



The Chapel Herald

An Upward Fall



Blessed with living in a region of the country where we can witness the full splendor of autumn's changing colors, there is much in this time of year to instruct us, that an acceptance of our common mortality is essential for an appreciation of Advent and the coming Incarnation of our Savior. The falling leaves remind us that death is a part of the cycle of crea-

tion, and the golden colors of foliage are an awakening glimmer that life is beautiful, but fleeting in span.

One of my favorite poems is "Spring and Fall" by Gerard Manley Hopkins, an Irish Jesuit whose poems were not published until after his death in 1889. In this poem Hopkins presents a young girl named Margaret, crying for the falling and dying leaves from the autumn trees. Gently but firmly, she is told that her tears are not just for leaves, but for all of humanity – including herself – that will eventually return to the dust of the earth:

"It is the blight Man was born for,
it is Margaret you mourn for."

Death evokes tears from us for many reasons, both common and individual. We acknowledge that "funerals are for the living," because we sense the tension in living fully every day, not knowing when our time here will be done.

As Christians, we must reflect the hope that the mortality of autumn can prepare us all for the divinity we await in Advent, and the birth of a Savior we celebrate in Christmas. Life in Christ is eternal, and Love is immortal, and nothing – not even the end of life as we know it – can ever separate us from that Love everlasting!

Faithfully yours,

Pastor John

The Christian Benefits of Small Group Ministry By Pastor Ashley



As you most likely know by now, The Village Chapel has a considerable offering of small group opportunities - they range from Bible study to dinner gatherings - in which you can participate. What you may not know, is that small group ministry has many benefits for the local church and for the individual believer.

Research has shown that when congregations implement small group models to supplement their Sunday worship, the result has been growth - both spiritual and numerical. Based on my personal experience alone, here are several benefits:

First, the obvious benefit is discipleship - growing in your knowledge, understanding, and application of Christianity. We learn from the study of scripture. We learn from one another. And it's in the context of acceptance that we can ask difficult questions without the fear of being judged or rejected.

Second, and perhaps not as obvious, is the ability of the small group to serve as a "shepherding" ministry. By shepherding, I mean the groups provide pastoral support like prayer and the sharing of spiritual, emotional, and even physical needs within the group. Small group leaders - as under-shepherds - can provide pastoral support on a smaller, more intimate level, than could be possible with a few pastors overseeing a larger congregation. Shepherding the flock also means that life-giving relationships are being formed and nurtured, which are foundational to the Body of Christ - The Church.

Last, and one I believe is desperately needed in churches today, is evangelism. Many church members find it easier to invite their friends and neighbors to a small group meeting, or a church function like the First Wednesday Fellowship, than to invite them

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We are delighted to announce the return of our Yamaha C7 piano after a lengthy restoration project, which included a complete restringing, replacement of hammers, shanks, and flanges, and brand-new keytops to replace the original coverings which had become worn and discolored. The piano was also entirely revoiced, and the action regulated. It truly looks and sounds like a new piano, and we are overjoyed with the work done by Ruggero Piano in Raleigh.

We will have to wait about three-four weeks for the piano to settle back into the sanctuary. Especially when a piano is restrung, it takes time for them to settle in as a unit, so we will wait until the first of November to have it tuned and then use it in worship on November 7.

to Sunday worship. Many will no doubt eventually worship with the larger community of faith on Sundays. Belonging to a group before believing in Christ is an effective means of evangelism, as St. Patrick so graciously demonstrated in Ireland.

There are plenty of opportunities to get involved in small groups - just check the bulletin, website, and the list of classes found at the entrances to the church - and it's never too late to join a group. I would cherish an opportunity to speak further with you about small group ministry.

Growing together in Christ,

Pastor Ashley



The Village Chapel

From the Director of Music...

Many thanks to all who attended our hymn festival on September 26 – it was a joyous afternoon of music making.

We are excitedly looking forward to two major choral events in the next month. On Sunday, November 7, the Duke Chorale makes its return to The Village Chapel after a year off due to the pandemic. The Chorale's visit has become a highly anticipated community event and we are delighted that these talented students will be able to return to us.

On Friday, November 19 at 7:00 p.m., The Village Chapel will host a benefit concert with all proceeds benefiting Tambra Place, The Young Women's Transitional Home of Moore County. This will be a joint effort between the Chapel's music and outreach programs.

This year's concert for a cause will feature a performance of the Christmas portion of Handel's *Messiah*, a most beloved choral work. The chorus and orchestra will be made up of professional musicians from Moore County, as well as the Triangle and Charlotte areas, all of whom perform regularly in the Sandhills. It is a privilege to bring together this talented collection of musicians to perform this work to raise awareness for this outstanding organization. It is our hope that those who attend will come away better informed not only about Tambra Place and its mission, but the real issue of homelessness in our community.

