

THE CHAPEL MESSENGER

FEBRUARY 2023

A Letter from Pastor Josh

"Raising Up Fully Committed Followers of Jesus Christ." February 2023

Chapel Friends,

It's amazing, we just ended the Christmas season, and now it's time to get ready for Easter. Ash Wednesday is February 22, and we will once again, have Sunday evening Lent gatherings with the Red Lion cluster. Last year, we had a great time gathering and fellowshiping with other local churches.

This is also a time of questioning and uncertainty. Even though change is happening all around us, it's a time we need to activate our faith more than ever. The Lord our God will provide for His people. We must seek His will for our lives, and the life of our church. I'd also like to thank the dedication of our leadership council and staff during the past few months. We have an amazing group here, and I look forward to leading with them for such a time as this.

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

February 9 – Charge Conference to approve refinancing the mortgage loan – 7:00 PM – Sanctuary

February 19 – No Sunday School – 9:15 Fellowship hour in the fellowship hall – 10:30 Combined Worship in the Parish Bldg – Pastor Dave Brenneman will be preaching.

Special Lent Services – 6:00 PM worship with fellowship afterwards – see separate page for location listings



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| Feb 2 | Youth Night 6:30 - 8 |
| Feb 5 | Sunday Schl 9:15 – 10:15 |
| Feb 9 | Youth night 6:30 – 8 |
| Feb 12 | Sunday Schl 9:15 – 10:15 |
| Feb 16 | Youth night 6:30 – 8 |
| Feb 19 | Sunday Schl 9:15 – 10:15 |
| Feb 23 | Youth night 6:30 – 8 |
| Feb 26 | Sunday Schl 9:15 – 10:15 |

CHILDREN'S MINSITRY

5-6 Year Old Sunday School

On **January 8th**, the 5- and 6-year old's began meeting in the daycare's lunch room. To find this room, turn left when entering the education wing, go through the double doors, and continue down the hallway. The room is tucked in the corner before turning towards the sanctuary. We are so excited about this class and look forward to seeing how the class progresses!

New Security Measures for our Nursery and Children's Areas:

In an effort to keep our children as safe as possible, the education wing will be locked during our Sunday School Hour beginning at 9:25 and will locked until the 10:30 service is over. There will be a doorbell available at the main education wing entrance (under the awning) for anyone who must enter this portion of the building during the secured times. There is also a doorbell at the entrance in the hallway from the main bldg. There is dedicated person inside the Ed Wing to let anyone and there will also be a roamer/greeter in the parking lot during these times. Thank you for your efforts to help us provide a safe environment for our children as they learn about Jesus and his great love for them!

Activity Bags Available for children ages 5-3rd grade during 10:30am worship

Parents: Please note that activity bags are available for children ages 5-3rd grade for use during the 10:30 worship service if desired. These bags are located in a wicker basket in the lobby of the parish building and are filled with fun activities to keep young hands busy. If your child would like to use an activity bag, please return it to the wicker basket after the service. Another option available for children ages 5-3rd grade is to participate in Junior Church. See below for more information.

Junior Church is Back!!

Junior Church will be available in the education wing every week for children ages 5-3rd grade during the 10:30 worship service. Junior Church is a time of fun activities, biblical instruction, and play. The children will be dismissed to Junior Church after our time of praise singing, where an adult will accompany them to the Education wing. Parents can pick up their child(ren) in the education wing after the service.

FAMILIES FOR CHRIST SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS FUNDRAISER

ORDER DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 26, 2023 DELIVERY DATE: TENTATIVE MARCH 27-31 2023

