



The Chapel Herald

A History of Christian Generosity



By the early 1920s, the need for a new church building for The Village Chapel was becoming evident to its members. At that time, Sunday worship was held at the Village Hall (the site today of condominiums on Cherokee Road across from the Holly Inn and the Givens Memorial Library).

Then, after Easter of 1923, the Chapel's pastor – the Rev. Thaddeus Cheatham – coupled some vacation time away to visit a Chapel member, Mary Bruce, who had been seriously ill in New York City for the previous several months. She was so impressed with the pastor's visit that she gave him a check for \$5000 (about \$71,000 in today's money) to start a new building fund.

Upon returning to Pinehurst, the Rev. Cheatham met with the Chapel board to share the news of Miss Bruce's donation, whereupon ten board members (including Donald Ross!) pledged a total of \$40,000 (\$588,000 today) towards a new church building. They then met with the founder of Pinehurst – James Walker Tufts – to seek his approval to build a new Chapel building on the Village Green costing about \$100,000 (\$1.42 million today), and Mr. Tufts graciously donated land considered to be the choicest site in Pinehurst – the current location of The Village Chapel. Mr. Tufts had already donated a parsonage as the home of the Rev. Cheatham (the "Juniper-Eureka" structure at 100 Village Green East). When Cheatham's successor as pastor was called in 1951, another parsonage was donated by a Chapel member, Samuel G. Allen (the current home of Polk and Kathy Dillon).



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A Moment In Time...



As I walked behind a group of our male students at camp in Charleston, I suddenly had the idea to capture the moment with a photograph. We weren't doing anything special or memorable, just walking on campus making small talk. The picture above is the picture I took on Monday, July 16, 2018. Since that week of camp, I've looked at the picture several times. Looking at their faces, I think of their different personalities and backgrounds. I think about the experiences each student had in worship, small group time, and in serving the local community of Charleston. I recall statements they shared with their peers, and especially those made about their ongoing relationship with Christ. At the time the picture was taken, there was no way to know all that would transpire that remaining week and the weeks to come. Two of them would make first-time professions of faith in Christ, and another would write these words as a mission statement for the newly formed youth praise band:

"Mission Statement: Recently the Lord changed my heart and mind in unbelievable ways. He has completely altered my life. The mission of this band is to not only praise the Lord through music but to spread His word and His grace. I ask all those who hear or read to go forth into the world and spread His Gospel. Nic Granata 2018"

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The first service of the new Village Chapel was held on March 1, 1925. The following words appeared on the printed greeting: *“Erected by the gifts of its loyal friends, The Village Chapel opens its doors today and bids you welcome. Its services are for all people who care to come, and it stands for unity, fellowship, and inspiration. It seeks to hold fast to the sincerity and simplicity of the past and to give a message of faith and spiritual purpose to the present.”*

May that generous spirit of Christian unity abide in everything we do as we prepare for the 120th anniversary of our Chapel’s founding on Sunday, October 28, 2018. Please plan to attend.

Pastor John

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The mission statement is posted in the youth room at the Care Cottage for all to read. I suppose that in the future, perhaps years from now, I’ll see this picture of these young men, and think about how much they have changed and grown and matured. I’ll no doubt smile and reminisce about the great week we had and the memories that were made. I’ll probably laugh when I think about the funny comments that were said, and maybe become emotional when I remember how real Jesus was to them that week, when we all needed Him to be present.

I’m grateful for the picture that captured that one moment in time; it forever stands as a reminder of the lives that were captured for eternity.

Reckless Love,
Pastor Ashley

The Village Chapel Annual *Peach Festival*

On Sunday, August 26 following the 10:00 Unity Service

**The 8:15 service will be held as usual*

Chicken, beans, slaw, and drinks will be provided. Please bring a small amount of fruit – uncut – such as 2 peaches, or 2 kiwis, or blueberries, etc., which will be added to the Large Fruit Salad to be made in the kitchen OR bring a dessert to share.

All of The Village Chapel family and their guests are invited to join in the fellowship of this delightful—and delicious—event!

Visitors Welcome!

Improving Handicap Access

Jack Wood
Chairman, Buildings and Grounds Committee

Recognizing that some handicap individuals have found it difficult and uncomfortable to attend Chapel services and other functions, late last year the Board of Trustees asked the Buildings and Grounds Committee to see what could be done to make it easier for wheelchair-bound attendees and others with walkers to access the Chapel and Chapel Hall. Consequently, the Committee conducted a review of our current handicapped access and facilities.

