

The Village Chapel

Pinehurst, North Carolina

September 6, 2026
Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost
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 worshiping, learning, and serving with you and your family, in the days to come.

HOLY EUCHARIST – 8:00 A.M.

† *Congregation stands*

Opening Voluntary	<i>Andante Sostenuto, from Symphonie Gothique</i>	Charles-Marie Widor
Minister's Informal Words		Rev. Greg Wetzelberger
† Opening Hymn	<i>Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee</i>	59
† Minister:	<i>Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.</i>	
People:	And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.	
† Collect for Purity		
† Summary of the Law		
	<i>Minister: The Lord be with you.</i>	
	People: And with thy spirit.	
	<i>Minister: Let us pray.</i>	
	(kneel or sit)	
Collect of the Day		
Old Testament: Exodus 12:1-14		(bulletin, p.8)
	<i>Reader: The Word of the Lord.</i>	
	People: Thanks be to God.	
New Testament: Romans 13:8-14		(bulletin, p.9)
	<i>Reader: The Word of the Lord</i>	
	People: Thanks be to God.	
† Gospel: Matthew 18:15-20		(bulletin, p.9)
	<i>Prior to the reading the congregation says:</i>	
	Glory be to thee, O Lord.	
	<i>Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.</i>	
	People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.	
Meditation		Dr. Trey Majure
† 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. <i>Amen.</i>		
Prayers for the Church and People		
Invitation to Communion		
Prayer of General Confession (<i>People</i>)		
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. <i>Amen.</i>		
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 *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

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Benediction

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

Closing Voluntary

Reader: Mike Fussebaugh

Altar/Greeter: Marjorie Ludwig

The Village Chapel Music Series

12th Season Kickoff

Organ Concert: Stephen Gourley and Dr. Homer A. Ferguson, III

Celebrating the 25th anniversary of the renovation and refurbishment of the Chapel's 80-rank Austin/Zimmer organ and the 30-year tenure of Director of Music Emeritus, John Shannon, who oversaw this project in 2001.

Friday, September 18, 7:00 p.m.

THE 9:30 A.M. FAMILY SERVICE

* Nursery is available in Heritage Hall.

† Congregation stands

Opening Voluntary	<i>A Trumpet Minuet</i>	Alfred Hollins
Words of Welcome and Announcements		Rev. Greg Wetzelberger
Call to Worship		
† Opening Hymn	<i>Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee</i>	59
Choral Anthem	<i>Ave Verum Corpus (Hail, True Body)</i>	Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
† 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>Rain Down</i>	444
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.	
Gospel: <i>Matthew 18:15-20</i>		(bulletin, p.9)
Sermon		Dr. Trey Majure
† 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. <i>Amen.</i>	
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.)	
Benediction		
Closing Voluntary	<i>Toccato, from Suite for Organ</i>	Florence Price

Greeters: John and Roxy Vann
Reader: Levi Majure

Acolytes: Catherine and Nathaniel Walker
Altar: Janice Cantelou and Kathleen Scurti

Gospel Alphabet September 13



KNOCK, and it will be opened to you.
[Matthew 7:7]

Visual & Hearing Enhancements Available

Visual: There are large-print hymns and lighted magnifiers available in the Narthex and Sacristy for your use. Hearing: Load the YouTube app onto your smartphone or tablet. Connect to Wi-Fi (network: TVC-Guest, password: Village1). Turn the sound off and closed captioning on. You can now read every word that is being spoken on your device with a short delay. Contact **Christy Forrest** at ct4est@gmail.com for more information.

11:00 A.M. TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

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Opening Voluntary *Andante Sostenuto, from Symphonie Gothique*

Charles-Marie Widor

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Greg Wetzelsberger

Call to Worship

† Opening Hymn *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

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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: *Exodus 12:1-14*

(bulletin, p.8)

† *Psalm 149* (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: *Romans 13:8-14*

(bulletin, p.9)

Gospel: *Matthew 18:15-20*

(bulletin, p.9)

Minister: The Lord be with You.

People: And with thy spirit.

