

# WOMEN OF THE CHAPEL (WOC) NEWSLETTER

November/December 2024



## A Message from Renee Cassidy – WOC Co-chair

It is that wonderful and miraculous time of year when we celebrate Christ coming to the earth and God's magnificent plan of salvation has been delivered. His plan of "peace on earth, good will toward men" was revealed through the promise of His Son (Luke 2:14). May you all celebrate and rejoice together with family, friends and others in our Chapel community.

Reflecting on the past year Lyla and I feel very grateful and blessed to have been part of the WOC ministry. We are looking forward to the year ahead and in addition to our traditional favorites we have some new events planned for 2025:

- *WOC Christian Book Club,*
- *Additional events under our new Women's Health Education Series &*
- *Keys to Freedom study group.*

We also would like to take this opportunity to thank you for allowing us to serve as your Chair and Co-chair, volunteering your time to the WOC and growing with us in our spiritual journeys.

May this holiday season be filled with joy, hope and an abundance of blessings.

*Lyla Renai Elliot, Chair & Renee Cassidy, Co-chair  
Women of the Chapel*

*"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased" Luke 2:14*

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## WOC 2024 Calendar of Events\*

### **2nd Tuesday of each month**

All are Welcome!

Steering Committee Meetings

Monthly Cross Ties Fellowship Luncheons

### **Women's Bible Study Programs**

WOC offers Christian Bible Studies

### **FAITH & FELLOWSHIP MORNING WALK**

First Saturday of each month

Meet at 9:00 at the Heritage Hall

Next walk is on Saturday, December 7th

### **OPEN HOUSE**

November 23, 2024

It is a wonderful time of fellowship!

### **Health & Wellness Series**

Additional Programs coming in 2025!

### **Christmas Brunch**

December 4, 2024

**"Joy to the World"**

### **WATCH FOR**

**Additional events/programs**

**In 2025:**

**Spring Retreat \* Fall Retreat**

**Spring Tea**

**Fundraising Events**

**Christian Book Club**

**Keys to Freedom Study Group**

*\*See page 4 for event details  
and the weekly Chapel Bulletin*

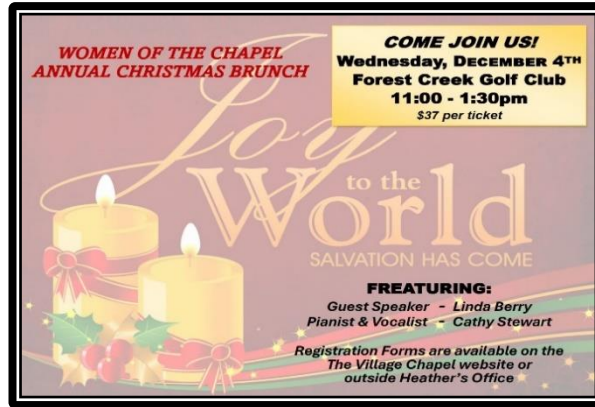
## OUR MISSION

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.

# WOC FUTURE EVENTS

## 2024 CHRISTMAS BRUNCH

Interested in volunteering?  
Contact Renee at  
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or 443.929.9014



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webpage for more  
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registration form:  
<https://tvcpinehurst.com/women-of-the-chapel/>

## OUR FEATURED GUESTS

### CATHY STEWART

Cathy, a member of our Chapel community, studied conducting and composition of music at Julliard School of Music and is a teacher, composer, pianist and singer. She has shared her many gifts and talents by performing for our military at an Inaugural Ball at Capitol Hill, our Women Veterans on Capitol Hill in CT and in addition the Hotel New York, the Pierre, Hyatt Regency, Fairmont Copley Plaza, Saint Regis Atlanta and Ritz Carlton. Composing over 50 plus pieces of music Cathy has donated many of her pieces to charities throughout the world.



Linda Berry is known for her enthusiasm and positive attitude and living on the bright side of God's Happiness plan for her life - an intimate, inspiring and less complicated relationship. She claims it's fun to love Jesus and teaches from over 100 Old and New Testament "happy" scripture verses on how to develop the habits of happy and the steps to be open and ready to receive His blessings. She is passionate about serving the local church and believes the local church is the hope of the world.

Linda is an experienced author, speaker and ~~Happy~~ HappyLife Leader trainer. Linda has served for four years as the personal travel assistant to Ms. Anne Graham Lotz, daughter of Rev and Mrs. Billy Graham.

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**JOIN US FOR OUR WOC OPEN HOUSE  
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2024  
12PM - 3PM**

**At the home of Lyla Renai Elliott  
55 Page Road, Pinehurst  
Refreshments will be served**

*Please join the Women of the Chapel for this fun and casual event to celebrate  
Faith, Fellowship and New Friends!*

All ladies of our Chapel and friends are welcome  
RSVP by November 18<sup>th</sup> at [womenofthechapeltvc@gmail.com](mailto:womenofthechapeltvc@gmail.com) or text 910.773.0256



# MONTHLY THIS & THAT!



## *The Women's Fall Retreat October 5, 2024*

**Reverend Carolyn Helms inspired close to 100 people in Chapel Hall at the Women's Fall Retreat as she presented "FEAR, a four-letter word: Seeking God's guidance and strength for changing our vocabulary of life." Carolyn as a nurse and an ordained minister was able to guide us in our spiritual and physical well-being to deal with the stress and worry God's Word warns us about.**

**A special thank you to Reverend Carolyn Helms and the many Women of the Chapel who worked hard on this retreat to make it a success.**



### WOC SHARING EVENTS IN OUR CHAPEL COMMUNITY

#### ANGEL TREE

Our Village Chapel Angel Tree committee is in full swing! We hope you will join us this year either with a financial donation or sponsoring children or a senior. Our goal this year is to sponsor seniors over 65 and children under the age of 17, with a spending limit of \$50-\$75 per person. In addition, a food card will be provided to the adults. Please put the following dates on your calendar:

**Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup>** - Gift Drop Off day after each service

**Monday, December 9<sup>th</sup>** - our first wrapping day. We will be in Chapel Hall from 9:30- 2:00 p.m. It is a fun day of food, fellowship, and wrapping (Lunch is provided!)