Although the Committee found the Chapel to be in compliance with applicable handicapped code requirements, as a result of this review, the Committee produced a list of projects that the Chapel could undertake to improve access and to make the handicapped feel more comfortable attending Sunday services and other functions. The Board approved a number of the projects on that list, and the Committee included those projects in its 2018 budget.

Work on these projects is in progress and will be completed within the next few months. The projects include:

- Removing a pew and building a small ramp to create a handicap seating area in the front left side of the Chapel just inside the handicap access door.
- Constructing a ramp in front of the Chapel to allow wheelchairs to be moved from the street and over the curb to the handicap access walkway and door on the side of the Chapel.
- Installing an electronic, self-opening handicap door opener on the door at the top of the handicap access ramp on the side of the Chapel.
- Installing an electronic, self-opening handicap door opener on the door at the top of the handicap access ramp in the rear of the Chapel entering into the atrium and Chapel Hall.



In addition to these projects to improve handicap access, everyone in our Chapel is always ready to lend a helping hand to the handicapped. It is the goal of the Chapel to have no handicapped individual choose not to attend a Chapel service or other function because they feel it is too difficult or uncomfortable to make the effort.

Coming This Fall

Beginning Thursday, October 4, 2018, a new small group study will be led by Jim Busby. The study will be on John MacArthur's "The Gospel of John." The group will meet at the Care Cottage at 7 p.m. and will be limited to 12 participants. Registration is required by calling the Chapel office and the course books will be provided at no cost.



The Village Chapel



TEN THOUSAND
VILLAGES®

International Craft Gift Sale

Handcrafted items from over 30 countries

Saturday, September 22

9 am to 5 pm

Village Chapel Hall

10 Azalea Road, Pinehurst

15% of sales to be donated

Children and Youth ministries



For more information, contact Betty Mangum (910) 215-9093

Sandhills Adult and Teen Challenge

Sandhills Adult and Teen Challenge is one of the recipients of funds provided by The Village Chapel. Also known simply as Teen Challenge, this drug and alcohol recovery program is a faith based 501 (c) 3 entity serving people of North Carolina 18 years of age and older. Currently, clients are aged 19 through 67 years old. These people are self-determined, court mandated, family intervened, bottomed out, and/or homeless. The recovery from drug and alcohol addiction program is 14 months long followed by learning life skills through connections with the Community College. There is a fee structure for treatment but they will sponsor folks.

Facilities on site consist of a repurposed farmstead with office space, gym, stage, cafeteria, dormitory, classrooms, and computer lab. Teen Challenge has been in operation for 30 years. They operate on a budget of \$327,000 annually. Of this amount, 77% is spent on programs and 16% on administration, and 7% on fund raising.

The visit to this facility impressed the strong faith based, private, serving of “the least of us” aspects but also transition to their futures. Modest facilities, committed staff, and a comprehensive program leaves one truly impressed with the worthiness of our support. Additionally, life skills being connected to the Community College provides tools to succeed beyond their treatment.

Mid-Year Contribution Statements



Contribution statements were sent out the last week of July for the first half of 2018. Please check your statements for accuracy and notify Susan Benefield, Manager of Finance, of any corrections or changes that need to be made. Thank you for contributing to the ministry of The Village Chapel through your generous donations!



Shipwrecked VBS 2018



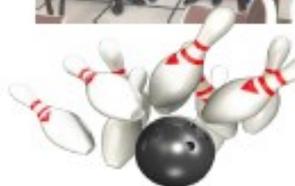


TVC Youth Attend MFUGE Camp in Charleston, SC



What a blast the TVC Youth had serving in Charleston, SC. We are so excited with what God is doing in our Youth group and the relationships that are developing in Christ.

TVC Youth "Strike" Up Some Fun at the Sandhills Bowling Center



The Village Chapel Music Series 2018-2019

Carolina Brass

Festive Music for Brass and Organ
Friday, September 14, 7:30 PM

Duke University Chorale

Sunday, November 4, 4:00 PM

Sounds of Broadway

Catherine Kelly, Claire Fields, and Craig
Brown
Friday, February 8, 7:00 PM

Music of Handel, Haydn, and Finzi

Alex Rodiek, trumpet; John Tyson, piano
With professional orchestra
Friday, May 10, 7:00 PM

All concerts are free of charge and open to the public.
Donations are graciously accepted to assist in offsetting the
costs of each program.