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

† Hymn *I Come with Joy*

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Sermon

Dr. 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.*

Choral Anthem *Ave Verum Corpus (Hail, True Body)*

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

† 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 (*Sung by the choir*)

Gerald Near

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.

Fraction Anthem (*Sung by the choir*) *My Flesh is Food Indeed*

Ray Urwin

Holy Communion

Commissioning of Homebound Lay Eucharist Minister – Shirley Aquino

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.*

† Closing Hymn *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

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Benediction and Choral Response *Go Ye now in Peace*

Joyce Eilers

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

Closing Voluntary *Toccato, from Suite for Organ*

Florence Price

Ushers: **Cam Cantelou**, Fred Fox, Bailey Jordan,
Mike Poplin, Doug Smith and Russell Zumwalt
Reader: Charles Meyer

Flower Delivery: Laura and Robbie Lineberger
Altar: Marjorie Ludwig and Laura Lineberger
Lay Eucharist Assistants: Steve and Jackie Woodward

Communion Sunday Bagpiper

We would like to thank Mr. Peter McArthur for performing on Communion Sundays.

If you would like to sponsor Mr. McArthur, please contact the Chapel Office at (910) 295-6003, ext. 101.

If you are not receiving our weekly eblasts, please scan the QR Code and complete the form to subscribe or call the church office for assistance.



Total Attendance
Sunday, August
30:
364

New Members
in 2025:
127
New Members
in 2026:
57

PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING

Ann Kallam, Andy Trepczyk, John Patota, Patsy Parkhill

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

Please reach out to the Prayer Ministry with any prayer requests at prayer@tvcpinehurst.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.



Last week 222 viewers tuned in to our services

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, September 6

The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God by Guy and Cheryl Veni in honor of their 33rd wedding anniversary and Guy's upcoming birthday. Praise the Lord.

The flowers at the hymn board are given to the Glory of God by David and Beverly Harper in celebration of their 60th wedding anniversary.

If you would like to sponsor flowers, please contact Janice Cantelou at atncrunner@gmail.com

Scripture Readings

Exodus 12:1-14 The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in Egypt, ² "This month is to be for you the first month, the first month of your year. ³ Tell the whole community of Israel that on the tenth day of this month each man is to take a lamb for his family, one for each household. ⁴ If any household is too small for a whole lamb, they must share one with their nearest neighbor, having taken into account the number of people there are. You are to determine the amount of lamb needed in accordance with what each person will eat. ⁵ The animals you choose must be year-old males without defect, and you may take them from the sheep or the goats. ⁶ Take care of them until the fourteenth day of the month, when all the members of the community of Israel must slaughter them at twilight. ⁷ Then they are to take some of the blood and put it on the sides and tops of the doorframes of the houses where they eat the lambs. ⁸ That same night they are to eat the meat roasted over the fire, along with bitter herbs, and bread made without yeast. ⁹ Do not eat the meat raw or boiled in water, but roast it over a fire—with the head, legs and internal organs. ¹⁰ Do not leave any of it till morning; if some is left till morning, you must burn it. ¹¹ This is how you are to eat it: with your cloak tucked into your belt, your sandals on your feet and your staff in your hand. Eat it in haste; it is the Lord's Passover. ¹² "On that same night I will pass through Egypt and strike down every firstborn of both people and animals, and I will bring judgment on all the gods of Egypt. I am the Lord. ¹³ The blood will be a sign for you on the houses where you are, and when I see the blood, I will pass over you. No destructive plague will touch you when I strike Egypt. ¹⁴ "This is a day you are to commemorate; for the generations to come you shall celebrate it as a festival to the Lord—a lasting ordinance.

Psalms 149 (Read responsively)

Praise the Lord. Sing to the Lord a new song, his praise in the assembly of his faithful people.

Let Israel rejoice in their Maker; let the people of Zion be glad in their King.

Let them praise his name with dancing and make music to him with timbrel and harp.

For the Lord takes delight in his people; he crowns the humble with victory.

Let his faithful people rejoice in this honor and sing for joy on their beds.

May the praise of God be in their mouths and a double-edged sword in their hands,

to inflict vengeance on the nations and punishment on the peoples,

to bind their kings with fetters, their nobles with shackles of iron,

to carry out the sentence written against them—this is the glory of all his faithful people. Praise the Lord.