Fund Raised will be used towards our Disaffiliation Costs

Contact Gayle Wiemeyer with any questions

Sold to: _____ Phone: _____

| Product Name | \$LB | #Bags | Total \$ |
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| 1. Mammoth Pecan Halves | \$13.00 | _____ | _____ |
| 2. Deluxe Mix(no peanuts) | \$13.00 | _____ | _____ |
| 3. Giant Cashews- Salted | \$13.00 | _____ | _____ |
| 4. Honey Roasted Peanuts | \$8.00 | _____ | _____ |
| 5. Sweet and Salty Trail Mix | \$10.00 | _____ | _____ |
| 6. Chocolate Covered Raisins | \$10.00 | _____ | _____ |
| 7. Milk Chocolate Bridge Mis | \$10.00 | _____ | _____ |
| 8. Milk Chocolate Peanuts | \$10.00 | _____ | _____ |
| 9. Giant Malted Milk Balls | \$10.00 | _____ | _____ |
| 10.Milk Chocolate Pecan Cluster | \$11.00 | _____ | _____ |
| 11.Dk Chocolate Sea Salt Caramels | \$11.00 | _____ | _____ |
| 12.Gummi Bears | \$ 8.00 | _____ | _____ |

Leadership Council Updates

At our Chapel Leadership Council retreat last November, our leadership facilitator encouraged us to conduct a Ministry Survey to help our church see how well our ministries were helping us to fulfill our mission of “raising up fully committed followers of Jesus Christ”. Pam Vucetich and Bonnie Bluett will be meeting with various ministry teams in the upcoming months to help them assess their ministry areas and determine if some new strategies would be helpful to more fully achieve our mission. If you have a small ministry area that you think some may not know about, please reach out to Pam at pvucetich@gmail.com or Bonnie at bonniebluett@yahoo.com. It will be interesting for us to compile a list of all of our current ministry areas and outcomes.

Women's Prayer Initiative Group

Do you have a heart for prayer concerns of Chapel Church? Would you appreciate gathering with women who feel as you do? Is praying with women something that stirs your soul? If so, you might consider joining us Tuesday evenings at 6:30-8:00, every other week, in the Lounge at the far end of the Lobby near the sanctuary. Please feel free to contact anyone listed below for more information.

Wendy Tobias, Gaye Ludwig, Barbara Toomey, Whitney Wargo and Kristina Ogurcak.

February Prayer Focus – REST

I love our Pennsylvania winter. Clean out closets (hmmm...maybe), binge watch old shows and movies (occasionally), loving the snow when it falls only on the grass (wishful) and definitely being a part of the God-ordained life cycle of rest and dormancy with building and storing energy needed for the days ahead. Read below for how the plants/bulbs handle this season.

Plant dormancy in winter doesn't mean that nothing is happening within the structures, it just means you don't see any growth above the ground. ***It is primarily a time of rest, but a few things are happening underground.*** Bulbs in winter need cold exposure as a necessary condition for them to form flowers. Dormant flower bulbs are experiencing a life cycle that promotes flowers and good foliage growth. Bulbs in winter need the cold exposure to eventually break dormancy bonds and force spring growth.

How can Chapel best use our time during this dormancy of our seasonal calendar? Accept this beautiful time in your life and in the life of the church to discover an unfamiliar book in the Bible, share your golden tidbits with another believer, be open to engage with those you interact with encouraging words and store your energy for when Christ calls you to be salt in the earth and a light to the world. Pray for “spiritual eyes” to be open during this time of self-reflection and finally, REST in the arms of the Good Shepherd as He cares for you in the chill, knowing that the next phase will be beautiful as you follow in His steps. And as you wait in dormancy, like the bulbs, may “a few things be happening to you underground”, my dear friends and fellow Chapel believers.

He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he restores my soul. Psalm 23:2-3

So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness. Continue to live in him. Colossians 2:6-7

Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. 2 Peter 3:18

Gaye Ludwig on behalf of the Women's Prayer Initiative Group

Lent Services 2023

February 26th

Emmanuel UMC

Rev. Chris Nauta

March 5th

Chapel UMC

Rev. Bill Jones

March 12th

Winterstown UMC

Rev. Ron Doverspike

March 19th

St. Paul's UMC

Pastor Angie Nett

March 26th

Bethany UMC

Rev. Becky McGee

April 2nd

Bethlehem Stonepile UMC

Rev. Josh Wargo



When: Friday March 3rd 6:00 – 8:00 PM

Where: Parish Building

This will be a congregational gathering to enjoy food, fellowship, and a short presentation. A discussion about praying (using the acronym tacos) will be led by Jesse Funk & Kristina Ogurcak.

