



**Haddonfield**  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

**SUNDAY, JULY 20, 2025**

**Sunday, July 20, 2025 at 9 AM**  
**Modern Worship Service, Fellowship Hall**

**Worship Song**

*The Joy*

**Welcome & Announcements**

Philip Fizur, Jr.

**Worship Songs**

*I'm So Blessed  
King Of My Heart*

**Prayer**

Rev. Yeeun Kim

**Scripture**

Luke 10:38-42

Devon Stutzman

**Sermon**

Choose The Better Part    Rev. Dr. Chris Heckert  
See page 6 for Sermon Notes.

**Invitation for Offering**

Rev. Cricket Denton

See page 8 for ways to give.

**Closing Song**

*Good Grace*

**Closing**

Rev. Dr. Chris Heckert



**Sunday, July 20, 2025**

**Traditional Worship Service**

**5pm (Saturday) Brown Chapel, 8am Brown Chapel, & 10:30am Sanctuary**

**Prelude**

*Prélude in A-Flat Major*

César Franck  
Matt Smith, organist

**Welcome**

Rev. Dr. Chris Heckert (8:00)  
Philip Fizur, Jr. (10:30)

**\*Call to Worship**

Philip Fizur, Jr. (8:00)  
Rev. Dr. Chris Heckert (10:30)

L: In a world filled with many worries and distractions, we seek peace.

**P: Lord, help us choose the better part!**

L: Like Mary, we are called to sit at the feet of Jesus, rooted in his presence.

**P: Lord, help us choose the better part!**

L: We are invited to be truly present to one another and relational in your love.

**P: Lord, help us choose the better part!**

**A: Holy God, in your wisdom, teach us to discern what is truly needful. Quiet our anxious hearts, focus our distracted minds, and empower us to live fully in your love. Amen!**

**\*Hymn of Praise**

*Lord, Speak to Me*  
Verses 1, 3, 4, and 5.

UMH No. 463



## Ministry of Music

(8:00) *"If With All Your Hearts", Aria for Tenor from Elijah, Op. 70*  
Felix Mendelssohn  
Jonathan D'Souza, soloist; Matt Smith, organist

(10:30) *Praise the Lord, Who Reigns Above, to the tune of AMSTERDAM*  
text by Charles Wesley, arr. by John F. Wilson  
Chancel Choir; Matt Smith, organist

## Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Yeeun Kim

## \*Hymn

*Be Thou My Vision* UMH No. 451  
*Selected by Amber Kopp as part of Silent Auction prize from*  
*An Evening in Italy Youth Mission Fundraiser.*

## Scripture

Luke 10:38-42  
(NT pg. 72)

Nancy Clasby (8:00)  
Julie Dengler (10:30)

## Sermon

Choose The Better Part  
See page 6 for Sermon Notes.

Rev. Dr. Chris Heckert

## Invitation for Offering

Rev. Cricket Denton  
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## Offertory (10:30)

*"If With All Your Hearts", Aria for Tenor from Elijah, Op. 70*  
Felix Mendelssohn  
Jonathan D'Souza, soloist; Matt Smith, organist

## \*Doxology

No. 95



**\*Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Rev. Cricket Denton

**\*Hymn**

*Trust and Obey*  
Verses 1, 3, and 4.

UMH No. 467

**\*Benediction**

Rev. Dr. Chris Heckert

**Benediction Response**

(10:30) *Go With God in the Spirit of Love*  
Gregg Sewell  
Chancel Choir; Jackie Williams, pianist

**Postlude**

*Prelude and Fugue in D Minor* François Couperin  
Matt Smith, organist

\*Please stand if able.

*The Congregation is dismissed after the Benediction Response.  
Feel free to stay and quietly enjoy the postlude.*

*Hearing-assistance devices are available in the Narthex.  
Please see an usher for assistance.*

*The center altar flower arrangement is given "in loving memory of  
John Steeb's birthday by Marie Butcher Steeb."*

*Saturday pianist: Matt Smith*







## CHOOSE THE BETTER PART

Sermon Notes for Sunday, July 20, 2025. Based on Rev. Dr. Chris Heckert's sermon.