Romans 13:8-14 Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love one another, for whoever loves others has fulfilled the law. ⁹The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery,” “You shall not murder,” “You shall not steal,” “You shall not covet,” and whatever other command there may be, are summed up in this one command: “Love your neighbor as yourself.” ¹⁰ Love does no harm to a neighbor. Therefore love is the fulfillment of the law. ¹¹ And do this, understanding the present time: The hour has already come for you to wake up from your slumber, because our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed. ¹² The night is nearly over; the day is almost here. So let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light. ¹³ Let us behave decently, as in the daytime, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and debauchery, not in dissension and jealousy. ¹⁴ Rather, clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not think about how to gratify the desires of the flesh.

Matthew 18:15-20 “If your brother or sister sins, go and point out their fault, just between the two of you. If they listen to you, you have won them over. ¹⁶ But if they will not listen, take one or two others along, so that ‘every matter may be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses.’ ¹⁷ If they still refuse to listen, tell it to the church; and if they refuse to listen even to the church, treat them as you would a pagan or a tax collector. ¹⁸ “Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹ “Again, truly I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything they ask for, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. ²⁰ For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them.”

September 13 Scripture Readings • Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 50:15-21 • Psalm 103:1-13 • Romans 14:1-12 • Matthew 18:21-35

MEN OF THE CHAPEL

Men’s Fellowship Breakfast The next men’s fellowship breakfast is on **Thursday, September 24**, from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. at the Pine Crest Inn. Coffee and fellowship are available at 6:45 a.m.! The cost is \$20 per person. Please RSVP to **Jim Voekel** at jimvoekel74@gmail.com.

CARE OF THE CONGREGATION

Meal Ministry offers a dinner or two 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 needs a meal, please contact **Anne DeRosa** at annederosa00@gmail.com or **Agnes Fusselbaugh** at fusselag@gmail.com.

Dementia Care Resources are 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!

WOMEN OF THE CHAPEL

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

Steering Committee The next meeting will be on **Tuesday, September 8**, at 9:30 a.m. in the Conference Room. We encourage all women to come, learn about upcoming events, and participate in the discussions. We welcome new ideas! For more information, please contact **Wendy Schreiber** at wendy@dougandwendy.com.

August Cross Ties Luncheon will be on **Tuesday, September 8**, at 11:45 a.m. at The Pine Crest Inn. The cost for lunch is \$25. For details text **Rene White** at (910) 315-1799 or call **Christy Forrest** at (910) 695-1957. AND - women with a birthday the month they attend will get a free lunch!

Women in the American Revolution As we continue to celebrate our Nation’s 250th anniversary, please join us at the October Cross Ties Luncheon for a special presentation *Women in the American Revolution* by Harriett Riley. The luncheon and presentation will be held at the Pine Crest Inn on **Tuesday, October 13**, at 11:45 a.m. The cost is \$25. Register by October 9, by contacting **Christy Forrest** at (910) 695-1957 or ct4est@gmail.com, or by texting **Rene White** at (910) 315-1799. As is the Cross Ties custom, women with birthdays in October will receive a free lunch!

Book Club We will meet on **Friday, September 11**, at 2:00 p.m. in the Board Room to discuss *The Second Life of Mirielle West* by Amanda Skenandore. It’s a fantastic book! All ladies are welcome to join us. For details, please contact **Renee Cassidy** at reneeacassidy@gmail.com.

Women’s Health Education Event We are hosting two speakers to present information about lifestyle medicine and eye health on **Saturday, September 12**, from 9:30 a.m to 12 p.m. Find out how nutrition, movement, sleep and stress management can positively impact your wellness and vision. The event is free and open to both men and women. Pre-registration via Realm is encouraged. For more information, please contact **Lyla Elliott** at lylaelliott23@gmail.com.

Billy Graham Library Tour Christy Forrest is facilitating a one-day trip to Charlotte for the *Journey of Faith* tour at the Billy Graham Library on **Wednesday, September 16**. Visit <https://billygrahamlibrary.org/what-to-expect/> for more information. Contact **Christy** at **910-695-1957** or **ct4est@gmail.com** to sign up.

