# THE CHAPEL MESSENGER

#### **MARCH 2024**

## A Letter from Pastor Josh

"Raising Up Fully Committed Followers of Jesus Christ."

Chapel Friends,

I just wanted to thank all of you for attending our community Lent gatherings. Chapel had the strongest representation at all worship services thus far. God is indeed doing a new thing. I am grateful to gather with likeminded brothers and sisters in Christ, within the PA South York District.

I'd like you to ponder a few things as we take this journey together. How have you recently encountered the risen Christ? What passages of Scripture have recently spoken to you? In what ways can you grow spiritually in your personal life over the 40 days of Lent?

Feel free to share any thoughts with me how God is speaking to you, for such a time as this.

#### 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 – Wednesday

9: 30 AM – 12: 30 PM

Thursday – Friday

10:30 AM – 1:30 PM

#### Prayer Chain:

chapelpt@gmail.com

In His name,

Pastor Josh

# **Worship Updates**

Holy Thursday Service – March 28 – 7:00 PM - Sanctuary

Easter Services – Sunrise Svc – 6:30 AM Combined Worship – 9:30 AM – Sanctuary

Fellowship between the services with light refreshments

## Community LENT SERVICES 2024



February 18 - Chapel Church 3050 Cape Horn, Rd., Red Lion, PA Message by Pastor Chris Nauta March 10 - Bethlehem Stonepile Church 250 Bethlehem Church Rd., Red Lion, PA Message by Pastor Jeremy Phipps

**February 25 - St. Paul's Church** 45 1st Avenue, Red Lion, PA Message by **Pastor Bryant Holtzapple**  March 17 - Highmount Community Church 5835 Furnace Rd., Highmount, PA Message by Pastor Josh Wargo

March 3 - Emmanuel Church Windsor 2185 Windsor Road, Red Lion, PA Message by Ian McKinnell

## SERVICES AT 6 PM



Mar 3	Sunday Schl 9:15-10:15		
Mar 7	Youth night 6:30 – 8		
Mar 10	Sunday Schl 9:15-10:15		
Mar 14	Youth night 6:30 – 8		
Mar 17	Sunday Schl 9:15-10:15		
Mar 21	Youth night 6:30 – 8		
Mar 24	Sunday Schl 9:15-10:15		
Mar 28	Holy Thursday		
Mar 31	Easter		



April 13, 2024 - 9:00 AM - Parish Bldg

#### March Prayer Focus

#### "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." -- Jesus, John 14:6

Greetings Friends and welcome to the month where winter is trying for one last hurrah and spring is chomping at the bit. It's what I call the almost month. It's almost warm enough to clean windows. It's almost warm enough to wash and pack away winter gloves and scarfs. And heaven forbid, it's almost cold enough for one last blizzard.

But March marches on, despite our joys or laments and it's a good thing because the Orchestrator of the seasons and the One who timed our blessed season of Jesus' sacrificial death down to the very hour, knew exactly what needed to be done. Let us draw near to the remaining days of Lent as we consider the above scripture.

Make it personal....Is Jesus the **Way** that you found the Father? Is he the **Truth** that you seek in scripture? Is he the **Life** that you find abundant and joyful? Then prayerfully consider the second line that tells us the only way to these precious jewels is by belief and surrender to Jesus, God's only Son. Herein lies our **March Memory Verse**, and again, use note cards or a way that works for you to daily read these words and let them take hold in your heart. We've also listed below some other stirring resurrection verses to bless your month of March. Go ahead, after you've memorized the "easy" one above, try another!

Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in me. In my Father's house are many rooms... I am going there to prepare a place for you. Jn 14:1-3

I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies. Jn 11:2

For we know that since Christ was raised from the dead, he cannot die again; death no longer has mastery over him. The death he died, he died to sin once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. Romans 6:9

If you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. Romans 10:9

--- Women's Prayer Initiative



#### Hello Chapel Family!

Thank you to everyone who has donated to our Love on Ore Valley drive. Our children have been doing a fantastic job with their shelf for Ore Valley! Although we were supposed to close the competition February 24<sup>th</sup>, we are going to extend it a few weeks to allow families and helpers to bring in any last minute items. If you haven't already, don't forget to vote for who you want to see pied! **SCAN THE BLUE OR CODE TO VOTE FOR PASTOR JOSH OR MISS MARIA!** 



#### **\*\*CURRENT DONATION NEEDS FOR CHAPEL CHILDREN MINISTRY:** Individual Candy for egg hunt for Easterrific Prize baskets for Easterrific raffle

#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THESE IMPORTANT DATES:

**March 23<sup>rd</sup>**: Easterrific, 10AM to 12PM - from snacks and crafts to egg digging and hunting, we would love to have your help! Please let me know if you are able to assist in any part of this event (parking, set-up, clean up, or at a table with the kids). Bringing your kids, grandkids, neighbors, and friends? Sign up using the black QR code!



