

# The Village Chapel

Pinehurst, North Carolina

**April 7, 2024**  
**Second Sunday of Easter**  
**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*

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- Opening Voluntary *Two Easter Chorales*
- Minister's Informal Words Rev. Dr. Ashley Neil Smith
- † Opening Hymn *The Strife is O'er* 290
- † Minister: *Alleluia. Christ is risen.*
- People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**
- † 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: *Acts 4:32-35* (bulletin, p.8)
- Reader: The Word of the Lord.*
- People: Thanks be to God.**
- New Testament: *1 John 1:1-2:2* (bulletin, p.8)
- Reader: The Word of the Lord*
- People: Thanks be to God.**
- † Gospel: *John 20:19-31* (bulletin, p.8)
- 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*

*Commissioning of Homebound Lay Eucharist Minister – Bill Dawson*

*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 Day of Resurrection*

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*Benediction*

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

*Closing Voluntary*

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Reader: Elizabeth Webster

Altar: Marjorie Ludwig

*In Memoriam*

Robbie Roberson

Betsy Laflin

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

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

- Opening Voluntary  
Words of Welcome and Announcements Rev. Dr. Ashley Neil Smith  
Call to Worship
- † Opening Hymn *The Strife is O'er* 290  
Anthem *The Trumpet Shall Sound, from Messiah* Georg Frederic Handel
- † 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 *Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!* 293  
Pastoral Prayer  
The Lord's Prayer (*People*)  
New Testament: *1 John 1:1-2:2* (bulletin, p. 8)  
Sermon 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.*

The Lord's Supper

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

Benediction

Closing Voluntary *The Heavens Declare the Glory of God* Benedetto Marcello

Greeters: Bill & Shirlene Bremer

Reader: Tucker-Boyd Newman

Acolyte: Conner Neeley

Altar: Janis Sholtis


Guest Musician: Lawrence Hall, bass; Larry wells, trumpet



**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!

*Gospel Alphabet - April 14*



**YOU** are not your own  
... For you were bought  
at a price. [1 Corinthians 6:19-20]

## 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

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Dr. Ashley Neil Smith

Call to Worship

† Hymn *The Strife is O'er*

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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: *Acts 4:32-35*

(bulletin, p. 8)

† *Psalm 133* (Read responsively)

(bulletin, p.8)

† 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: *1 John 1:1-2:2*

(bulletin, p. 8)

Gospel Reading: *John 20:19-31*

(bulletin, p. 8)

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

† Hymn *Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!*

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Sermon

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.*

Anthem *The Trumpet Shall Sound, from Messiah*

Georg Frederic Handel

† 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 congregation)

*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

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 Day of Resurrection*

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Benediction

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

Closing Voluntary *The Heavens Declare the Glory of God*

Benedetto Marcello

Reader: Lyla Elliott

Flower Delivery: Paula Hill

Ushers: **Cam Cantelou**, Mike Elliott, Mike Poplin, Jack Raffaele, Russell Zumwalt

Lay Eucharist Assistants: Ed & Gerri Crutchfield

Altar: Marjorie Ludwig

Total Attendance Sunday,  
March 31:  
**945**

New Members in 2023:  
**72**  
New Members in 2024:  
**69**

**PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING**  
Ann Kallam, Ray Barnes, Eleanor Hargan,  
Jack Laflin, Bev Raffaele, Jennifer Bowman,  
Kelley Daniel, Philip & Marilyn Kirol,  
Andy Trepcyk, Lillie Cashion, Jim Nelson,  
Phil Wiggins, Al Mangum, Roy Longhta, the  
Roberson family, the Laflin family

**You Tube** Last week 250 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, April 7

The flowers on the Altar are given to the Glory of God by Carolyn and David Spadafora in memory of their parents, Frances and Roland Gaugler, and Dorothy and Sam Spadafora.

The Hymn Board flowers are given to the Glory of God by Mark and Lisa Rogers in memory and honor of our parents, Phillip and Willys Rogers, and Leon and Thelma Boyles.

