

# THE CHAPEL MESSENGER

AUGUST 2023

## A Letter from Pastor Josh

*"Raising Up Fully Committed Followers of Jesus Christ." July 2023*

Chapel Friends,

As you know, we have been going through a sermon series on a fresh new vision for our church. God is doing some amazing things at Chapel Church. Think about the major blessings we have seen God do through this congregation over the past year.

I am excited, friends. I am excited for who God is, and I am excited for God's faithfulness. He is going to continue to bless us, surprise us, and grow us. So I challenge you to think about what excites you about God? Let us see through eyes of faith, be open to the movement of the Spirit, and be obedient followers of Christ. Wherever He leads, we will go.

For Him,

Pastor Josh

### **Contact Us**

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### **Worship Schedule:**

8 AM – Traditional

9:15 – Small Groups &  
Sunday School

10: 30 AM – Modern

Join us online on our  
Facebook page or  
chapelchurch.org

### **Church Office Hours:**

Monday – Friday

9: 30 AM – 12: 30 PM

### **Prayer Chain:**

chapelpt@gmail.com

# Worship Updates

Holy Communion – August 6, 2023



Aug 3	Youth night 6:30 – 8
Aug 6	Sunday Schl 9:15 – 10:15
Aug 10	Youth night 6:30 – 8
Aug 13	Sunday Schl 9:15-10:15
Aug 17	Youth night 6:30 – 8
Aug 20	Sunday Schl 9:15-10:15
Aug 24	Youth night 6:30 – 8
Aug 27	Sunday Schl 9:15-10:15
Aug 31	Youth night 6:30 – 8



## Here's what's happening in our ministry . . .

### **SUMMER 2023: SUNDAY SCHOOL**

The 5-6 year old and elementary classes are combined for the summer. They are meeting in room A2 in the education wing. We respect family time and understand vacations for all are common during the summertime. Thanks for understanding!

### Reminder:

#### **JULY 30<sup>th</sup> – SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Chapel Children will meet in the education wing while adults fellowship. The kids will do a service project while enjoying their own breakfast foods. We hope your child can join us!

Reminder – Maria will be on maternity leave for the month of August ( possibly into Sept).

**Thank you for allowing me to serve you and your family! Here at Chapel Church, we are raising our kids together! If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact me: [maria@chapelchurch.org](mailto:maria@chapelchurch.org) or 484-264-1621.**

## **TIME TO CELEBRATE!!!**

- \*165 years in ministry as a congregation
- \*40 years offering a Christian Day Care for the community
- \*new beginnings for new ministry opportunities
- \*fresh anointing with God's Holy Spirit
- \*faithfulness of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

Mark your calendar for Sunday – September 17

10:30am - Celebration Worship (outdoor)

9:00am - 'Open House' Fellowship Time

12noon - Sunday Meal with short program

### **The Chapel Rummage Sale**

The Chapel Rummage Sale will be a CHURCH-WIDE fundraiser – and the profit will go strictly to mortgage reduction. It will be held May 2, 3 and 4 of 2024. So as you sort and clean and de-clutter and downsize, please keep this in mind for donating to Chapel. You will definitely be hearing more about this as plans are made and how you can help.

Thank you

Ray and Pat Forney

## **Little Dresses for Africa**

**One last update and**

**One final thought**

**Chapel family, our beautiful dresses have arrived at the headquarters of Little Dresses for Africa and will soon be on their way to Africa. The final total of dresses we sent were 138. Isn't that AWESOME! I feel that we have fulfilled God's plan to be the hands and feet of Jesus to these little girls. May we continue to serve in mission to those around us.**

**I also received a letter from Rachel O'Neill this week. She sent a lovely letter to us here at Chapel. I want to share with you some of what she wrote.**

**"I have been amazed at how God has blessed this ministry and I don't even sew! We are grateful for what you have sent and for the monetary and generous donations you have given. Yes it is impossible to get pictures of specific dresses on the kids since we have sent over 10 MILLION and it is a madhouse when we distribute them and we are so busy getting them on the kids before the sun goes down cause there is no electricity there. Keep looking on the website as it is updated often to see new dresses on kids. Thanks again for your generous support! Rachel"**

**Can you imagine all these little girls just running to find a new dress to wear? It must be such an awesome sight!**

**To God be the Glory Great things he has done!**

**Dawn**

# Chow Chow

If you have never experienced Chapel's Chow-Chow, it is available. Pints are \$5.00 and Quarts are \$10.00. To purchase, see Mary Ann or Bertie in the church office or Jerry Henry, Michael Hengst or Dawn Snyder. All proceeds go towards the ministry of Chapel Church. Also, if you are interested in periodically helping to make Chow-Chow, contact Jerry Henry or Charlie Hess.