**June 30<sup>th</sup>**: The Sunday Games (Kids versus teachers/helpers), 9:15AM (Sunday School) – this will be a fun time of fellowship and friendly competition to celebrate the end of the school year. If you would like to help or participate, please let me know!

**July 15<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>**: VBS, times TBA - help is always appreciated if you are able to volunteer some time! We already have some spots filled - get yours saved before it's too late! Last, but certainly not least - we are looking to start up a tweens group!!!! If you have a child in grades 4-6, **PLEASE CLICK HERE OR SCAN THE RED OR CODE TO HELP GUIDE OUR EFFORTS**.



Thank you for allowing me to serve your families. It is an honor and joy to be doing this part of life with you all. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to reach out. My cell number is 484-264-1621; you can also reach me by email (<u>maria@chapelchurch.org</u>).

Maria

#### Save the date: Chapel Rummage Sale

April 24, 25, 26 : Drop off.

Drop off is the time to bring your unwanted treasures to the parish building to become someone else's new found treasure.

April 27, 29, 30 & May 1: Sorting, setting up and pricing all the items collected.

May 2, 3, 4: Rummage Sale

We open the parish building to the public to shop.

This is a church wide project to help reduce the mortgage debt.

To accomplish all the above tasks it will take all of us working together as a family.

It is our chance to serve the church and the community.

Please prayerfully consider helping with this project, any amount of time you can help will be greatly appreciated.

Thank you

Any questions contact:

Ray Forney 717-891-8909

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#### Debt Elimination Team (DET) Updates:

#### THE TIME IS NOW

"So the debt was paid . . . for the people had a mind to work." – DET paraphrase of Nehemiah 4:6 – "So built we the wall . . . for the people had a mind to work."

- Mortgage balance as of printing of March newsletter: <u>\$395,708.93.</u> Please note that this is <u>\$6,127.53</u> *LESS* than reported in the February newsletter.
- Amount of interest paid since 2012: <u>\$616,445</u>.
- Wood Sales ongoing. Contact Kathy Shoff (717-515-9077)
   1/4 cord \$60
   1/2 cord \$80
   1/2 cord \$120
   1 cord \$200
- Thank you Families for Christ Sunday School class!!!!! The sale of Terri Lynn nuts and candies netted approximately \$180 they rounded up and matched and made a donation of \$400 to the mortgage. Way to go FFC Class!!!!!
- Romeo Scrappers thank you!!!!!! 2024 Scrap Delivery #1 = \$75.00
- Make a Joyful Noise for our LORD!



During February the DET challenged the church to make lots of NOISE in the worship service for mortgage reduction!!!! We are happy to report that loose change collected in February is \$. 882.27

"Make a Joyful Noise" <u>will continue</u> through the month of March. As you save loose change (paper money/checks gladly accepted too!!!!) throughout the week, bring it with you on Sunday mornings and place in the "churches" located in the lobbies of the church and the parish building.

As we see the debt being reduced, we can REJOICE because we were NOISY and are preparing the way for greater things at Chapel!

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• N E W S – <u>Chapel Car Show "restarted"</u>!!! Details will be forthcoming for this September event which benefits mortgage reduction. If you would like to help or have questions, see/call Whitey Breeden (717-501-5031).

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<u>Fickes Family Night of Music</u> – Saturday, July 13, 2024 at 6 pm in the sanctuary. A casual concert performed by our family, with free-will offering to benefit mortgage reduction.



#### \*Mission Moment – Operation Strength, Inc.

Operation Strength is a non-profit organization that was begun in 2013 by it's Founder and Executive Director, Matthew Wiemeyer. It was born out of his heart to ease life for those struggling with life challenges anywhere from physical disabilities to natural disaster rebuilding, as well as human trafficking, and poverty oppression. Matt grew up here at Chapel, parents of Gayle and Don Wiemeyer, and we have been privileged to watch this young man grow in his faith and become a servant of Jesus in word and deed.

Matt tells us, "To this point we have assisted disabled veterans with roofs, ramps, demolition, recovery efforts etc...worked on natural disaster rebuild and recovery, rescued victims from human trafficking, offered logistics management in food, hygiene and supply needs, and support of federal state and local government by a liaison relationship. We try to recognize God's call rather than only service. Being sensitive to where we can best utilize our gifts and talents is what we take most seriously."

