

# The Village Chapel

Pinehurst, North Carolina

**January 5, 2025**

**The Epiphany**

**Holy Communion Sunday**



## **Our Mission**

*As an independent, interdenominational Church, we unify all Christians through the Word of God, worship God in spirit and truth; teach and encourage the Christian faith; support the spiritual needs of our congregation and share the Gospel of Jesus Christ through community outreach.*

# *The Village Chapel*

## **An Enduring Vision for Christian Community**

As an independent, interdenominational, Christian community, we look to the authority of scripture and the Lordship of Christ in all matters of doctrine and practice. Our mission is founded upon the precepts of worship, learning, and service.

First, The Village Chapel exists to worship God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Together, the Trinity are “worshipped and glorified,” as we, and Christians throughout history, profess in the Nicene Creed. In the Gospel of John, our Lord teaches us, that the Father seeks worshippers (John 4:23). Therefore, we assemble together as a community of worshippers to give God our praise and thanksgiving, and to exalt His name in The Village of Pinehurst and Moore County. The Village Chapel is a place of worship, and we are His worshippers—not only on Sundays, but every day, and everywhere.

Next, we are called to become learners of Christ. Jesus said in the Gospel of Matthew, to learn from Him (Matthew 11:29), and He commissioned us to teach people about Him (Matthew 28:20). Christian living is Christian learning. As Dietrich Bonhoeffer once said, “Christianity without discipleship, is Christianity without Christ.” Jesus desires for us to grow in our knowledge and understanding of Him, so we can be equipped to teach others, sharing the message of the Gospel—learners becoming imitators of Christ.

Finally, we are called to be servants—to serve God and to serve one another. Jesus said that He “did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.” (Matthew 20:28) We are not to be “hearers” of the Word only, but “doers.” (James 1:22) Following the Lord’s example of sacrificial service, we too are to live sacrificially in our service to God, His Church, and others.

Upon these three pillars, is the vision of The Village Chapel founded.

Worship. Learn. Serve.

Rev Dr. Ashley Neil Smith, Senior Pastor



If you are looking for a church home, the pastors would like to meet with you at your convenience. The process for membership is simple and straightforward. Once a new member application (one page) is submitted - applications can be requested from our office, filled out online, or found in our visitor folders in the narthex - then, a meeting with a pastor is scheduled. Because we are an interdenominational community - including many Christian faith traditions - we offer dual membership. Dual membership allows you to be a member of The Village Chapel and another church. Also, transfer letters are not required, but can be requested at your behest. We look forward to worshipping, learning, and serving with you and your family, in the days to come.

# HOLY EUCHARIST – 8:00 A.M.

† *Congregation stands*

- Opening Voluntary *Prelude on The First Noel* C.P. Burton  
Minister's Informal Words Rev. Trey Majure  
† Opening Hymn *The First Noel (stanzas 1-3)* 229  
† *Minister: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*  
**People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**  
† Collect for Purity  
† Summary of the Law  
*Minister: The Lord be with you.*  
**People: And with thy spirit.**  
*Minister: Let us pray.*  
**(kneel or sit)**  
Collect of the Day  
Old Testament: *Jeremiah 31:7-14* (bulletin, p.8)  
*Reader: The Word of the Lord.*  
**People: Thanks be to God.**  
New Testament: *Ephesians 1:3-14* (bulletin, p.8)  
*Reader: The Word of the Lord*  
**People: Thanks be to God.**  
Gospel: *John 1:10-18* (bulletin, p.9)  
*Prior to the reading the congregation says:*  
**Glory be to thee, O Lord.**  
*Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.*  
**People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.**  
Meditation Rev. Dr. Ashley Neil Smith  
† Nicene Creed (*People*)  
I believe in one God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; and in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God; begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead; and the life of the world to come. *Amen.*  
Prayers for the Church and People  
Invitation to Communion  
Prayer of General Confession (*People*)  
Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: we acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time, most grievously have committed by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. The remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*  
Absolution  
Comfortable Words