Chapel Church Family,

I am not sure if your church has a prayer network but we always value the prayers of our partners in ministry! If it is ok with you all, I will periodically send you some requests you can pray over and/or share with your prayer warriors. We appreciate you all so much and thank you again for your support in so many ways!

1. Thank you for your continued support in prayer! It means the world to us!
2. Praise God, 2 students have decided to trust in Jesus Christ in January!!!! We are planning to move ahead with baptisms and connecting them to a faith community!
3. Praise God, He is tearing down walls with some of our most at-risk and troubled students. They have opened up to us concerning struggles as they say they have finally come to see us as mentors and people that genuinely care. Pray for healing, restoration, and repentance in these lives!
4. Praise God, one of our girls had a baby boy in January! We thank God mom, dad, and baby are healthy! We also lift them in prayer as they navigate parenthood at such a young age. Pray for change in these students' lives and that the baby would be loved and nurtured in a healthy and stable household!
5. Pray as we continue to see students open up to us about their struggles, addictions, difficult situations, and past trauma. This year we are starting many new programs to begin to help address some of these issues in our community.
6. Pray for students dealing with various difficult home situations. Pray for parents who are dealing with the complexities of teenagers and difficult circumstances. Pray for the people selling drugs to our teenagers that they may come to know Jesus and repent. Pray for those who are hurting, dealing with thoughts of suicide, self harm, violence, abuse, addiction, sexual assault, self-worth, and so many issues that young people should not have to deal with.
7. Pray for peace in the Red Lion Schools and for those who use violence to resolve conflict. Pray they would meet Jesus and know his peace, that they would become peacemakers themselves.
8. Continue to pray for our teen peer-to-peer suicide prevention program, Hope Squad. We have connected 15+ students who were expressing serious thoughts of suicide to appropriate resources. While we rejoice in the success of the program and that students are getting help, it also reveals the great need and the severity of the current struggles in mental health.
9. Pray for financial support so that we can continue doing what God has called us to do and also continue to grow and offer more services to the struggling families in Red Lion.
10. Pray that God would send new volunteers who will come alongside the students and be models of who Jesus is, showing them love, compassion, mercy, and grace.
11. Pray for our discipleship group, our conversations with students concerning faith, and our connections to be strengthened with sponsoring churches. Our desire and goal is for students to come to know Jesus Christ. Pray for the many students who do not know Him, do not believe in Him, that they would seek Him with their whole hearts, that they would hear the Gospel and respond in faith, that Jesus' name, His power, and His love would be known and praised here in Red Lion among the young people!

Until they all know,

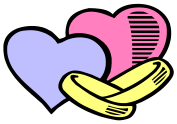


Chris Kenna

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Happy Birthday & Anniversary:

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| Feb 5 | Brad & Christine Sprenkel | Feb 22 | Jeff & Chris Schaeberle |
| Feb 9 | Ken & Donna Kreiger | Feb 26 | Jon & Brenda Wagner |
| Feb 21 | Tony & Eleanor Grosse | | |



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| 2 | Dean Holtzapple | 16 | Pam Vucetich | 24 | Ron Dowell |
| 2 | Ben McWilliams | 17 | Tom Gardner | 25 | Bill Leight |
| 3 | Gary Boyd | 17 | David Schott | 26 | Anne LeGore |
| 3 | Jacob Lauer | 18 | Joshua Henning | | |
| 4 | Missy Eberly | 18 | Johanna Henning | | |
| 6 | Perry Bailey | 18 | Sam Koons | | |
| 6 | Sabrina Schell | 18 | Jason LeGore | | |
| 8 | Clara Bradshaw | 18 | Barb Toomey | | |
| 8 | Brian Conner | 18 | Tyler Witmer | | |
| 11 | Faith Brewton | 19 | Holden Smith | | |
| 11 | Madison Uffelman | 19 | Taryn Stem | | |
| 13 | Bill Heindel | 21 | Penny McClane | | |
| 14 | Flynn McKinnell | 23 | Ben Wise | | |
| 15 | Heather Dunn | | | | |

February 13 is Bill Heindel's 80th birthday. We invite you to send him a birthday card.

Bill & Judy Heindel
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3050 Cape Horn Rd
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Return Service Requested



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And catch up with what's happening at Chapel!

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