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The Chapel Herald

VILLAGE CHAPEL FAMILY



Two Resources, Two Opportunities

At the last new member/new visitor orientation – during November’s First Wednesday Fellowship – I shared a PowerPoint presentation on the history of The Village Chapel. For the most part, the information came from *Pinehurst and The Village Chapel*. This book was originally published by The Pinehurst Religious Association in 1957. The MarComm Committee, under the leadership of Mr. Bill Miller at the time, had the book reproduced in its current form. The book has superb historical pictures of the Chapel and is a wealth of information and trivia. The Communications Committee now wants to make these books available to members and friends of

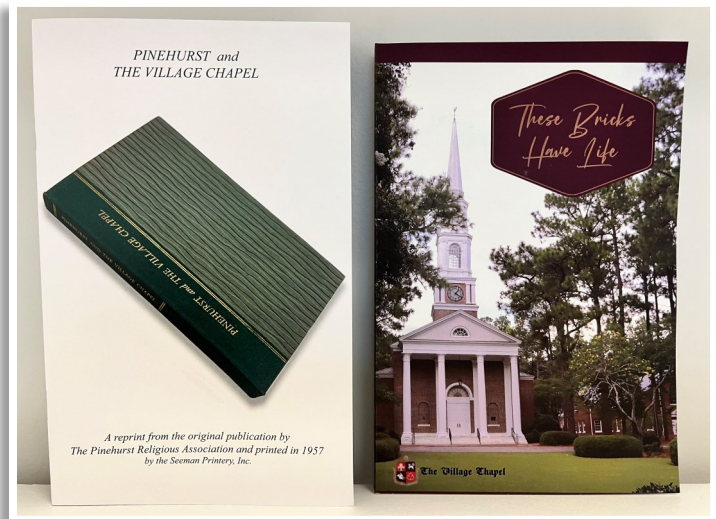


the Chapel. The intention is to sell each book for \$20 and to give a free copy to each new member. Each purchase covers the cost for new members. This book should be in everyone’s personal library.

With the completion of Heritage Hall and the installation of the scripture bricks, there’s yet another book and resource opportunity available. The book was originally produced to honor Mr. Bill Wetmore, to whom the scripture bricks were dedicated. As of late, the book was also dedicated to John David Santos – a beloved member of our Chapel Youth who passed away. The book details every scripture brick and will eventually be incorporated into the discipleship curriculum for children and youth ministry. The books are for sale for \$20 and they are free to the families of the Chapel, who will be encouraged to utilize them at home with their students. These too, should be a part of every member’s library.

Two resources, two opportunities available now. Just call or come by the Chapel office to get your copies.

Pastor Ashley



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Meet the Congregation

Dorothy (“Dot”) Evans

Dot Evans grew up in West Springfield, MA the youngest of four children. Her father managed a paper mill that produced quality writing papers. Instead of going to college, she studied at a music conservatory prior to the onset of WWII. She says her roots come from a “really old Yankee family.”

One day as a young woman, she was visiting a friend who was married to a service man stationed in Boca Raton, Florida. He wanted his wife to join him in Florida with their baby, but she was reluctant to take the long train ride alone. Dot offered to accompany her and so off they went to sunny Florida. She liked it so well that she contacted her mother and told her that she wanted to stay. Dot was 23 at that time. Her mother’s response was, “You come home right now!” Dot did return home, of course, and she said it took a week to convince her mother that she should go back to Florida. She returned and applied for a job there. Soon she became the receptionist for the commanding general at the Boca Raton Army Airfield. Keep in mind that she had studied at a music conservatory and had no secretarial skills, but with her outgoing personality she filled the job of receptionist quite well.

She later moved to Patrick Air Force Base which is a Cape Canaveral support facility. It was an exciting time, because the space program was just getting underway. While there she met a handsome pilot by the name of Bradford Alden Evans whom she married in 1955. After Brad retired from the military, he started to work for NASA and they eventually moved to California (NASA Ames Research Center) where they both worked. After 10 years they retired to a house in the Sierra Nevada foothills. They enjoyed traveling to many wonderful places, but Dot wanted to come back to the East Coast so they moved back to Florida.

During a trip to Maine, they boarded a schooner and sailed north into Canada and while on the ship, they met a couple from Pinehurst. They became friends and Brad mentioned one day that he

needed some eye surgery and the couple informed him about the care at Carolina Eye Associates. On the way back to Florida they stopped in Pinehurst and were impressed with the area. They bought property and in 1982 started building a house here.