*Sursum Corda*

*Minister: The Lord be with you.*

**People: And with thy spirit.**

*Minister: Lift up your hearts.*

**People: We lift them up unto the Lord.**

*Minister: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.*

**People: It is meet and right so to do.**

*Preface (proper prefaces as appointed)*

Therefore, with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying:

*Sanctus (People)*

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Blessed is he who cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

*Consecration of the Elements*

*The Lord's Prayer (People)*

*Prayer of Humble Access (People)*

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in Him, and He in us. *Amen.*

*Holy Communion*

*Prayer of Thanksgiving (People)*

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of his most precious death and passion. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

† *Doxology*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise Him, all creatures here below,  
Praise Him, above ye heavenly host,  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. *Amen*

† *Hymn The First Noel (stanzas 4-6)*

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*Benediction*

*Closing Voluntary*

Reader: Chris Imperial

Altar: Marjorie Ludwig

## THE 9:30 A.M. FAMILY SERVICE WITH CHILDREN'S SERMON

\* Nursery is available in Heritage Hall. † Congregation stands

Opening Voluntary	<i>Christmas Dance, from Suite for Viola</i>	Ralph Vaughan Williams
Words of Welcome and Announcements		Rev. Trey Majure
Call to Worship		
† Opening Hymn	<i>The First Noel (stanzas 1-3)</i>	229
Music for Meditation	<i>Carol, from Suite for Viola</i>	Vaughan Williams
† Doxology		
	Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise Him, all creatures here below, Praise Him, above ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen	
† Hymn	<i>The First Noel (stanzas 4-6)</i>	229
Pastoral Prayer		
The Lord's Prayer	<i>(People)</i>	
Old Testament:	<i>Jeremiah 31:7-14</i>	(bulletin, p. 8)
Gospel:	<i>John 1:10-18</i>	(bulletin, p. 9)
Sermon		Rev. Dr. Ashley Neil Smith
† Nicene Creed	<i>(People)</i>	

I believe in one God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; and in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God; begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead; and the life of the world to come. *Amen.*

The Lord's Supper

(No Children's Sunday School on First Sundays. Worship bags are available in the Narthex.  
Children are welcome to participate in Holy Communion)

Music during Communion *Musette* Vaughan Williams

Benediction

Closing Voluntary *Toccata on "Antioch"* Craig Phillips

Greeters: Jim and Eleanora Voelkel Reader: Tucker-Boyd Newman

Acolyte: Tucker-Boyd Newman Altar: Kathleen Scurti

Guest Musician: Katie Wyatt, viola

*Gospel Alphabet*  
*January 12*



**EXCEPT** a man be born again,  
he cannot see the kingdom  
of God. [John 3:3, KJV]

## 11:00 A.M. TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

† *Congregation stands*

⦿ Please enter the Sanctuary quietly to allow all to prepare themselves in reverence for worship.

Opening Voluntary *Prelude and Christmas Dance, from Suite for Viola*

Ralph Vaughan Williams

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Trey Majure

Call to Worship

† Hymn *The First Noel (stanzas 1-3)*

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Prayer of Confession (People)

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. *Amen.*

Assurance of Pardon

Old Testament: *Jeremiah 31:7-14*

(bulletin, p. 8)

† *Psalms 147:12-20* (Read responsively)

(bulletin, p. 8)

† Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
World without end. Amen. Amen.

New Testament: *Ephesians 1:3-14*

(bulletin, p. 8)

Gospel Reading: *John 1:10-18*

(bulletin, p. 9)

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

† Hymn *O Little Town of Bethlehem*

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Sermon

Rev. Dr. Ashley Neil Smith

† Nicene Creed (*People*)

I believe in one God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; and in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God; begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead; and the life of the world to come. *Amen.*

Music for Meditation *Carol, from Suite for Viola*

Vaughan Williams

† Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise Him, all creatures here below,  
Praise Him, above ye heavenly host,  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

Our fathers' God, to Thee, Author of liberty, to Thee we sing:  
Long may our land be bright with freedom's holy light;  
Protect us by Thy might, great God our King! Amen.