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"Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her." – Luke 38:41-42

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1. One of the most significant threats to society and our overall well-being is a codependency with \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Excessive \_\_\_\_\_ can lead to reduced attention spans, emotional fatigue, and addictive behaviors.
3. Jesus tells Martha, "You are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only \_\_\_\_\_."
4. Mary has chosen the "better part" in Jesus' presence by being:
  1. \_\_\_\_\_
  2. \_\_\_\_\_
  3. \_\_\_\_\_
5. Being rooted in Jesus means intentionally connecting with God through spiritual practices like \_\_\_\_\_, rather than immediately engaging with distractions.
6. Being present involves engaging fully with other people, including making \_\_\_\_\_, asking questions, and truly listening to their stories.
7. Our faith calls us to prioritize relationships over \_\_\_\_\_, going deeper with people.
8. When we choose the "better part," we cultivate spiritual well-being that \_\_\_\_\_.

### Reflection Questions

1. What has recently been a distraction for you, keeping you from being present to others?
  2. What has been a source of worry, making it difficult to experience God's presence?
  3. What steps can you take this week to be more attentive, present, and relational?
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# Prayer List - July 20, 2025

Angeliz	Monica English	Evelyn Nilson	Dorothy Troehler
Judy Baker	Escobar family	Kevin Norton	Barbara Turko
Dan Bates	Kim Ewan	Bob Parker	James Vicari
Susan Bernheim	Joanne Faust	David Parker	Bill Vigrass
Chrissy Black	Bonnie Ford	Bonnie Patricelli	Barry Webster
Jim Black	Frank	Jamie Pelley	Mark Wilby*
Family of Debi Brown*	Andrew Gaffney	Carole Pezzato	Bob Williams
Michelle Burrows	Marilyn Handler	Debbi Placko	Dorothy Wilson
Alice Caldwell	Brett Harrison	Lynda Plank	Family of Norie Wisniewski
Elaine Hoffman Cannarella	Phillip Hoffman*	Daniel Potts	Robin Wright
Cathy Chando	Millie & Ed Kaliss	Mark Reifsnyder*	•Peace on earth and people in violence and war around the world
Linda Charney	Lou Kenerley	Rebecca Restrepo	•The U.S. service workers in the Middle East
Veronica Charles*	Thelma & Aubrey Kershner	Jennifer Richardson	•For federal employees facing uncertainty, and for all leaders to govern with wisdom and integrity
Emma Clerc	Amanda Kinney	Chris Riley	
Janis Conley	Louise Lewis	Dale Robertson	
Shellee Conley	Shelly Lewis	James Robinson	
Janice Countess	Lisa	Family of Elaine Sandmeyer	
Eve Dayton	Ruth Lockwood	Sherry Schlagle	
Katie Devlin*	Donna Lucas	Matt Schopfer	
Penny Devlin*	Keith Maull	Ivy Setchel	
Family of Bob Dilks	Penny May	Sharon*	
Connie Dilks	Rev. Dr. Bill McElwee	Diane Simon	
Carol Dilks	Tom Mervine	Angie Slane	
Diane Doak	Marti Milne	Staiger family	
Lois Donaway	Anne Mohler	Marie Steeb	
Keenan Earley	Thomas Murphy	Gloria Straub	
Linda Emerick	Marzia Nazari & Hussein Mohebbi	Joe Talamo	
Richard Emerick		Gavin Todd	
		JT Triantos	

- Peace on earth and people in violence and war around the world
- The U.S. service workers in the Middle East
- For federal employees facing uncertainty, and for all leaders to govern with wisdom and integrity

\*New to list  
Unless otherwise requested, names will remain on the prayer list for 4 weeks.

If you have prayer and praise request or pastoral care request, please let us know at [haddonfieldumc.org/prayer](http://haddonfieldumc.org/prayer), scan the QR code, or email at [office@haddonfieldumc.org](mailto:office@haddonfieldumc.org). We're here to support you.



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

Scan QR codes with your smartphone for more information!

## SPECIAL SESSION OF CHARGE CONFERENCE

There will be a Special Session of Charge Conference at Haddonfield UMC on Monday, July 28, at 7pm for the purpose of updating the compensation package of Rev. Cricket Denton to include a housing allowance. The session will take place immediately preceding our regularly scheduled Church Council meeting.

## WAYS TO SUPPORT VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

We will welcome over 150 children August 11-15 for a week of Bible lessons, worship, games, crafts, science, and more, and we need your help to make it a success. Ways to help:



- **Donate:** Check out our Amazon Wish List to purchase needed items and have them delivered right to the church. This list will be updated throughout the summer. You can access the list at [haddonfieldumc.org/now](https://haddonfieldumc.org/now) or scan the QR code.
- **Give:** Support our event by giving a monetary gift at [haddonfieldumc.org/give](https://haddonfieldumc.org/give) and selecting "Children's Ministries–Vacation Bible School."