### April 14 Scripture Readings

*Acts 3:12-19 • Psalm 4 • 1 John 3:1-7 • Luke 24:36b-48*

#### Scripture Readings

**Acts 4:32-35** *All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of their possessions was their own, but they shared everything they had. <sup>33</sup> With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And God's grace was so powerfully at work in them all <sup>34</sup> that there were no needy persons among them. For from time to time those who owned land or houses sold them, brought the money from the sales <sup>35</sup> and put it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to anyone who had need.*

#### **Psalm 133**

*How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!*

***It is like precious oil poured on the head, running down on the beard, running down on Aaron's beard, down on the collar of his robe.***

*It is as if the dew of Hermon were falling on Mount Zion.*

***For there the Lord bestows his blessing, even life forevermore.***

**1 John 1:1-2:2** *That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked at and our hands have touched—this we proclaim concerning the Word of life. <sup>2</sup> The life appeared; we have seen it and testify to it, and we proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and has appeared to us. <sup>3</sup> We proclaim to you what we have seen and heard, so that you also may have fellowship with us. And our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son, Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup> We write this to make our joy complete. <sup>5</sup> This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. <sup>6</sup> If we claim to have fellowship with him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live out the truth. <sup>7</sup> But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin. <sup>8</sup> If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. <sup>9</sup> If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. <sup>10</sup> If we claim we have not sinned, we make him out to be a liar and his word is not in us. **2** My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have an advocate with the Father—Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. <sup>2</sup> He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.*

**John 20:19-31** *On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" <sup>20</sup> After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup> Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." <sup>22</sup> And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup> If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven." <sup>24</sup> Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup> So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!" But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe." <sup>26</sup> A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" <sup>27</sup> Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe." <sup>28</sup> Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!" <sup>29</sup> Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed." <sup>30</sup> Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. <sup>31</sup> But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.*



## MEN OF THE CHAPEL

**Monthly Men's Breakfast** The next Men's Fellowship Breakfast will be held on April 25, 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 can 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 [janissholtis@gmail.com](mailto:janissholtis@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. Sinai 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 not meet today, but will meet next Sunday 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** meets at 9:30 in the conference room next to Pastor Ashley's office. Today, we continue our study using *When Christians Get It Wrong* by Adam Hamilton. Rev. Hamilton was senior pastor of a 17,000-member United Methodist Church of the Resurrection when he wrote this book. We'd love for you to join us.

**The Al Mangum 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 May 1 in Heritage Hall at 4:30 p.m. The readings for our next meeting are April 4 – May 1, and we will focus on the Book of Judges. 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 29, 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, April 17, and is entitled: “Forms of Witness—Martyrdom and Apologetic.” 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. We will meet today 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)**

**Christ in Genesis** 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. 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, April 9, 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)**.

### **Books & Bake Sale**

Saturday, May 4  
10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
Chapel Hall

100% of proceeds will benefit Changing Destinies Ministries.

You can help by donating baked goods, new or gently used books or an item for the raffle by May 3.  
For more information, please contact us at [womenofthechapel@gmail.com](mailto:womenofthechapel@gmail.com)

### **Music Celebration Service**

Join us on April 28, at 10:00 a.m., for a special service celebrating our music ministry and the impact of music in the context of liturgy. Our Chapel Choir and Children’s choirs will lead us in congregational singing as well as anthem settings of well-known hymn tunes, highlighted by movements of American composer Leo Nestors American Triptych.

**This Week**  
**Sunday – April 7**

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

**Monday – April 8**

4:30 p.m.	Building & Grounds Meeting	Board Room
6:00 p.m.	AA Meeting (Women’s)	Conference Room
6:30 p.m.	Women’s Spiritual Formation Group	Care Cottage

**Tuesday – April 9**

7:30 a.m.	Women’s Prayer Group	Board Room
9:30 a.m.	Women of the Chapel Steering Committee	Care Cottage
10:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting	Staff Conference Room
11:30 a.m.	Cross Ties	Pine Crest Inn

**Wednesday – April 10**

9:30 a.m.	Christ in Genesis Bible Study	Heritage Hall Youth Room
10:00 a.m.	Communications Committee Meeting	Conference Room
12:00 p.m.	Bulletin Deadline	
5:30 p.m.	AHG/Trail Life Meeting	Heritage Hall

**Thursday – April 11**

9:30 a.m.	Women’s Bible Study	Care Cottage
10:00 a.m.	Women’s Discussion Group	Conference Room
11:00 a.m.	Widows & Widowers Gathering	Chapel Hall
2:30 p.m.	Bradshaw Bible Study	Care Cottage
4:30 p.m.	Men’s Community Bible Study	Care Cottage
6:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room

**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

**First Wednesday Fellowship May 1, 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 29**

**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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**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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