To be more informed of Matt's whereabouts, feel free to contact the church to be added to OSI's e-mail updates. Matt appreciates keeping Chapel informed and being prayer warriors for his current and upcoming projects.

\* Mission Moment is brought to you by the Mission Team in order to bring attention to a particular mission project that Chapel supports by our finances and/or participation. We began last month with Chapel's Shower Ministry which is both financially funded by our Missions Team and also participated in by our Chapel members.

#### Save the Date

#### Chapel Blessing Bags – April 21 - 5:00PM – 7:00 PM Parish Bldg

This event will be an outreach opportunity for the congregation to bless a specific person in their life as well as fellowship with other people from the congregation. The missions team will be purchasing the bags and small items to put in them. More details will follow.









INTERESTED PLEASE CONTACT OFFICE

#### DayCare News

Hi Everyone!

This month at daycare we will be learning about the Wild West, Rainbows, Safari and Easter. For our Bible Unit we will be learning about Singing in Jail, Jesus Entering Jerusalem, the Empty Tomb and Jesus Is Alive.

We will be culminating our month with Easter parties and an egg hunt.

We are looking at hopefully this month being fully staffed. Please keep all daycares in your prayers. It is so difficult to find and maintain staff. Everyone is having difficulties not just us.

As with any jobs, the employees are just not there.

A special thank you to Linda Conners for volunteering to make muffins and pancakes for the daycare. Everyone has been loving the baked goods!

May everyone have a blessed Easter!

#### Save the Date

" Soul Care" – April 13, 2024 9:00 AM – 11:30 AM Living Word Community Church

Breakfast will be available from 8:00 AM – 9:00 AM

Registration opens the first week of March. When posters/flyers are available, they will be posted.

### **Chapel Church Small Group Study Classes – March**

### George Bradshaw, Director of Adult Ministries

<u>Class Name</u>	<u>Current Study</u>	<u>When</u>	Where	<u>Teacher</u>	
God & Bible	"Corinthians"	Sunday 9:15	Lounge	Muriel Slenker	
Crusaders for Christ "The Great Disappeara		nce" Sunday 9:15	Ed Wing-A4	various	
Families for Christ	Easter Devotional by	Sunday 9:15	Fellowship Hal	I Gaye Ludwig	
JD Greear ( Right Now Media)					
Women's Class	"Teach Us to Pray"	Sunday 9:15	Ed Wing A6	Jean Chubb	
Partners with Chri	ist "The Chosen"	Sunday 9:15	Library	Cathy Grim	
Couples for Christ "Pray Together"		Sunday 9:15	Basement	Ogurcak/McCleary	
Men's Class (	" 2 <sup>nd</sup> Timothy" Right Now Media)	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thurs. 6:30 PM	Ed Wing	Ryan Ogurcak	
Women's Class –		1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursd	ау	Hope McKinnell	
		6:30 PM			
ROMEO Men's breakfast		Monday morning	g- Two Brothers Ca	fe Bill Leight	
GEMS	Women's breakfast	Friday morning	Mary Ann Tier	ney/Regena Reinoehl	
Women's Prayer Group Initiative		Every Other Tues	day Lounge	Gaye Ludwig	
		2:00 PM		Wendy Tobias	
Men's Prayer Group		Monday 6:30 PM	l Lounge		

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# **Happy Birthday & Anniversary:**

Mar 4 Mar 11

Pam Cunningham Charlie & Cheryl Hess Mar 25

Mar 14

Jerry & Linda Henry Jim & Deb Fickes



- 2 Misty Goldstein
- 2 Tom Whetsel
- 3 Brooke Gingrich
- 4 Jerry Farrell
- 4 Connie Hussman
- 5 Dalton Orwig
- 7 **Rachel Conrad**
- 7 Kathy Leiphart
- 10 Jay Goldstein
- Michael Hengst 10
- 12 Addy Bailey
- 14 Linda Rinehart
- 16 Cassie Durham
- Ione Groff 16
- 18 Sam Odulana

- Lana Cooley 18
- 18 John McClane
- 20 Pat Miller
- 20 LeeAnn Wilt
- 22 John Wagaman
- 24 Toby Schoff
- 24 Nancy Smith
- 25 Jillian Tyson
- 26 Ruth Poff
  - 26 Ernie Smeltzer
- 26 Casey Helmeczi
- 28 Dan Cooley
- 29 Ruth Delia
- 29 Jeremy Orwig
- 30 Bradd Sprenkel

- David Bluett 31
- Lyra Schell 31

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**Return Service Requested** 



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