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL–CRAFT PREP NIGHT

Join us on Wednesday, July 23, from 5:30–7:30pm in Proport Café as we organize supplies and prepare craft materials for Vacation Bible School. All are welcome to lend a hand—many hands make light work! For questions, contact Erin Feeney at [efeeneyprofessional@gmail.com](mailto:efeeneyprofessional@gmail.com).

### Ways to Give

#### Text

Text GIVE to  
856-499-5566

#### Scan

the QR code with  
your smartphone



#### Online

Visit our giving website &  
select your fund  
[haddonfieldumc.org/give](https://haddonfieldumc.org/give)

#### Checks/Envelopes

Mail/Deliver to  
29 Warwick Rd., Haddonfield,  
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## BACKPACK & SCHOOL SUPPLIES COLLECTION—STARTS TODAY

Back-to-school season can be stressful for families facing financial challenges, but together we can help kids in our community walk into the classroom with confidence and the supplies they need to thrive. Through August 17, we are hosting a Backpack Drive to support children served by our mission partners: UrbanPromise, Acenda Health, Building Up Los Cocos, and the Neighborhood Center of Camden.

**The list of new, unopened supplies we are collecting includes:** backpacks, notebooks, folders, pencils, crayons, glue sticks, erasers, highlighters, lunch boxes, hand sanitizer, individual supply boxes (pencil cases), whiteboard markers, children's underwear and socks (sizes 4-18).

You can bring your items to church and place them in the marked collection bin in the Welcome Center. If you'd prefer to shop online, visit our Amazon Wish List, available at **[haddonfieldumc.org/serve](https://haddonfieldumc.org/serve)** and the Haddonfield UMC mobile app under "Serve." Donations purchased through Amazon will be shipped directly to the church. You can also make a monetary donation by visiting **[haddonfieldumc.org/give](https://haddonfieldumc.org/give)** – just be sure to select "Mission–Backpack Drive" as your fund.

## DRAMA MINISTRY AUDITIONS FOR DISNEY'S FROZEN JR.

Do you want to build a snowman—or maybe sing with one? Stop by the informational table in the Welcome Center during the month of August to learn more about our next drama ministry production, Disney's *Frozen Jr.* You'll find everything you need to know about how to get involved, including audition information and the rehearsal schedule. A representative from the Drama Ministry will be on hand to answer any questions you may have.

Auditions will be held on **Saturday, September 6**, with callbacks on **Thursday, September 11**. Performances will take place on **Friday, January 9, at 7pm** and **Saturday, January 10, at 2pm and 7pm**. Don't miss your chance to be part of this magical winter adventure! Contact Pastor Cricket with questions at [cdenton@haddonfieldumc.org](mailto:cdenton@haddonfieldumc.org).

## DIVERSABILITY TEAM MEETING

Join us for our next Diversability Team meeting as we continue working toward greater accessibility and inclusion in our church community. We'll be focusing on our Vacation Bible School inclusion efforts as well as planning for the fall. The meeting will be held



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Tuesday, August 5, at 6pm on Zoom. All are welcome – whether you're passionate about disability advocacy, have lived experience, or just want to learn more! Join us at: <https://drew.zoom.us/j/94768249288>. Contact Pastor Cricket with questions at [cdenton@haddonfieldumc.org](mailto:cdenton@haddonfieldumc.org).



## **JOB SEEKERS SUPPORT GROUP VIRTUAL MEETINGS**

The Job Seekers Support Group holds virtual meetings every other Thursday at 7:30pm to support job seekers through mentoring, career guidance, accountability partners, and mental and spiritual wellness. Upcoming meetings are July 31, August 14, and August 28. Contact the church office at [office@haddonfieldumc.org](mailto:office@haddonfieldumc.org) or connect with Jeanne Page-Soncrant on LinkedIn to receive the Zoom link.

Professionals of all levels and backgrounds are also needed for the launch of our fall Mentoring Program. To volunteer as a mentor, contact Steve Dagrosa, Sr., at 609-941-9048 or [sadagrosa920@gmail.com](mailto:sadagrosa920@gmail.com), or reach out to the church office.

## **UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH LIBRARY NOW OPEN**

The United Women in Faith LIBRARY, across the hall from the 1st floor library, is open for sign outs. Explore books for spiritual deepening, i.e., Richard Rohr's *The Universal Christ*, *The Immortal Diamond*, or *NY Times* best sellers. Books are arranged alphabetically according to the last name of the author. A file box for sign outs is on the shelf.

