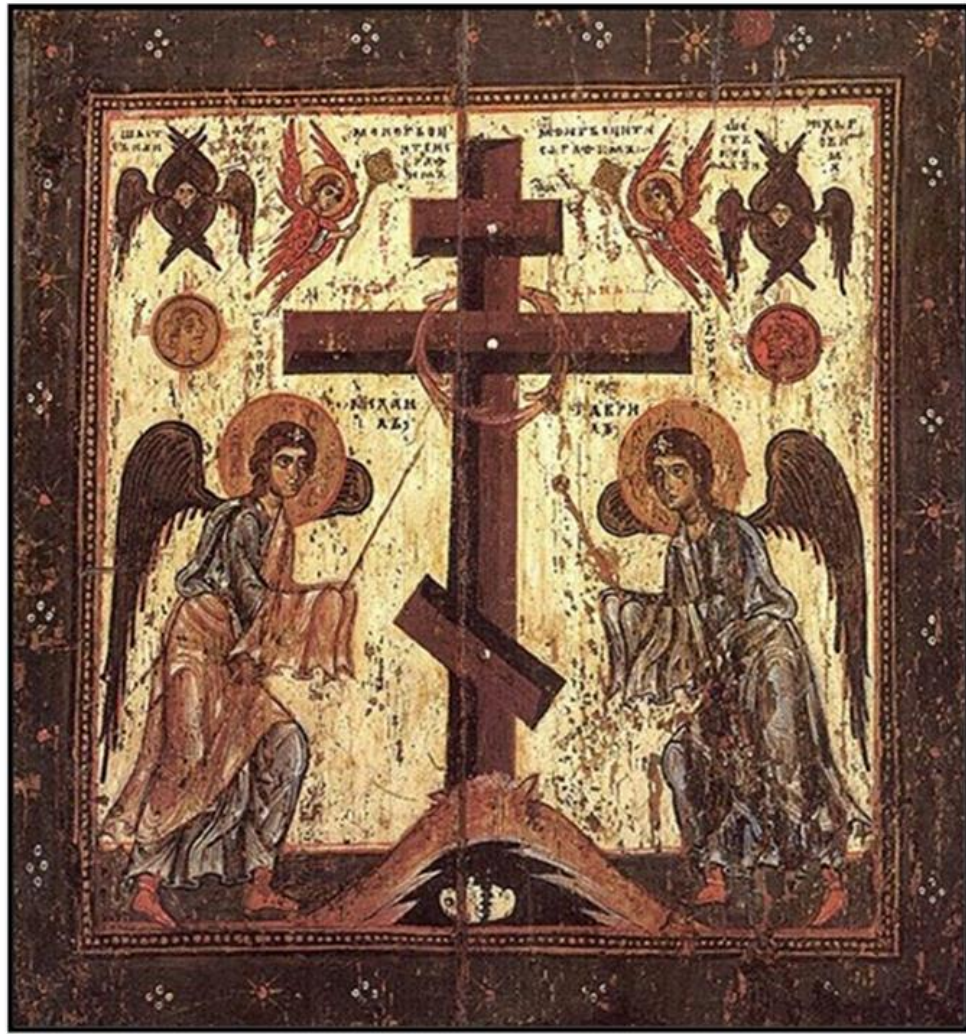


# The Village Chapel

Pinehurst, North Carolina

**March 17, 2024**  
**Fifth Sunday in Lent**



## 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 *By the Waters of Babylon*

Minister's Informal Words

George Dyson

Rev. Dr. Ashley Neil Smith

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† Opening Hymn *Throughout These Lenten Days and Nights (Stanzas 4-6)*

† Minister: *Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins*

**People: His mercy endureth forever.**

† Decalogue

Hear the commandments of God to His people:

I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage.

You shall have no other gods but me.

**Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

You shall not make for yourself any idol.

**Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

**Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy.

**Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Honor your father and your mother.

**Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

You shall not commit murder.

**Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

You shall not commit adultery.

**Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

You shall not steal.

**Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

You shall not be a false witness.

**Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

**Lord have mercy upon us, and write all these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.**

† 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 31:31-34*

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*Reader: The Word of the Lord.*

**People: Thanks be to God.**

New Testament: *Hebrews 5:5-10*

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*Reader: The Word of the Lord*

**People: Thanks be to God.**

† Gospel: *John 12:20-33*

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*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. Trey Majure

† 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 *In the Cross of Christ I Glory*

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Benediction

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

Closing Voluntary

Reader: Elizabeth Webster

Altar: Janis Sholtis

## Scripture Readings

**Jeremiah 31:31-34** *"The days are coming," declares the Lord, "when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel and with the people of Judah. <sup>32</sup> It will not be like the covenant I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they broke my covenant, though I was a husband to them," declares the Lord. <sup>33</sup> "This is the covenant I will make with the people of Israel after that time," declares the Lord. "I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. <sup>34</sup> No longer will they teach their neighbor, or say to one another, 'Know the Lord,' because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest," declares the Lord. "For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more."*

### **Psalm 119:9-16**

*How can a young person stay on the path of purity? By living according to your word.*

***I seek you with all my heart; do not let me stray from your commands.***

*I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you.*

***Praise be to you, Lord; teach me your decrees.***

*With my lips I recount all the laws that come from your mouth.*

***I rejoice in following your statutes as one rejoices in great riches.***

*I meditate on your precepts and consider your ways.*

***I delight in your decrees; I will not neglect your word.***

**Hebrews 5:5-10** *In the same way, Christ did not take on himself the glory of becoming a high priest. But God said to him, "You are my Son; today I have become your Father."<sup>6</sup> And he says in another place, "You are a priest forever, in the order of Melchizedek."<sup>7</sup> During the days of Jesus' life on earth, he offered up prayers and petitions with fervent cries and tears to the one who could save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission.<sup>8</sup> Son though he was, he learned obedience from what he suffered<sup>9</sup> and, once made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him<sup>10</sup> and was designated by God to be high priest in the order of Melchizedek.*

**John 12:20-33** *Now there were some Greeks among those who went up to worship at the festival.<sup>21</sup> They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, with a request. "Sir," they said, "we would like to see Jesus."<sup>22</sup> Philip went to tell Andrew; Andrew and Philip in turn told Jesus.<sup>23</sup> Jesus replied, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified.<sup>24</sup> Very truly I tell you, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds.<sup>25</sup> Anyone who loves their life will lose it, while anyone who hates their life in this world will keep it for eternal life.<sup>26</sup> Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honor the one who serves me.<sup>27</sup> "Now my soul is troubled, and what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it was for this very reason I came to this hour.<sup>28</sup> Father, glorify your name!" Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and will glorify it again."<sup>29</sup> The crowd that was there and heard it said it had thundered; others said an angel had spoken to him.<sup>30</sup> Jesus said, "This voice was for your benefit, not mine.<sup>31</sup> Now is the time for judgment on this world; now the prince of this world will be driven out.<sup>32</sup> And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself."<sup>33</sup> He said this to show the kind of death he was going to die.*

## March 24 Scripture Readings

*Isaiah 50:4-9a • Philippians 2:5-11 • John 12:12-16 • Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29*

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

\* Nursery is available in Heritage Hall.

† Congregation stands

Opening Voluntary	<i>Prelude on EBENEZER</i>	Healey Willan
Words of Welcome and Announcements		Rev. Dr. Ashley Neil Smith
† Opening Hymn	<i>In the Cross of Christ I Glory</i>	264
Children's Anthem	<i>Guide Us, Lord</i>	Mark Patterson
Children's Sermon		Rev. Vickie Smith
<i>Sunday School registration in Heritage Hall after Children's Sermon</i>		
Anthem	<i>Lord, Thou Hast Searched Me</i>	Howard Helvey
† 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>Near the Cross</i>	479
Pastoral Prayer		
The Lord's Prayer ( <i>People</i> )		
	Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.	
Music for Meditation	<i>Kaddish, from Deux mélodies hébraïques</i>	Maurice Ravel
Old Testament:	<i>Jeremiah 31:31-34</i>	(bulletin, p.5)
† Psalm 119:9-16 (Read responsively)		(bulletin, p.5)
New Testament:	<i>Hebrews 5:5-10</i>	(bulletin, p.5)
Gospel Reading:	<i>John 12:20-33</i>	(bulletin, p.5)
Sermon		Rev. Trey Majure
† Apostles' Creed ( <i>People</i> )		
	I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried. He descended into hell; the third day, He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence, He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. <i>Amen.</i>	
† Closing Hymn	<i>He Leadeth Me</i>	499
Benediction		
Closing Voluntary	<i>Keep us Lord, Faithful to Your Word</i>	Gerald Near
Greeters:	Dick & Marianne Haefele	Acolytes: Phillip Smith and Greyson Wetzelsburger
Reader:	Darlene Skinner	
Guest Musician:	Amanda Ferguson, violin	

