

The Village Chapel

Pinehurst, North Carolina

November 19, 2023

Twenty-Fifth Sunday After Pentecost



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 <i>God Who Madest Earth and Heaven</i>	Sigfrid Karg-Elert
Minister's Informal Words	Rev. Dr. Ashley Neil Smith
† Opening Hymn <i>Take My Life, and Let it Be</i>	466
† <i>Minister: 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: <i>Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18</i>	(bulletin, p.7)
<i>Reader: The Word of the Lord.</i>	
People: Thanks be to God.	
New Testament: <i>1 Thessalonians 5:1-11</i>	(bulletin, p.7)
<i>Reader: The Word of the Lord</i>	
People: Thanks be to God.	
† Gospel: <i>Matthew 25:14-30</i>	(bulletin, p.8)
<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	Rev. 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 *My Faith Looks Up to Thee*

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Benediction

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

Closing Voluntary

Reader: Chris Imperial

Altar: Dian Moore

In Memoriam:
Cookie Kremer

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

* Nursery is available in Heritage Hall.

† Congregation stands

Opening Voluntary <i>Now Thank We All Our God</i>	Aaron David Miller
Words of Welcome and Announcements	Rev. Dr. Ashley Neil Smith
Call to Worship	
† Opening Hymn <i>Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus</i>	513
Children's Sermon	Rev. Vickie Smith
<i>Sunday School registration in Heritage Hall after Children's Sermon</i>	
Anthem <i>Look at the World</i>	John Rutter
† 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>Hope of the World</i> (Stanza 1: sung by the choir; Stanzas 2-5: sung by all)	404
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.	
First Lesson: <i>Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18</i>	(bulletin, p.7)
† <i>Psalms 123</i> (Read responsively)	(bulletin, p.7)
New Testament: <i>1 Thessalonians 5:1-11</i>	(bulletin, p.7)
Gospel Reading: <i>Matthew 25:14-30</i>	(bulletin, p.8)
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>Take My Life, and Let it Be</i>	466
Benediction	
Closing Voluntary <i>Allegro assai vivace, from Sonata I</i>	Felix Mendelssohn
Greeters: Glen & Janice Bezanson	Acolyte: Enoch Burgess
Reader: Kay Beran	

Gospel Alphabet

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L- Look to Me, and be saved, all you ends of the earth!
Isaiah 45:22a

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M- My grace is sufficient for you.
2 Corinthians 12:9b

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 *God Who Madest Earth and Heaven*

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Dr. Ashley Neil Smith

Call to Worship

† Opening Hymn *Holy God, We Praise Thy Name*

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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

First Lesson: *Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18*

(bulletin, p.7)

† *Psalms 123* (Read responsively)

(bulletin, p.7)

† 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: *1 Thessalonians 5:1-11*

(bulletin, p.7)

Gospel Reading: *Matthew 25:14-30*

(bulletin, p.8)

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

† Hymn *Hope of the World* (Stanza 1: sung by the choir; Stanzas 2-5: sung by all)

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Sermon

Rev. Trey Majure

† Apostles' Creed (People)

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.
Amen.

Anthem *Look at the World*

John Rutter

† 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 *Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus*

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Benediction & Choral Response

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

Closing Voluntary *Allegro assai vivace, from Sonata I*

Felix Mendelssohn

Ushers: **Jeff Holm**, Tracy Parks, Russell Zumwalt

Altar: Donna Brundage

Flower Delivery: Connie & John Hopkins

Reader: Lyla Elliott

Total Attendance Sunday,
November 12: **340**

New Members
in 2023:
63



Last week 132 viewers tuned in to
our services

PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING

Ann Kallam, Ray Barnes, Eleanor Hargan, Jack Laflin,
Bev Raffaele, Jennifer Bowman, Nathalie Thomas,
Marge Behning, Kelley Daniel, Philip & Marilyn Kirol,
Andy Trepczyk, Margret Carson Brown, Jon DeVault,
Lillie Cashion, the family of Cookie Kremer

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, November 19

The flowers on the Altar are given to the Glory of God by Mike and Lauren Moody and the family of Everett Austin in honor of his 2nd birthday.

The Hymn Board flowers are given to the Glory of God by Dale and Darlene Skinner in celebration of their 58th wedding anniversary and Dale's 96th birthday.

We want to pray for you. 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.

November 26 Scripture Readings

*Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 • Ephesians 1:15-23 • Matthew 25:31-46 • Psalm 100 or
Psalm 95:1-7a*

Scripture Readings

Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18 *Be silent before the Sovereign Lord, for the day of the Lord is near. The Lord has prepared a sacrifice; he has consecrated those he has invited. ¹² At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps and punish those who are complacent, who are like wine left on its dregs, who think, 'The Lord will do nothing, either good or bad.' ¹³ Their wealth will be plundered, their houses demolished. Though they build houses, they will not live in them; though they plant vineyards, they will not drink the wine." ¹⁴ The great day of the Lord is near— near and coming quickly. The cry on the day of the Lord is bitter; the Mighty Warrior shouts his battle cry. ¹⁵ That day will be a day of wrath— a day of distress and anguish, a day of trouble and ruin, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and blackness—¹⁶ a day of trumpet and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the corner towers. ¹⁷ "I will bring such distress on all people that they will grope about like those who are blind, because they have sinned against the Lord. Their blood will be poured out like dust and their entrails like dung. ¹⁸ Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them on the day of the Lord's wrath." In the fire of his jealousy the whole earth will be consumed, for he will make a sudden end of all who live on the earth.*

Psalm 123

I lift up my eyes to you, to you who sit enthroned in heaven.

