WOMEN OF THE CHAPEL (WOC) NEWSLETTER

April 2024



A message from the WOC Chair Lyla Renai Elliott

Happy Spring!

Spring, a time for new beginnings. Easter gives us the hope of salvation as our Lord Jesus Christ is Risen! We fasted during Lent - reflecting and strengthening our faith and bringing a renewed energy.

As I reflect on these wonderful blessings, this season brings even more appreciation of God's nearness to me. A recent experience reminds me that people are not always going to treat you as their "neighbor." They will not always love you, as they love themselves. Sometimes, we need to take notice and step away from a situation that is not in our favor. It is like caring for a garden, you remove the weeds and pests that cause harm and nurture the plants you want to grow and flourish.

I try to surround myself with people who lift me up and allow me to reciprocate. We are all God's children and as our Pastors preach; God wants us to love one another - always. So, in this new season, look at your "garden" and surround yourself with the loving "plants" that bring you joy and comfort, as our Lord God intended!

"For I hold you by your right hand-I, the Lord your God. And I say to you, 'Don't be afraid. I am here to help you'"

Isaiah 41:13 NLT

WOC 2024 Calendar of Events*

2nd Tuesday of each month - All Welcome! Steering Committee Meetings Monthly Cross Ties Fellowship Luncheons

Women's Bible Study Programs

WOC offers several Christian Bible Studies

Fundraising Bake Sale

May 4, 2024 100% of proceeds will be donated to "Changing Destinies Ministry"

NEW!

FELLOWSHIP & FAITH MORNING WALK

Saturday, May 4th at 9am Meet at Heritage Hall

OPEN HOUSE

June 8th
It is a wonderful time of fellowship!

Health & Wellness Series

Fall 2024 A New Women's Health Education Program

Fall Retreat in Chapel Hall
October 5, 2024

Christmas Brunch

December 4, 2024

WATCH FOR Additional events/programs:

<u>WOC Open Houses</u> <u>Movie/Game Nights</u> * <u>Arts & Crafts</u> & Group Outings

*See page 3 for event details

OUR MISSION

To teach & encourage women to draw closer to God through a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. We offer programs, outreach opportunities and fellowship that fosters spiritual growth.

MONTHLY THIS & THAT!

The Women of the Chapel's Lenten Retreat was held March 19-21st at the Billy Graham Training Center at the Cove in Asheville NC. It was such a blessing to gather in this beautiful location for renewal, fellowship, and a time of preparation for the resurrection. We thank God







Thank you to everyone who helped make this event happen & all who attended A special thank you to the Spring Retreat Chair: Eleanora Voelkel

CHARITY EVENT

RECIPE

BAKE & BOOK SALE!

WOC will be sponsoring this event with 100% of proceeds supporting:

Changing Destinies Ministry

Saturday, May 4, 2024, in the Chapel Hall from 10am - 3pm

Please stop by to check out the delicious baked goods, books, & raffle!

If you would like to donate used books, baked goods, an item for the raffle or volunteer to help, please contact us at:

WomenoftheChapelTVC@gmail.com

Renee - 443.929.9014

Click here for event flyer

Arugula, Fennel, and Orange Salad

Ingredients

- 1 tablespoon honey
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- ½ teaspoon salt
- ½ teaspoon ground black pepper
- 1/4 cup olive oil
- 1 bunch arugula
- 2 oranges, peeled and segmented
- 1 bulb fennel, thinly sliced
- 2 tablespoons sliced black olives

Directions

- 1. Whisk together honey, lemon juice, salt, and pepper; slowly add olive oil while continuing to whisk.
- 2. Place arugula in the bottom of a salad bowl; scatter orange segments, fennel slices, and olives over arugula; drizzle dressing over salad to serve.

To find out more about the Women of the Chapel Steering Committee or if you would like to send feedback, suggestions, ideas or if you are interested in volunteering send an email to WomenoftheChapelTVC@gmail.com

WOC SCHEDULED EVENTS & BIBLE STUDY

EVENTS

Women of the Chapel Steering Committee

Meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month Next meeting is Tuesday, May 14, 9:30 a.m. at the Care Cottage, 55 Community Rd. Pinehurst.

Cross Ties

The next gathering will be held on Tuesday, May 14th, at 11:45 a.m. at the Pine Crest Inn. Cross Ties brings women together from across the three worship services. It gives them the opportunity to form ties with each other, pray together, and feel more deeply connected to the church "family." All Women of the Chapel are invited and encouraged to attend. The cost is \$20.00 (includes tax & tip). Contact either Janice Bezanson at 909-229-3028 or janicebezanson@gmail.com or Michele Miller at 804-647-5683 or Miller.mlj107@gmail.com for reservation. Reservations and cancellations must be received by Friday, May 10th. Cancellations after the deadline or no shows will be responsible for the payment of \$20 to the church.

Bake & Book Sale

Saturday, May 4th,10am – 3pm in Chapel Hall. All proceeds will benefit <u>Changing Destinies Ministry</u>. CDM's vision is to see sex-trafficked women encounter God's love, experience transformation, and reintegrate into society. They will accomplish this by providing a place of refuge for sex-trafficked women in a Christ-centered residential program. Please contact Renee if you have any questions or would like to donate – reneeacassidy@gmail.com or 443.929.9014. <u>Click here for more information</u>

Fellowship & Faith Morning Walk (NEW!)

Saturday, May 4th at 9am - Meet at Heritage Hall. Contact for this event is Lyla Elliott – 910.773.0256.

Open House

Please save the date for our next WOC Open House on Saturday, June 8th, 12 pm -3pm at the home of Lyla Renai Elliott, 55 Page Road, Pinehurst. It is a wonderful time of fellowship, sharing our stories of our journey of faith and making new friends. We hope you will join us! If you have any questions, please contact Lyla at 910.773.0256.

Fall Retreat

October 5, 2024, 9am – 2pm at The Village. Guest Speaker Caroline Helms

Christmas Brunch

December 4, 2024, at Forest Creek Country Club. Guest Speaker Linda Berry

BIBLE STUDY

Women's Bible Study – This 7-week session begins on Monday, April 22, at 9:30 a.m. at the Care Cottage. We will be studying Psalms. We will be using the study book **As For Me** by Adrienne Camp. To sign up for the study or questions please contact Janice Bezanson at janicebezanson@gmail.com or 909.229.3028.

Christ in Genesis - This is a women's Bible study which will explore the relationship between the Old and New Testaments. The class meets twice a month on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. We use the Bible and Katherine Caldwell's commentary study entitled **Christ in Genesis, Vol. 1**. We meet in the Youth classroom of Heritage Hall. Please contact Mary Wood at marywood232@gmail.com or 412.592.4353

The Women's Spiritual Formation - Mondays 6:45pm-8pm Care Cottage. Contact Melissa Jones at melissa@jesusexpedition.com

To Learn More About Women of the Chapel, please contact us:

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