Dorothy “Dot” Evans

Interestingly, the same couple invited them to The Village Chapel also in 1982 and Dot says that she and Brad felt at home right away and joined the same year. They loved the worship service and the atmosphere and felt very welcomed by the warmth of the minister and his wife (Rev. & Mrs. Henry Duncan). Perhaps they felt wel-

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comed and comfortable at The Village Chapel, in part, because of her years growing up in New England where she said she was a “good Episcopalian” which meant faithfully attending worship services, singing in the choir and teaching young children. Dot and Brad jumped right in after joining to participate in various ministries. She recalls working very hard managing a ministry called The Bargain Box which was located in the building where The Care Cottage is now. This was a thrift store where they sold a variety of things and earned quite a bit of money to help support various charities in the area and fund nursing scholarships at Sandhills Community College. (*Dot Evans Continued on page 6*)

New Members

DEBBIE FASULO

Debbie moved to this area 17 years ago from NJ & lives in Pinehurst. She is previously of Catholic faith, and was a member of Page Memorial Methodist Church in Aberdeen before joining TVC

She owned and operated a family drug store business in NJ before retirement. Debbie attends the 11:00 service and enjoys volunteering and assisting with youth activities, and participating in the Women of the Chapel and Cross Ties groups. A "doggie lover", she offers and enjoys dog-sitting - for special pets that need loving, caring attention!



JAN DAVIS

Jan moved to the area about 4 years old and enjoys living in the Pinehurst Trace neighborhood. She was a member and past Deacon at the First Presbyterian Church in Sanford, and was a member of Christ Fellowship Church in Southern Pines before joining TVC.

Jan attends the 11:00 service, and as a new member, is excited to continue her former church activities, including volunteering and Bible study, at TVC.



BETSY AND JACK LAFLIN

Betsy and Jack Laflin relocated to Pinehurst from Southern California in 2007. They live in Pinehurst No 6.

Previously, Dr. Laflin worked at the National Association of Directors of Special Education. Jack led a worldwide career focused on improving organizational effectiveness as Chief Human Resources Officer of several Fortune 500 companies.

Both new parishioners enjoy Tai Chi, gardening, and volunteering. An avid golfer, Jack serves as Registrar of the Sandhills Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution and Betsy is a member of the Carolina Stars Chapter of P.E.O. (Philanthropic Educational Organization) focused on the advancement of women through educational achievement.



MEET OUR NEW MEMBERS- The feedback received from The Village Chapel Readership Survey gave us some great information regarding what the congregation feels is most (or least) important about the church. One area of interest to the congregation was learning more about our new members. The process of introducing new members began in the September issue of The Chapel Herald. We will continue posting new members each month. If you do not already know them, please seek them out at various church services or events and let them know you are glad they have joined The Village Chapel.

ATTENTION: END OF YEAR CONTRIBUTIONS

Internal Revenue Service regulations require that contributions for **2021 *must be received*** at the Chapel or ***postmarked no later than December 31, 2022***

Gifts received after that date will be posted to 2023 contributions

From the Director of Music

By the time this Herald is printed, our Advent season will be full steam ahead with at least one Sunday in Advent behind us and our Hanging of the Greens service in the books. The journey through the season of Advent into Christmas is always especially meaningful to me as a church musician, with so many musical offerings from the Chapel Choir, children's choir, handchime choir, vocal soloists, and annual guests Carolina Brass. I'd like to share the text of one our offerings which will be sung by our Chapel Choir during Advent and again on Christmas Eve, set to music by Welsh composer Ralph Vaughan Williams. I've always found this to be a poignant telling of God's plan for the world to be saved by his Son.

***This is the truth sent from above, the truth of God, the God of love;
therefore don't turn me from your door, but hearken all, both rich and poor.***

***The first thing, which I do relate, that God at first did man create
the next thing, which to you I tell, woman was made with him to dwell.***

***Thus we were heirs to endless woes, till God the Lord did interpose,
for so a promise soon did run, that He'd redeem us by his Son.***

***And at this season of the year, our blest redeemer did appear;
he here did live, and here did preach, and many thousands he did teach.***

***Thus he in love to us behaved, to show us how we must be saved,
and if you want to know the way, be pleased to hear what He did say.***

I am excited to share that I have the opportunity to journey to Melbourne, Australia in January for the first ever Camp SAY: Australia. Over the past 5 years, I have documented my summer experiences with the Stuttering Association for the Young here in the states, and I am honored to be able to visit Australia at the invitation of my good friend Rich Stephens, who has been a pillar with SAY here in the United States. I will be away for about two weeks, during which time the choir and music ministry will be under the leadership of my colleagues Anne Dorsey and Janelle Francis, along with our children's choir director Deb Holden.