Formed in 2018, Tambra Place has worked to combat the rising issue of homelessness in Moore County, specifically among the teen population. Founded by Tambra Chamberlain, who has spent nearly two decades working with homeless youth in the county, the organization is already making a difference in the lives of young women by providing temporary housing, various life skills and career planning, and self-care. This year, Tambra Place has taken major steps in building transitional homes and making necessary preparations for these homes to be livable. Representatives from Tambra Place will be in attendance to speak on their work and further inform us about the remarkable work they are doing.

A plate offering will be collected during the concert. Contributions may be made via cash, check, or credit card. It is requested that all checks be made to Tambra Place

Stephen

Update on the Construction of Heritage Hall

Jack Wood, Chairman, Buildings and Grounds

As most of you have noticed, work has been fast and furious on our new building. The foundation is complete, the steel super structure is in place, all of the utility lines are laid, the steel framing of the first floor is almost finished, and the storm water collection systems are constructed and now underground.

Within the next month we will be installing the wooden support beams for the second floor, followed by the second story flooring and then the trusses for the roof structure. Concurrently, work will begin on installing plumbing and electrical conduits.

Our general contractor, O'Connor Company, has been doing an excellent job of managing their team of the many subcontractors that are working on our building. We have been very happy with the quality of their work. And it is good news that so far the team has not had any major issues with the availability of critical construction materials.

At this point we are still right on schedule for a completion date in April, 2022.



Ricky Gregson, site superintendent from O'Connor Company, keeps a close watch on every last detail of the work being done on our building.





The Village Chapel presents

DUKE UNIVERSITY CHORALE

Sunday, November 7, 4:00PM



The Village Chapel
10 Azalea Road, Pinehurst



THE VILLAGE CHAPEL MUSIC SERIES PRESENTS

HANDEL'S
MESSIAH

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 19TH, 7:00PM
THE VILLAGE CHAPEL, PINEHURST

Professional chorus and orchestra
Stephen Gourley, conductor

Benefit for Tandra Place
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for young women"

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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.

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.”

TVC's Outreach Ministry to SAT-7

SAT-7 has developed a holistic Christian approach to broadcasting, to share the gospel, with its powerful messages of love, hope, and forgiveness, meeting people at their points of need. From starting as a weekly two hour block of Arabic programming for kids in 1996, utilizing an existing Satellite channel, it has expanded exponentially. The present ministry reaches millions for Christ not only in the Middle East and Northern Africa (MENA) thru satellite, it's programming is now available thru internet programs (YouTube and on demand TV) in native languages worldwide.

In addition to satellite channels in Arabic, SAT-7, also broadcasts in Turkey, and Persia (in Farsi for Iran, Afghanistan and Tajikistan) and continues it's children's broadcasts on SAT-7-KIDS. Broadcasts are available on YouTube and Facebook and thru their worldwide websites at the following: www.sat7.org, www.sat7arabic.com, www.sat7pars.com, www.sat7turk.com and, of course, for children, www.sat7kids.com (the first and only Arabic Christian channel exclusively providing programming for kids and young people. Millions of immigrants watch worldwide in their native languages. Many listeners call in for literature, to obtain Christian counseling and to provide testimonies of God at work in the MENA. Financial support (which is never requested in any broadcast) comes globally and God always provides to meet their changing needs. The history of Christian media in the MENA is shared in the recent book published by founder, Dr. Terence Ascott, entitled Dare to Believe! Stories of Faith From the Middle East. (A copy is available in the Atrium by the drinking fountain with the TVC Outreach Folder.)



SAT-7

Be Part of a Prayer Movement

Join the SAT-7 Prayer Team and receive a monthly Prayer Calendar with behind-the-scenes prayer points. Share the calendar and promote prayer for our brothers and sisters in the Middle East and North Africa.

Visit sat7usa.org/join-the-prayer-team

Upcoming Outreach Committee Dates

October 5

Take Back The Night, Friend to Friend, candlelight vigil in honor of Domestic Violence Awareness Month, 6:30 p.m. 145 SE Broad St, Southern Pines, NC 28387-6147

October 14

Harvest the Promise, The Fair Barn, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

October 26

Young Life/Wyld Life banquet, The Fair Barn, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

November 6

Wings for All

The Arc of Moore County, The Arc North Carolina, and Fort Bragg's Exceptional Family Member Programs are teaming up to bring Wings to All to the FAY Airport on Saturday, November 6. This is an airport rehearsal program designed specifically for individuals with Autism or other intellectual disabilities.

