

THE CHAPEL MESSENGER

JULY 2023

A Letter from Pastor Josh

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

Chapel Family,

I would like to celebrate the joy of a successful 2023 Vacation Bible School. We were able to connect with nearly 50 children and families over four nights. We also welcomed several day care families to VBS. I'd like to thank Maria and her team for a job well done. After a year of loans, land sale, mortgage refinance, and disaffiliation, this was very rewarding.

I also ask you all to prayerfully consider helping with our youth group. Ian informed the church on June 25 that he is in need of some new volunteers. With Katie Logan and Jesse Funk moving on, we need to make sure we develop new youth leaders. If you are interested please email ian@chapelchurch.org. Volunteers must be 22 years old, attended Chapel for at least 6 months, and have a love for Jesus.

In Christ,

Pastor Josh

Contact Us

W: chapelchurch.org

P: 717-244-6375

f: @ChapelChurch

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

July 9 – New Beginning / Renewal of Baptism & Membership Vows Service (normal times)

July 16 – Family Meeting – 9:15 – Fellowship Hall – no Adult SS (kids will have SS)

July 30 – Combined Worship in the Grove at 10:30 with the Itzels. Fellowship Hour at 9:15 in the parish bldg.. Children will have SS & breakfast in the Ed Wing during the fellowship hour



July 2	Sunday Schl 9:15 – 10:15
July 6	Youth night 6:30 – 8
July 9	Sunday Schl 9:15 – 10:15
July 13	Youth night 6:30 – 8
July 16	Sunday Schl 9:15-10:15
July 20	Youth night 6:30 – 8
July 23	Sunday Schl 9:15-10:15
July 27	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!

VBS 2023 – A SUCCESS!!

A huge THANK YOU to all our volunteers who helped make this year's VBS absolutely awesome! The children solved our big mystery of how do we worship God while learning about four different parables. They dug into their own gifts, talents, skills, and stories to uncover what they can do when they left VBS. It was four days filled with fun and Biblical truths!

JULY 2nd – VBS RECAP

During both our services, we will play a short slide show of pictures taken during VBS week. Additionally, we will give a recap of the event. Stay tuned!

JULY 30th – 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!

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 or 484-264-1621.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Hello everyone! The announcement I have for you today may be surprising to you but it's important and necessary for everyone to hear.

Let me share about our amazing youth group. We have a great group of kids who love the Lord! Our kids are passionate about their faith journey they fight over who gets to read scripture, they are engaged in the lessons and in worship and they love to serve the community through outreach.

Back on April 30th we had to say goodbye to a very faithful advisor in Katie Logan which put the number of advisors that we have to 2. Jesse has been receiving interest from other Churches for a ministry roll and it is very likely that he will be stepping away to serve another congregation in August.

In light of that there is a great need for at least 2 people preferably 3 people to step up and serve the youth group. The reality is if no one feels called into this ministry by August 1 the youth ministry at chapel will not be able to continue. If this information upsets you and you have felt God nudging you towards volunteering for the youth ministry please pray about it and reach out to me I would love to talk to you!

I'm looking for someone who is 22 years old or older is able to serve every Thursday from 6:30-8pm and is able to carve time out for monthly events which are typically on Saturdays.

This person should be passionate about building relationships, and have a personal walk with Christ.

Thank you all for being in prayer about this and I'm excited to talk to you if you feel called to this ministry.

In Christ,

Ian

Archive Help Needed

Looking for assistance in sorting and purging some items in the archives. This is an on-going process but a concerted effort this summer will help to downsize the collection of documents which are no longer necessary. If you have a few hours on any day and would like to offer your time, please contact Muriel Slenker for more information. Some photos need to be put in albums, some albums of memories could be refreshed, and a few small filing cabinets could use some clearing out. Any help will be appreciated.

DAY CARE NEWS

Greeting From Day Care!

We have been extremely busy this summer having fun , learning about summer traditions and enjoying God's creation here on the Chapel grounds. We have really been enjoying looking for the different painted rocks on the walking trail!

If you get a chance, check out our small raised garden outside the new wing. We have been caring for tomato's, cucumbers, romaine lettuce and herbs. We will be enjoying the flavors of each as they grow. We love watering them and really like when it becomes time to pick the produce. We eat everything we grow for lunch. Thanks to God for some rainy weather finally to help our plants!