## **CARING CARDS MAILING MINISTRY NEEDS YOU!**

This is an outreach ministry showing Christ's love in action. The Caring Cards Ministry sends cards with encouraging words and prayers to those who are homebound, who may be experiencing health concerns or who may be facing personal issues (grief, depression, etc.). If you are able to give a little bit of time on a monthly basis to send out an encouraging word, this may be just for you! If you are interested, please contact Pat Cornell by email at [pcornell03@gmail.com](mailto:pcornell03@gmail.com).

## **THE CHERRY HILL FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION**

Thank you for all of your ongoing efforts to curb food insecurity in our community. Items continue to be collected in the bin located in the breezeway of the church, next to the parking lot. The list of most needed donations includes: **nonperishable food items, coffee, laundry detergent, complete pancake mix, pancake syrup, jelly, and toilet tissue.**



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## THE GREEN TEAM TAKE-OUT CONTAINER COLLECTION

The Green Team is now collecting clean, uncut, reusable take-out containers to support more sustainable practices at our church dinners and events. Instead of using single-use plastic, we hope to build a supply of clean, reusable containers that can be washed and used again. When we reduce waste, reuse what we already have, and recycle responsibly, we take part in the sacred work of caring for creation. Plastic pollution doesn't just harm wildlife and pollute ecosystems, it also harms humanity. By choosing to reuse, we help protect the planet and each other. You can drop off gently used (clean) containers in the bin located in the Welcome Center.

## SEND FALL SCHEDULES TO CHURCH OFFICE

If you lead a group, committee, or class, please send your fall schedule to Jaime Charlton in the church office by emailing [jcharlton@haddonfieldumc.org](mailto:jcharlton@haddonfieldumc.org). It's important to have the dates on the calendar to avoid any room conflicts. Having all dates on the calendar helps us avoid room conflicts and ensures smooth planning for everyone. Thank you!

## BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Want to include something in the worship bulletin? Please email your complete, written announcement (no more than four sentences, please!) to Jaime Charlton at [jcharlton@haddonfieldumc.org](mailto:jcharlton@haddonfieldumc.org) at least two weeks before the weekend you'd like it to appear. Make sure to include the title, date, time, location, and contact information. Space is limited, so announcements are first-come, first-served—and may be gently edited for clarity or length if needed.

Visit **[haddonfieldumc.org/now](https://haddonfieldumc.org/now)** for more information on events, digital connect card, digital bulletin, and sermon notes! Scan the QR code on your smartphone to access it any time.



## WORSHIP SERVICES

### In-person Worship

- **5pm Saturday** - Casual Communion Service in Brown Chapel
- **8am Sunday** - Traditional Worship in Brown Chapel
- **9am Sunday** - Modern Worship in Fellowship Hall
- **10:30am Sunday** - Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

### Virtual Worship - worship with us anytime at [haddonfieldumc.org](http://haddonfieldumc.org), YouTube, or Facebook

- **9am Sunday** - live-stream of Modern Worship
- **10:30am Sunday** - live-stream of Traditional Worship

## HUMC KIDS SUNDAY PROGRAMMING

- **Child Care** (under 3 years of age) - 9-11:30am
- **Children's Summer Sunday School** - 9-10am
- **Children's Worship** - 10:30-11:30am

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### CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Dr. Chris Heckert	Senior Pastor
Rev. Yeeun Kim	Assoc. Pastor for Caring Ministries
Rev. Cricket Denton	Pastor of Student & Mission Ministries
Jessica Thomas	Director of Modern Worship
Matthew Smith	Organist & Choirmaster
Julie Robertson	Director of HUMC Kids
Jennifer Douglas	Director of HUMECC
Megan Martin	Dir. of Communication Ministries
Dr. Jason Vodicka	Artistic Director, NJ MasterChorale
Karen Bertoldi	Business Manager
Jaime Charlton	Office Mngr./Assistant to Sr. Pastor
Kevin Moore	Building Manager
Hugh Williams	Custodian
Roy Lee	Custodian

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- **Audio only live-streams** are available by calling: 856-213-2015.
- **Our Weekly Sermon Podcast** is available any time on our app (available on Amazon Apple Appstore, and Google Play) or on your favorite podcasting platform (search Haddonfield United Methodist Church).
- **Daily Reflections** are available on our app or online at [haddonfieldumc.org/daily-reflections](http://haddonfieldumc.org/daily-reflections).

### Remember HUMC in your will!

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