November 17, 18, 19, 20, & 21

The 25th Annual Festival of Trees at the Carolina Hotel. Each day from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Sunday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

April 28, 29 & 30, 2022

Habitat Apostle's Build, TVC weekend partnering with Eagle Springs Baptist Church (12 volunteers needed each day) 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. each day.

Thank you for supporting our community!
TVC Outreach Committee

The Community Men's Retreat

The Retreat is open to all the Christian Men in our greater Community. This year, the Retreat is scheduled for Saturday, Nov 13th, from 0830-1230 in the main ballroom of the Clubhouse at Pinehurst #9. The breakfast would include coffee, water, and breakfast sandwiches. The lunch would be a choice of two different sandwiches all served with chips, pickles, and a desert. You would also have coffee, soft drinks and Iced Tea provided for the entire time. The cost is \$28.00 per person. You can pay by check made out to The Village Chapel and in the "memo section" write MEN'S RETREAT or pay on-line by going to www.tvcpinehurst.com, click "Giving" in the upper righthand corner and select Men's Ministry under "Select a Fund", then in the Memo box type in Men's Retreat. The agenda will include Holy Communion, and a guest speaker or two.

Our initial guest speaker is Edward Graham, the son of Franklin Graham, and grandson of Rev. Dr. Billy Graham. Edward graduated from West Point, then served in the Army as a Ranger/Special Operations officer for eight deployments. In late 2018, he left the Army after 16 years to become the VP of Programs & Government Relations for Samaritan's Purse.



Trunk *or* Treat



The Village Chapel



**Candy
Needed!!**

**Thursday
October 28th
5-7pm**

**Volunteers
Needed!!**

Trunk or Treat!
Come out in your best costume and
“Trunk or Treat” in the front parking lot
of the church.

Our Vision...

We would like to provide a safe, healthy, and fun alternative for the children and youth of our community. Please help us by volunteering!

Please contact Ms. Vickie if you can help!

vickie@tvcpinehurst.com

Annual Chapel Picnic Hosted by TVC Men's Ministry





Annual Pet Blessing October 2



A Pet's Ten Commandments

1. My life is likely to last 10-15 years. Any separation from you is likely to be painful.
2. Give me time to understand what you want of me.
3. Place your trust in me. It is crucial for my well-being.
4. Don't be angry with me for long and don't lock me up as punishment. You have your work, your friends, your entertainment, but I have only you.
5. Talk to me. Even if I don't understand your words, I do understand your voice when speaking to me.
6. Be aware that however you treat me, I will never forget it.
7. Before you hit me, before you strike me, remember that I could hurt you, and yet, I choose not to bite you.
8. Before you scold me for being lazy or uncooperative, ask yourself if something might be bothering me. Perhaps I'm not getting the right food, I have been in the sun too long, or my heart might be getting old or weak.
9. Please take care of me when I grow old. You too, will grow old.
10. On the ultimate difficult journey, go with me please. Never say you can't bear to watch. Don't make me face this alone. Everything is easier for me if you are there, because I love you so.



New Acolytes Pinned on Youth Sunday



Congratulations to our new Acolytes:

- Oscar Little
- Conner Neely
- Ava Taylor Walker
- Collins Walker
- Gatlin Wetzelberger



CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION TV SHOW

WANT TO BE PART OF TAPING THE SHOW?

We will be filming the assembling of a Peppermint Gingerbread house for a 1/2 hour Christmas TV program



We would like to invite the first 10 people that respond to be participants in the taping

If interested please contact Janene Massieh
janene@popcornpressandmedia.com

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23 | 11:00AM | CHAPEL HALL

SAVE THE
DATE



*Annual
Women's
Christmas
Brunch*

DEC. 14, 2021
FOREST CREEK

MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW



The Village Chapel Angel Tree Sponsor Request

Thank you for your continued support of The Village Chapel's Angel Tree Program! We couldn't serve all these families without your ongoing generosity. This year due to the COVID-19 pandemic our community's needs are still greater than ever. Please complete the following form so that we can match you with a family in need. After submitting the form a family will be selected based on your preferences and the family's wish list will be mailed to you. God bless you.

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Can we text you at the number above? _____ Yes _____ No

Desired family size for adoption? __1__ __2__ __3__ __4__ __5__ __6__ __7__

I prefer to shop for: _____ younger children _____ Teenagers _____ Adults
 _____ No preference

I would like to volunteer for: _____ Shopping _____ Wrapping- Dec. 6 - 8
 _____ Distribution Day-Dec. 11th

Thank you for making Angel Tree part of your Christmas Traditions!