On another note we are preparing for our STAR renewal. Our staff has been working hard preparing our center, completing trainings and goals and developmental evaluations on all of our students. We will be hosting an evaluator in July as they come to see our center. This is all work above and beyond what we are required by the state of Pennsylvania to do. It is a quality indicator of our center.

We also have just started exercises with Kristina Ogurcak weekly. The kids love it! We'll all get in shape! Thank you for volunteering!

Thank you everyone for your continued prayers and support! We love you all!



Summer Fest

JULY 29, 2023
12:00 - 6:00 PM

WE ARE ACTIVELY RECRUITING VOLUNTEERS

PLEASE FILL OUT THE VOLUNTEER FORMS IN THE NEWSLETTER OR BULLETIN AND RETURN THEM TO THE OFFICE BY 06/30/2023.

DONATIONS NEEDED

Baked Goods
Bonnie Bluett

Pies, cakes, cookies, etc.

Items are due between 4-7 PM on July 28th or July 29th by 10 AM.

Makers Market
Mary Ann Hildebrand-Tierney

Handcrafted items

Silent Auction
Mary Ann Hildebrand-Tierney

Big ticket or specially crafted items to be auctioned

Volunteer Signup Sheets will be in the lobbies.

July Prayer Focus - Grace

Dear Friends,

It is with joy that we share our prayer focus for the month of July... the pure, lovely, precious, breathable, comforting and totally God-like favor of.... **grace**. We've not deserved it, we've not earned it. However, it has landed upon our fellowship, upon our property and upon our leadership.

As noted last Sunday by Pastor Josh, our doors have closed within the UM conference and our opening door is through an association that is more aligned to Chapel's adherence to biblical views and scriptural interpretation. Let us thank God for the grace to move forward, for grace to lay down that which has hindered us and the grace to pick up that which is needful, as well as grace to accept the changes that have challenged us. And, finally, we rejoice in the grace that weaves us together as believers in God and believers in His perfect plan of salvation... Jesus.

Consider the lyrics of this song. May you see our fellowship breathing in the open door of tomorrow, but always remembering who got us through this far... God. He is Great. He is Good. He is Grace.

TELL YOUR HEART TO BEAT AGAIN

You're shattered
Like you've never been before
The life you knew
In a thousand pieces on the floor
And words fall short in times like these
When this world drives you to your knees
You think you're never gonna get back
To the you that used to be
Tell your heart to beat again
Close your eyes and breathe it in
Let the shadows fall away
Step into the light of grace
Yesterday's a closing door
You don't live there anymore
Say goodbye to where you've been
And tell your heart to beat again

Beginning
Just let that word wash over you
It's alright now
Love's healing hands have pulled you through
So get back up, take step one
Leave the darkness, feel the sun
'Cause your story's far from over
And your journey's just begun
Let every heartbreak
And every scar
Be a picture that reminds you
Who has carried you this far
'Cause love sees farther than you ever could
In this moment heaven's working
Everything for your good

Songwriters: Bernie Herms / Matthew West / Randy Phillips

Gaye Ludwig on behalf of the Women's Prayer Initiation Group: Wendy Tobias, Barbara Toomey, Kristina Ogurcak and Whitney Wargo



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.

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.

Henderson Settlement

Urgent Need:

Henderson Settlement, located in Frakes KY, has been a long-standing mission site which Chapel Church has supported for many decades. Various mission teams have traveled there for a week of supporting the work of the mission site and the residents of the area which is served. This is a mountainous area which is one of the absolutely poorest in the US. It offers a food pantry and economy store, afterschool and youth programs, a senior center, and much more. One of the most difficult projects is helping with repairs of homes or rebuilding of severely damaged properties, etc. Without the work teams and financial aid of partnering churches across the country, little help is available.

Operation Strength, Inc. is a small non-profit started and operated by Matt Wiemeyer from Chapel Church. He has spent many years and countless hours of hard work on the Henderson Settlement Farm with vital land projects which must be accomplished as a benefit to the mission and purpose of the settlement. Matt reports that the past few years have been extremely hard for several reasons, all of which have stretched the financial resources to a virtual breaking point.

