;
as members of his body joined,
we are in him made one.

Love can exclude no race or creed
if honored be God's name;
our common life embraces
all whose Maker is the same.

† INVITATION TO CONFESSION

† UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, how often does selfishness wash through our good intentions? How often do we speak bold, sophisticated words to impress others? How often do we forget that we are what we are because of You?

Remind us that our abilities are Your gifts to us.

Remind us that You loaned us some possessions in hopes that we would help others with them. If we are guilty of living only to impress others, forgive us. If we gain status only by putting someone else down, forgive us. If we do things only for applause, forgive us. If all we do sounds like clanging cymbals and noisy gongs to You, call us to repent.

Humble us enough to serve. Humble us enough to pray. Humble us enough to love You and people who may never say thank you to us.

† WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND GRACE

ANTHEM

SHARING OF OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

† SHARING OF THE PEACE and RESPONSE

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love.
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Corinthians 13

MESSAGE

Pastor Miguel

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† HYMN

"Gift of Love" (#408)

Hal Hopson

Though I may speak with bravest fire,
and have the gift to all inspire,
and have not love, my words are vain,
as sounding brass, and hopeless gain.

Though I may give all I possess,
and striving so my love profess,
but not be given by love within,
the profit soon turns strangely thin.

Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control,
our spirits long to be made whole.
Let inward love guide every deed;
by this we worship, and are freed.

TIME OF PRAYER

Pastor Miguel

LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

THE INVITATION

OFFERTORY

† THE DOXOLOGY

All praise to Thee, the Father, Son,
and to the Spirit, Three in One.
Now bless these gifts we bring to You,
and all the work You'd have us do. Amen.

† THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION

In deep gratitude for all that You have done for us,
we offer ourselves and our gifts to You. You have
shown us what it means to love, and You've called us
to follow Your example — to love our neighbors as
we love ourselves, and to offer our lives and our
resources in Your service. Transform our hearts and
minds from the inside out; show us what is good and
pleasing in Your sight, so that we may be quick to
recognize Your call, and quick to respond. Accept the
gifts we bring today. May they help to spread the
love we have received to the world around us. In
Your holy name, we pray. Amen.

† HYMN

"They'll Know We are Christians"

Peter Scholtes

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
and we pray that all unity may one day be restored:

CHORUS

And they'll know we are Christians
by our love, by our love;
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other,
we will walk hand in hand,
we will walk with each other,
we will walk hand in hand,
and together we'll spread the news
that God is in our land:

We will work with each other, we will work side by side,
we will work with each other, we will work side by side.
and we'll guard human dignity and save human pride:

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come,
and all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son,
and all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one:

† BENEDICTION

† RESPONSE

"Charlton Blessing"

Marcy Miller | Dan Schutte

Dear Lord, bless us, take and use us;
strengthen us with power from above.
Guide each footstep of our journey;
grant us grace to walk the path of love.



CHARLTON CHURCH: *Where Faith Meets Life*

WELCOME

We're glad that you are with us for worship today. Whatever your circumstances, no matter where you've been or what's happened in your life, you are welcome here!

PROUD TO BE UMC

Charlton Church is a family of faith that values the diversity of thought that is an intrinsic part of The United Methodist Church. You can read our full statement on our website, at www.charltonchurch.org/umc.

CONNECT WITH US

Be sure to fill out your Connection Card today and place it in the offering plate. This is the best way for our members and friends to stay connected with the ministry and mission of Charlton Church.

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME

Charlton Church is a 'Safe Sanctuary', with procedures in place for the safety of all children and youth. A nursery is available during the worship service and is located at the end of the hallway opposite the sanctuary. KIDs Club, for children age 3 thru grade 5, meets during the 9:00 am discipleship hour.

