



The Chapel Herald

Too Intent on Lent?



If we think of Lent as an annual occasion to observe a penitential devotion to a life in Christ, then it shows a limited understanding of the role we are called as Christians to play. Jesus has called us to be his disciples, and following him means pursuing a disciplined approach to life; not just who we are and what we do

for a few hours here on Sunday morning, but being disciples every day for the rest of our lives.

We can understand this in other aspects of life. Imagine a student who is more concerned about others seeing him study - and thinking how serious a scholar he must be - than about actually putting in the time and effort to learning the subject; and besides, why care about the favorable opinion of others, if it doesn't result in a good grade?

Or - in another context - which would be more important: to appear to be athletic to others to be athletic, or to be a committed, disciplined member of the team?

As Christians, Jesus has already obtained for us our place on God's team, no tryouts necessary. All he asks is that we behave like what we are: Team members with a Coach who can't wait to send us out on the field, for the good of the team and the glory of God - and it's the only game in town!

Praying for a blessed Lent,

Pastor John

The Holy Land Travel Tour (January 2020)

By Pastor Ashley N. Smith



Having an opportunity to visit the Holy Land is a once-in-a-lifetime excursion! The experience of visiting places where Jesus walked, lived, taught, and performed miracles, would bring the biblical text to life in a uniquely, memorable way. Taking such a trip with Village Chapel members and friends would be extra special. Well, the opportunity has arrived. Next year, Pastor Ashley and Vickie Smith will lead a group from the Chapel and community on a 10 day trip to Israel. Tuesday, January 21, 2020, we will depart RDU to Tel Aviv (via Newark, NJ). Arriving at Tel Aviv's Ben-Gurion Airport, we will be met by our Israeli tour guide and escort. Throughout our time in Israel, our guide will instruct us on the many sites we will visit and their relationship to the religion, history, archeology, culture, and modern life in Israel. Places to visit will be Caesarea, Megiddo, Galilee, Nazareth, Cana, Tiberias, Sea of Galilee, Capernaum, Mount of Beatitudes, Caesarea Phillipi, Jordan River, Jordan Valley, Jerusalem, Mt. of Olives, Bethlehem, Masada, Dead Sea, Ein Gedi, Qumran, Western "Wailing" Wall, Temple Mount, Golgotha, and more! We will return to RDU on Thursday, January 30th. The trip is all inclusive. The cost is \$3,398 which includes roundtrip airfare from RDU; top quality four star hotels; full buffet breakfast and dinner daily;

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transportation by air-conditioned motor coach and licensed, English-speaking guide; airport taxes and airline fuel surcharges; "love offerings" tips for guides, driver, restaurant staff and house keeping staff. **WHAT IS NOT INCLUDED:** The cost of obtaining a U.S. Passport, meals and beverages for lunch, travel insurance, personal items, etc. If you are interested in going, a non-refundable deposit of \$300 per person is due upon registration. Final payment is due on October 1, 2019. Travel insurance is available. For a brochure and more information, please call/text Pastor Ashley at 910-992-8308 or email at ashleynelsmith@aol.com.

The Women's Discussion Group

Holy Solitude: Lenten Reflections with Saints, Hermits, Prophets, and Rebels, Heidi Haverkamp's collection of meditations for Lent, is the source of several selected readings for the next meeting of The Women's Discussion Group on March 14. Readings from a number of writers/thinkers, as well as scriptures, encourage us to develop a meaningful Lenten space focusing on such spiritual disciplines as solitude, contemplation and fasting. The group meets at 10 a.m. in the choir room at The Village Chapel. All interested women are invited to attend.

The Arc of Moore County

The mission of The Arc of Moore County exists to enhance the quality of life for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families through advocacy, support, and services.

Their programs include:

- ◇ Respite Care- Quality care for the family member with a disability to relieve the primary caregiver of the day-to-day stress of caring for a loved one who is disabled.
- ◇ First in Families- A program that links families to community resources unavailable to them through the traditional service system and funding sources.
- ◇ Advocacy- The Arc works through a variety of channels to foster respect, raise awareness, and change attitudes about people with I/DD to help remove barriers to full inclusion and acceptance in the community.
- ◇ Aktion Club- A community service, "give back" organization comprised of adults with developmental disabilities- (24th year- 40 members- Kiwanis sponsorship-fundraising for service projects-)
- ◇ Book Club- Books are explored through a variety of mediums and include hands-on experiences to bring books to life-
- ◇ Joyful Noise- Adult chorus and handbell choir- They practice each week and give special performances throughout the year.