## Leadership Council – Loan Update

### GOD IS GOOD!

It has been a good week since we last communicated!

Thank you all for your support and encouragement.

We have received some donations and transferred remaining funds from the HVAC Fund (that is no longer needed) to fund the General Fund.

We will be paying \$220,000 on the Mortgage by the end of the week, leaving us a balance of approx. \$527,000.

Our new monthly payment will be \$3,907.88!

Traditions Bank has re-amortized our loan and will be saving us \$1,615 per month.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks!

Debi

## AUGUST PRAYER FOCUS – UNITY

Dear Fellow Believers at Chapel -- Are you embracing these beautiful summer days... warmth and sunshine to our bones, pleasant maybe even a tad more than pleasant (!) temperatures, bountiful gardens and produce stands, vacations or “staycations” to relax and pursue activities or tasks that are enjoyable or productive and opportunities for fellowship at picnics or walks in the neighborhood . Do you keep folding lawn chairs in the back of your car? Ingredients for an easy dessert in your pantry? Ready for a spontaneous gathering? If so, you totally are also ready and understanding of our August Prayer Focus. These lazy days of summer call out for coming together.... in unity. Why is there a packed audience at a York Revolution ball game? OK, some may have free tickets 😊 but I’ll bet they are united in their love of a baseball game. We come together on Sunday mornings because we love the Lord, and for goodness sake, we flock to Giant because we are united in our love of food!!!!

I couldn’t be more serious when I back up to our reason to come to church. Our unity is absolutely ESSENTIAL for our worship, for our gathering of tithes and offerings, for our praise, for our working together in ministry and for our representation of Chapel Church and how Jesus has touched our lives as we go out into our community.

Consider these words from our history to bring us encouragement and light to our path. May we LEARN from our forefathers and walk in the Way of wisdom, leaning into Jesus for the courage to stand united.

“Let us trust God and our better judgement to set us right hereafter. United we stand,  
divided we fall”. *Patrick Henry*

“Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation and every city or house divided  
against itself shall not stand.” *Jesus Matt 12:25*

“How good and pleasant it is when brothers live together in unity! It is like precious oil  
poured on the head”... *Psalm 133:1*

“Let there be no divisions in the church. Rather, be of one mind, united in  
thought and purpose”.

*I Cor 1:10*



More information to follow

### **Chapel Women Serving in Ministry Together**

It's a new beginning for Chapel Church. We, the current members of the women's ministry group, also wish for a new beginning for Women in Ministry at Chapel. A new awakening in service to all the women of Chapel (including our homebound) and an outreach to the women and families in our community. We want to facilitate what YOU want to do. We want YOUR ideas and YOUR participation in developing a new vision for this group. We want to walk along side of you in your walk with Christ as we serve and grow together. We will continue to have fellowship opportunities as that is also an important part of us working together but we also want to serve together as the Women of Chapel in service projects both within our church family and within our community. We invite you to come to our next gathering on September 14 at 6:30 PM to share your ideas for this new beginning. We want this to be YOUR group and we are here to facilitate what YOU want this group to be. Feel free to contact any committee member or the church office with any questions, ideas, wants, needs or concerns. Let us be the hands & feet of Our Lord.





Contact Kristina Ogurcak for more information. Parental Consent, Contact Information and a waiver of liability for any injuries is required. We are also looking for volunteers for each session( preferably male or husband/wife). If you are over 18 and planning to participate in the games, that will count as a volunteer.

### **Thanksgiving Meal Planning Meeting**

Chapel will once again be providing a free meal on Thanksgiving Day. The first planning meeting will be Tuesday August 1 at 6:30 PM in the Education Wing. If you are interested in helping with this event, please come out to the meeting. Contact Kristina Ogurcak with any questions.