August Birthdays

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| 2 | Jeanne Anderson | Larry Phillips |
| | Bob DeSandy | 24 Greg Grimshaw |
| 3 | Bob Wenig | Kathryn Green |
| | Rosalind Young | Sabrina Finkbiner |
| 5 | Briana Scaletta | 25 Jill Bonacci |
| | Pam Adams | 26 Kate Shattenkirk |
| 6 | Tom Hurst | Nicole Vogt |
| 7 | Robbie Roberson | Liza Myrick |
| 8 | Barbara Floore | 27 Wayne Hamblin |
| 10 | Robert Corcoran | 28 Jonathan Nestor |
| | Kim Berner | Judith Krall |
| 12 | Anne Williamson | 29 Alice Irby |
| 13 | Fred Prince | 30 Allen Ashdown |
| 14 | George | Johanna Edgar |
| | Watterworth | Timothy Buckley |
| | Macey Jackson | 31 Carol Horne |
| 15 | Linda Eelman | Alex Del Bueno |
| 16 | Adam Wall | Brooks Macrae |
| | Judy Boyer | |
| 17 | Deen Edgar | |
| 18 | Cynthia Pizzini | |
| 20 | Carolyn Holzgraf | |
| 23 | Lilly Corcoran | |
| | Bud Harper | |
| | Rudy Austin | |

Please contact the office if your birthday or anniversary information is incorrect, or if you need to be added to the list.

Happy Anniversary

- 3 Mike & Freida McBrayer
- 5 Bob & Sharon Schnauffer
Charles & Pennie Clack
- 6 Mark & Lori Valentinas
- 7 Don & Carol Pierce
- 8 Lou & Ann Torok
- 10 Mike & Mary Jo Matthies
- 13 Aaron & Natasha Bell
George & Patricia Watterworth
- 14 Bud & Sue Fisher
John & Shirley Aquino
- 15 Larry & Joanna Martin
- 16 Bill & Malinda Summey
- 19 Joe & Adrienne Oxendine
- 22 John & Liz Skvarla
- 23 Jim & Ellene Busby
- 29 Ray & Barbara Bottoms
- 31 Tom & Ilana Steward

From the Director of Music

Greetings to all, and happy summer! As you all read this, I am currently in Pocono Springs, Pennsylvania at Camp SAY! If you missed my previous article on this, I'll refer you to the June Herald. My thanks again to the pastors and staff of The Village Chapel for their support as I embark on this incredible journey. I am also very grateful to Darlene Skinner for serving as my very-able substitute during this three-week period.

We have much to look forward to this Fall at The Village Chapel. As you should have seen in previous Heralds, this year we are celebrating the 120th anniversary of the founding of The Village Chapel. While the sanctuary was built in 1924, there was quite a bit of activity going on in the 20+ years prior. Founded in 1898 as The Pinehurst Religious Association, the first services were held in both The Village Hall and the Holly Inn, located in the heart of the Village. "Reviews" of many services were published in the Village newsletter.

The pinnacle of our celebration will take place on Sunday, October 28. With one service at 10:00am, we will sing glorious settings of some of the strongest hymns of the church, led by our choir (including some friends of the music program) and Moore Brass, the resident brass ensemble of Moore County. As The Village Chapel has long been one of the musical hubs of Moore County, it is quite appropriate that there be a strong musical presence in this service. We look forward to celebrating this historic milestone with the congregation as well as members of the greater Moore County community.

Finally, you'll find in this edition of the newsletter a complete listing of our 2018-2019 concerts. I am very pleased to be performing a concert with Carolina Brass on Friday, September 14. We enjoy Carolina Brass every December with our favorite Christmas tunes, however this is a wonderful way to experience their artistry in a different fashion. While we will play arrangements of music for organ/brass, they will offer some solo brass arrangements of classical, pop, and Broadway tunes. Please make plans to attend this festive program!

See you soon,
Stephen

Paper Products Drive for Family Promise of Moore County

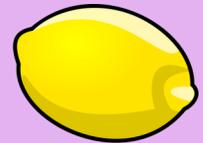
The Village Chapel Outreach Committee is sponsoring a Paper Products drive for Family Promise of Moore County, a homeless shelter for women and children. Please consider donating any of the following items for the families:

Paper Towels
Bath Tissue
Facial Tissue
Paper Plates
Paper/Plastic Cups
Disposable Utensils
Table Napkins

Levi's Lemonade Stand



Levi will have his lemonade stand set up on
Sunday, August 11, during all three services
On the front porch of the Chapel.



Levi sells lemonade to raise money for the Alzheimer's Association in memory of his Great-Grandma Peggy Britt. Great-Grandma Peggy Britt joined our Father in her heavenly home on February 13, 2017 after a battle with Lewy Body Dementia. Levi raised over \$1,200 last year through his lemonade stands and hopes to meet his goal of \$2,000 this year. All donations go to the Alzheimer's Association. Anyone interested in joining Levi's team to walk, information will be available at the stand.

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