### COMMUNION SERVICE

*Minister: The Lord be with you.*

**People: And with thy spirit.**

*Minister: Lift up your hearts.*

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

*Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

**People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Preface

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven; who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus (spoken by the people)

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and Earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.*

Consecration of the Elements (Minister)

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**People: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Minister: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him.

Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. *Amen.*

The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Holy Communion

Commissioning of Homebound Lay Eucharist Minister – Nancy Rains

Music during Communion *Musette, from Suite for Viola*

Vaughan Williams

Prayer of Thanksgiving (People)

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of His Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

† Hymn *The First Noel (stanzas 4-6)*

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Benediction

*The congregation is invited to remain seated for the closing voluntary.*

Closing Voluntary *Toccata on "Antioch"*

Craig Phillips

Reader: Lyla Elliott Altar: Marjorie Ludwig & Donna Brundage Lay Eucharist Assistants: Ed & Gerri Crutchfield

Flower Delivery: Jim & Eleanora Voelkel Guest Musician: Katie Wyatt, viola

Ushers: **Mike Poplin**, Cam Cantelou, Ed Crutchfield, Mike Elliott, George Watterworth, Russell Zumwalt

<b>Total Attendance</b>	
December 22: <b>540</b>	New Members in 2024:
December 24: 5PM <b>598</b> 9PM <b>307</b>	<b>152</b>
December 25: <b>112</b>	New Members in 2025:
January 1: <b>70</b>	<b>11</b>

**PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING**

Ann Kallam, Ray Barnes,  
Eleanor Hargan, Philip & Marilyn Kirol,  
Andy Trepcyk, Yvonne Gale, Pam Griffin

Last week 102 viewers tuned in to our services

**Have a special prayer request? We want to pray for you**

Please reach out to John Roberts with any prayer requests at pstrjohnroberts@gmail.com. You can also share your prayer requests on the prayer cards on the back of the pews and deposit them in the prayer boxes in the back of the church. They will be prayed for by the Upper Room prayer team.

*If you or one of your family members are in the hospital, let us know so we can provide you with pastoral care. Please call the office.*

**Flower Dedication for Sunday,  
January 5**



The flowers on the Altar are given to the Glory of God by Silvia Bisbe and Robert Friedrichs in memory of loved ones who have passed.

**Communion Sunday Bagpiper**

We would like to thank bagpiper, Mr. Peter McArthur, for sharing his musical talents at Communion Sunday services.

If you are interested in sponsoring Mr. McArthur for a Communion Sunday, please contact the Chapel office.

**January 12 Scripture Readings**

*Isaiah 43:1-7 • Psalm 29 • Acts 8:14-17 • Luke 3:15-17, 21-22*

**Scripture Readings**

**Jeremiah 31:7-14** *This is what the Lord says: “Sing with joy for Jacob; shout for the foremost of the nations. Make your praises heard, and say, ‘Lord, save your people, the remnant of Israel.’<sup>8</sup> See, I will bring them from the land of the north and gather them from the ends of the earth. Among them will be the blind and the lame, expectant mothers and women in labor; a great throng will return.<sup>9</sup> They will come with weeping; they will pray as I bring them back. I will lead them beside streams of water on a level path where they will not stumble, because I am Israel’s father, and Ephraim is my firstborn son.<sup>10</sup> “Hear the word of the Lord, you nations; proclaim it in distant coastlands: ‘He who scattered Israel will gather them and will watch over his flock like a shepherd.’<sup>11</sup> For the Lord will deliver Jacob and redeem them from the hand of those stronger than they.<sup>12</sup> They will come and shout for joy on the heights of Zion; they will rejoice in the bounty of the Lord— the grain, the new wine and the olive oil, the young of the flocks and herds. They will be like a well-watered garden, and they will sorrow no more.<sup>13</sup> Then young women will dance and be glad, young men and old as well. I will turn their mourning into gladness; I will give them comfort and joy instead of sorrow.<sup>14</sup> I will satisfy the priests with abundance, and my people will be filled with my bounty,” declares the Lord.*