## Summer Bible Study for Ladies

### The Holy Spirit

This study will only require your Bible! And You!

You're invited to come out for an informal Bible Study about the Holy Spirit. We will be reading scriptures and having shared conversations. This is not a lecture, but other materials will be shared as we go along. We will begin with a "getting to know you" question to incorporate a bit of fellowship!

As with other summer studies, attendance is as you are able. This type of study makes it easy for you to share with flexibility. Whether you can come out for a couple of weeks, or all six weeks, you are welcome! Bring a friend or visitor, too. And bring your Bible!

If you have any questions, feel free to call me at 717-757-2931. Please leave a message if I do not answer. In order to know number of ladies attending, please sign up after either church service. I'll look forward to seeing you and sharing in this new style of study.

We will meet in the last classroom in the Education Wing. **Wednesdays, July 26 thru August 30<sup>th</sup> from 7-8 PM.** Facilitated by Marilyn Kotcher

## Chapel Church Small Group Study Classes – August

George Bradshaw, Director of Adult Ministries

<u>Class Name</u>	<u>Current Study</u>	<u>When</u>	<u>Where</u>	<u>Teacher</u>
God & Bible	“Holy Spirit”	Sunday 9:15	Lounge	Muriel Slenker
Crusaders for Christ	“Genesis”	Sunday 9:15	Ed Wing-A4	Wilson Henry
Families for Christ	“Judges”	Sunday 9:15	Fellowship Hall	Gaye Ludwig
Women’s Class	“The Good Book”	Sunday 9:15	Ed Wing A6	Jean Chubb
Partners with Christ	“Jonah”	Sunday 9:15	Library	Cathy Grim
Men’s Class “Discipleship”		1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thurs. (6:30 PM)	Ed Wing	Ryan Ogurcak
Women’s Class – on summer break		1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday (6:30 PM)		Hope McKinnell
ROMEO	Men’s breakfast	Monday morning		Bill Leight
GEMS	Women’s breakfast	Friday morning		Mary Ann /Regena
Ladies Prayer Group (Ed Wing)		Wednesday 9:00 AM		Bonnie Bluett
Ladies Prayer Group (every other week)		Tuesday 6:30 PM		Gaye Ludwig

## CHAPEL LEADERSHIP COUNCIL – 2023

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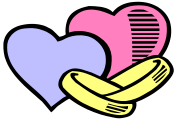
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# Happy Birthday & Anniversary:

August 1	Brian & Linda Conner	August 15	Matt & Katie Logan
August 8	Kevin & Christine Helmeczi	August 25	Clint & Christy Snyder
August 11	Steve & Pat Miller	August 26	Mike & Debi Deller
August 13	Wilson & Lana Henry		



1	Bruce Bailey	10	Loretta Wagaman	22	Lois Orwig
1	Adam Schell	11	Molly Conrad	22	Denny Slenker
3	Sylvia Smeltzer	11	Shirley Sides	23	Regan Koons
5	Jim Fickes	12	Cheryl Elliehausen	23	Rod Toomey
6	Dawn Snyder	14	Bertie Wallick	25	Cheryl Blessing
7	Samantha Fritz	15	Zander Albright	26	Kelly Cromwell
7	Linda Henry	15	Caden Snyder	27	Eileen Armstrong
7	Matt Lauer	17	Sarah Smith	27	Norma Boyd
7	Barry Tobias	17	Gayle Wiemeyer	27	Barb Forry
8	Brett Tyson	18	Laina Angel	28	Angie McWilliams
8	Scott Tyson	18	Hope McKinnell	28	Diane Leight
10	Brandy Bailey	18	Cindy Smeltzer	28	Jordan Shoff
10	Delana Stem	20	Elyse Kessler	30	Ryan Ogurcak
				30	Amy Waltemyer

Congratulations to Shirley Sides on her 95<sup>th</sup> birthday. Shirley is visited by our homebound team and always asks what is happening at Chapel. We would like to shower her with cards on this occasion. Her address is 80 Morningside Drive, York, PA 17402

Note: at the time of this publication Shirley is in the hospital at UMPC Memorial. We are praying for healing.

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**Return Service Requested**



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And catch up with what's happening at Chapel!

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