Stephen



Hanging of the Greens



*On Wednesday, November 30, we celebrated the annual **Hanging of the Greens** in the Sanctuary. The service included beautiful music, scripture readings, and enlightening moments about the history and meaning of Christmas.*



Village Chapel Christmas Ornaments


A beautiful addition to
your Christmas decorations.



\$20 each while they last
Stop by the church office and
get yours TODAY!

(Dot Evans continued from page 2) She recalls the generosity of Clara McLean when Clara lived in one wing of the Pinehurst Hotel.

Dot is fortunate to have a computer to watch The Village Chapel worship services online when she cannot get to church. However, she enjoys coming to worship service when she can and says there is nothing like the feeling you get when sitting in God's house even if eyesight is diminished somewhat and the hearing is not as acute as it once was. There is a sense of reverence, holiness, and peaceful spirituality that surrounds you as you sit in the pew.

She is thankful for her church and for its congregation. By the time you read this, Dot will be 104 years old. Few of us are likely to ever meet anyone more remarkable than Dot Evans. She has the most positive attitude of anyone (any age) that you would ever hope to meet. Thank you, Dot, for your years of faithfulness and service to The Village Chapel. 

Women of the Chapel Annual Christmas Brunch



Outreach

The following agencies have been supported by your TVC Outreach funding thanks to the generosity of our congregation!

- Boys & Girls Club of the Sandhills
- Boys & Girls Home of North Carolina
- Changing Destinies Ministry
- Family Promise of Moore County
- Friend to Friend
- Habitat for Humanity of the Sandhills
- Karimu, Tanzania
- Life Care Pregnancy Center
- Meals on Wheels of the Sandhills
- Moore Buddies Mentoring
- Moore Free and Charitable Clinic
- Samaritan Colony
- Sandhills Adult and Teen Challenge
- Sandhills Children's Center
- Sandhills Moore Coalition for Human Care
- Sandhills Student Assistance
- SAT-7 USA Middle East HOPE
- Sleep In Heavenly Peace
- The ARC of Moore County
- TWR Signal Fellowship
- Wycliffe Bible Translators
- Young/WyldLife in the Sandhills

Upcoming Outreach Projects:

Blanket Making:

Volunteers and donations are needed to make more blankets for the Boys & Girls Home of North Carolina. Please contact Susan Joslin if you have any questions or are interested in volunteering.

Sandhills/Moore Coalition Blanket & Linen Drive

New or gently used blankets and linen in all sizes are being collected for the 2022 blanket drive. Items can be dropped off at the Coalition located at 1117 W. Pennsylvania Ave, Southern Pines.

Adult & Teen Challenge 2022 Christmas Banquets

December 8, 9, or 10 | 6:30 pm

PAINT A BOWL.
FILL A BOWL.



Gather friends and family and share your creativity by painting bowls for our 2023 Empty Bowls event! Visit the **9th of September** at their new location between November 25, 2022 - February 20, 2023
2160 Midland Road (Next to Midland Bistro)
Open Tuesday – Saturday from 11 a.m. – 6 p.m.

MISSION STATEMENT OF THE VILLAGE CHAPEL: 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.

MISSION STATEMENT OF YOUR OUTREACH COMMITTEE: “Prayerfully and earnestly distribute budgeted funds of the Village Chapel to vetted entities through rational giving, while encouraging congregational participation with organizations we support.”

Planning for the Holiday Season and a Dementia Diagnosis

While holidays can be a joyous time for many families, they can be challenging for families affected by Alzheimer’s or other forms of dementia.

***Make holiday plans together, focusing on the things that bring happiness, not stress. Take a person-centered approach. Focus on what is enjoyable for the person living with the disease. Consider new traditions that are a better fit and less stressful.**

*information provided by National Alzheimer's Association.



FRIENDSGIVING 2022 - Nov. 20

The Youth had a wonderful time fellowshiping together and reflecting upon the many blessings God has given to them. A traditional Thanksgiving meal was generously prepared by Chef Julie, Jacques Wood took fabulous photos of the youth together, and Nathan Whitfield gave an inspirational devotion on being a servant of Christ and stewardship.

**INSTANT
CHRISTMAS
PAGEANT
(JUST ADD KIDS)**

Christmas Pageant

Rehearsal

December 23rd, 3:00pm

Sanctuary

Christmas Eve Service

December 24th

John David De La Cruz Santos

August 25, 2006–October 29, 2022

Never as a Youth Pastor do you think you would be laying one of your Youth to rest....especially one you've watch grow from a small child. John David Santos was a blessing to me and to so many at The Village Chapel. His warm, funny, and outgoing personality was contagious. Not a day goes by that I don't think about him and smile. My consolation in all this is that I will see him again. Thank you Lord for sending John David Santos to us for 16 years. Rest in the peace of your Lord John David, and we will see you again.