### Gospel Alphabet

March 17



**VERILY**, verily, I say unto you,  
He that believeth on me hath  
everlasting life. [John 6:47, KJV]

March 24



**WHAT** will it profit a man if  
he gains the whole world, and  
loses his own soul? [Mark 8:36]

## 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 *By the Waters of Babylon*

George Dyson

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Dr. Ashley Neil Smith

† Opening Hymn *Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed*

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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

Choral Response *Lord, Have Mercy*

Richard Feliciano

Old Testament: *Jeremiah 31:31-34*

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† *Psalm 119:9-16* (Read responsively)

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† Gloria Patri (during Lent, the choir sings on behalf of the congregation)

Hylton Stewart

*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: *Hebrews 5:5-10*

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Gospel Reading: *John 12:20-33*

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Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

† Hymn *In the Cross of Christ I Glory*

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Sermon

Rev. Trey Majure

† Apostles' Creed (People)

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Anthem *Lord, Thou Hast Searched Me*

Howard Helvey

† 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.

† Closing Hymn *Beneath the Cross of Jesus*

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Benediction & Choral Response

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

Closing Voluntary *Christe, du lamm Gottes*

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

Ushers: **Jack Wood**, Cam Cantelou, Russell Zumwalt

Altar: Donna Brundage

Flower Delivery: Connie & John Hopkins

Reader: Jane Jackson

Guest Musician: Amanda Ferguson, violin

Total Attendance  
Sunday, March 10:  
**415**

New Members in 2023:  
**72**  
New Members in 2024:  
**60**



Last week 138 viewers tuned in to  
our services

### PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING

Ann Kallam, Ray Barnes, Eleanor Hargan, Jack Laflin,  
Bev Raffaele, Jennifer Bowman, Kelley Daniel,  
Philip & Marilyn Kirol, Andy Trepczyk, Lillie Cashion,  
Jim Nelson, Jim & Dee Busby, Phil Wiggins,  
Al Mangum, Roy Longhta

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

Please reach out to John Roberts with any prayer requests at [pastrjohnroberts@gmail.com](mailto:pastrjohnroberts@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, March 17



The flowers on the Altar are given to the Glory of God by Jim and Stephanie O'Malley in memory of Andre and Shelley.

The Hymn Board flowers are given to the Glory of God by McNeil Chestnut in memory of his parents, Leonidas H. and Fannie A. Chestnut.

The flowers on the Pedestal are given to the Glory of God by Paula Hill in loving memory of her son, Sean Ian Bennett.

### MEN OF THE CHAPEL

**Monthly Men's Breakfast** The next Men's Fellowship Breakfast will be held on March 28, at the Pine Crest Inn. Cost for breakfast, tax and gratuity is \$20.00. Please email [jimvoelkel74@gmail.com](mailto:jimvoelkel74@gmail.com) if you are able to attend.

### WOMEN OF THE CHAPEL

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

**Women of the Chapel** will meet on Tuesday, April 9, 9:30 a.m. at the Care Cottage, 55 Community Rd. Pinehurst.

**Cross Ties** Cross Ties will be held on Tuesday, April 9, at 11:45 a.m. at the Pine Crest Inn. Cross Ties brings women together from across the three worship services. It gives them the opportunity to form ties with each other, pray together, and feel more deeply connected to the church "family." All Women of the Chapel are invited and encouraged to attend. The cost is \$20.00 (includes tax & tip). Ladies can make reservations by contacting either **Janice Bezanson at 909-229-3028 or [janicebezanson@gmail.com](mailto:janicebezanson@gmail.com) or Michele Miller at 804-647-5683 or [Miller.mlj107@gmail.com](mailto:Miller.mlj107@gmail.com)**. Reservations and cancellations must be received by Friday, April 5. Cancellations after the deadline or no shows will be responsible for the payment of \$20 to the church.

**Spring Tea** The Women of The Chapel cordially invite all ladies to the annual Spring Tea on Tuesday, April 16, 2024, from 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. in Chapel Hall. High Tea will be catered by Elliott's on Linden. Our guest speaker, Sandra Fischer, will provide a program entitled "Seasons in the Garden." Reservations are due by April 8. If you have any questions, please contact Janis Sholtis at [janisholtis@gmail.com](mailto:janisholtis@gmail.com). Ticket prices are \$27.00 per person. Ladies, please consider hosting a table which will seat 6-8 people. Choose your favorite China, glasses, and silverware or a mixture of pieces. Ladies interested in being a table hostess, please contact **Janice Cantelou at [atncrunner@gmail.com](mailto:atncrunner@gmail.com)** Come and enjoy faith, fellowship, food, and a lovely cup of tea.