**Psalm 147:12-20**

*Extol the Lord, Jerusalem; praise your God, Zion.*

**He strengthens the bars of your gates and blesses your people within you.**

*He grants peace to your borders and satisfies you with the finest of wheat.*

**He sends his command to the earth; his word runs swiftly.**

*He spreads the snow like wool and scatters the frost like ashes.*

**He hurls down his hail like pebbles. Who can withstand his icy blast?**

*He sends his word and melts them; he stirs up his breezes, and the waters flow.*

**He has revealed his word to Jacob, his laws and decrees to Israel.**

**He has done this for no other nation; they do not know his laws. Praise the Lord.**

**Ephesians 1:3-14** *Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ.<sup>4</sup> For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love<sup>5</sup> he predestined us for adoption to sonship through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will—<sup>6</sup> to the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves.<sup>7</sup> In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God’s grace<sup>8</sup> that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and understanding,<sup>9</sup> he made known to us the mystery of his will*



according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ,<sup>10</sup> to be put into effect when the times reach their fulfillment—to bring unity to all things in heaven and on earth under Christ.<sup>11</sup> In him we were also chosen, having been predestined according to the plan of him who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of his will,<sup>12</sup> in order that we, who were the first to put our hope in Christ, might be for the praise of his glory.<sup>13</sup> And you also were included in Christ when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation. When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit,<sup>14</sup> who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession—to the praise of his glory.

**John 1:10-18** He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him.<sup>11</sup> He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him.<sup>12</sup> Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God—<sup>13</sup> children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God.<sup>14</sup> The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.<sup>15</sup> (John testified concerning him. He cried out, saying, "This is the one I spoke about when I said, 'He who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.'")<sup>16</sup> Out of his fullness we have all received grace in place of grace already given.<sup>17</sup> For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.<sup>18</sup> No one has ever seen God, but the one and only Son, who is himself God and is in closest relationship with the Father, has made him known.

## WOMEN OF THE CHAPEL

*All women who come to the Chapel are invited and encouraged to participate*

**Women of the Chapel** meeting will be on **January 7 at 9:00 a.m.** (originally scheduled for January 14). This will be a more casual breakfast meeting to welcome new attendees, review 2024 activities and events, and prepare for the best 2025 WOC schedule ever!

**Cross Ties Luncheon** will not meet in January. The next Cross Ties luncheon will be on **February 11, 2025.**

**Faith & Fellowship Walk** Saturday, **February 1.** We meet at 9:00 a.m. outside Heritage Hall. Walk at your own pace along the lovely walking path behind our chapel. Children and leashed pets are welcome! If you have questions, please email [womenofthechapeltrvc@gmail.com](mailto:womenofthechapeltrvc@gmail.com)

**WOC Book Club** Are you interested in joining a Christian Book Club? We will be meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month at 2:00 p.m. at the Care Cottage beginning on **February 14.** Our first book is *Why the Sky Is Blue* by Susan Meissner. Please join us! Contact **Renee at [Reneecassidy@gmail.com](mailto:Reneecassidy@gmail.com)** for details.

## CARE OF THE CONGREGATION

**Meal Ministry** offers a meal to our members who may be experiencing a recent hospitalization, an illness, a birth, death, relocation, or other need. If you or someone you know is in need of a meal, please contact **Anne DeRosa at [annederosa00@gmail.com](mailto:annederosa00@gmail.com)** or **Agnes Fusselbaugh at [fusselag@gmail.com](mailto:fusselag@gmail.com).**

**GriefShare Support Group** Southern Pines United Methodist Church is located at 175 Midland Road, will be hosting a 13-week session of GriefShare that will run through March 29 on Saturdays, from 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m., in the Reeves Hall Building, Room RH-5. For questions or to pre-register to attend, call **(910) 690-5234 or (910) 690-1511 and ask for Bill or Doris Russell**, two of the program's facilitators. The registration fee is \$20, to cover course materials. GriefShare is a Support Group that helps those who have experienced the death of a loved one (spouse, child, parent, sibling, close friend) to face the challenges of loss and move toward rebuilding your life.