As the eyes of slaves look to the hand of their master, as the eyes of a female slave look to the hand of her mistress, so our eyes look to the Lord our God, till he shows us his mercy.

Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy on us, for we have endured no end of contempt.

We have endured no end of ridicule from the arrogant, of contempt from the proud.

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 *Now, brothers and sisters, about times and dates we do not need to write to you, ² for you know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. ³ While people are saying, "Peace and safety," destruction will come on them suddenly, as labor pains on a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. ⁴ But you, brothers and sisters, are not in darkness so that this day should surprise you like a thief. ⁵ You are all children of the light and children of the day. We do not belong to the night or to the darkness. ⁶ So then, let us not be like others, who are asleep, but let us be awake and sober. ⁷ For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, get drunk at night. ⁸ But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, putting on faith and love as a*

breastplate, and the hope of salvation as a helmet. ⁹ For God did not appoint us to suffer wrath but to receive salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁰ He died for us so that, whether we are awake or asleep, we may live together with him. ¹¹ Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.

Matthew 25:14-30 “Again, it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted his wealth to them. ¹⁵ To one he gave five bags of gold, to another two bags, and to another one bag, each according to his ability. Then he went on his journey. ¹⁶ The man who had received five bags of gold went at once and put his money to work and gained five bags more. ¹⁷ So also, the one with two bags of gold gained two more. ¹⁸ But the man who had received one bag went off, dug a hole in the ground and hid his master’s money. ¹⁹ “After a long time the master of those servants returned and settled accounts with them. ²⁰ The man who had received five bags of gold brought the other five. ‘Master,’ he said, ‘you entrusted me with five bags of gold. See, I have gained five more.’ ²¹ “His master replied, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master’s happiness!’ ²² “The man with two bags of gold also came. ‘Master,’ he said, ‘you entrusted me with two bags of gold; see, I have gained two more.’ ²³ “His master replied, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master’s happiness!’ ²⁴ “Then the man who had received one bag of gold came. ‘Master,’ he said, ‘I knew that you are a hard man, harvesting where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered seed. ²⁵ So I was afraid and went out and hid your gold in the ground. See, here is what belongs to you.’ ²⁶ “His master replied, ‘You wicked, lazy servant! So you knew that I harvest where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered seed? ²⁷ Well then, you should have put my money on deposit with the bankers, so that when I returned I would have received it back with interest. ²⁸ “So take the bag of gold from him and give it to the one who has ten bags. ²⁹ For whoever has will be given more, and they will have an abundance. Whoever does not have, even what they have will be taken from them. ³⁰ And throw that worthless servant outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Youth Sunday Nights will meet today at 5:00 p.m. in Heritage Hall for our annual Friendsgiving.

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** for Trail Life and **Lindsey at putz.lindsey@gmail.com** for American Heritage Girls.

Youth Christmas Caroling We will meet at Heritage Hall on December 10 at 3:00 p.m. to go caroling and then return to Heritage Hall for hot chocolate and cookies.

Christmas Eve Children’s Pageant Children who would like to participate in the 5:00 p.m. Christmas Eve service pageant, please come to practice on December 23 at 3:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES

The Bill Wetmore 9:30 Bible Study will consider Thanksgiving and it’s meaning for Christians today. We welcome you to join us in the Conference room by Pastor Ashley’s office. We will not meet on Sunday, November 26.

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 Wetzberger 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 December 6 in Heritage Hall at 4:30 p.m. The readings for our next meeting are November 2 – December 6, and we will focus on the book of Hebrews. While not required for the class, you can order the One Year Bible by contacting the Chapel office 910-295-6003.

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.**

Community Men's Bible Study meets each Thursday from 4:00-5:00 p.m. at the Care Cottage. We will be studying the book of Galatians and will use the study guide: "Galatians: The Wondrous Grace of God (MacArthur Bible Studies)", available for purchase on Amazon. Leaders for this Bible Study will be Eddie Sanderlin (Lessons 1-4), Charles Clack (Lessons 5-8), and Ken Dickson (9-12). Contact **Rich Cowell at cowellr@aol.com** for more information.