### CARE OF THE CONGREGATION

**Meal Ministry** The Village Chapel has a ministry that 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)**. We have a team of volunteers ready to serve. "As each one has received a special gift, employ it in serving one another as good stewards of the manifold grace of God." 1 Peter 4:10

## OUTREACH

**Life Care Pregnancy Center** Diapers are being collected for the Life Care Pregnancy Center. A collection box is in the Atrium. All sizes are appreciated.

**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.

**Apostles' Build** We need volunteers to help with the Apostles' Build for 2024. The location is 224 Page Cunningham Road in Aberdeen, off Keyser Road. The Village Chapel is working with West End Presbyterian and Mt. Sanai churches. We need 6 volunteers for April 18, 19, and 20. Materials, tools, and refreshments will be provided. Habitat construction foremen will be on site for instruction. To volunteer, go to [sandhillshabitat.org](http://sandhillshabitat.org). See Esther Acker, Susan Joslin, or Mike Poplin for information for signing in. Don't miss this opportunity to help someone buy an affordable home. Every hour we volunteer saves Habitat \$31.50.

## CHILDREN AND YOUTH

**Youth Sunday Nights** We will meet this evening in Heritage Hall from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

**Children's Sunday School** We meet every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. except the first Sunday of each month.

**American Heritage Girls & Trail Life USA** is now an active part of TVC. Meetings are held on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at 5:45 p.m. We are seeking volunteers to assist with these ministries. All are welcome. 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.

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES

**The Bill Wetmore 9:30 Bible Study** will meet today at 9:30 a.m. in the conference room next to Pastor Ashley Smith's office. We will continue our study of Genesis with Chapter 41. You are invited to join us.

**The Al Mungum 10:45 Adult Sunday School Class** Join us each Sunday, 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.**

**One Year Bible Reading** On the first Wednesday of each month, Pastor Ashley leads a discussion on the One Year Bible. For those interested in participating, we read selected daily scripture readings - organized by date - and then discuss the readings when we meet. Our next meeting will be April 3 in Heritage Hall at 4:30 p.m. The readings for our next meeting are March 7 – April 3, and we will focus on the book of Leviticus. While not required for the class, you can order the One Year Bible by contacting the Chapel office 910-295-6003. If you would like to join the First Wednesday Fellowship following the class, please make your reservation by April 1, by calling the Chapel office.

**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 in Chapel Hall from 4:30-5:30 p.m. The next lecture is Wednesday, March 20, and is entitled: "The Unpopular Cult-Persecution." The class is 36 lectures in all and will meet throughout 2023-2024 when possible. There is no cost or registration required and all are welcome!

**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 in Heritage Hall on April 7. If you have any questions, please contact **Pastor Trey at [trey@tvcpinehurst.com](mailto:trey@tvcpinehurst.com)**

**Christ in Genesis** will meet again in April. This is a women's Bible study which will explore the relationship between the Old and New Testaments. The class meets twice a month on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. We use the Bible and Katherine Caldwell's commentary study entitled *Christ in Genesis, Vol. 1*. We meet in the Youth classroom of Heritage Hall. To sign up, please contact **Mary Wood at [marywood232@gmail.com](mailto:marywood232@gmail.com) or 412.592.4353**

**Thursday Bradshaw Bible Study** Join us on Thursday afternoons at 2:30 at the Care Cottage for a Study of Proverbs. We will be guided by the book, *Wisdom Speaks: Life Lessons from Proverbs* by Dr. Tim Riordan. Per this book: "Thousands of years ago, God inspired writers to offer practical guidance for real life issues. Through Proverbs, wisdom speaks. Are you listening?" Class discussions will be led by Stan Bradshaw. Please email with any questions to **[Stan@bradshawcapitalmgt.com](mailto:Stan@bradshawcapitalmgt.com)**.

**Women's Bible Study** The next Women's Bible Study will begin on Monday, April 22, at 9:30 a.m. at the Care Cottage. We will be studying Psalms. This is a 7-week session and will end June 3. We will be using the study book *As For Me* by Adrienne Camp. To sign up for the study contact Janice Bezanson at [janicebezanson@gmail.com](mailto:janicebezanson@gmail.com) or 909 229-3028. You can order the book through Amazon or contact Janice to order one.