Volunteer Opportunities:

- Aktion Club advisor, helper
- Joyful Noise assistant
- Book Club assistant
- Fundraising special events
- Board of Directors
- First in Families advisory board
- Mrs. Wendy Carter is the Executive Director



The Women of the Chapel invite you to a Special Event

God's Dwelling Place

Presented by Barbara Perry



Thursday, March 21, 2019

10:00 – 2:00

The Village Chapel

10 Azalea Rd. Pinehurst, NC 28374

\$19 (includes lunch from the Villager Deli)

Barbara Perry is bringing to the Chapel her scale model of the ancient Tabernacle built by Moses exactly as God instructed in the Bible. Through her presentation, we will learn how God's Tabernacle guided the Israelites and now us to Jesus.

Barbara Perry is a native and resident of Kinston, North Carolina. She is a well-known Bible Study Leader who finds sharing God's Word to be her joy and love. She especially enjoys teaching God's Word using her model of The Tabernacle. Her model is well travelled, even going to Israel.

Barbara is widowed and has two married children. She is blessed with six grandchildren and a new great-grandson.

Please join us and bring a friend to share in this inspiring presentation!

HOW TO RESERVE YOUR SEAT:

Reservation forms are available outside of Heather's office. Reservations WITH PAYMENT should be placed in the box outside of Heather's office. Forms can also be emailed to you and mailed with payment to the Chapel

To reserve a seat and pay online, go to our website: www.tvcpinehurst.com. Click on Giving, select WOC Miscellaneous Events. Put your lunch choice in the memo box.

Lunch Choices: The Blest (bacon, lettuce, egg salad, tomato on wheat)
 Turkey with lettuce and tomato on wheat
 Chicken Salad on Greens (Gluten Free)

*Lunches will include a cookie, fruit and iced tea

RESERVATIONS WITH PAYMENT ARE DUE BY MARCH 15, 2019

For a reservation form or more information, contact Janis Sholtis (295-1057, janissholtis@gmail.com) or call the Chapel office at 295-6003. Scholarships for the event are available.



A Realistic Solution

There is a homeless problem among teens in Moore County and we need your help. Over the past three years private interfaith citizens have been meeting to alleviate difficult issues facing teens who are living within unstable environments. This document focuses on the most vulnerable and preyed upon segment of the homeless teen sector: young women.

Fortunately, a blueprint is available for the Moore County transitional home that we envision. The highly-regarded Methodist Home for Children's (MHC) North Hills Transitional Living facility is a 6- to 12-month residential program that helps young women returning from confinement in juvenile justice facilities build the skills they need to live independently. Several of our Initial Organizing Committee (IOC) members made a site visit to the MHC North Hills Transitional Living and were introduced to its day-to-day operations. That transitional home and the supportive programming within helps enormously to prevent a lifetime of dependence on the state with a cost-effective, short-term investment in independent living. Our IOC has the benefit of ongoing consultation from Mr. Benjamin Sanders, V.P., MHC. The North Hills Transitional Living Program helps youth see a positive and achievable path to independence. It challenges them to grow emotionally, spirituality, socially and financially in ways they often have not considered.

Moore County has a gap in services when it comes to serving adolescent females in crisis. Friend to Friend will only admit a young woman in crisis provided she is identified as a human trafficking or domestic violence victim. Family Promise houses only women who have children, which leaves a gap for those without children. Young women who age out of foster care at 18 are also a contributing factor to homelessness. Once they age out of foster care, they may not take full advantage or understand benefits available to them afterwards.

In recent years, school social workers have seen a rise in the number of homeless young women in Moore County. On January 7, 2019 three female students at Pinecrest H.S. alone were identified as being homeless and eligible for the assistance this program will provide. We believe that, with help from collaborating agencies, the number of homeless young women can be reduced. School social workers and other community human service entities have pinpointed temporary housing for these young women as currently the most needed resource in Moore County. The future Young Women's Transitional Home of Moore County will provide a safe residence and therapeutic services for these young women until they earn and achieve independence. The sheltered young women will be expected to attend high school or an institution of higher education and find employment. Research shows that: (1) transitional homes have a track record of success; and (2) those communities that help at-risk and homeless teens feel safe and learn life skills benefit by having more productive citizens among its population.