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, December 20, and is entitled: "The Jesus Movement and the Birth of Christianity". 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 topic will be "The Problem of Evil" and we will be meeting the second Sunday of December, the 10th at 5:00 p.m. If you have any questions, please contact **Pastor Trey at trey@tvcpinehurst.com**

Book of Deuteronomy A study of the Book of Deuteronomy meets on Thursdays at 2:30 p.m. at the Care Cottage. The discussion will be led by Stan Bradshaw and follow the commentary by Warren Wiersbe, BE EQUIPPED. This may be found on Amazon, but the book is not required for the class. If interested or if you have questions, please contact Stan Bradshaw at Stan@bradshawcapitalmgt.com. All are welcome!

Monday Night Women's Discipleship Group will be going through "Beloved: A Journey of Prayer, a Taste of the Ignatian Exercises". Join us for this 7-week prayer experience to focus on God's love for you. Five days a week participants will be given invitations to encounter God's personal love for them through scripture meditations and/or prayer exercises. We will gather on Monday evenings from 7:00-8:30 p.m. at the Care Cottage to share how our image and understanding of God and ourselves is being transformed by His love. Contact **Melissa Jones at 910-639-5617** for more information. Our last meeting for 2023 will be November 20.

Dealing with Difficult Problems This group meets every other Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Bill & Michele Miller in Pinewild. We will be using a video series by R.C. Sproul. Following the video, John Rowerdink will lead a discussion period. For more information, please contact **John Rowerdink at (910) 235-0644 or Bill Miller at (804) 241-8761**.

WOMEN OF THE CHAPEL

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

WOC Steering Committee will meet on Tuesday, December 12, 9:30 a.m. at the Care Cottage, 55 Community Rd. Pinehurst.

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** or **Agnes Fusselbaugh at 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.

C.A.R.E. Holiday Food Drive Please help the CARE Group families this holiday season. Canned fruit, corn, green beans, sweet potatoes, pumpkin, fruit cocktail, rice, instant potatoes, mac & cheese, cranberry sauce, gravy, stovetop stuffing, biscuit/cornbread mix, turkey/chicken stock, hot chocolate, candy canes. Please, no glass jars or perishable food items. Stuff the Christmas Stockings for students. Suggested items include personal hygiene products such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, body wash, socks, etc.

TVC Scholarship Program

The Village Chapel Scholarship Program, new last year, is now open for applications for 2024-2025. Students already enrolled in college or graduating high school seniors are eligible to apply. Up to \$10,000 in scholarships will be awarded for the 2024-2025 school year. Applications are due by January 31. Details of the program and application instructions are available on The Village Chapel website.

<https://tvcpinehurst.com/tvc-scholarship-program-2/>

Questions should be directed to Kay Beran, Secretary, The Village Chapel Foundation Committee, at kayberan770@gmail.com or 910-315-3322.

Music Notes

This morning, at our 9:30 and 11:00am worship services we are introducing a new hymn: Hope of the World. While this hymn is connected to our Gospel reading this morning, it will especially be pertinent to our Advent worship. The poem by Methodist Theologian Georgia Harkness leans into the “hope” of Advent and the ways our world needed Jesus Christ to come and save us. This hymn, hopefully pleading and gratefully rejoicing, takes us on a journey from Christ’s birth to his death and resurrection.



Angel Tree

Thank you to all of you that have adopted a family or given a monetary donation for our Village Chapel Angel Tree Program. At this time, we are still in need of more sponsors as well as financial contributions. We are hoping to have our last 6 families adopted by Thanksgiving! Larger families can be broken down into smaller groups and shared amongst two or more Chapel families. Monetary donations are always welcome and needed as we buy food gift cards for each family and gifts for families not sponsored. Checks can be placed in the offering plate or in the box outside Heather’s office. Please mark Angel Tree on the memo line. You can also scan the QR code below for the Angel Tree fund. Families may be adopted before or after church this Sunday, November 19, or contact Faith Clay at faithclay@icloud.com or 248-765-7213. Thank you so much for supporting this truly worthwhile program.



“Behold the Lamb of God” *2023 Women of the Chapel Christmas Brunch*

Thursday, December 7 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Forest Creek Clubhouse

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**Registration forms are located in the Office and must be returned no later than December 1.
Due to the limited seating capacity of the venue, please register ASAP.**

This Week

Sunday – November 19

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 Bible Study	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 Friendsgiving	Activity Room - H. Hall

Monday – November 20

6:00 p.m.	AA Meeting (Women’s)	Conference Room
7:00 p.m.	Women’s Discipleship Group	Care Cottage

Tuesday – November 21

7:30 a.m.	Women’s Prayer Group	Board Room
10:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting	Staff Conference Room

Wednesday – November 22

12:00 p.m.	Bulletin Deadline	
5:00 p.m.	Thanksgiving Eve Service	Sanctuary

Thursday – November 23

Office Closed

Friday – November 24

Office Closed

Thanksgiving Eve Service

Wednesday, November 22

5:00 p.m.

All are invited to bring a canned good offering to this service which will be taken to the designated **Food Bank**

Hanging of the Greens

Wednesday, November 29

6:30 p.m.

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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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11:00 a.m. Worship Service

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

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