**Dementia Care Resources** can now be located on the Care of the Congregation page on The Village Chapel's website. The page hosts video links, blog posts, general and local information on support groups, information on the Senior Enrichment Center, and more! Check the Chapel Herald and weekly eblasts for more information.

## OUTREACH

**Sandhills Student Assistance** is in need of non-perishable food donations such as Lance crackers, protein bars, fruit cups, juice pouches, breakfast bars, as well as individual microwaveable cups of noodles and mac & cheese. Donations are being collected in the Atrium or the Narthex through **January 15.**

**Barner Missionaries Presentation** will give a presentation following the Revelation in a Year class on **January 8,** beginning at **5:30 p.m.** in Chapel Hall. All are invited to attend. Please RSVP to the office by January 6.

## CHILDREN AND YOUTH

**Youth Sunday Nights** will not meet today. They will meet next Sunday, **January 12,** at 5:00 p.m. at the Care Cottage.

**Children's Sunday School** will not meet in Heritage Hall. Nursery is available during all three services.

**American Heritage Girls & Trail Life USA** is an active part of TVC. Meetings are held on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at 5:45 p.m. There are many opportunities to get involved or be an assistant with minimal time required. Volunteers are needed to make these ministries successful for the church and the community. Don't hesitate to contact **Jeremy Lashmit at [Jeremylashmit@gmail.com](mailto:Jeremylashmit@gmail.com)** for Trail Life and **Lindsey at [putz.lindsey@gmail.com](mailto:putz.lindsey@gmail.com)** for American Heritage Girls.

## MUSIC

**Chapel Choir** The Village Chapel Choir rehearses Thursdays from 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. and leads all musical elements of the 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Sunday services as well as special services during the year. Contact **Stephen Gourley at [stephen@tvcpinehurst.com](mailto:stephen@tvcpinehurst.com)** for more information.

**The Children's Choir** rehearses most Sunday mornings following the 9:30 a.m. service and sing monthly in worship. Contact **Deborah Holden, Director, at [debdrey@gmail.com](mailto:debdrey@gmail.com)**.

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES

**The Al Mangum 10:45 Adult Sunday School Class** Join us **January 5** at 10:45 a.m. at the Care Cottage (55 Community Rd – just down the street from the Chapel) for Sunday School. Each class begins with prayer, followed by a video series, and discussion lead by various members of The Village Chapel. For questions on the class or how you can get involved, please contact **Greg Wetzelberger at 850-549-7806, John Rowerdink at 910-235-0644 or Bill Bremer at 910-690-4076**.

**Revelation in a Year** Beginning in January, Greg Wetzelberger will lead the "Revelation in a Year" class. Join us on **January 8** in Chapel Hall at 4:30 p.m.

**Defending Your Faith** Pastor Trey and Ken Dickson lead a class on how to defend your Christian faith in a rapidly changing world. This course is designed to help you discuss your faith with friends and family, and how to defend it against common objections. Our next meeting will be today, **January 5**, in Heritage Hall at 5:00 p.m. If you have any questions, please contact **Pastor Trey at [trey@tvcpinehurst.com](mailto:trey@tvcpinehurst.com)**

**Seminary Lecture Series** Join Pastor Ashley as we explore the History of Christianity. The class begins with a 30-minute video lecture by Professor Luke Timothy Johnson, Ph.D., followed by a 30-minute discussion of the subject matter. The class will meet on the third Wednesday of each month from 4:30-5:30 p.m. The next lecture is Wednesday, **February 19**, at the Care Cottage, and is entitled: "The Emergence of Patriarchal Centers" There is no cost or registration required and all are welcome!

**Practicing the Way** is an on-ramp to spiritual formation that explores what it means to follow Jesus, not just in what we believe, but in how we live. It helps us learn the practices and rhythms of Jesus that create space for the Holy Spirit to transform us into people of depth and love. Join us on Tuesdays, **January 7** and **January 21** from 4:30 p.m. to 5:45 p.m. at the Care Cottage.