Summary

Our goals are modest for the proposed Young Women's Transitional Home of Moore County. We expect to provide a safety net for young women who currently are living in unhealthy, unstable, and sometimes dangerous environments. At the same time, we intend to empower them to complete their high school degree and/or move on to employment or college enrollment.

Our goal is simple: To provide a shelter in the storm for these young women, while supporting them in taking the first steps to emancipation. Many of these young women need a boost in beginning to grow up.

Please help us provide what is needed for these young women in our community.



Farewells

Sadly, this early in the New Year the Village Chapel has already suffered the loss of three members, who were devoted to our church.



Dorothy Tillison Young, known more familiarly to us as “Dot”, passed away peacefully at her home on January 8 at the age of 92. Dot was born in Worcester, Massachusetts in 1927, the daughter of Mildred and David Tillison. After graduation from Bates College in 1948, Dot became a teacher and

taught in primary schools in Virginia, Connecticut and Georgia. We know Dot as a loving and caring Christian so we can only imagine what an effective teacher and positive example she must have been to her students. She was married for 51 years to Arthur Clark Young.

Dot was truly a woman for all seasons. She was a teacher, not only to her classroom students but also to her daughters and her friends. But she taught by example. She loved life and that carried over to her friends and the scores of people who admired her. A teacher of English, she was a stickler for the proper use of English and grammar. Her high moral values were visible to all but she was never pedantic.

Dot was an avid reader, loved playing bridge, enjoyed opera, exercised regularly, including long walks around Pinehurst. She played golf until she was 89 years old. To her golf was supposed to be fun, a time to be with friends or family and not to be spoiled with silly things like sand traps. She did not subscribe to the old adage that you can't teach old dogs new tricks. So late in life she took up line dancing and continued with it until she was 90.

Dot was a member of the Village Chapel for 30 years, where she served as a Shepherd for more than 20 years. Always the activist, Dot was a member of the Chippers Club, the Encore Club and volunteered at Moore Regional Hospital for 33 years. She had been a member of the Pinehurst Country club since 1977.

Family oriented her entire life, Dot was a devoted mother of four loving daughters, two of whom still live in Pinehurst. She also had four grandchildren. At her memorial, her family and friends repeatedly made

reference to her to her devoutness and her “inner light” and serenity that guided her life.

Until her health failed, Dot regularly attended services at the Village Chapel, always cheerful with a warm greeting for everyone. She was devoted to the Village Chapel and she is one of those that truly will be missed. But her faith was strong and we and her family can rest assured that she is with the Lord who blessed her life service to others. We are honored that she chose to share so much of that service oriented life with the Village Chapel.



Mack Verhyden died February 4 at St. Joseph of the Pines. He was 94 years old. Mack was born in Texas in 1924 - on the 4th of July. Following graduation from high school, Mack matriculated at Texas Tech. His education was interrupted by World War II and after a short stint with the Army Corps of

Engineers, he returned to Texas Tech to complete his mechanical engineering degree, graduating in 1947.

Mack commenced a career with Caterpillar Tractor Company shortly after his graduation. His work in the export division eventually took him to assignments overseas in Africa, Brazil and Mexico. When he retired from Caterpillar a Vice President in the late 1980s, he and his wife, Ruth, whom he met in Brazil, moved to Pinehurst. They had three children. Mack and Ruth who passed away a few years ago, were long time members of the Village Chapel.

Mack remained active for years after settling in Pinehurst. In addition to his service at the Village Chapel, he was involved with the United Way, the Boys and Girls Club, Kiwanis and Bethany House. One of the “greatest generation”, Mack was a wonderful courtly gentlemen who made us all the better for knowing him. He was a credit to his generation and to the Village Chapel and we shall miss him.



Jack White, a retired Navy Captain, died on his 88th birthday on January 24, 2019, with his daughter, Christine at his side.

Jack had not been a member nearly as long as Dot and Mack but it did not take him long to make his presence felt. His daughter and son-in-law, Christine and Buck Warren were members be-



fore Jack moved here and they can claim credit for bringing him to us. Soon after his arrival, he joined the Communications Committee for which he wrote several articles. He also joined the usher crew. He clearly loved the Chapel and soon made many friends with his ready smile and warm greeting.