Please complete form and return to the Chapel office or contact
 Lori Valentinas at (630) 768-0004 or valentinas2277@sbcglobal.net.

Farewell Louise Weiss



How can it be! She was her spritely self just a few weeks ago as she entertained guests at Penick Village and proudly showed them around her apartment, which is adorned with beautiful memories of her life.

So we were somewhat stunned when we learned that Mary Louise Weiss, our dear friend, was called to the Lord on Wednesday, September 1. All of us knew her as Louise. Mary was dropped somewhere along the way.

Louise was a woman of substance. We tend to forget that folks who live into their 80s and 90s once were young and vital and much more than just one of our older members. Louise was born July 18, 1923 in El Paso, Texas. Unlike today when over half of new college entries are women, Louise grew up at a time when it was fairly unusual for women to attend college. Louise did. She started her undergraduate work at Stephens College in Columbia, Missouri and graduated from the University of Texas in Austin with a BS in food and nutrition. Her husband, Henry, who passed away just a year ago, earned his Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Journalism degrees at the University of Missouri. They were married in Clint, Texas in 1947. When Henry died at age 100, they had been married 73 years.

Louise used her education well. After doing her internship at Philadelphia General Hospital and marrying Henry, she enjoyed a successful career as a professional dietician. Both Henry and Louise were avid golfers which was one of the reasons they chose Pinehurst as their retirement home in 1981. Both were also community minded and volunteered at the Food Bank and other local organizations. Louise loved cooking and entertaining and spending time with her family. She and Henry had three sons.

Louise also loved The Village Chapel. She regularly attended the 11 o'clock service and when she was no longer able to drive herself to church, arrived on the Chapel Express van. She, Dot Evans and Ellen Woodard often arrived together and they enchanted the young volunteer drivers.

We will certainly miss Louise. She had a lively sense of humor, kept herself well informed, enjoyed her many friendships at Penick Village and the Chapel and her caring and kindness endeared her to all of us. But she enjoyed a full and rewarding life of 98 years and now she is in the loving arms of her savior. We are thankful for her long association with The Village Chapel.

October Birthdays

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|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| 1 Polk Dillon | 13 Betty Hamblin | Caroline Cordell |
| Jim Corcoran | Scott Krom | 26 Thomas |
| Scot Shumski | 14 Katie Barrett | Sherwood |
| Mike McBrayer | 15 Mark Acker | Meg |
| 2 Esther Acker | Mike Kallam | Lindenberger |
| Jim Rogers | John Orban | 27 Phyllis Hudson |
| 3 Gavin Obst | 16 George Trail | Aaron Bell |
| Jim Nelson | Jeff Holm | M.J. Pizzella |
| 4 Jim Rohr | Betsy Barnard | 28 Thomas Walker |
| Gunnar Adams | 17 Don Hanson | 29 Kenneth |
| Mary Wehking | 18 Juanita Milam | Goodman |
| 6 Mateja Torok | 19 Tom Shirk | Matthew |
| 7 Michele Miller | 20 Ava Taylor | Goodman |
| 8 Darlene Wilhelm | Walker | 30 Stephanie |
| 9 Betts Turner | 21 Mark Reif | Edwards |
| Sharyn Simmons | Nancy Clay | Patrick Dewar |
| George Vickers | 22 Steve Young | 31 Kathy George |
| Anna Smith | Stephanie | Kimberly |
| Philip Kirol | Raine | Lindenberger |
| 10 Allyson Schoen | 23 Roslyn Sherwood | |
| 11 Larry Magruder | Alma Buck | |
| 12 Leda Eaton | Janice Bezanson | |
| Betty Ayers | 25 Wes Smith | |

Happy Anniversary

- 2 Ralph & Dana Bowen
- 4 Steve & Jacqueline Woodward
- 8 Rita & Lawrence Burnat
- 9 Adam & Linda Wall
- 12 Jim & LuAnn Schneider
- 18 Steve & Rosalind Young
- 20 Philip & Marilyn Kirol
- Dube & Deborah Putz
- Thomas & Mary Ellen Sherwood
- 23 Mark & Esther Acker
- 25 Robert & Ruth Stolting

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

First Wednesday Fellowship



Give blood.

Every 2 seconds someone
in the U.S. needs blood.

American Red Cross

BLOOD DRIVE

Wednesday, October 13th

10:00 am – 2:30 pm

Chapel Hall

10 Azalea Drive

Pinehurst, NC 28374

Free Zaxby's signature sandwich reward or
\$5 e-gift card to merchant of choice
Terms and Conditions Apply

To schedule your life saving appointment, please visit
redcrossblood.org Sponsor Code: Village Chapel
Or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).



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