Jennifer Rothschild Retreat Wendy Schreiber is organizing an evening trip to Monroe, NC to attend Jennifer Rothschild's *Hope of Heaven* tour on **Sunday, October 18**, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Tickets range from \$32 to \$70 and sell out quickly. For details, contact **Wendy Schreiber** at **wendy@dougandwendy.com**.

CHILDREN & YOUTH

Youth Sunday Nights will resume on **Sunday, September 13**.

Children's Sunday School will not be held today. Nursery is available during all three services.

American Heritage Girls & Trail Life USA meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month at 5:45 p.m. in Heritage Hall. Our next meeting will be on **Wednesday, September 9**. For more information, please contact **Lindsey** at **putz.lindsey@gmail.com** or **Vickie Smith** at **vickie@tvcpinehurst.com**.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES

9:30 Adult Sunday School Class Class will begin on **Sunday, September 20**, at 9:30 a.m. in the Conference Room. We will study *Stringing Pearls*, a study on discipleship. Jesus said the Kingdom of Heaven is like a merchant on the lookout for fine pearls and that disciples find these pearls [Matthew 13:45, 52]. For more information, call or text **Jan Mullis** at **(828) 244-6811** or **Gary Mullis** at **(828) 320-6115**.

The Al Mangum 10:45 Adult Sunday School Class meets on **Sundays** at 10:45 a.m. in the back room of Chapel Hall. We are studying *The Book of Proverbs*, taught by Esther Acker. Please call **Bill Bremer** at **(910) 690-4076** or **Esther Acker** at **(910) 322-5245** with any questions.

Defending Your Faith is an exciting class dealing with the complex interaction between faith, culture, and truth. Each session, Pastor Trey tackles subjects that Christians face in everyday life and helps provide answers in a chaotic world. The class meets the first Sunday of each month in Heritage Hall beginning on **Sunday, October 4**, at 5 p.m. For more information, please contact **Pastor Trey** at **trey@tvcpinehurst.com**.

The Surprising Lives of Christian Saints The next class, led by Ben Lewis, will meet **Sunday, September 20**, at 5:00 p.m. in the Board Room. For more information, please contact **Ben Lewis** at **bdlcalvin@gmail.com**.

Practicing the Way – Sandhills on Sunday will continue the practice of Sabbath on **Sunday, September 13**, at 5:00 p.m. in the Conference Room. We invite folks to come and join us on the second and fourth Sunday of the month. For details, please contact **Julie Poplin** at **julie.poplin@gmail.com**.

WOC Bible Study resumes on **Monday, September 14**, at 10:00 a.m. with a study of *God Won't Leave You There: Joseph's Story* by Anne Graham Lotz and her daughter Rachel-Ruth Lotz Wright. This is an 8-week study about incredible faith and patient perseverance in the face of devastating trials. Please contact **Christy Forrest** at **ct4est@gmail.com** or **Nancy Hobby** at **nhobby50@gmail.com** for more information or to register.

Practicing the Way In their teaching on "Heaven", both John Mark Comer and Randy Alcorn begin by asking us to forget everything we think we know about heaven! For two sessions, on **Tuesday, September 8 and 22**, we will take a deep dive into how "going to heaven when we die" and "the new heaven and new earth" at the "end of the age" unite in Scripture. We meet at 4:30 p.m. in the Conference Room. All are welcome. Please email **bonniewurzbacher@mac.com** for more information.

Seminary Lecture Series is led by Pastor Ashley and will meet in the back room of Chapel Hall on **Wednesday, September 23**, at 4:30 p.m. Dr. Phillip Cary, PhD's DVD lecture entitled *The Gospel of John* will be followed by discussion. For more information, contact **Pastor Ashley** at **(910) 992-8308** or **ashleynelsmith@aol.com**.

Thursday Faith & Fellowship Bible Study will resume on **Thursday, September 10**, at 2:30 p.m. in the back room of Chapel Hall. We will review last spring's study of the *Book of Isaiah* and then continue with *Isaiah 41:1-20*. This corresponds with Chapter 29 in our guide, *God Saves Sinners* by Ray Ortlund. The book is not required to attend class. Please contact **Stan Bradshaw** at **Stan@bradshawcapitalmgt.com** with questions or to be added to the email list for updates. All are welcome!