COVID GUIDELINES

We have learned much through the pandemic, and should do our best not to get complacent in our actions! Please remember to observe social distancing whenever possible. If you do not feel well, please stay home. If you have health concerns, there is a designated area in the rear of the sanctuary, where you can be seated for our worship service. Please reserve this area for persons with health concerns. Thank you for your cooperation as we care for one another.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE AT CHARLTON

Sun, Jul 28	9:00 am	Discipleship Hour
	10:00 am	Charlton Worship Service
Mon, Jul 29	10:30 am	Chair Yoga
Tue, Jul 30	10:00 am	Bible Study w/the Pastor
	10:30 am	Strength and Balance Class
Wed, Jul 31	10:30 am	Chair Yoga
Thu, Aug 1	10:30 am	Strength and Balance Class
	12:00 pm	Lunch and Laugh
	6:30 pm	Charlton Pickleball
Fri, Aug 2	10:30 am	Chair Yoga
Sun, Aug 4	9:00 am	Discipleship Hour
	10:00 am	Charlton Worship Service
	11:15 am	Indoor Picnic

WORSHIP INFO

SERMON SERIES

Today concludes our sermon series "Charlton at the Movies" as we consider the movie "The Notebook".

Next week, we will begin "Learning from the Least", a series of four sermons that invite us to learn about the importance of four little-known books (Obadiah, Nahum, Haggai, and Zephaniah). The purpose is to explore their richness in the lives of the people of Israel and the lessons of life and faith that they bring to us today.

GROWTH INFO

BIBLE STUDY WITH PASTOR MIGUEL

Pastor Miguel invites you to join him for his weekly Bible study, which is held on Tuesday at 10:00 am.

MISSION INFO

GIVING GRACE COLLECTION

We are collecting bath soap for our monthly outreach distribution.

SUMMER COLLECTIONS

The following items are being collected for our community outreach this summer. Items in bold are the current priority.

- **Individual Snack Items**

We are collecting snack items for hospitality baskets to be delivered to our area first responders.

- Peanut Butter and Jelly

We are in need of 100 jars of both peanut butter and jelly each month during the summer. These go to families who struggle to feed their children when they are not in school.

- 2 lb. bags of Rice

Rice is a pantry staple for our Giving Grace families. We like to provide a 2 lb. bag of rice each month for our 85 families.

MISSION OFFERING

The mission offering for July supports the work of the Center for Spiritual Formation. The Center offers retreat and renewal opportunities for clergy and lay persons, both online and at their retreat center at the top of the mountain in Millerstown, PA.

Last Week's Prayer Requests

PLEASE PRAY FOR ...

Cathy Malone, Denise, Dave and Mary at the loss of their son, George and Sharon, family of Eric Graves, Sr., Betty, Nancy.

PREVIOUSLY:

Theo Dahab, Lisa Koup, Karen Murphy, Justine, Rachel, SSD Hazel; Jim Price, Dick Shuff, Matt; Carrie Jean Bell, Nick and Doris Stamos, Judy, Liam; Janice Bickel, Carol Brown, Dot Dunkle, Rick and Sue Ebert, Cheryl Rhodes, Kayla Wagner.

WE CONTINUALLY PRAY FOR:

- Charlton Church, staff, and Leadership Council.
- The United Methodist Church.
- Bishop Sandra Steiner Ball, Bishop Cynthia Moore-KoiKoi, Superintendent Rev. Dr. Gary Weaver.
- Our World Vision families:
Dieulene in Haiti and Narek in Armenia.
- The people of Ukraine, Russia, Israel and Palestine.
- The leaders of all nations, that peace may be our common goal.

***“The prayer of the righteous
is powerful and effective.”***

James 5:16



Stewardship Report for July 21, 2024

Worship Attendance: 85

General Fund:	\$	2,797.31
Mission Offering:	\$	47.55
Debt Reduction:	\$	55.00
Mortgage Principal Balance	\$	5768.46



ONLINE GIVING

We highly encourage persons to sign up for secure online giving through our website. Online giving allows you to support the general fund as well as our missions and debt reduction. Online giving also ensures that your offerings are made ... even when you can't make it to church. Sign up today at www.CharltonChurch.org/give

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