Love,

Ms. Vickie



TVC Scholarship Program

Application Deadline

January 31st, 2023

Visit tvcpinehurst.com for
Scholarship details and application



We are so Thankful for Your Generosity

All of our families have been adopted and now the shopping and wrapping begins. There will be many happy families this Christmas because of the kindness you have shared with our Angel Tree recipients.

WRAPPING

Monday, Dec. 5- Wednesday, Dec. 7

9:30 am- 3:00 pm

Get into the Christmas Spirit as we wrap gifts. It is time for fellowship and fun, while listening to Christmas music and enjoying light refreshments.

All of our many blessings are from the grace of God.

Thank you for being a blessing to those in need.

Drop in for any amount of time that works for your schedule

DISTRIBUTION DAY

Saturday, Dec. 10 – 8:00 am- 11:00 am

Come help distribute gifts and spread joy to the recipients as they arrive at the Chapel for gift pick-up

Thank you again for sharing your blessings with others this Christmas Season



Sunday, December 18, in the Sanctuary-10:30 a.m. Service

Carolina Brass

Festive music for choir, organ, brass and percussion

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

*...we must always cherish the words of our Lord Jesus, who taught,
"Giving brings a far greater blessing than receiving." ~Acts 20:35*

Children and Youth Sunday School teachers are needed. As well as Nursery volunteers.

Please contact Pastor Vickie 910-992-8309 if you are willing to serve.

Ushers/Greeters, please contact Fred Fox: pfredfox23@icloud.com

Small Group Leaders, and hosts needed. Please contact John Rowerdink: jrowerdink@aol.com

Tables of Eight -meal fellowship. Please contact Julie Huggins: hugginsj4@gmail

Volunteers needed to blow off church steps and surrounding walkways before 8:15 service.

Please contact Joe De Rosa at jedros15@gmail.com

Care of Congregation Committee needs volunteers who can write cards to our shut-ins, widows, and infirmed, and volunteers to make periodic phone calls to the same population.

Please contact Pastor Ashley 910-992-8308 or ashleyneilsmith@aol.com

Parents' Night Out needs chaperones for January 13 from 6:00 -8:00 p.m.

Please contact Pastor Vickie 910-992-8309 if you are willing to serve.

Visitor Table Volunteers are needed at each service to hand out visitor packets to first-time visitors while manning the welcome table in the narthex. To volunteer, please contact Mike Poplin at rmikepoplin@gmail.com.

Prayer Ministry volunteers needed to pray for prayer requests. Please contact Nancy Clay- nclay1@nc.rr.com

Altar Guild needs volunteers to assist with the altar at all three services. Please contact Jennifer Imperial at jenz9er@gmail.com.

December Birthdays

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| 1 Dot Evans | 16 Sean Finkbeiner |
| Will Rogers | 18 Caroline Barrett |
| 2 Cynthia | 20 Peter Gross |
| Eckard-Matthes | 21 Robert Terry |
| Holly Davis | 22 Woody Davis |
| Bob Stolting | 23 Molly Thomas |
| 3 Ruth Stolting | Steve McKenzie |
| 4 Cecilia Zingleman | 24 Silvia Bisbe |
| 6 Jane Lewis | Emmitt Orban |
| 7 Richard Schoen | Pastor John Jacobs |
| Dale Krech | 25 Don Hamilton |
| 9 Lynette Crosby | 26 Bob Workman |
| 10 Gary Doern | 27 Ann-Boyd Newman |
| Brynn Neely | Lynne Heilman |
| Holly Wright | 29 Bob Knapp |
| 11 Robert Hawks | 30 Russell French |
| Margaret Kinker | 31 Gerry Prange |
| Yvonne Gale | Tom Campbell |
| 12 Joe De Rosa | Suman Fischer |
| 13 Ray Bottoms | |
| 14 John Hawthorne | |

Happy Anniversary

- 1 Walter & Ann Blackwell
Tom & Carmei Laird
- 2 Gary & Jan Mullis
- 9 Doug & Nancy Smith
- 11 Jeff & Ruth Holm
- 19 John & Kathy Spangler
- 22 Edward & Karen Emmett
Bill & Jan Cooke
- 23 Bill & Pat Tomasetti
- 26 Jim & Lucille Buck
- 28 R.Q. & Sharyn Simmons
Kelly & Beverly Walsh
- 31 Jim & Char Rohr





Christmas Services

- Sunday, December 18, at 10:30 a.m. with Carolina Brass
- Christmas Eve Family Service at 5:00 p.m. with Children's Pageant
- Christmas Eve Communion Service at 9:00 p.m.
- Christmas Day Service at 10:00 a.m.
- Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols on January 1 at 10:00 a.m.

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