**Book of Acts Bible Study** There is a video lesson by Louie Giglio, pastor of Passion City Church in Atlanta, followed by discussion. The group meets every other Tuesday evening at the home of Bill & Michele Miller in Pinewild, or at the Care Cottage. **Contact Bill Miller at 804-241-8761 or John Rowerdink at 910-235-0644.**

**Practicing the Way (of Jesus)** is a 'curriculum for Christlikeness' presented through a series of nine ancient spiritual practices. The next meeting will be Tuesday, March 12, at 4:30 p.m. at the Care Cottage For more information, or to register, contact **Bonnie Jo and Steve Wurzbacher at [bonniewurzbacher@mac.com](mailto:bonniewurzbacher@mac.com)**

**The Community Men's Bible Study** meets each Thursday, 4:00 p.m. -5:00 p.m. at the Care Cottage. We are using the Book of Romans study guide by John MacArthur which you can purchase on Amazon for \$9.69. Eddie Sanderlin and Ken Dickson will lead us in this study. Eddie will lead lessons 1-3, 7-9; Ken will lead lessons 4-6, 10-12. Come and join us and expand your knowledge of God's Grace.

**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, email **Ruth Holm at [rholm141@gmail.com](mailto:rholm141@gmail.com)**.

### **We Need Graduation Guardian Angels**

For the next few weeks, through May 5, we are inviting you to become a "Graduation Guardian Angel." You can make your check out to The Village Chapel and in the MEMO mark it "graduation" before depositing it in the Chapel office/offering plate OR you can go to the Chapel's website and under "Giving" make a credit card donation. In the drop-down menu select General Fund and in optional menu type "graduation." All contributions need to be made no later than May 5. The scholarship VISA cards will be purchased and delivered to the High School social workers for distribution. Additional information will be available in the Friday eblast and Chapel Herald.

Bless you and thank you,  
Men of the Chapel Ministry

## **Holy Week & Easter Services**

### **Maundy Thursday March 28**

Meditative Organ music beginning at  
11:00 a.m.  
Service at 12:00 p.m.

### **Good Friday March 29**

Meditative Organ music beginning at  
11:00 a.m.  
Service at 12:00 p.m.

### **Easter Egg Hunt March 30**

1:00 p.m.

\*Candy donations are needed and can be left in the Atrium in the marked bin.

### **Easter Sunday March 31**

8:00 a.m.  
9:30 a.m.  
11:00 a.m.

## **Palm Cross Making**

The tradition of making Palm Crosses for Palm Sunday will continue this year. All materials and instructions for making the crosses will be provided. We will meet in Chapel Hall on Thursday, **March 21**, beginning at 9:30 a.m. and Friday, **March 22**, beginning at 9:30 a.m. and continuing into the afternoon until the crosses are completed. For questions, contact **Janis Sholtis at [janissholtis@gmail.com](mailto:janissholtis@gmail.com)**



### **VBS**

**June 24-28**

**9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**

Registration is now open!

Scan the code to register your child and/or volunteer!



## Coming Soon!

Widows and Widowers Social Group. Watch for upcoming information.

### This Week

#### Sunday – March 17

8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	Family Service with Children's Sermon	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	The Bill Wetmore Sunday School Class	Conference Room
9:45 a.m.	Children & Youth Sunday School	Heritage Hall
10:45 a.m.	The Al Mangum Adult Sunday School	Care Cottage
11:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Children's Choir Rehearsal	Newman Room – H. Hall
5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Youth Group Meeting	Heritage Hall

#### Monday – March 18

9:30 a.m.	Women's Bible Study	Care Cottage
10:00 a.m.	LAMBS Bible Study	Hamilton Room - H.Hall
6:00 p.m.	AA Meeting (Women's)	Conference Room
6:30 p.m.	Women's Spiritual Formation Group	Care Cottage

#### Tuesday – March 19

7:30 a.m.	Women's Prayer Group	Board Room
8:30 a.m.	Ladies Leave for Lenten Retreat	
10:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting	Staff Conference Room
6:00 p.m.	SAR Meeting	Chapel Hall

#### Wednesday – March 20

12:00 p.m.	Bulletin Deadline	
4:30 p.m.	Seminary Lecture Series	Chapel Hall

#### Thursday – March 21

9:30 a.m.	Women's Bible Study	Care Cottage
1:30 p.m.	Worship Committee Meeting	Conference Room
2:30 p.m.	Bradshaw Bible Study	Care Cottage
4:00 p.m.	Finance Committee Meeting	Board Room
4:00 p.m.	Men's Community Bible Study	Care Cottage
6:00 p.m.	Chapel Choir Rehearsal	Music Room

#### Friday – March 22

2:00 p.m.	Board of Trustees Meeting	Conference Room
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### First Wednesday Fellowship April 3, 2024

*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, April 1**  
**Thank you for your cooperation.**

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

If you would like to receive our weekly eblasts, please scan the QR Code and complete the form.



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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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**The Care Cottage: 910-295-8026; 55 Community Road**

**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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