**Tuesday, December 10<sup>th</sup>**, Wrapping continues, 9:30-2:00 p.m.

**Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup>** is Distribution Day, 8:00-11:30 p.m.

Help is always needed on this special Saturday morning. *Please reach out to Faith Clay at [faithclay@icloud.com](mailto:faithclay@icloud.com) or 248.765.7213 with any questions.*

#### DEDICATION FLOWERS

Would you like to contribute to the Dedication Flowers. The Altar (2 arrangements) are \$80 and the Hymn Board and Pedestal (one arrangement each) is \$50. The check goes to TVC, made payable to TVC. We work a month in advance so if you wish to sponsor, please let me know about one month ahead of time. If you need more information, please call Judith Krall at 910.235.0303 or email Judith at [judithkrall@nc.rr.com](mailto:judithkrall@nc.rr.com).

#### MUSIC SERIES

Join the Chapel community for The Village Chapel Music Series presents The Duke University Chorale with conductor Dr. Allan Friedman on Sunday, November 3 at 4:00 p.m.

### SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

*Feel the JOY of  
Volunteering!*

We have a variety of opportunities depending on how much time you would like to devote.

Co-Chairs are strongly encouraged as a fun way to work together and to ease time commitments.

*All events and volunteer opportunities are grounded in our mission statement*

[Click here for more details](#)  
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# WOC

## SCHEDULED EVENTS & BIBLE STUDY

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### EVENTS AT A GLANCE

#### Women of the Chapel Steering Committee

The WOC Steering Committee monthly meetings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month beginning at 9:30am at the Care Cottage. The next monthly meeting will be held on November 12. All Women of the Chapel are encouraged and welcome to attend. Please join us to meet our Committee Chairs, embrace our fellowship and help plan our events. **\*There will be no meeting in December\***

#### Cross Ties

Cross Ties brings together women who participate in the three worship services giving them the opportunity to get to know each other, pray together, and feel more deeply connected to the church "family." All Women of the Chapel are invited and encouraged to attend. Cross Ties Luncheon will be held Tuesday, November 12, at 11:45 a.m. at The Pine Crest Inn. If you plan to attend, please remember RSVPs are due by noon on Friday, November 8. If you have any questions, please contact Jan Cooke at 910.280.0602 or cheznous@windstream.net. No response is needed by those who have planned to attend monthly, unless unable to attend. Cancellations must have been received by noon on Friday, November 8, to avoid being responsible for the cost. **\*There will be no luncheon in December\***

#### Faith & Fellowship Morning Walk

Saturdays from 9:00am – 10:00a.m. on November 2 & December 7. Meet at Heritage Hall. Contact for this event is Lyla Elliott – 910.773.0256.

#### It's time for 2024 Chrismons!

Come and help create Chrismons for the Chapel Tree. The 2024 Chrismons will be a Candle in a Christmas Wreath and a Crystal Cross. We will use wires to string white, red and green beads to create the candle in a wreath. Shiny crystal beads will be used to make the crosses. The workshops will be held on Thursday, November 7th from 1:00 to 3:30 p.m. and Friday, November 8th from 9:30 to 12:30 p.m. in one of the Chapel's conference rooms. The workshops are always a time of fun and fellowship and a wonderful way to begin the season of Christmas.

Contact Janis Sholtis at janissholtis@gmail.com to let her know when you're able to attend.

#### Christmas Brunch

December 4, 2024, at Forest Creek Golf Club. Guest Speaker Linda Berry & Pianist/Vocalist Cathy Stewart. Our theme for 2024 is "Joy to the World" Tickets are \$37.00. See page 2 for more details & how to reserve your seat!

#### WOC Bible Study

Nancy Manley is following up her last Bible study "Feasts of the Lord" with a new 5-week study by Ray Vander Laan called "Fire on the Mountain" which is about Mt. Sinai. It's the perfect complement to Nancy's previous Bible study. The first session will be at 10:00 a.m. on Monday Nov 4 at the Care Cottage. Space is limited. To register, contact Nancy Manley at nlby@nc.rr.com.

### NEW IN 2025!

**Book Club** – Interested in joining our Christian Book Club? There will be an information meeting in January. Please contact Renee at Reneecassidy@gmail.com if you would like more information or to attend. *There is a 12-person limit.*

**Women's Health Education** - The Women's Health Education committee's mission is to improve our health guided by God's directive: Our bodies Our temples. Objectives include fellowship events in collaboration with Health Organizations to bring awareness and education to women. First event in January/February of 2025. We plan to send a survey to all women of the chapel with questions pertaining to future events and health issues they would be interested in. *Please contact Lyla Elliott at 910.773.0256 or lylaelliott23@gmail.com with any questions.*

**Keys to Freedom Study Group** - *Keys to Freedom* is an interactive discipleship study to educate equipped and empower you with biblical keys to live free and stay free. More details coming soon! *Any questions please contact Renee Cassidy @ Reneecassidy@gmail.com.*

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

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*If you prefer not to receive emails from WOC, please email "OPT OUT" in subject line or call us, thank you.*