Born in Davenport, Iowa on January 24, 1931, Jack earned three degrees, culminating with his PhD from Michigan State in 1962. That's a long way from the ocean but Jack chose the US Navy as his career and rose to the rank of Captain. After retirement in 1980, Jack worked in real estate in Florida before moving to Pinehurst in 2009. True to his Navy roots, Jack will be have a seaside burial where his ashes and those of his wife of 61 years, Joanne, will be scattered.

We were fortunate to have Jack with us and we mourn his loss with his family.



Sunday Night Youth Fellowship at the Underground

March Birthdays

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| 4 Landen Smith | Abigail Smith |
| Brook Totten-Lancaster | Eva Shumski |
| 5 Phil Martinello | 21 Chandler Adams |
| Dianne Cole-Hall | Andrew Wilson |
| 7 Anne Fox | 22 Janis Nestor |
| Arlene Knapp | 24 Barbara Barnes |
| 8 Mary Delauter | George Drenkler |
| Joseph Kinney | Isabella Green |
| Char Rohr | 26 Buck Adams |
| 9 Lawson Barrett | Maribel Pena |
| 12 Russell Zumwalt | 29 Jackie Garris |
| Jeff Fox | Jennifer Imperial |
| 14 Susan Leader | Mary Barranti |
| Ferrell Ann Harper | 31 Joe Oxendine |
| 15 Amy Corcoran | |
| 17 Gwen St. Clair | |
| Walter Blackwell | |
| 18 Sybil Del Bueno | |
| Ford Grimshaw | |
| 19 Henry Bahr | |
| 20 Roy Register | |

Happy Anniversary

- 3** Nick & Cheryl Nickerson
- 4** Dave & Lin Cook
- Greg & Mandy Grimshaw
- 13** Mike & Irene Bradley
- 19** Bill & Nancy Wetmore
- 31** Marjorie & Jan Ludwig
- Jonathan & Victoria Brenner

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



STEPHEN MINISTRY

Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms.

1 Peter 4:10



Break Night Schedule for March

March 6 – Ash Wednesday Services (Imposition of ashes with no Holy Communion) at 12:00pm and 6:00pm.

March 13 – A presentation on Alzheimer's - Dale Krech and Pat Soler will speak on this disease and other dementia related issues.

March 20 – TVC Outreach program hosts Habitat for Humanity college students from Maryland volunteering on their spring break. Join us for dinner and an opportunity to meet them.

March 27 – John Zumwalt, recent Republican candidate for the North Carolina House of Representatives; former Army Officer, police officer, and fire fighter, expert on domestic terrorist tactics, will speak on his Christian faith and how it has informed his experiences in life.

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Return Service Requested

Family Caregiver Benefits of a Support Group:

A place to exchange information, support and friendship with others whose lives are affected by dementia

A forum for sharing practical tips and strategies for coping with the many changes connected with the disease

A place to express feelings and be reassured that these feelings are normal and expected

An opportunity to decrease feelings of isolation and loneliness

A place to find a positive outlook on things without being misunderstood

The chance to regain some control in the face of a disease that cannot be controlled

A place to find a sense of hope

Please join us!

Caring for a person with Alzheimer's or dementia can have high physical, emotional and financial costs. The demands of day-to-day care, changes in family roles and decisions about the future can be difficult.

Good coping skills, a strong support network, and respite care are ways that help caregivers handle the stress of caring for a loved one.

Some caregivers find support groups to be critical lifeline. The purpose of this support group is to provide a safe environment where people affected by Alzheimer's disease or a related dementia, can mutually support one another by sharing their thoughts, ideas, concerns, questions, and coping strategies in a nonjudgmental and caring atmosphere.

We Partner With:



Our Mission

Our purpose is to provide compassionate weekly support for caregivers of those suffering from Dementia-related diseases in our community, through education, counseling and spiritual guidance.

All are welcome!

Tell your friends and neighbors. No religious affiliation is required. Our goal is to provide free caregiver support for the community.

Dementia Caregiver Support Group

Established in spring 2018, we provide support for family caregivers of loved ones suffering from dementia-related illnesses, including Alzheimer's disease.

When & Where

2 Sessions Weekly!

Tuesdays 10:30 - 12 noon

The Village Chapel
10 Azalea Road, Pinehurst

OR

Thursdays 10:30 - 12 noon

Our Saviour Lutheran Church
1517 Luther Way, Southern Pines

Support group meetings will be held weekly, with occasional breaks.

Contact

Email our volunteer, certified facilitators for more information and session dates.

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