Community Men's Bible Study will meet on **Thursday, September 17**, at 4:00 p.m. in the Conference Room.

Conversations of Faith & Theology meets the 1st and 3rd Friday of each month. The next meeting will be on **Friday, September 18**, at 5:00 p.m. in the Conference Room. Each class is shaped by the questions and conversations of those present, offering a Spirit-led space for deeper understanding, fellowship, and growth in Christ. Contact **Pastor Greg** at **850-549-7806** for details.

TVC Confirmation Classes

Confirmation is a process of discovery, formation, and growth in the Christian faith. Confirmation classes at TVC are designed for students in grades 6-12; parents and other interested adults are warmly invited to participate. Classes will meet from 3:00-4:30 p.m. in Heritage Hall on **September 13, 20, and 27, and October 11, and 18**. October 25 will serve as a make-up day, with Confirmation Sunday taking place on November 8. Register on Realm or by using the QR code.



This Week

Sunday – September 6

8:00 a.m.	<i>Holy Eucharist</i>	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	<i>Family Service</i>	Sanctuary
10:45 a.m.	The Al Mungum Adult Sunday School	Chapel Hall
11:00 a.m.	<i>Traditional Worship</i>	Sanctuary

Monday – September 7

OFFICE CLOSED – LABOR DAY

12:00 p.m.	Bulletin Deadline	Church Office
6:00 p.m.	Women's AA Meeting	Conference Room

Tuesday – September 8

7:30 a.m.	Women's Prayer Group	Board Room
9:30 a.m.	Women of the Chapel Steering Committee	Conference Room
10:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting	Staff Conference Room
11:45 a.m.	Cross Ties Luncheon	Pine Crest Inn
4:30 p.m.	Practicing the Way	Conference Room

Wednesday – September 9

1:00 p.m.	HR Committee Meeting	Conference Room
5:45 p.m.	American Heritage Girls / Trail Life	Heritage Hall

Thursday – September 10

9:00 a.m.	Finance Committee Meeting	Conference Room
2:30 p.m.	Faith & Fellowship Bible Study	Chapel Hall
6:00 p.m.	Chapel Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room

Friday – September 11

1:00 p.m.	Prayer Committee Meeting	Conference Room
2:00 p.m.	WOC Book Club	Board Room
4:00 p.m.	Foundation Committee Meeting	Conference Room

Saturday – September 12

9:00 a.m.	Women of the Chapel Health Education Event	Chapel Hall
10:00 a.m.	Men of the Chapel Retreat	Forest Creek Country Club

Nominations for the Board of Trustees

Each year at this time, we have the privilege, right, and duty to nominate those who can serve on our Board of Trustees. All decisions to ensure the successful operations of the Chapel are made by the Board of Trustees, and we need dedicated, competent people to serve in this important capacity. The membership of The Village Chapel is blessed with an enormous wealth of talent and energy. Your nominating committee does not want to overlook anyone in our congregation who may have considered or wants to serve as a member of the Board of Trustees. Letters and nomination forms will be sent to members. Nominations are needed for three (3) Board of Trustee positions to serve three (3) year terms. The nomination forms must be returned to the Chapel by September 30, 2026. Please contact the church office if you do not receive yours or need additional nomination forms.

Nominating Committee

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First Wednesday Fellowship - October 7, 2026

We will gather in **Chapel Hall** for music and genuine Christian fellowship. FWF is a monthly opportunity for members, non-members, and newcomers to connect and develop lasting relationships. All are welcome! The meal begins at **6:00 p.m.** and is catered, so reservations are required and may be made by scanning the QR code, registering on Realm, or by contacting The Village Chapel office at **(910) 295-6003, ext. 101**. Donations are graciously accepted to offset the cost of the meal. Please notify us as soon as possible if you are unable to keep your reservation. **Reservations must be made by MONDAY, October 5, at noon.**



Thank you for your cooperation.

Name _____ Number for Dinner _____

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