**Thursday Bradshaw Bible Study** Join us as we finish a short study for Advent on **January 9** at 2:30 at the Care Cottage as we look at the birth of Jesus through a different lens with the help of J. Ellsworth Kalas' book, Christmas from the Backside. For questions, please contact **Stan Bradshaw at [stan@bradshawcapitalmgt.com](mailto:stan@bradshawcapitalmgt.com)**

**Women of the Chapel Bible Study** WOC is seeking women within our congregation to lead a Christian Education class. There are many different platforms a leader can choose including books and videos, or creating their own curriculum. If you are interested, please contact **Renee Cassidy at [reneeacassidy@gmail.com](mailto:reneeacassidy@gmail.com) or 443-929-9014**.

**Tables of 8 Fellowship** Are you interested in connecting with church members in a small group setting? Join us for a monthly meal and the opportunity to make new friends. Your group is waiting for you! For questions or more information, contact **Julie Huggins at [hugginsj4@gmail.com](mailto:hugginsj4@gmail.com)**

The Women of the Chapel are asking for Volunteers to help take all the ornaments off of the Chrismon Tree and pack them away until next Christmas. We will begin at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, January 6.

## Guest Musician this Morning

This morning, we welcome Katie Wyatt, violist and Executive Director of the Weymouth Center for the Arts and Humanities. As a musician, Katie maintains a steady performance schedule in the community including a regular seat with the Carolina Philharmonic. With many national and international credits to her name, she is regarded as one of the finest string players in our community. At the Weymouth Center, Katie oversees the vast cultural offerings at the James Boyd estate in Southern Pines. While Weymouth has flourished for many decades, her leadership has inspired many new programs and community collaboration. We are privileged to welcome Katie to our services this morning.

## This Week

### Sunday – January 5

8:15 a.m.	Holy Eucharist	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	Family Service with Communion	Sanctuary
10:45 a.m.	Adult Sunday School	Care Cottage
11:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship with Communion	Sanctuary
5:00 p.m.	Defending Your Faith	Heritage Hall

### Monday – January 6

9:00 a.m.	Angel Tree Clean Up	Sanctuary
4:00 p.m.	Building & Grounds Committee Meeting	Board Room
6:00 p.m.	AA Meeting (Women's)	Chapel Hall

### Tuesday – January 7

7:30 a.m.	Women's Prayer Group	Board Room
9:30 a.m.	Women of the Chapel Steering Committee	Care Cottage
9:30 a.m.	Staff Meeting	Staff Conference Room
4:30 p.m.	Practicing the Way	Care Cottage
2:00 p.m.	Outreach Committee Meeting	Conference Room

### Wednesday – January 8

12:00 p.m.	Bulletin Deadline	
4:30 p.m.	Revelation in a Year	Chapel Hall
5:30 p.m.	Barner Missionaries Presentation	Chapel Hall

### Thursday – January 9

9:30 a.m.	Women's Bible Study	Care Cottage
10:00 a.m.	Membership Committee Meeting	Board Room
10:00 a.m.	Women's Discussion Group	Conference Room
2:30 p.m.	Bradshaw Bible Study	Care Cottage
6:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room

### **First Wednesday Fellowship February 5, 2025**

*There will be a meal in **Chapel Hall** with music and genuine Christian fellowship. The purpose of the FWF is to provide a monthly opportunity for members, non-members, and newcomers, to get connected and develop lasting relationships. All are welcome! The meal will begin at **6:00 p.m.** and be catered so reservations are required and can be made by contacting The Village Chapel office at **(910) 295-6003**. Donations are graciously accepted to offset the cost of the meal. If you make a reservation and your plans change, please notify us as soon as possible so that we can update our list for the caterer.*

**Reservations must be made by MONDAY, February 3**

**Thank you for your cooperation.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Number for Dinner \_\_\_\_\_

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### Sunday Morning Worship Service Times:

**8:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist;**

**9:30 a.m. Family Service with Children's Sermon**

**11:00 a.m. – Traditional Worship**

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**Sunday Morning Radio Broadcasts**

**11:00 a.m. Worship Service**

**WIOZ at 550 (AM) from 8:00 to 8:30**

**WLHC at 103.1 (FM) from 8:30 to 9:00**

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