February 2021





The Chapel Herald



Narnia Comes to The Village Chapel

As a substitute for a Wednesday evening "Break Night" meal and program (due to Covid-19), you are invited to the Chapel's website for a presentation by Pastor John of C. S. Lewis' *The Chronicles of Narnia* at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday evenings, beginning February 3 and ending March 24 (excluding February 17, which is Ash Wednesday). Having sold over 100 million copies in 47 languages, this series of fantasy novels for children and adults – with Christian themes – has been adapted for radio, television, the stage, and film.

The schedule for this 7-part series is as follows:

February 3 – *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*

February 10 – *Prince Caspian*

February 17 – Ash Wednesday service

February 24 - The Voyage of the Dawn Treader

March 3 – The Silver Chair

March 10 – A Horse and His Boy

March 17 – *The Last Battle*

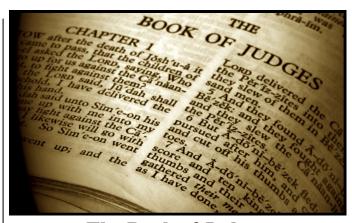
March 24 – *The Magician's Nephew*

March 31 – Holy Week – The Trials of Jesus

These presentations will be pre-recorded by Pastor John for viewing each Wednesday evening, and not livestreamed. Please join us at www.youtube.com/tvcpinehurst1/c/!

Blessings of Epiphany and Lent!

Pastor John



The Book of Judges: Thursday Community Bible Study February 4- 4:00 p.m.

The Care Cottage & Zoom by Pastor Ashley Smith

The Book of Judges might be one of the most unfamiliar books of the Bible - even to Christians. The book covers a period in Israel's history from the 14th century B.C. to the 11th century B.C. - a period of over 300 years. The book picks up after the death and military conquest of Joshua and covers the years leading up to Samuel and the rise of the monarchy. There is a pattern that persists throughout the chapters: apostasy, judgment, repentance, deliverance. The similarities between the time of the judges and our culture today are astonishing. The lessons for us today are increasingly relevant, and are ready to be engaged through daily reading and weekly study. I invite you to join us - either in person or via zoom. There is no cost nor registration required- just bring your Bible and a willingness to learn and grow. If you are a newcomer and would like to receive the weekly questions, please email me at ashleyneilsmith@aol.com. I hope to see you in our first class, or any class thereafter.



The English-Speaking Union's Sandhills Shakespeare Competition

February 13
2:00 PM
in Chapel Hall
Livestreamed

All are welcome to watch online!

Friday C.S. Lewis Study

Each Friday until May 21, from 10:00 a.m.—11:30 a.m. in Chapel Hall, Pastor John will lead a class reading Miracles by C.S. Lewis, an explanation and defense of God's miraculous revelations. All materials will be provided at no charge, and the class is open to the community.



Mission Statement

To provide a safe, nurturing, social learning environment for homeless and at –risk young women in Moore County ages 18-24

An Initial Organizing Committee (IOC) was formed in March of 2018, for the purpose of developing a case statement to address the identified need of rising homelessness in Moore County, NC, amongst females ages 18-24. Three prominent Moore County participating organizations are actively involved in child and family services and supports, many of which will be utilized by our clients. The Village Chapel of Pinehurst, Community Presbyterian Church of Pinehurst, and Pinehurst United Methodist Church are the leading supporters and sponsors of this new initiative.

The goal of this program is to help prevent a lifetime of dependence on the state with a cost-effective, short-term investment in independent living which challenges participants to grow emotionally, spiritually, socially and financially in ways they often have not considered. Our overarching service strategy is to provide educational support and therapeutic services in a home setting while providing an environment that fosters social skills and Cognitive Behavior Therapy (CBT) in order to be successful.

Donations are managed by Community Presbyterian Church c/o Young Women's Transitional Home P.O Box 1449 Pinehurst NC, 28374

How can I help?

Step 1: Join one of our committees or the Interfaith Committee.

Step 2: Volunteer and mentor with a youth.

Step 3: If you belong to a local civic organization, sorority or fraternity invite one of our board members to speak at an event to raise awareness.

Step 4: If you are able, donate!

If you do not wish to be on a committee, please consider becoming a contributor. Please feel free to share this information so our community can end teen homelessness.

Email: ywthmoore@gmail.com



Special congratulations to our Chairman of the Board, Nancy Smith, on being awarded The Order of the Long Leaf Pine





Recently, our Board of Trustees Chairman Nancy Smith was honored with the order of the Long Leaf Pine by state senator Tom McInnis in recognition of her more than 30 years of civic work in the Village of Pinehurst.

Since 1963, North Carolina's governors have reserved their highest honor, The Order of the Long Leaf Pine Award, for persons who have made significant contributions to the state and their communities through their exemplary service and exceptional accomplishments."