The immediate need is for funds to support a special project which must be completed within the next couple months due to the grant which was acquired for the work. Any questions may be sent to Matt Wiemeyer at bearlock5@yahoo.com and all special/extra donations should be sent directly to Operation Strength, Inc [OSI] with a notation for Henderson Settlement.

Thank you in advance!

Matt Wiemeyer

Muriel Slenker

The Board of Directors appreciate any support which you are led to donate at this time.

[on behalf of the board members: Tom Richards, Chris Kessler, Muriel Slenker, Seth King]

UPCOMING EVENTS

JULY

08

Men's
Breakfast

9 AM



15

Men's Disc
Golf Outing

1 PM



22

Cards with
Barb

9 AM - 12 PM



29

Summer
Fest

12 - 6 PM



30

Worship with
the Itzel's

10:30 AM



July Newsletter for Adult Ministries

Our small group classes are a great way to deepen your spiritual journey with God. If you would like to know more about a class, or to learn about a class topic, please feel free to contact me at the email address listed below.

I have received many requests for access to RightNow Media over the past several weeks. Awesome! If you had an established RNM account in the past and forgot your user name, it is your email address. If you forgot your password, go to the RNM web site, enter your user name and click, forgot password. I can only send a new invitation to a person who never had an account with RNM. If you would like me to check on the email address on file for you with RNM, questions on resetting a password, or would like a new invitation due to you now having a new email address, please reach out to me at your convenience.

Also, on the RNM homepage on the left side of the screen, you will see a listing of libraries. If you click on Chapel Church, you will see the channels that I have set up for your use. There are channels for our class lessons, lessons on dealing with emotions, and the comfort of God. Please feel free to check out the many opportunities that are available to you and your family on RNM. For more information about what is available, please contact me at George@chapelchurch.org.

Blessings,
George

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 30th from 7-8 PM.** Facilitated by Marilyn Kotcher

The Itzels

In Concert



**CHAPEL OUTDOOR
WORSHIP
WITH THE ITZELS
JULY 30 @ 10:30 AM**

ItzelMusic.com

A Love offering will be received and the Itzels' CD's
and other products will be available



MEN'S
DISC
GOLF

Outing

SAMUEL LEWIS STATE PARK

AT
1 PM

**16TH, JULY 2023
SUNDAY**

CONTACT:

RYAN OGARCUK

Cards with Barb



FELLOWSHIP HALL

SATURDAY

JULY 22

9 AM - 12 PM

REGISTER NOW

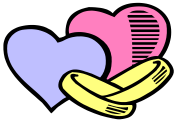
Cost & additional details on sign-up sheet.



Chapel Church Small Group Study Classes – July

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” (Right Now Media)		1 st & 3 rd Thurs. 6:30 PM	Ed Wing	Ryan Ogurcak
Women’s Class – on summer break		1 st & 3 rd Thursday 6:30 PM		Hope McKinnell
ROMEO	Men’s breakfast	Monday morning		Bill Leight
GEMS Reinoehl	Women’s breakfast	Friday morning		Mary Ann /Regena



Happy Birthday & Anniversary:

July 1	Don & Gayle Wiemeyer	July 30	Barry & Jane Dehoff
July 2	Pat & Ray Forney	July 31	Barry & Wendy Tobias
July 24	Ted & Anne LeGore		
July 29	Henry & Regena Reinoehl		



1	Leon Blessing	17	Julia Bradshaw
1	Katie Conner	19	Whitey Breeden
1	Chase Snyder	21	Donna Hoke
2	Eli Wilt	22	Mike Grim
6	Harrison Sorvillo	23	Emma Schaeberle
7	Kathy Groff	26	Cheyenne Fix
7	Isaiah Ogurcak	30	Stacey Angel
8	Len Kitlinski	30	Kathy Jo Hutcheson
9	Wendy Tobias	30	Doris Shearer
13	Katie Logan	30	Samuel Toomey
15	Jared Conrad	31	Debi Deller
15	Elliott Gingrich		

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Return Service Requested



Raising Up Fully Committed Followers of Jesus Christ

Go to our website

And catch up with what's happening at Chapel!

Chapelchurch.org