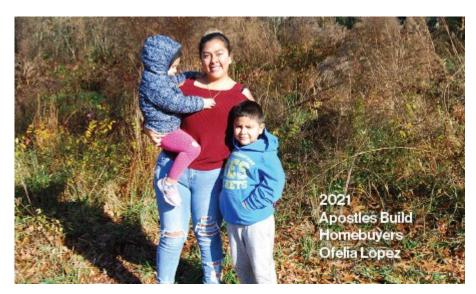
Nancy's involvement in, or leadership of, numerous organizations in Pinehurst over the past 30 years, ranges from The Village Chapel to hospital boards, library fundraisers to service on the Pinehurst Historic Commission, and on and on!

We are very proud of Nancy and her years of service to the Village of Pinehurst as well as The Village Chapel and look forward to her leadership on our Board of Trustees this year.



MISSION STATEMENT OF THE VILLAGE CHAPEL: "As an interdenominational Christian community, we worship God in spirit and truth; teach and encourage the Christian faith; support the spiritual needs of our congregation, and reach out to others with the Gospel of Jesus Christ."

MISSIION 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."



The Village Chapel, the Habitat Apostles Build and You

Once again, The Village Chapel has agreed to participate in the Habitat for Humanity of the Sandhills **Apostles Build.** The Apostles Build is the opportunity for many churches in Moore County to financially sponsor and provide volunteers to build a modest, safe home for a family in need of housing. This year, the Apostles Build will be in Robbins.

Ofelia Lopez, and her two children, will be able to purchase the completed Habitat home, with a 30-year mort-gage. She also must complete 300 hours of sweat equity to help with the construction, plus attend 15 hours of training on home maintenance. Ofelia's children are six and three. She works at FirstHealth in the cardiac telemetry department.

The Village Chapel has committed to the dates of Thursday, April 15, Friday, April 16 and Saturday, April 17 mornings to help with construction labor. The construction kick-off date, exciting as it involves actually raising the walls, will be on Saturday, March 6. The hours needed are 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. No tools are required, and there are opportunities for all skill levels, including unskilled. The professional and patient staff of Habitat will show and tell us what to do. We are committed to approximately 10 people each morning.

Now, what about **you?** Can you find the time? There are opportunities for men, women, and teenagers over the age of 16. (However, a person can operate the power equipment if he or she is at least age 18.) Please consider volunteering. All the work is outside for COVID-19 safety. And, for safety, no food will be provided, so bring your own fruit and snacks; bottled water will be provided.

Please contact, Ann Torok, 910-235-9208 or aetorok@embarqmail.com to sign up. You will find volunteering for the build rewarding and exhilarating. Remember you are helping a family get safe, decent, and affordable housing. This is truly putting God's love into action.

TVC Youth send a little "LOVE" to Widows/ers and Shut-Ins.









TVC Youth filled out Valentine's Day Cards during Youth Group to send to our Shut-In's, Widows and Widowers. It is our hope that they know they are prayed for and thought about during the month of "Love" and always!





Farewells

Sadly, the New Year began with the loss of three of The Village Chapel's most devoted and beloved members. It is unfortunate that we generally know so little about our members until they have been called home to the Lord. These three, like so many other of our dear departed members, were people of substance. They led full and meaningful lives, had successful careers, contributed to the well being of others and were valued members of their communities wherever they were. At The Village Chapel, they were the brick and mortar that made our church what it is today. They were deeply loved and will be sorely missed.



Marian Maag was always understated. Soft spoken and courteous, she smiled easily as she went about a variety of duties at The Village Chapel over the years. As with a lot of our senior members, we didn't know very much about her and she didn't say much about herself unless you asked her - something that

we all should do more often - ask people about themselves.

Marian, in her life before The Village Chapel, was a woman of substance. Born in Lakewood, Ohio in 1930, she went to Cornell University in Ithaca, New York where she majored in dietetics and food management. After graduation, she began a 28-year career with the Stouffer Food Corporation where she rose steadily up the corporate ladder and served in a number of positions in a number of places - Cleveland, Detroit, Chicago, Philadelphia, Boston Denver, Cincinnati and Fort Lauderdale. Marian moved so often she might have well been in the army! She inspected hotels and assisted in hotel openings and was food and beverage manager at a beachfront hotel in Fort Lauderdale.

After retiring from Stouffer in 1980, Marian began a for another 13 years at Rinker's Port Everglades terminal. In 1994 she retired again and moved to Pinehurst to be closer to her family. Wherever she lived, Marian made her presence felt because of her wide range of interests - gardening, dance, music and literature. She also loved travel and enjoyed trips to Europe, Israel, the Caribbean and Mexico. She also worked with literacy programs both in Florida and Moore County. In Pinehurst Marian volunteered as a "Dirt Gardener" and served on the board of directors at Pinehurst Trace, as she had in her condo in Florida. Several of us chairwoman of the Friend of the Arboretum, where a

benefited from her interest in gardening as she brought scads of fresh blueberries from her garden in Pinehurst Trace to share with the staff. Among other things she did at The Village Chapel, she was the one who made sure that the Herald and other written documents got in the mail in the days before e-mail blasts.

When the Lord called her home on December 20, Marian had been ill for several weeks. With the Covid-19 virus restrictions we had not seen her around The Village Chapel for some time. But we know how much she loved The Village Chapel and her fellow parishioners. We are consoled knowing that she in God's gracious hands. A memorial service will be held later in the year.

Tom and Betty Hurst departed this earth together on January 1, 2021. It seems almost preordained that this couple, who had known each other since childhood and had been married for 73 years, should exit hand in hand.

The following is extracted from the obituary in the Pilot. We don't think we can improve upon it:

Forever carrying one another's hearts, Betty and Thomas Hurst left this earth Friday, January 1, 2021. Their love story began 89 years ago in Pennsylvania, when they met in Sunday School and it continues to bind them as their love lives on in their life after death. Betty Suplee Hurst was born in Pennsylvania.

Throughout her life, Betty was the epitome of kindness, style and grace. She never drew attention to herself but always exuded calmness, humility and concern for others, always putting others first. A business school graduate, Betty was described as the "ultimate volunteer". She generously invested her time and talent to her community by volunteering in several programs and using her business acumen within them. While she never sought attention, she got it anyhow. second career with Rinker Materials, staying in Florida Betty received the 2014 Governor's Volunteer Service Award and the Moore County Volunteer of the year award in 2001. For over thirty years she contributed more than 3,700 hours of service to FirstHealth. She worked at the local library, the Boys and Girls Home of North Carolina and the Pinehurst Garden Club. Among her favorite charities was Toymakers, which made stuffed animals for children admitted to the hospital. Betty's love and interest in flowers made her a perfect fit for her work with the Village Arboretum and Village Heritage Foundation. She was the 2004

magnolia tee is planted in her honor.

Tom Hurst, also born in Pennsylvania, had a long and distinguished career. Following his graduation from Yale University, he served as a pilot in the U.S. Navy. His love for travel and exploration led to a career as a pilot for United Airlines. He served as president of the Volunteer Ambulance Squad in Montville, New Jersey and as an assistant scout master. Retirement brought Tom and Betty to Pinehurst where he could enjoy the game of golf he loved so much. He was a member of the Tin Whistles, the oldest continuous men's golfing society In the U.S., which helps provide scholarships for high school seniors in the area. Tom also enjoyed his Bible studies, reading and had a great fondness for the banjo.

Tom and Betty were founding members of the Congregational Church of Pinehurst and later joined The Village Chapel - our very good fortune. As Tom's health deteriorated over the past few years, Betty was

always at his side, full of love and care. When The Village Chapel carolers visited Tom at Quail Haven, it was clear that, despite his illness, he could hear and appreciate the sounds of Christmas. Betty continued her regular attendance at the 11:00 service until the Covid-19 pandemic. Betty could always be found sharing the pew with Dot Evans, her constant friend,

The Hurst's were a special couple and we mourn their passing. But they led a wonderful, gratifying life together and they meant so much to us. God has gained a couple more angels.

A celebration of their lives will be held later in the year.

February Birthdays

- 1 Cheryl Veni Cora Grace Cooper Carmei Lapa
- 2 Sally Adams Paul Bride
- 3 Ed Gavin, II Jack Lund R.Q. Simmons Patsy Parkhill John Brosch Fred Fox
- 4 Lisa Wingfield
- 5 Ed Reeves Jon DeVault Jack Wood Ed Emnett Trisha Glover
- **6** Lori Morse Ruth Holm
- 7 Cayleigh Ana Kruse Whitley Barrett

- 8 Jane Jackson Judy Auch Gemma Torok
- Pennie Clack Lin Cook Don Lee
- **10** Mike Bradley
- 11 Logan Totten-Lancaster
- 12 Cooper Crocker Hunter Shumski
- 13 Tom Stewart
- 15 Sarah Slade Jason Lee Cindy Cordell
- **16** Borders Utley
- 18 Janet Lowrey Rhonda Brooks Danna Carter Anita Baker
- 19 Steve Woodward
- 20 Ceil ten Braak

- Riley Grimshaw Susan Joslin
- 21 Susan Jacobsen
- **22** Margaret Elliott Lesley Woodruff
- 23 Natasha Bell
- 24 Roy Longhta
 Taylor Edrington
 Grace Edrington
 Lou Torok
 Cate Goodman
- 25 Marian
- Schillerstrom Radford Walker
- 26 Richard Ballard Art Romero Gary Strickfaden
- 28 Kim Pahk

- Oappy Onniversary
- 2 John & Laurie Wiles
- 8 Jack & Nancy Sadler
- 10 Don & Judy Auch
- 14 Don & Vickie Taylor Patrick & MJ Pizzella Ron & Jill Trawick
- 21 Cam & Janice Cantelou
- 25 Greg & Tanner Page
- 26 Chandler & Kelley Adams

Please contact the office if your birthday or anniversary information is incorrect, or if you need to be added to the list.



The Village Chapel presents Tyler Young, saxophone

With Stephen Gourley, organ

A varied program of music written for and transcribed for saxophone



FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 7:00PM

This concert will be pre-recorded and may be viewed at www.youtube.com/tvcpinehurst1/c/

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